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## Reward offered

# Dallas couple attempts to stop vandalism

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Edward and Bernadine Weiss of 141 Elizabeth Street in Dallas have banded together with their neighbors in an effort to stop the vandalizing of their home, by offering a reward to anyone having any information leading to the capture of the person(s) involved in the nine month long siege on the residence.

The problems began in June, says Mrs. Weiss and have continued, despite the efforts of a neighborhood crime watch and investigation by the borough police. The matter of police protection was brought up once again at last week's Dallas Borough Council meeting where the Weisses and 23 neighbors attested to the broken windows, gasoline and glue on the property and car and obscene language written upon the house proper. Mrs. Weiss claims she and her husband have kept records, including photos of the damage, of which repairs have had to be made.

The Weisses state they are ignorant as to the cause of the singling out of their home for such damage.

They have lived in the area 32 years and are employed by Boscov's in Wilkes-Barre and, according to Mrs. Weiss, have no enemies they know of nor did anything to slight anyone.

The Weisses would like more involvement from the police, but the borough claims its police department has investigated and stood watch on the property and have yet to find any clues as to the identity of the criminal. The Weisses and their neighbors also claim to have kept watch to no avail. Mrs. Weiss says she and her husband have suffered irreparable harm due to the crime, in terms of the tension of not knowing what will be next.

"How can people navigate and pursue their lives with this kind of harassment?" she asks.

The amount of the reward money being offered in this case is not being disclosed at this time.

In other Dallas Borough Council matters, Tom Bagley was named secretary of the Council, filling the vacancy that occurred when Edward Buckley resigned unexpectedly last month. Mr. Buckley gave no reason for his termination of services to the borough.

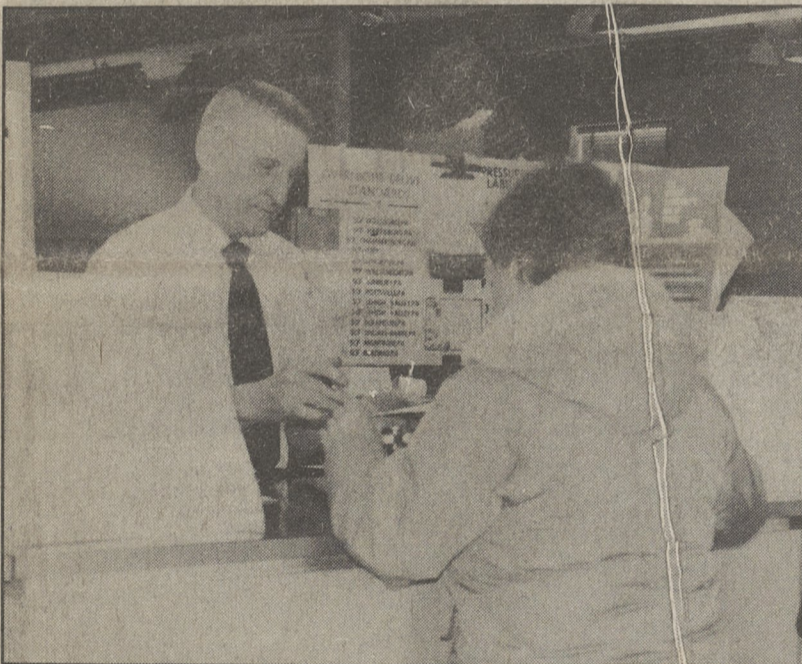


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## 'The Next Chapter'

Spending most of last week moving the Back Mountain Memorial Library to its new home on Huntsville Road in Dallas were, from left, Melvin Congdon, Carl Oberst, William Frederick, librarian; and Nancy Kozemchak, assistant library. The

new library, which has adopted the theme, "The Next Chapter" will officially open on Monday, March 4, with ribbon-cutting ceremonies scheduled for 9:30 a.m.



Dallas Post/Charlot M. Denmon

## Buying stamps

Ruth Walters purchases some two cents stamps and also some of the new 22 cent stamps from Clerk Joseph Zabinski.

