

People



Reunion held

The Dallas-Westmoreland High School class of 1959 recently held its 25th reunion at the Irem Temple Country Club. Co-chairmen of the event were Barbara Kozemchak Cragle and Ruth Beagle Ide. Remarks were given by toastmaster, Wayne Long, who also introduced speakers Larry Farr and Bill Steinhauer. Invocation was given by Ellouise Holmgren Rogers. The class poem was read by Carolyn Race Patton and group singing was led by Bonnie Jenkins Lewis and Mary Dora Scott Jones. Traveling the furthest, from California, were Bob Moyer and Sally Seymour Laity. Shown here are those who attended the reunion. From left, first row, Bob Moyer, Allen Stash, Jim Case, Bill Hall, Charles Natitus, Bob Bullock and Bill Steinhauer. Second row: Carol Williams, George Williams, Ann Marie Novicki Wasilowski, Betty Ann Harris Vail, Betty Chapple Smith,

Mary Ann Sholtis Thompson, Carolyn Race Patton, Bonnie Jenkins Lewis, Audrey Race Miner, Virginia Morgan Steinhauer, Ellouise Holmgren Rogers, Mary Dora Scott Jones. Third row: Bob Spare, Wayne Long, Gary Dietz, Jon (Randy) Miller, Thomas Carr, class advisor; Ruth Beagle Ide, Sharon John Strauser, Beth Weaver Farnen, Beverly Bergstrasser Burnaford, Carolyn Rhone McIntyre, Lois Ryman Hardisky, Barbara Brown Brandt, Sally Dawn Edwards Shaver, Barbara Kozemchak Cragle, Pat Keener Kocher and Sally Seymour Laity. Fourth row: Larry Farr, Bob Cross, Marvin Stuart, Tony Roan, class advisor; Bob Shotwell, Cliff Williams, Judi Anderson Reggi, Barbara Ralph Schall, John Isbitski, Johnson Miers, Diane McDonald Long, Ron Demko, Bill (Robbin) Lohmann, Tom Hopa and Walter Chappell. Also attending were Brent Yeisley and Barry Landmesser.

Heinz on aging

Hospital costs are big concern

This year, nearly two million Americans will reach age 65. One of the biggest concerns for these citizens is that increased longevity, and skyrocketing costs for nursing home and hospital care will combine to erode their financial independence.

Life care communities are a rapidly growing housing and health care alternative for our nation's seniors. Recently, the Senate Special Committee on Aging held the first congressional oversight hearing on the \$1-billion life care industry. What I learned at that hearing is that the promise of live care is enormous, but there are some disturbing problems associated with the industry as well.

What distinguishes life care communities from traditional retirement facilities is a "life contract." For a lump sum "entrance" or "endowment" fee of from \$15,000 to \$100,000 and a monthly service fee ranging from \$250 to \$2,000, the resident receives guaranteed lifetime housing and health care. The type of housing - whether a one or two bedroom apartment, an efficiency, or even a townhouse - and the comprehensiveness of the health care available varies with the community and price of the endowment.

Most communities consist of residential units or apartments, a nursing-health care facility, recreation facilities and other service units in a campus-like setting. While the costs associated with the life care are prohibitive for some, the Committee learned that an estimated 60 percent of persons retiring today could afford some type of facility. Typically, the elderly person or couple could use equity from the sale of their home to cover the entrance fee.

Early studies have shown that life care residents are hospitalized less frequently and enjoy better health than others in comparable circumstances, at least in part because of the advantages that come with a convenient and affordable system of pre-paid health and supportive care. Another factor, as told to the Committee by Mrs. Doris Schwartz from Foulkeways community in Gynedd, Pennsylvania, is the sense of psychological well being that comes with the "security, dignity and privacy" of a life care community.

But Helen Bishop, a 72-year old widow from Mobile, Alabama, lost over \$18,000 - her life savings - through her association with Alabama Meadows, a life care community operated by Dr. Kenneth Berg. Dr. Berg has since been indicted in the state on 150 counts of securities fraud, but that hasn't helped Mrs. Bishop. There are a number of lessons to be learned from Mrs. Bishop's experience, however, that can serve as guidelines for others who are considering a life care community.

When considering a life care facility, ask for an audited financial statement and review it with a qualified accountant. If the

community is affiliated with a religious denomination or church, that group should provide the needed documentation. Don't assume a sponsor will back the community in the face of financial problems; this point should be clarified in writing. Check that there is a financial reserve fund.

Review the contract with your lawyer before entering into any legal agreement with a community. Make sure you have a "grace" period in which you can decide to leave the facility if you want and not lose your entire endowment.

Check to see if the monthly fee is subject to change. If so, how much might it increase, at what intervals or under what circumstances?

Ask questions! You commit to more than a place to live when you buy into a life care community. You commit to a health care program, a whole new set of friends and way of life. If you don't like what you see, and don't feel comfortable with the community's management, don't invest.

Get the full details on the health services offered. These services can vary greatly and you may not end up with what you need or expect.

Kiwanis Club will receive special award

The Dallas Kiwanis Club will receive a special award from "The Great American Circus" when it makes its annual stop at Dallas on August 10.

This is the fifth year this event has been in Dallas and all proceeds will benefit retarded citizens and handicapped children.

President "Link" Lindquist will accept the award for the Dallas Kiwanians while high up on the back of an elephant.

Meadows Center needs volunteers

Volunteers are needed at the Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas in the following areas:

Physical Therapy - Tuesday and Friday 10-12 noon Transport;

Beauty Shop - Tuesday 1-4 p.m.

Friendly Visitors to wheel and walk residents outside. Daily 11 a.m. - 12 noon, 2 - 5 p.m.

