

Perspective

OPINION

Guest editorial

Little League fan offers words of encouragement

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following editorial contains the words of William W. Kubis, No. 1 fan for many years at the Back Mountain Little League. Mr. Kubis, in speaking at last Saturday's opening ceremonies of the Little League, addressed the crowd with these words.)

Honored guests, clergy, members of Back Mountain Baseball Little League, parents and friends, ladies and gentlemen, but most important, the players, all of you who will participate in the baseball games to attain the knowledge of athletics, with the value for good clean sportsmanship.

It is indeed an honor and pleasure to be here to attend this special opening day because each and every one of you are champions.

Since my retirement in 1963, I became interested in the Back Mountain Area, to

inspire and encourage youth, to further their education to attain positive thinking and build a solid base with a foundation to have faith with confidence and determination to be the best.

Once you have the determination and share your responsibilities, your heart and body will follow to give you the strength and power with courage to make the proper move at the right time.

This is what it is all about to inspire youth, to stay on top, to reach your goal and say, "I can do it!"

During your many years together as athletes, you will work together, to build a foundation, to attain a solid base with this knowledge and the values of good clean sportsmanship.

There is nothing wrong with wanting to be the best!

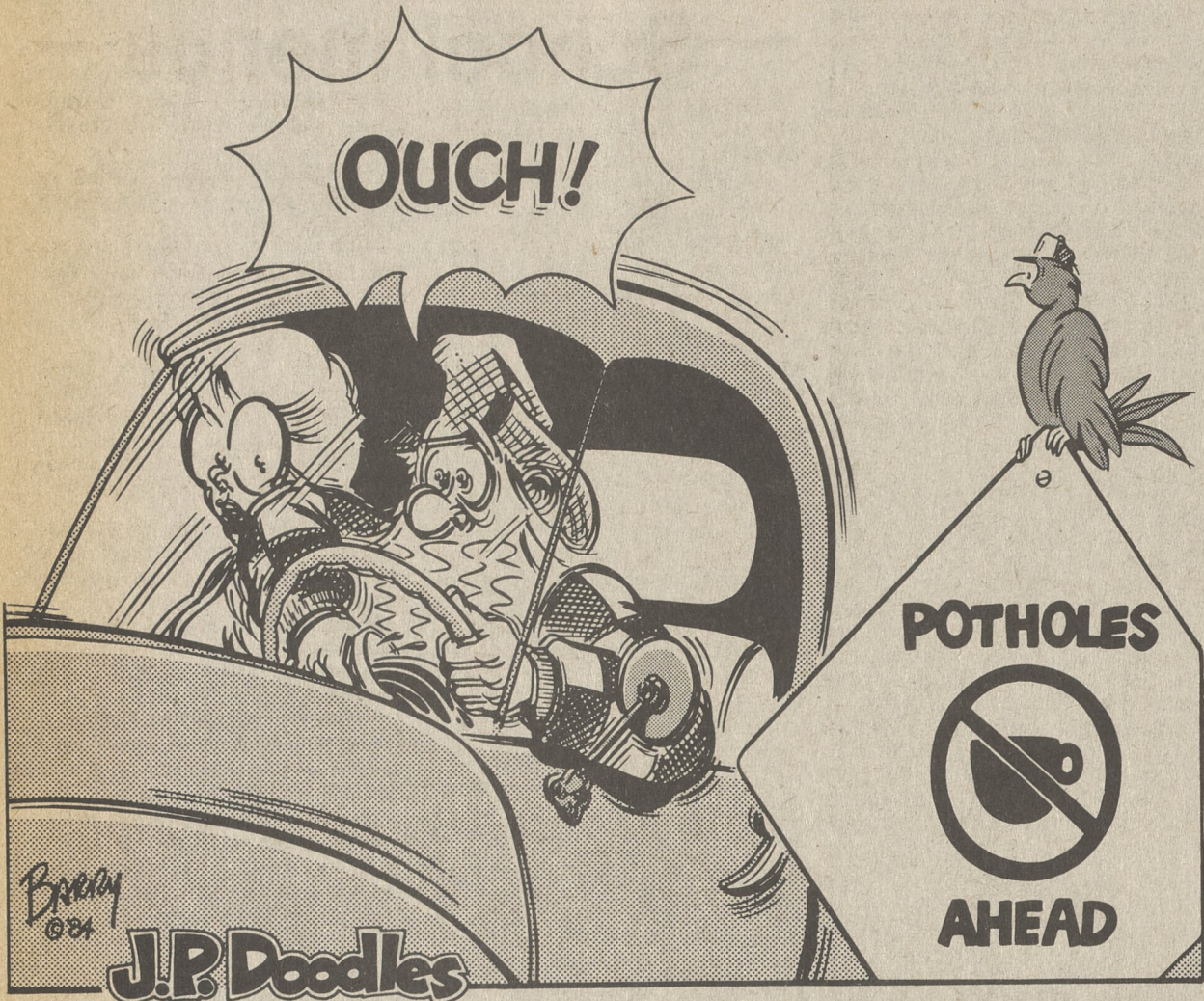
What you learn from your coach and manager, then apply this to your everyday lives, will make you successful, but most important, the respect and friendship you have for each other will live with you to build a safer and more peaceful world.