# Increase in postal rates brings few complaints from local customers

By Charlot M. Denmon  
Staff Correspondent

The increase in first class postage from 20 to 22 cents, by the United States Postal Service, recently brought few, if any complaints from postal customers.

"In fact, I haven't come across anyone complaining," said Robert Lukas, officer in charge at the Dallas Post Office while Postmaster

Bly is away on detail. "People were lined up at the windows on Tuesday waiting to purchase two cent and one cent stamps to use with their 20 cent stamps. We sold out but have the two's and one's on order. We do have the 22 cent stamps available."

Ray Cecconi, superintendent of postal operations at the Dallas Post Office, said prior to Feb. 17 the day the increase went into effect, there

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# 'Project Excellence' proving its worth

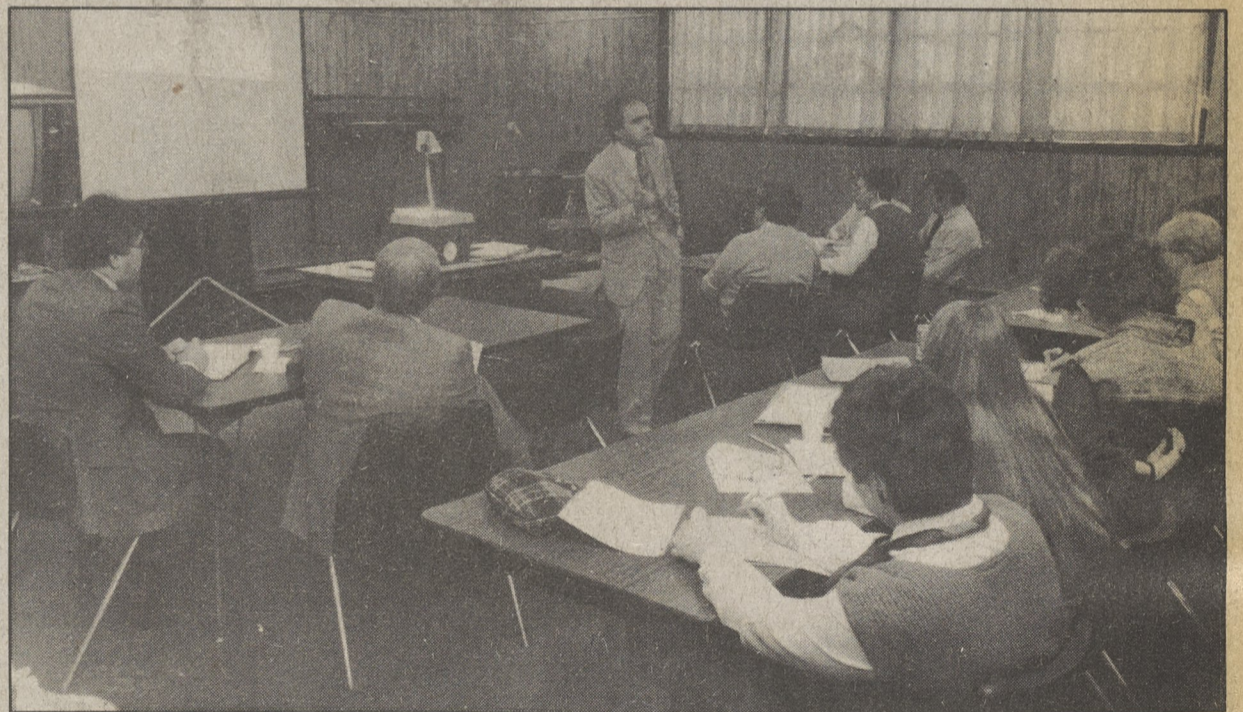
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"Project Excellence", the joint series of seminars and workshops involving administrative and instructional staff from both Lake-Lehman and Dallas, is considered a most worthwhile program by both Gerald J. Wycallis, Dallas District superintendent, and Dr. David Preston, Lake-Lehman District superintendent.

