Card party planned

Shown here planning Wilkes-Barre General Hospital Auxiliary's card party are, from left, Mrs. Michael C. Dobbs, Shavertown; basket of cheer; Mrs. Michael Hudacek, Plymouth, porcelain doll; Mrs. Dennis J. Llewellyn, Kingston, tickets; Mrs. John Biernacki, Mountaintop, cochairman; Mrs. William Obeid, Mountaintop, co-chairman; Mrs. Sid Alinkoff, Edwardsville, books; Mrs. Warren Johnson, Kingston, treasurer; Mrs. Irving Pezzner, Wilkes-Barre, table prizes.

## Hospital Auxiliary sets card party

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital's Auxiliary is finalizing plans for its annual card party to be held Monday, April 30, at 1:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, South Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre.

is a raffle, during which a trip to Bermuda, a porcelain doll plus \$100 cash, a basket of cheer and a full-

Although the Commonwealth has regulatory authority to control the

growth of hospital capacity through

the Certificate of Need (CON) pro-

gram, expansion and replacement

plans continue to be approved in

areas of current excess capacity.

Tough recommended strengthening

of the CON program, and elimination of the loophole that permits hospitals to add up to 10 new beds every other year without obtaining

According to Tough, a short-term

moratorium is needed on granting

Certificates of Need which increase

hospital inpatient beds. During the

moratorium, a study would be done

to identify existing excess inpatient

capacity, and the study results

would be used in future CON deci-

Tough also said that Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania has

been a pioneer in designing and

implementing hospital payment sys-

tems that offer incentives for cost

containment, which is the third area

sions by the Commonwealth.

the program covers.

Baked goods, plants and books are also sold.

Auxiliary's annual fund raising events. All proceeds are donated to General Hospital to help defray the cost of various hospital expansion projects and to help in purchasing new hospital equipment. Men are

"We must expand the use of

incentive payment systems for hos-

pitals and other providers," he said. "Systems that encourage cost con-

tainment through flexible negotiated

payment arrangements, not a rigid

"Systems which encourage hospi-

tals to control both use and cost,

through economic incentives are

very promising," he added. "Pennsylvania's Blue Cross plans are

committed to expand the use of

such systems, and to the develop-

ment and implementation of new

and more effective incentive pay-

The fourth point Tough brought

out was that of encouraging price

competition in the health care

"Changes in Medicare payment policies, and in Medicaid payment

methods in Pennsylvania, are being

accompanied by other changes that

are making hospitals price-sensitive

to a greater degree than ever

before," he said. Growth in health

ment approaches.'

state-run rate-setting system.

now active in the Auxiliary. Leona Obeid and Alice Biernacki are cochairmen of the card party

Raffle and admission tickets are available from any Auxiliary memher and also at the door on

Those attending are asked to bring their own cards. Mrs. Stanley B. Ushinski is Auxiliary president.

maintenance organizations and the

development of other competitive

medical plans such as Preferred

Provider arrangements are bring-

ing new competitive forces to bear

on the health care system. Experts

agree that these developments will bring dramatic changes, if they are

"All of us are concerned with the

increases in health care costs," Tough added. "We have taken an

active leadership role in efforts to

Blue Cross, however, can't do it

"This program requires a coor-

diante effort on the part of all those involved: doctors, hospitals, hospi-

tal trustees, Blue Cross and Blue

Shield, business, labor, government and individuals," he said. "We are

prepared to take an active leadership role, to implement those pro-

grams we can do alone, and to work

with others where necessary. Our-

goal is the continued availability of

quality care at a price we can all

allowed to reach maturity

contain those costs.

alone. Tough explained.

# Cherry Blossom events listed

Following is the schedule for the 1984 Cherry Blossom Festival:

Friday, April 27 — Casino Night, Wilkes College Student Center (student I.D. required), 9 p.m.-mid-

Saturday, April 28 — Softball (Wilkes College) River Common, 10-1 p.m.; Cherry Blossom Carnival, River Common, 1-6 p.m.; Air Force Jazz Band, Wilkes College Gym, 2 p.m.; Cherry Blossom Party, Wilkes College Gym, 10-1 a.m.; "Look Back to the Hill", St.

Stephen's Church, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 29 — 10th Annual Cherry Blossom
Run, Kirby Park, 2 p.m.; King's College River
Regatta, West Pittston, 11 a.m.; King's Spring Con-

cert, King's Gym, 8 p.m. Monday, April 30 — Wilkes-Barre Jaycees Carnival, Stegmaier Lot, Monday-Friday 6-10:30 p.m.; Saturday, noon-midnight.

Thursday, May 3 — LCCC Art Exhibit, Provincial Towers, 5-9 p.m.; "1984", King's College, 8 p.m. Friday, May 4 — Annual Tree Planting, Sheraton

Crossgates, 11:45 a.m.; Annual Luncheon, Sheraton Crossgates, 12 noon; "1984" King's College, 8 p.m.; LCCC Art Exhibit, Provincial Towers, 7:30-6:30 p.m.; Great Rock Scare, Stegmaier Lot, 7-9 p.m.; Penn's Woods Girl Scouts Flea Market, Ice-A-Rama, 7:30-9

Saturday, May 5 — LCCC Art Exhibit, Provincial Towers, 7:30-6 p.m.; LCCC Art Exhibit Opening Reception, Provincial Towers, 2-4 p.m.; Penn's Woods Girl Scouts Flea Market, Elea-A-Rama, 10-7 p.m.; Penn's Woods Girl Scouts Flea Market, Opening reception, Ice-A-Rama, 2-4 p.m.; "1984", King's College, 9 p.m.; Penn's Woods Scouts Auction, Ice-A-Rama, 2-4 p.m.; Cherry Blossom Craft Project, Osterhout Library Lawn, 11-12 p.m.