Norwegian speaker sought

The Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, is in need of a volunteer who speaks Norwegian. Anyone qualified and wishing to volunteer their services is asked to call 675-8600.

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JACKSON TOWNSHIP NEWS

MR. AND MRS. RACY KLARDY of Junction City, Kansas announce the arrival of a baby girl Charlotte Lucille, 4 lb. 11 oz. born on Tuesday, July 17. Wendy the mother is the daughter of Carolyn Perkins James. Baby Charlotte Lucille, is the great granddaughter of Mrs. Dorothy Perkins, and great-great granddaughter of Mrs. Dorothy Laurence, who celebrated her 101st birthday on June 19.

Congratulations to all.

DR. AND MRS. ALLAN WRIGHT of Missouri, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wright, of Chase Rd. before leaving for South Africa where they will live for the next three years. Dr. Wright is a graduate of Lehman High School class of 1976, attended King's College where he received his B.S. degree. He graduated from University of Missouri, Columbia, where he received a Doctorate in Agronomy.

THE 65TH ANNUAL REUNION of the descendants of John and Rachael Bulford will be held on Sunday, August 19, at the Bloomingdale Grange Hall. Covered dish picnic dinner at one o'clock.

Gary Miers, president, will preside at the meeting.

THE LADIES AUXILIARY of the Jackson Township Volunteers Fire Company will have their meeting on July 8, 7:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall. Hostesses are Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower, Mrs. Hazel Fielding, Mrs.

Arlene Skellett. New members are welcome.

MR. AND MRS. MARSHALL UPDYKE, of Sarasota, Florida and Mrs. Pearl Marshall of Clawson, Michigan, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter Powell, of Chase.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK REAKES AND MRS. DEBBIE REAKES and children, Missy and Michelle of Jackson Church Road, enjoyed a day at Lancaster.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT EVARTS, of Neshanic Station, New Jersey recently spent the day with Mrs. Evarts' sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Swelgin of Smith Pond Road.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO DURWOOD SPLITT, a patient at the W-B Veterans Hospital, who will observe his birthday on August 13.

AND TO TERRY NEWELL, who will observe his birthday on August 14.

KENNETH SMALL of Forrest Lake is visiting his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. John Fielding of Sutton Road.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES DWYER, of Clearwater, Florida, are spending a month's vacation with Mrs. Nettie Myers, of Overbrook Rd. and also visiting other local relatives.

RICHARD AND BENJI COSGROVE, of Geneva, N.Y. have returned home after having a vacation visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Holden Newell, of Huntsville.

MRS. EMILY DONNER, and daughter and son-in-law of Bethlehem, recently visited Mrs. Irene Reakes of Ceasetown.

TARA COOPER, Jackson Church Road, has returned home after spending five days visiting Jeanette Nichols of Sweet Valley.

MRS. KATHLEEN HINNEGAN of Center Square, Miss Carol Hinnegan, Center Square and Mrs. Carol May Sutnowicz, of Glenside spent a vacation with their mother and grandmother Mrs. Norman Franklin, Jackson Church Rd.

THE PUDIMOTT, KRUGER, SWELGIN REUNION was held on Saturday, July 28 at Moon Lake. Sixty members and friends attended.

MRS. BONNIE BRADER of Ceasetown was honored at a birthday party by the Jackson U.M. Church Women held at the Mark II Family Restaurant on July 3.

THE TWO FOLD CLUB enjoyed an outing at Eagles Mere and Patterson Camp Ground.

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GET WELL WISHES are sent to Mr. Harold Elston, of Huntsville, who has returned home from Nesbitt Memorial Hospital where he was a medical patient.

Also, to Mrs. Thomas Cease of Franklin St., Dallas who is a patient at General Hospital.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT WRIGHT of Wycoff, N.J. and Mrs. Gertrude Griffith of Syracuse, N.Y. recently visited their brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wright, of Chase Rd. They all attended the Wright reunion held on Sunday, July 22, at Diamonds Grove, Noxen.



KRIS J. BUTLER

Butler named admissions rep

Kris J. Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Butler, 172 Woodbine Road, Shavertown, has been appointed Admissions Representative at King's College. The announcement was made recently by Rev. James Lackemier, C.S.C., college president.

Butler, who earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry from King's College, is a 1984 graduate of the Wilkes-Barre institution. Accredited by the American Chemical Society and selected to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and College, she served as a Research Assistant during her senior year at King's, responsible for writing technical programs in BASIC computer language and laboratory uses.

While a student at King's, Butler served as co-chairman of Freshman Orientation '83, Student Government Election Coordinator and was a Resident Student Assistant in East Hall.

As part of her responsibilities as an Admissions Representative for King's College, Miss Butler will visit high school guidance counselors and students and participate in College Night Programs and Fairs in South central Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D.C.

People in the news

EDWARD ALLEN FARRAR, of 14 Maplewood Avenue, Dallas, was recently awarded a law degree from the University of Texas at Austin. Among the 385 law degrees conferred at the university, there were seven Master of Comparative Jurisprudence degrees and 378 Doctor of Jurisprudence degrees.

KAREN REABUCK, of 40 West-

minster Drive, Dallas, was among 94 freshmen inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta national honorary society at Bucknell University.

The society recognizes scholastic achievement among freshmen. Members must earn a 3.5 average during their first semester at Bucknell or a cumulative 3.5 average during the freshman year.

Births

The following area couples have announced births during the past week:

A son to **CHERYL AND MARTIN EVERHART**, 54 Davenport St., Dallas, on July 27 in Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

A son to **SHEILA AND ROBERT**

PATTON, Box 11, White Birch Trailer Park, Dallas, on Aug. 1 in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.

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