If we believe in ourself, nothing is impossible, but you must work hard and make sacrifices for what you want.

Things may not come easy, so set your goals, have faith with confidence and you will be the best.

What is confidence? It is a firm believe in one's self and one's ability to succeed.

I am grateful for the honor to be your Fan No. 1 and hope in some little way, the words expressed in this speech will encourage all of you to reach your goal and succeed.



Watch out!

It's the season for potholes. After the winter snowstorms and before the road crews get around to repairing the holes in the road, be extra careful when driving. Some of the potholes you'll see these days are big enough to cause some pretty heavy damage to your automobile.

Only yesterday

School decisions make news

50 YEARS AGO - MAY 4, 1934

School decisions made the news. Dallas Borough announced a 5-mill increase for the coming school year to offset a deficit incurred by previous school boards. Taxes were raised from 25 to 30 mills. Kingston Township School Board accepted the resignations of teachers Emma Shaver and Wilson Cease. Dallas Township School Board named a five member committee to study the need for an addition to the high school building.

Due to severe weather conditions, Emergency Crop Loans were made available to area farmers. Available through the Luzerne County Courthouse loans for seed and fertilizer only were available in amounts from \$10 to \$250.

You could get - Pork loin roast, 15c lb.; leg of lamb, 27c lb.; chuck pot roast, 12c lb.; chickens, 25c lb.; butter 2 lbs., 53c; sugar, 10 lbs. 48c; eggs, 19c doz.; potatoes, 25c half peck; cheese, 19c lb.; onions, 3 lb. 10c.

40 YEARS AGO - MAY 5, 1944
Dorothy Cornell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cornell of Hunlock Creek, was named valedictorian of Lehman High School senior class. An all round student, Dorothy played French horn for five years in the school band, accompanied the chorus for six years and served as editor in chief of the yearbook.

Despite wartime, Back Mountain schools maintained their baseball teams. J. Lloyd Drake coached Dallas Township. Jack Roberts was coach of Dallas Borough Schools. Laketon School coach Clifford Boothe looked forward to a good season as did John Sidler, Lehman High School baseball coach.

Engaged - Mary Martidale to Sgt. Wilfred Moore.

Married - Marion Ruth Gay to Lawrence Smith; Mary Louise Pilger to Albert VanCampen.

Deaths - Alexander Wilson, Dallas Township.

You could get - Lean smoked bacon, 31c lb.; fresh ground hamburger, 25c lb.; fresh cod, 29c lb.; tomatoes, 25c lb.; spinach, 2 lbs.

15c; cabbage 6c lb.; family flour, 25 lb. bag, \$1.13; evaporated milk 3 tall cans 26c; Swan soap, med. cake, 6c.

30 YEARS AGO - MAY 7, 1954

Kingston Township School board raised per capita tax from \$5 to \$10. In other business the board met in a joint session with Dallas-Franklin Township board. Joint problems of enrollment and housing of students was discussed.

District No. 2 Wyoming Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, consisting of Back Mountain and West Side councils, held its fourth annual Camporee at Senatore Andrew J. Sordoni's Sterling Farms at Alderson.

Dallas-Franklin High School set its May Day festivities for May 11. Anne Wojcikowski was named May Queen. Lois Simon attended her as maid of honor. Marian Elenchik, Marilyn Mosier, Jane Owens and Thais Rozelle were her honor court.

Engaged - Christine Crispell to Robert Lewis; Naomi Veitch to Donald Lewis.

Married - Irene Berretini to Harold I. Knox.

