



Ribbon-cutting

Aldo Franconi, President of The Valley Automobile Club, cut the ribbon marking the official opening of the AAA Travel Agency office in Dallas last Wednesday. AAA Club officials were joined by representatives of local governments, businesses from the Back Mountain region and state AAA representatives. Located at 31 Tunkhannock Highway, Route 309, Dallas, just above the Dallas Shopping Center, the AAA Travel Agency office is available to area residents in making arrangements for their business or pleasure trips. The office is fully automated for making airline reservations and ticketing. In addition, travelers may make bookings for cruises and tours, rail reservations, rent a car, be issued an International Driving Permit or obtain American Express Travelers Cheques. Manager of the only travel agency in the Back Mountain is Cheryl Biernacki.

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Kick-off dinner

A kick-off dinner for the 1984 Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction was held Friday evening at the Irem Temple Country Club. Shown here as they take a break from the festivities are, from left, Barbara Lemmond, antiques; Nancy Fremstad, master of ceremonies; Jim Anzalone, chairman; Jesse Fritzges, co-chairman; and Ann Davies, antiques chairwoman.

Caldwell Consistory to install officers

Caldwell Consistory, Valley of Bloomsburg, will hold a public installation of officers who were elected to serve for the coming Masonic year. The installation will take place on Thursday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral in Bloomsburg. This will be an innovation in Scottist Rite Free Masonry in Bloomsburg, because all of the officers will be installed or reinstalled.

The officers to be installed or reinstalled and their home towns are as follows:

Enoch Lodge of Perfection, 14 Degrees: Gregory J. Lewis, Reading, Thrice Potent Master Richard J. Smith, Bloomsburg, Deputy Master David S. Campbell, Sunbury, Senior Warden Ronald W. Long, Catawissa, Junior Warden William L. Derr, Bloomsburg, Orator Earl A. Deibert, Orwigsburg, Master of Ceremonies Terry

L. Lemon, Sr., Bloomsburg, Hospitaler Kimber H. Maust, Bloomsburg, Captain of the Guard.

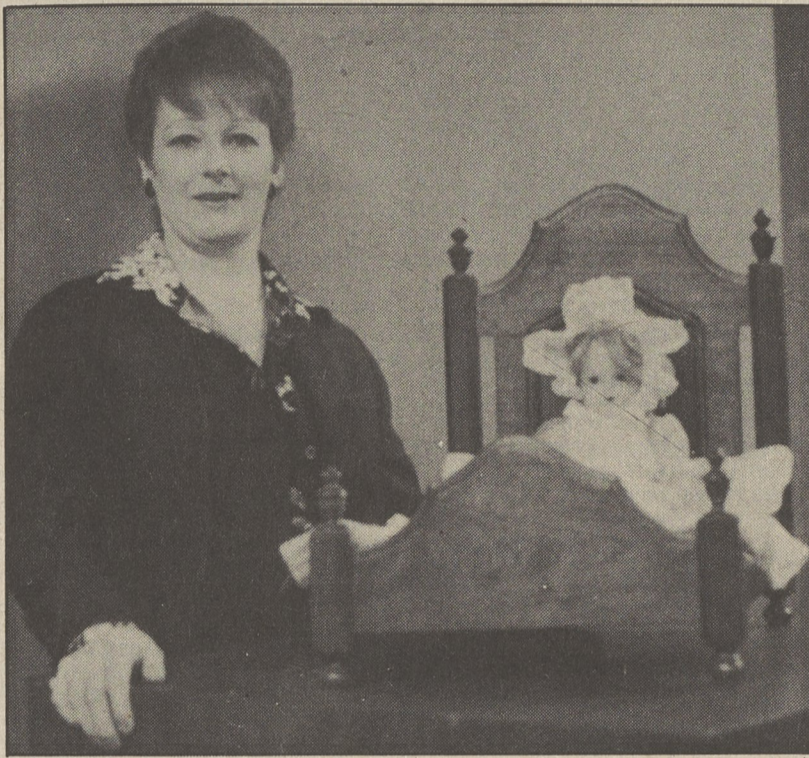
Zerubbabel Council Princes of Jerusalem: Benjamin R. Jones III, Dallas, Sovereign Prince Charles L. Dlugie Jr., Elysburg, High Priest Charles J. Miller, Sr., Hazleton, Senior Warden Harold Snowden, Jr., Trucksville, Junior Warden Stuart W. VonBlohn, Danville, Master of Ceremonies Donald F. Shaffer, Dallas, Hospitaler Bradley L. Oman, Berwick, Master of Entrances.

