People

'Sharing' is what this program is all about

Warm Florida sunshine, Carolina beaches, Virginia hills, New England snow, Pennsylvania Dutch country, and the excitement of New York City.

Foreign students from all over the world are hoping to find a warm and loving family in one of these areas of the U.S. There are already many foreign students here this year through the State Department designated Educational Resource Development Trust which calls the program "SHARE", and brings qualified students from foreign countries for one school year or semester. "SHARE" has just begun its 1985 campaign in the local area.

The local Area Representative is: Natalie Rusnock, 16 Summit View Drive, Mountaintop, Pa. 18707, (717) 474-6233.

Students from Brazil, Argentina, Spain, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Ecuador, the Philippines, Japan, Belgium and the Netherlands are already waiting and other countries will be included shortly. Families may specify a boy or girl and may indicate which country they prefer. Families with small children or grown children, as well as those with teen-agers or no children are welcome to participate.

The only financial requirement is that the host families provide meals and shelter. Transportation, school expenses and spending money are provided by the student's parents.

Students will arrive in late August and will remain through the school year. Host Families are permitted by the I.R.S. to deduct $50.00 per month from their taxable incomes and school districts receive state support for these exchange students.

Persons with an interest in "SHARING" or in learning more about this outstanding program are urged to contact Natlie Rusnock at once.

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Derby held

Members of Cub Scout Pack 281 of Trucksville recently competed in a Pinewood Derby. Shown here are the winners. From left, kneeling, Chris Brown, first place speed; Michael Goldsmith, third place speed. Standing, Bradley Bryant, first place show; David Podehl, second place show; and David Holdredge, second place speed. Absent at the time of the photo was Ronnie Moses, third place show.

Dallas resident lends a hand at college drive

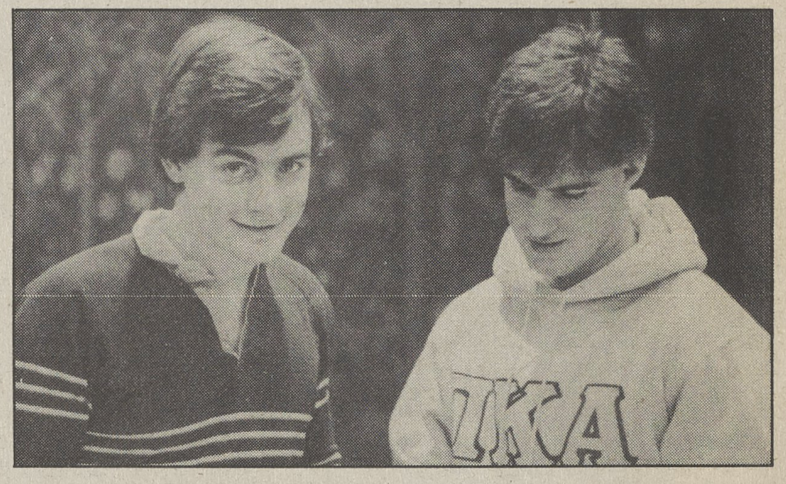
Brendan Walsh, Jr. of Dallas, and his fraternity brother Mike Dignazio from Pi Kappa Alpha, helped coordinate a recent blood drive at the University of Pittsburgh. A total of 483 members of Pitt's Greek sororities and fraternities donated blood in the drive. Brendan is a freshman majoring in biology. He is the son of Brendan Walsh, Sr. of Dallas.

The blood drive is a part of the annual Greek Week fundraising activities which will benefit Eye and Ear Hospital of Pittsburgh.

The students hope to raise $50,000 which will be used to complete an eye examination room and an ear, nose and throat examination room in the hospital's ambulatory care clinic. The clinic provides medical services for eye, ear, nose and throat outpatients.

With the theme "Stop, look, listen. Help the Pitt Greeks Help Pittsburgh's Eye and Ear Hospital," some 3,700 members of Pitt's 21 fraternities and 16 sororities will man various street corners in downtown Pittsburgh and Oakland and ask for donations from passing motorists.

Eye and Ear Hospital is a 172-bed, facility dedicated to care and treatment of the eye, ear, nose, throat and related areas. Major research in these areas is conducted at Eye and Ear, which also serves as the teaching unit for these specialties in the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and other schools of the health-related professions.