Deaths - Emma Tredinnick, Dallas; Luther H. Flynn, Hunlock Creek.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boston, Kunkle.

You could get - Fryers, 39c lb.; veal roast, 49c lb.; leg of lamb, 59c lb.; Texas onions, 5 lbs. 25c; cucumbers 4 for 23c; iceberg lettuce, 2 lg. hds., 23c; apple pies 49c; Supreme bread, 2 lg. lvs., 27c; Oreo cookies, 4 oz. pkg. 18c.

20 YEARS AGO - MAY 7, 1964

Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company doused two blazes. One, in the knitting room of Natona Mills did not cause extensive damage.

Damage was confined to the electrical system. A fire at the home of Melbourne Carey, Claude St., Dallas was believed to have been caused by a youngster playing with matches. The fire was confined to one bedroom and destroyed a wardrobe of one of the 15 Carey children.

Noxen planned its 4th annual horse show. Richard Traver, Sr., Bud Weaver, Russell Traver and

Ernest Teetsel were in charge of the parade. In addition to featuring the Lake-Lehman High School Band, an amateur show was scheduled.

Engaged - Beatrice Edna Newberry to Richard Kenneth Farr; Cathy Lesewick to Bruce Grant.

Married - Edith Rozelle to William MacClelland.

Deaths - H. Stanley Doll, Norton Ave., Dallas; Laura Jane Isaacs, Tunkhannock; David A. Jones, Elmcrest; Anna Rushton, Shavertown.

You could get - Picnic hams, 26c lb.; sausage, 35c lb.; bacon, 49c lb.; oranges, 4 lb. bag, 59c; grapefruit, 5 lb. bag 59c; strawberries, 39c pt.; shrimp, 79c lb.; halibut, 55c lb.; crabmeat, 8 oz. can 69c; Crisco, 3 lb. can 77c.

10 YEARS AGO - MAY 2, 1974

Dry conditions in woods and fields coupled with careless burning during spring yard clean up led to a rash of fires in the Back Mountain Area. Arson was also a possibility since two out of three fires within a half hour period Saturday appeared to have been set.

John Stanley Grauel, a crew member of the ship Exodus which attempted to carry 4,500 Jewish displaced persons from the German concentration camps to Palestine following World War II, spoke at Wyoming Seminary.

Engaged - Barbara L. Connolly and Ernest R. Gelb.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thomas Smith, Sr., Orange, 25 years.

Married - Mary Kathryn Gilmartin to Joseph W. S'Andrea.

Deaths - Iris L. Benscoter, Evergreen Estates; Frederick Coole, Noxen; Susan Duda, Dallas; V. William Shedeski, Kingston.

You could get - Smoked hams, 68c lb.; turkeys, 48c lb.; rib roast, \$1.25 lb.; all beef franks, 1 lb., 88c; fresh yogurt, 4-8 oz. cups, 89c; oranges, 59c doz.; mushrooms, 79c lb.; sweet corn, 5 ears-59c; cabbage, 12c lb.; cottage cheese, 47c lb.

Proclamation is declared

In special ceremonies at Luzerne County Court House, County Commissioners signed a Proclamation declaring the week beginning May 6 as Defensive Driving Week in the County.

Participating in the proclamation presentation ceremonies were County Commissioner Jim Phillips; Frank J. Trinisewski, Jr., Chairman of the Luzerne County Commissioners; Charles J. Spitale, Executive Vice President of The Valley Automobile Club; Leo Solomon, Superintendent, Wilkes-Barre Area School District; Rear, County Commissioner Frank Crossin; Captain Frank Anzelm, Pennsylvania State Police, commanding officer Troop "P", Wyoming.

In observance of the specially designated week, three organizations have joined together under the direction of The Valley Automobile Club to present the National Safety Council Defensive Driving Course. The organizations are, The Pennsylvania State Police, Greater Wilkes-Barre Area School District and The Valley Automobile Club.

Classes will be held at the Pennsylvania State Police headquarters, 475 Wyoming Avenue, Wyoming, on May 2 and 9, beginning at 6 p.m.

To receive credit and a certificate, participants must attend both evenings. The courses are being offered free of charge to the general public and registration can be accomplished by calling the AAA office, 100 Hazle Street, Wilkes-Barre, 824-2444.

NOW, Mondale deserve each other

By EDWIN FEULNER

With all that is said and written about the "gender gap" and "women's issues," one would get the impression that American women march in lockstep with one another. Or, from another perspective, that they act like a bunch of sheep.