Evergreen Chapter Rose Croix De H-R-D-M: John Gaughan, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Most Wise Master Stephen B. Killian, Kingston, Senior Warden Calvin K. Swank, Paxinos, Junior Warden William H. Gearhart, Berwick, Orator Edward L. Vegri, Sugarloaf, Master of Ceremonies Lynn A. Sheehan, Sr., Dallas, Hospitaler Edwin T. Roth, Dallas,

Captain of the Guard.

Caldwell Consistory, S.P.R.S.: William A. Johnson 33rd degree, Town Hill, Commander in Chief Thomas H. Burgess 33rd degree, Hazleton, First Lieutenant Commander, Robert F. Morris, 33rd degree, Danville, Second Lieutenant Commander David N. Schooley 33rd degree, Trucksville Orator Roger C. Miller 33rd degree, Bethlehem, Chancellor Clayton L. Vogel 32nd degree, Springfield, Va., Master of Ceremonies Elfed Jones, Bloomsburg, Hospitaler Robert C. Roberts 33rd degree, Bloomsburg, Engineer and Seneschal Donald A. Kessler, Danville, Standard Bearer Curtis V. Kahl, Bloomsburg, Captain of the Guard William J. Huffard, Bloomsburg, Tyler.

Family and friends are invited to attend this special event. Refreshments will be served and there is no charge.



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Wins doll

Karen Spudis is shown here with the Madame Alexander antique doll and walnut doll's bed she won at the Antique Show and Sale, sponsored by the church women of the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, Dallas. The doll and bed, donated by Mrs. David Hall, was the door prize awarded at the 32nd annual event. Mrs. Hall was the chairman of the first Prince of Peace Antiques Show and the committee was very grateful for her contribution. Karen, a resident of Main Street, Dallas, is employed at Carol Carroll's Beauty Salon, Dallas.

Obituaries

DONALD WALL

Donald S. Wall, 66, of Market St., Noxen, died suddenly May 7 at his home.

Surviving are his wife, the former Lela Siglin; sons, Donald S. Wall Jr., Morgantown, N.C.; Ronald, Columbia, S.C.; Larry D. Pedersen, Canal Winchester, Ohio; five grandchildren; brother, Carl, Beaumont.

Funeral was held May 10 from the Nulton Funeral Home, Beaumont with the Rev. Jacob Victor, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Noxen, officiating. Interment, Orcutt Cemetery, Noxen.

MADLINE STASCAK

Madeline A. Stascak, of 58 Hill St., Swoyersville, died May 8 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Surviving are her husband, George A.; daughters, Ntalie Stascak, Vidunas, Calif.; Mary Stascak, Stamford, Conn.; four grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Walter, Anthony and Mrs. Ann Czukur, all of Luzerne; Mrs. Helen Yatzek, Seabring, Fla.

Funeral was held May 11 from Bednarski Funeral Home, Wyoming, with a Mass of Christian Burial in Holy Trinity Church, Interment, parish cemetery, Swoyersville.

EDWARD MACDOUGALL

Edward MacDougall, 81, of RD 2, Harveys lake (Beaumont), died May 9 in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, following a short illness.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, the former Mildred French, are a son, Carl, Beaumont; a brother, Robert, Beaumont; and two grandsons.

Funeral was held May 12 from Nulton Funeral Home, Beaumont, with the Rev. Jerry Tallent, pastor of the Beaumont Union Gospel Church, officiating. Interment, Vaughn Cemetery, Mehoopany.

ETHEL ENGELMAN

Ethel Alice Engelman, 74, of Noxen, died unexpectedly at her home May 12.

Surviving are sons, Dale, Millville; Barry, Kennewick, Wash.; daughters, Mrs. Jerry Boone, Millville; Mrs. Sterlyn May, Noxen; Mrs. Rosemary Riftenbery, Indio, Calif.; Mrs. Sharon Brower, LaQuinta, Calif.; Mrs. Sheila Hamersky, Manahawkin, N.J.; 21 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Zacharias, Tunkhannock; Mrs. Beatrice Dymond, Noxen; brother, Kenneth Kresage, Noxen.

Funeral was held at the convenience of the family from the Nulton Funeral Home, Beaumont, with the Rev. Jacob Victor, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran Church of Noxen, officiating. Interment, Orcutt Cemetery, Noxen.