Planning drive

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Paranich named best instructor

Robert Paranich, assistant professor of electrical engineering at Penn State Wilkes-Barre, was rated the best engineering instructor on any of Penn State's 17 commonwealth campuses scattered throughout the state. The rating was determined by a survey of 3,900 former 1982-83 engineering students at all the campuses.

Paranich has taught electrical engineering and physics at the Lehman campus for 19 years. He believes his effectiveness as a teacher comes largely from spending a great deal of time outside the classroom helping his students find ways to apply what they've learned in class.

He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Drexel University and a master's degree in physics from Wilkes College. Paranich resides in Port Griffith with his wife, Barbara, and four children.

ROBERT PARANICH

His colleague, Leo Corbett, who is also an assistant professor of engineering at the campus, ranked eighth on the survey of the 98 faculty members who were rated.

MARYANN KOFLANOVICH

Woman certified

Maryann Koflanovich has been certified as an ENG technician after completing an electronystagmorgraphy course at the Methodist Hospital in Houston, Texas.

Electronystagmography is a non-invasive test that is useful in the evaluation of dizziness and other inner ear problems. Mrs. Koflanovich has been employed at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital since February of 1981. She and her husband, Ronald, live in Shavertown.

Contest held

A poetry reading contest was held recently at Gate of Heaven School. A student from each homeroom was selected to participate in the finals.

Selected were Meighan Garvey, Matthew Sowick, Heather Roos, Jason Pieczynski, Corin Schall, Danielle Freeman, Sean Brady, Joseph Kelley, Susannah Stair, Susan Rygelski, Jennifer Harteis, Michael Malak, April Yatsko and Joan Segrave-Daly.

Contestants were judged on poem contest, stage presence, articulation and voice projection. Winners from grades 1-3 were Jason Pieczynski, "Imagination", first place; Danielle Freeman, "My Violet", second place; and Corin Schall, "Happiness", third place.

Students from the fourth through eighth grades were judged separately in the various categories. Susan Rygelski won the first place ribbon for "Brontosaurus," April Yatsko received second place honors for "A Time to Remember" and Jennifer Harteis finished third with her poem entitled "Jesus."

Judges for the event were Sister M. Gratia, Mrs. Teresa Rutkoski, Ms. Deborah Wysocki, Mrs. Frances Dress, and Mrs. Marcella Hiller. Sister M. Davida Morgan is principal of Gate of Heaven School.

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Club holds dinner

The Circle K Club at Penn State Wilkes-Barre recently held a dinner in Hayfield House at the Lehman campus to formalize the re-chartering of the club. Shown here are, from left, seated, Chris DePolo, vice-president; Susan Rutstein, president; Colleen Miller, secretary. Standing are: John Moyer, lieutenant governor; Judy Legg, treasurer; and Mrs. Lee Muroski sociology instructor and advisor to the club.

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Home economist offers assistance

Families today face constant change. More women are employed outside the home. Grandparents and other relatives are unlikely to live nearby. An aging parent may need to move in. A self-supporting son or daughter may return home. Through all this families may need support that is often costly or hard to find. Luzerne County Cooperative Extension Service has been helping people help themselves for 70 years.

The County Extension home economist, Josephine Kotch, may be able to help you get the support you need. She offers workshops on managing mney for those with litle experience in budgeting. She serves as the advisor for two chapters of the Creative Craftsmen in Luzerne County. Members turn leisure time activities to supplementary income for the home.

The extension home economist has learn-at-home packets for those whose schedules don't allow them to attend workshops. For parents of inants or toddlers, she has support groups and learn-at-home services. A program called "Your New Life Alone" can help the newly divorced or widowed to adjust to his or her new lifestyle.

How can one person offer such variety? The secret is access to a network of Penn State faculty who serve as specialists to the county extension home economists. These specialists develop programs based on identified county needs and Mrs. Kotch localizes these for Luzerne County. This also means that Mrs. Kotch's programs are based on sound research and up-to-date information.

All Extension educational programs are available to residents in the County and everyone is invited to participate.

For more information on Extensions programs, contact The Pennsylvania State University Cooperative Extension Service of Luzerne County at 5 Water Street, Courthouse Annex, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18711 or call: 825-1801 or 459-0736, ext. 701.

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