The project which brings in outside consultants to present a variety of systematic approaches to instruction developed over the past several years from effective school research, is made possible by the districts sharing in a statewide 1984-85 fiscal year appropriation by the Pennsylvania General Assembly.

The goal is that each district, through interaction with the consultants and participants in the seminar, will design its own staff development and curriculum management programs, hopefully having them available for use in the 1985-86 school year and each year afterwards.

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## Workshops held

Dr. Vito Forlenza, center, speaks to a group of teachers from the Dallas and Lake-Lehman School Districts during a recent "Project Excellence" workshop.

## Women in business

# Spell success? E-L-L-E-N B-U-S-H

By Charlot M. Denmon  
Staff Correspondent

In the good times, remember the bad times and in the bad times, remember the good," Ellen Bush's mother always told her daughters. Ellen has always lived by that rule and found it has contributed to her success as assistant vice president and branch manager of E.F. Hutton & Co. brokers. She is one of only three women account executives in the nation for the brokerage firm.

"A total mandate of dedication, perseverance, energy and ambition are qualities which have helped in my move upwards," said Ellen. "I believe these qualities developed from being a member of a large, closely knit family, with parents who were very caring and sincere."

Ellen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bush, is one of five daughters, all of whom were raised in Wilkes-Barre, although Ellen lived with her family on Church Street, Dallas, when she was very young.

Today, she and her younger sister, Joan, live in Dallas, an area they enjoy very much. "I like the area and the people," said Ellen. "And I am near my parents, who

reside in Wilkes-Barre."

Joan is a counselor at Keystone Junior College. Ellen's sister, Betsy, is with Windows of the World, Connie is in Washington, D.C., where she is a member of the Holy Child of Jesus Society, and Mollie, an L.P.N., is married and lives in Wilkes-Barre.

Ellen's father is a retired sports editor of the Sunday Independent, a position he held for many years.

Ellen graduated summa cum laude from Bucknell University with Bachelor of Arts degrees in history, political science and economics.

"None of these were relevant to sales," said Ellen, of her collegiate studies. "But following graduation from college, I returned to Wilkes-Barre because I wanted to be supportive of my parents. I felt they had always been supportive of my ambitions and I wanted to do something for them in return."

When Ellen was first offered a position, it was with Bache & Company. She wasn't sure she qualified as a broker, but thought it wouldn't hurt to try since she had a background in sales while working during the summers when she was in college.

Ellen started with Bache & Com-

pany and attended their training programs. Later, she moved to E.F. Hutton and became licensed in insurance, stocks and bonds.

She had intended to go to law school, but instead she fell in love — with the brokerage business and stayed with it. She has been with E.F. Hutton for the past five years and was one of four licensed brokers who opened E.F. Hutton's office in Wilkes-Barre.

Since that time the business has grown and presently Ellen manages 14 brokers and five operational staff members. She derives her biggest rewards from the clientele and from seeing brokers develop and being able to help them.

Ellen's ultimate goal is "not to forbid any type of goal in her future." Currently, she is working at increasing her quality as manager and to make E.F. Hutton well known and well respected in this area.

Since her work is demanding, Ellen does not have a lot of leisure time but enjoys running in the spare time she can find. She also coached one of the youth soccer teams for three years and plans to do so again this summer. She is very familiar with the sport, having played soccer

in college.

She has two dogs, a small cock-a-poo and a mixed Dalmation, "Groove", who has taken over the entire household.

Ellen also travels to various sections of the United States to attend seminars.

She is a member of the Founders Club, Financial Planners Club and Association of American Women in Management.

If one were given the opportunity to use only two words to describe success, those two words would have to be "Ellen Bush".



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## Relaxing at home

Ellen Bush relaxes at home with her mixed Dalmation, "Groove" after a busy day at her E.F. Hutton office. Groove seems to enjoy having his photo taken.

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