Helen Franklin, 675-4238

Jackson Township Notes

TERRY DURWOOD NEWELL, of Jackson Church Road, celebrated his fifth birthday on May 6th. Terry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Newell, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Splitt, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Holden Newell. A birthday party was held in his honor on Sunday afternoon at his home. Many of his friends, cousins, aunts and uncles and grandparents came to help him celebrate.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Terry Newell of Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Holden Newell, Huntsville; Denise Newell, Huntsville; Mrs. Lucille Splitt, Jackson; Mrs. Helen Franklin, Jackson; Mrs. Alice Newell, Shannon, and Chad Newell, Dallas; Mrs. Debbie Reakes, Missy and Michele Reakes, Jackson; Mrs. Bonnie Brader, Ceasetown; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taney, Jason, Justine, Jennifer and Janine Taney, of Pond Hill; Mrs. Teina Cosgrove, Pittston; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brown, Jolinda and Bethany of Trucksville; Tricia, Tara and Tabatha Cooper, Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Newell, Jenny, Lyle and Sarah of Hunlock Creek; Mr.

and Mrs. Butch Cope, Tony and Kevin, of Nanticoke.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S BAZAAR will be held on May 25, 26, 27, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at Konefal's Grove, Chase Road. The parade will be on the 26th. Auction on Sunday evening. Items are needed for the White Elephant table, also baked goods would be appreciated.

MR. AND MRS. KENNETH REX, of Chadwicks, New York recently visited their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Swelgin of Smith Pond Road.

A COVERED DISH LUNCHEON was held on May 1 at the home of Mrs. Edythe Bonning in honor of Mrs. Dolores Swelgin, who celebrated her birthday also Mrs. Maria Roskoski, and Mrs. Louise Montigney. Other guests were: Mrs. Margaret Bonning, Mrs. Beatrice Newell, Mrs. Debbie Lazovich, Mrs. Sandy Newell, Terry Newell, Mrs. Helen Franklin.

CTE, Inc. releases financial results

Commonwealth Telephone Enterprises, Inc. (CTE) financial results for the first quarter of 1984 were reported recently at the annual reorganization meeting of the Board of Directors.

Chairman of the Board Andrew J. Sordoni III announced that CTE's total revenues and sales in the first quarter of 1984 were \$27,000,000, an increase of 14.0 percent over revenues and sales of \$23,681,000 in the first quarter of 1983. First quarter 1984 earnings per share were \$1.18, compared to \$.79 for the first quarter of 1983.

The Board of Directors authorized a cash dividend of \$.375 per common share payable May 25, 1984, to shareholders of record on May 10, 1984.

Mr. Sordoni also announced a dividend reinvestment plan which will give owners of common stock the opportunity to reinvest cash dividends and invest additional cash in CTE common stock.

At the CTE annual meeting held here earlier today, shareholders approved a stock option and stock appreciation rights plan designed to attract and retain key employees.

The shareholders also elected four directors to Class III to serve a three-year term and one director to Class I to serve a one-year term. Elected to three-year terms were Clarence J. Fitz, realtor, Tunkhannock; Charles F. Pancoast III, senior vice president, The Philadelphia National Bank, Philadelphia;

Richard L. Pearsall, consultant, Wilkes-Barre and William B. Sordoni, CTE vice chairman and president of Sordoni Enterprises, Inc., Forty Fort. CTE Chief Operating Officer William L. Moyer was elected to a one-year term.

Directors whose terms do not expire in 1984 are Willard S. Boothby Jr., Frank M. Henry, Richard Maslow, Edward H. Owlett, Esq. and Andrew J. Sordoni III.

A special recognition dinner was held Wednesday April 25 to honor Wilkes-Barre businessman Frank B. Burnside, who has retired from CTE's board following service since 1964 as a director. He was Chairman of the Board from April 1977 until April 1980.

Ministry supporters needed at prison

"Linking Churches to Chase" is the theme of a drive in which the Protestant religious department at the Chase Correctional facility, working in conjunction with the Back Mountain Ministerium, is attempting to enlist area clergy and laity to serve as prison ministry supporters and volunteers.

A meeting to give information and share ideas regarding the prison ministry has been scheduled for

7:30 p.m. on May 23, at the Shavertown United Methodist Church, Pioneer Avenue and Center Street. Rev. James Wert is the Church's pastor.

Invitations have been sent to over 350 Christian ministers associated with the Wyoming Valley Council of Churches urging their attendance at the special meeting. Rev. Paul Kauffman, Protestant Chaplain at the Chase Correctional facility, said

that during the meeting several speakers, including himself, will address various aspects of the prison ministry and the need for assistance.

The other speakers will include Ingrid Prater of Threshold, a program designed to teach inmates nearing their parole dates basic skills in decision-making; John Motteller, director for Yokefellow Christian Fellowship.

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