But is there a herd? Let the 250,000 sheep who pledge their allegiance to the National Organization of Women (NOW) follow Walter Mondale into the shed. They deserve each other.

The rest of the female population of this country - housewives, secretaries, business executives, school teachers, nurses, industrial workers - will have more to say in the coming elections than the "herd" can hear above the baaing.

Most women, like most men, vote as individuals. Their voting decisions are based more on their personal interests and circumstances than on their sex. The NOW crowd long ago lost sight of what real women's issues are; they're too involved with politics.

What should the real "women's issues" be?

One which NOW has ignored to date is a law which forbids people from knitting caps and underwear, embroidering, handkerchief-making, manufacturing jewelry, and doing similar work at home.

Of course, the antiquated law - which is vigorously supported by NOW's comrades-in-arms at the AFL-CIO - affects mostly women, especially women with young children to care for.

NOW would like to see these women on the factory floor and their children in government day-care centers. But there are millions of women who would prefer to care for their children AND work at home. And what about women without transportation? And women who live in rural areas in which no factories or day-care centers are to be found.

While the law makes a few exceptions (for handicapped individuals for example) the people must hurt and exploited by the work-at-home restrictions obviously are the same people NOW pretends to speak for.

The Secretary of Labor, Ray Donovan, attempted to do away with the restrictions last year - but was rebuffed by the courts. A decision, if

carried to its illogical conclusion, that could be "a blow to the vast potential of people who want to work in their homes at computer terminals," says labor economist Peter Germanis. By the year 1990, Germanis says, as many as 15-million jobs could be performed at home. Most of those potential workers will be women. But will NOW let them work?

Another real women's issue involves the regulations which discriminate against non-working women in the area of retirement planning. Currently, a husband and his non-working wife can put only \$2,250 into an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), while a family with both spouses working can invest up to \$4,000. That clearly discriminates against women who choose to stay home to raise a family. Does NOW care about these women?

These are only two of the issues that the sheep refuse to address. They're too busy playing politics to bother with things that might actually improve the life of women in America.

(Edwin Feulner is president of The Heritage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy research institute.)

STATE CAPITOL ROUNDUP

Here is a summary of important events that occurred on Capitol Hill last week from Rep. Frank Coslett, 120th Legislative District.

WATER LEAKS in the dome of the Capitol have damaged four massive murals which decorate the interior of the structure, according to the chairman of the Capitol Preservation Committee. Rep. Joseph R. Pitts (R-Chester) said this week that examinations of the paintings have revealed that cement joints on the exterior of the dome have cracked, thus allowing water to seep through and deteriorate the art work. Pitts said he will suggest that the committee authorize the state General Services Department to award a contract to determine the extent of damage to the dome and the cost of repair. The water leaks were discovered by art restoration experts during an examination of the 38-by-22 foot canvases. The examination is part of a \$1.5

million project to analyze and restore the murals.

JAPANESE PARTICIPATION in the cleanup of the crippled Three Mile Island nuclear power plant was announced this week and it prompted Gov. Dick Thornburgh to criticize the American nuclear industry for its lack of involvement in the costly cleanup project. The U.S. Energy Department revealed that Japanese nuclear power companies agreed to pay \$18 million to participate in research connected with the cleanup. In 1981, Thornburgh unveiled a proposal which called for the U.S. nuclear industry to contribute but the plan was never accepted. The governor called the Japanese involvement "an example of corporate foresight and vision which our own electric utility industry would be well advised to follow."

Library seeks volunteers to aid move

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK
Library Correspondent

WE NEED HELP! Volunteer help. People and trucks to transport books to our new library building on Huntsville Road. The children's annex building of the library must be vacated by June 15 and all of the books moved to the new building. The library property has been sold and we must begin to move. If

you can help with this move, please contact Bill Frederick at the library and let him know when you are available.

The present plan is that the children's library will operate from the second floor of our new building after June 15th and the main library will remain as is until later in the year. The Book Club membership to date for 1984 is 173 on the way to a hoped-for membership of 225. The

dues are \$10.00 for a single and \$15.00 for a double. If you are interested in joining the Book Club and taking advantage of its privileges, come in and check it out.

This is National Volunteer Week and the Back Mountain Memorial Library would like to salute the many volunteers who give of their time and talent to our library. Volunteers work in the library shelving books, filing the daily circulation and processing books.

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