Saturday, May 5 — Pat Ward, Clown, on the square, 11-5 p.m.; Oueen Contest, on the square, 11-12 p.m.

11-5 p.m.; Queen Contest, on the square, 11-12 noon; Sounds of Silence, on the square, 12-12:30 p.m.; Music Box Theater, on the square, 12:30-1 p.m.; LCCC Choral Ensemble, on the square, 1-2 p.m.; Luft Marionettes, on the square, 2-3 p.m.; Wyoming Historical and Geological Society 1890's Auction, on the square, 3-4 p.m.; Barbershop Harmony on the Square, on the square, (features barbershoppers from Pa, Va. and Md.) 4-5 p.m.

Monday, May 7 - LCCC Art Exhibit, Provincial

A yearly feature of the card party

(Continued from page 1)

certification.

sized, handmade quilt are awarded.

The card party is one of the

## **EDC** plans seminar

The Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Small Business Development Administration have joined together in inviting state and local experts on small business to speak on achieving successful start-up ventures and expansion and continuation of their respective commercial or industrial enterprises.

Small business expert panelists will be at the Hilton at Lackawanna Station, Scranton on April 27 and will include Thomas Joseph, President of Markdata, Inc., Pittston; John Yaissle, President, Yaissle Body Company, Pottsville; and Loren Shultz, Executive Director o the Montgomeryville Technology Center. These successful business people will be discussing strategic planning, financing, managing and motivating people.

Other important speakers participating will include John Sokolowski, Director of the Wilkes-Barre Branch Office, Small Business Administration and Lee Ciarmatori, Vice President of Wyoming National Bank. Both will be discussing current financial packaging strategies.

Local business persons and governmental officials interested in participating in this full day seminar may make a reservation by contacting Robert Murphy of the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania, 1151 Oak Street, Pittston, Pa. 18640-3795 or by calling (717) 655-5581. A fee of \$25.00 is being charged for the all day event and will include handout materials, a lunch and participation at a wine and cheese reception to be held. The conference is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 4;30 p.m. with registration 8 to 9 a.m.



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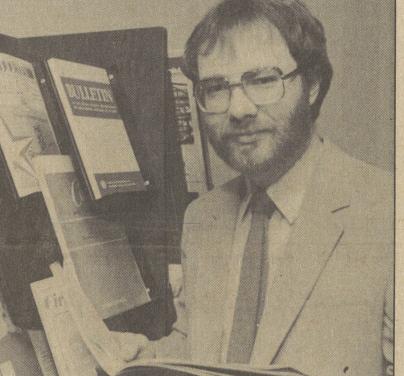
## 'Pajama Game' opens Friday

Nanci Krakosky of Swoyersville, plays the romantic lead of "Babe" in the "Pajama Game", scheduled to open on April 27 at the Music Box Playhouse in Swoyersville.

When the laugh-filled musical sage of labor vs. management begins, all members of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union will be entitled to a \$1.00 discount on any performance during the four-week run.

"The Pajama Game" abounds with comic and romantic situations at the Sleep-Tite Pajama Factory in the 1950's. Union members will especially appreciate the hijinks and will probably see many comparisons with their own workplaces.

Discounted or regular tickets may be secured by calling the Box Office at 283-2195.



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# **Nesbitt offers lectures**

sponsor a monthly series of lectures on "Living Today With Diabetes," beginning on Thursday, April 26, at

third Thursday of each month through October in the auditorium of the Medical Arts Building.

Speaking at the first session on April 26 will be Richard English. M.D., who will explain diabetes, its symptoms and risk factors contributing to the disease. He will also outline treatment measures and complications of this disease that affects 20 percent of the American population.

Dr. English, a family practitioner in Edwardsville, is a graduate of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and Thomas Jefferson University School of Medicine, Philadelphia.

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"Living Today With Diabetes" is being offered free of charge under the joint cooperation of the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Education and Dietary departments. For more information about the series, call Mary Stoneham, R.N. of the Education Department at 288-1411, ext.

## Dogs will be checked

The entire force of state dog wardens assigned to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Regional Office in Tunkhannock are presently working in the Back Mountain area. Their quarry consists of the owners of unlicensed and

free running dogs. According to Dog Law Supervisor, Gene Dziak, dog owners who have failed to get a 1984 license or who let their dogs run unattended are leaving themselves open to fines up to \$300 plus court costs. Strays will

be caught and impounded. Licenses are currently being sold at the County Treasurer's Office or at the Dallas Township Municipal Building.

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junior majoring in Occupational Therapy, was recently awarded the Mary R. Minglin scholarship from the American Occupational Therapy Foundation (A.O.T.F.). Ms. Fela is one of seven students to receive the scholarship nationwide.

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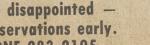
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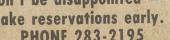
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This is for Kingston Township residents only; anyone caught from for your reference at a later date.

The Decorators' Show House will be open to the public Sunday, April 29 through Sunday, May 20. Hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 to Thursday, 10 to 4 and 7 to 9; Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m. Lunch will be available daily, except Sunday,

from 11 to 2. Advance tickets can be purchased by mail, telephone, or from any Junior League member. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$6 at the door. Special group rates are available. Orders may be sent to the Junior League of Wilkes-Barre, 1261 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort, Pa. 18704.

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