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Clown ministry

Members of the Trucksville United Methodist Church youth group are shown here as they prepare for their Easter Sunrise Service which will be conducted in the form of clown ministry. From left, first row, George Ladamus and Doug Sutton. Second row, Darren Michael and David Golem. Third row, Morag Michael, Daniel Holdredge, Dee Dee Mazur, Kelly Norris, Amy Mazur, Stafanie Michael, and Linda Mazur. Shown in the back row is Rev. Jim Pall, resource speaker.

Board will continue program

The West Side Area Vocational Technical School board met Monday evening to establish new program guidelines for its Adult Education courses. Last month, the board spoke of the possibility of closing the program because of a decline in enrollment.

Board member Joseph O'Donnell spoke to the Dallas School Board this month about the possible closing due to a lack of support for the program from member schools such as Dallas. At present, 50 percent of those enrolled in the program are from non-member schools.

The board voted that these non-members will pay the difference between tuition and cost of the course; also that non-members must have approval from their own school boards.

Voted down was a motion to eliminate any instructor whose course could not maintain 10 students per month.

— PAMELA AARON

Judie Mathers joins staff of Dallas Post

Judie Mathers, of 75 Mountain Road, Shavertown, has joined the staff of The Dallas Post as a full-time member of the editorial department.

The appointment of Mrs. Mathers was announced recently by Dotty Martin, editor of The Dallas Post.

Mrs. Mathers, a native of the Back Mountain and a graduate of Dallas High School, was most recently employed as a reporter and copy editor of the Suburban News, Sweet Valley.

Prior to her employment at Suburban News, she was employed as the public relations coordinator for the WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Program of Maternal and Family Health Services.

Mrs. Mathers, who holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology and Special Education from Syracuse University, is a member of the committee for volunteers of the American Red Cross Youth Program, a member of the Dallas Wrestling Club, and a member of the Huntsville United Methodist Church.

She is married to Hap Mathers, also a native of the Back Mountain.

The former Judie Gross of Trucksville, Mrs. Mathers was a



JUDIE MATHERS

high school correspondent for The Dallas Post as a junior and senior at Dallas High School.

In her new position at The Dallas Post, Judie will be responsible for police and court news as well as general assignment and feature writing.

Youths practice clown ministry

Recently the youth of Trucksville UM Church participated in a 25-hour "Starvation." Designed to be a meaningful experience, the event was also held to raise money for the Appalachian Service Project.

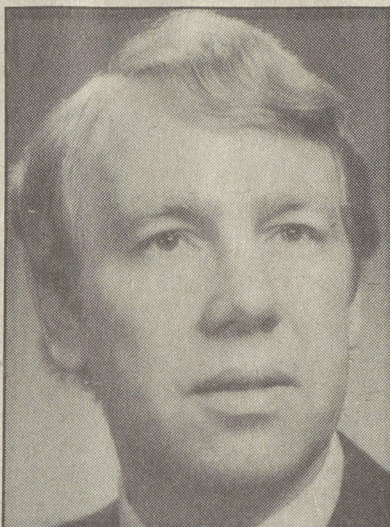
Through this program, youth and adults from five participating churches in Wyoming Valley will be spending a week in Sweetsville, Tenn., where they will be helping repair the houses of elderly and

impoverished families. During the 25 hour fast, when the participants only consumed water, the group watched and discussed hunger films and a covenant lifestyle.

A large part of their time was also spent preparing for their Sunrise Service to be held on Easter morning at 6:30 a.m. The service will be presented in the form of a clown ministry, and Rev. Jim Pall

from Forty Fort United Methodist Church visited for an hour to share his experiences as a Christian Clown.

The coordinator of this event and the youth leader at Trucksville is Mrs. Linda Mazur. The pastor, Rev. Thomas Clemow, conducted an evening commission service during the starvation. The youth group hopes to raise well over \$400 as a result of this event.



DR. WILLIAM D. CAMP

Dr. Camp is candidate

Dr. William D. Camp has announced his candidacy for a position as director on the Dallas School Board and will be on the Republican and Democratic tickets in the May primary.

Camp indicated that he was concerned about continued quality education in Dallas. As a parent of two school age children, Camp reiterated the necessity of having a school climate conducive to learning with an emphasis on the basic skills of reading and writing. As a taxpayer, Camp is concerned about the district's financial condition.

A native of Hawthorne, New Jersey, Camp has been a resident of New Goss Manor in Dallas for 15 years. Since moving to Pennsylvania, Camp has been associated with Luzerne County Community College where he serves as chairman of the Social Science-History Department.

Obituaries

Funeral services were held March 25 from the Outlet Free Methodist Church, with the Rev. Donald Baker, pastor of Bowman's Creek Free Methodist Church, officiating. Interment, Kocher Cemetery, Harveys Lake.

FLORENCE BOLGER
Mrs. Florence H. Bolger, 81, of 40 Midland Drive, Dallas, formerly of Brooklyn, N.Y., died March 20 in St. Stanislaus Medical Center, Sheatown, Newport Township.

Surviving are her son, James L. Jr., Dallas; three grandchildren; brother, Arthur Halpin, Muttontown, N.Y.

Funeral services were held March 24 from the McLaughlin Funeral Home, Kingston, with a Mass of Christian Burial in Gate of Heaven Church. Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

MARY SNYDER
Mrs. Mary Snyder, 75, of the Hillside Personal Care Home, Dallas, died March 19 in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston. She was preceded in death by her

husband, John. Surviving are several cousins.

Graveside services were held March 25 in Bethel Hill Cemetery, Fairmount Township, with the Rev. Thomas A. Clemow, pastor of the Trucksville United Methodist Church, officiating.

WILLIAM FREEMAN
William K. Freeman, 73, of McAllisterville, formerly of Sweet Valley, Dallas and Loyalville, died March 20 in Poly-Clinic Medical Center, Harrisburg.

Surviving are his wife, the former Maria Caron; sons, William, Oak Harbor, Wash.; Robert and Edward, both of New Jersey; stepsons, George R. Widdick, Sylmar, Calif.; Thomas Widdick, Cranford, N.J.; sister, Loretta Stesney, Exeter; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held March 24 from the Curtis L. Swanson Funeral Home, Pikes Creek, with the Rev. Andrew Pillarella, pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Dallas, officiating. Interment, Maple Grove Cemetery, Pikes Creek.

Committee gears up for 30th Fine Arts Fiesta

The officers and directors of Wyoming Valley's Fine Arts Fiesta have issued a special invitation to everyone in the area to participate in the very special 30th Anniversary celebration to mark the 30th annual Fiesta. The Fiesta will be presented on Public Square in downtown Wilkes-Barre on four consecutive days, beginning, Thursday, May 30, and continuing through Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 31, June 1, and 2.

The Fine Arts Fiesta, the first full-scale arts festival in Pennsylvania, is presented "as a gift from the arts to the people of the region."

According to David G. Wilson, Fiesta president, and Brian J. Benedetto, general chairman of the 1985 Fiesta, an elaborate program of cultural activities and performances have been planned. They include the complete roster of the performing arts, from classical symphony and band music to jazz and rock-and-roll, from musicals and dramatic plays to opera, from ballet to square dancing. The Fiesta will also feature displays of juried crafts, as well as adult and student juried art exhibits. Persons wishing to partici-

pate in the juried crafts exhibition may write for applications to: Crafts Committee, Fine Arts Fiesta, Post Office Box, 2053, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703. Artists who wish to submit works for consideration in the juried art exhibits may write to the same address.

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