



People



New program

The Junior League of Wilkes-Barre recently announced the establishment of its infant and toddler car seat program, Project K.I.S.S. (Kids in Safety Seats). The project is being coordinated by Mrs. Jonathan Valentine of Dallas, chairperson of the League's Public Affairs committee, and Ms. Janet Shaskas of Shavertown. The League has received 100 infant seats and 150 toddler seats from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation which will be available for distribution within the next two weeks on a one and two year rental basis to Luzerne County residents. Those interested in obtaining a seat are asked to contact the League's thrift shop, The Bargain Barrel, at 823-2647. The League has received an overwhelming support from the business community for the project. The proprietors of Graham's Office Supplies and Equipment Inc. will provide free storage space at the firm's warehouse for the seats. On April 27 and 28, the Marquis Art Gallery in Wilkes-Barre and the League will sponsor an art show and sale, the proceeds from which will be used to purchase additional seats and to maintain the program. Shown at a recent Public Affairs meeting are, from left, Mrs. Jonathan Valentine, Ms. Mary Pillarella and Ms. Janet Shaskas.



Employee honored

Cathy Loucks has been selected as the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, Employee for the Month of April, according to an announcement by John Muth, Personnel Director. She joined the Meadows as a nurses aide in August, 1983, and is currently employed as nursing assistant coordinator, second floor. Born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, Mrs. Loucks moved to the Dallas Area in 1969 and graduated from Dallas Senior High School. She and her husband, James, reside at Harveys Lake. Shown here, are, from left, Kathy Vidumsky, L.P.N., 3-11, Charge Nurse 2nd floor; Cathy Loucks, Nursing Assistant Coordinator, 2nd floor, Employee of the Month; Lois Arlunas, R.N., 3-11 Supervisor; Judy Harding, Director of Nursing Services.



KEITH MICHAEL EVAN

Evan named to musical band

Keith Michael Evan of Minnesota has been notified that he has been selected for membership in the American Musical Ambassadors Band. This highly select concert band, composed of outstanding high school students from all over the United States, will tour several European countries for three weeks next July.

Keith, son of Buzzy and Theresa Evan, is a member of the Park Rapids Band directed by Tom Wood.

The tour group will visit Paris, Lucerne, Lugano, Milan, Venice, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Frankfurt, Amsterdam and London. Highlights of the tour will include concerts in the concert halls and major parks of Europe and a two-day visit in the homes of Dutch families. Students will visit many sites of musical and historical importance as well as the popular tourist attractions.

Keith is the grandson of Mrs. Mildred Evan of Harveys Lake and Mrs. Mary Kozick of Dallas.

People in the news

RACHEL T. THOM of Dallas has served highest honors for the fall term at Skidmore College, a coeducational, liberal arts institution with an enrollment of 2,100 students.

Highest honors are awarded for a quality point ratio of 3.6 or more from a possible 4.0. Honors are awarded for a ratio of 3.2 to 3.59.

Ms. Thom, a senior, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William T. Thom, III of 380 Pioneer Ave., Dallas.

NAVY PETTY OFFICER 2ND CLASS RAYMOND M. KOVAL, a 1978 graduate of Bishop O'Reilly

High School of Kingston, recently served with the Armed Forces Inaugural Committee in support of the Presidential Inauguration on January 21, 1985.

The special committee is formed every four years to plan and coordinate communications, security, transportation, parade control and special inaugural events.

The military's participation in presidential inaugurations dates back to the revolution when George Washington was escorted by his militia to New York City's Federal Hall, then the emerging nations' capital.

Council active

The Lake-Lehman Student Council has been very active this year and promises to become even more so under the leadership of: Michael Annetta, president; Evan Thomas, vice president; Michelle Judge, treasurer; Lisa Bebey, secretary and the representatives; seniors, Sue Dodson, Bob Hackling, and P.J. Malak; juniors, Karen Evanish, Doug Ide and Laura Wendel; sophomores, Donald Buzinkai, Melissa Hontz and Melissa Lord; and freshmen: Alex Fredrick, Eric Maruca and Karen Stepanki.

The Student Council has completed many projects thus far. They have reestablished "Word of the Day" and "Quote of the Day" to be read in general assemblies every Tuesday and Thursday. They have sponsored a "Make Your Own Sundae" sale, where teachers and students made their own sundaes after lunch. It was a lot of fun, and everyone enjoyed it.

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DEAR "AUNT PATTY"



DEAR AUNT PATTY:

My wife and I have been married for just a little over a year now - and we have a great marriage. If I had to do it all over again, I'd marry the same woman.

My only complaint is my wife's cooking. She can't cook, no matter how hard she tries.

When my wife lived at home with her mother, she never had to do any cooking; therefore, she never really learned how. I have tried to drop subtle hints that maybe she should take a cooking lesson or two, but I guess they haven't sunk in.

I have been living with this problem for over a year now and evidently my wife must think she's a good cook because she's never done anything to change.

I guess the reason I'm writing to you, Aunt Patty, is not because I expect you to correct this problem in your column, but because I'm hoping my wife will read this and put two and two together.

STARVING AT HOME

Why not sign up for cooking lessons together? Who says the wife must do all the cooking? Also ask your families for cooking suggestions and family favorites.

DEAR AUNT PATTY:

My daughter is a high school softball player at a local high school in the Back Mountain. She's not a superstar, but she's at least an average player and plays in almost every game.

My problem is not with my daughter, but with my husband. My husband sometimes acts like she is a professional being paid for her ability and that he's her manager. He carries on with her when she doesn't play well as he thinks she should, when he thinks the coach

doesn't let her play long enough, when he thinks the umpires make a wrong call against her and he complains to the newspapers if they don't write enough good things about our daughter.

Aunt Patty, this has become embarrassing, not only to me but to my daughter as well. I know she doesn't like to see her father act like that, but she respects him too much to say anything to him about it.

I have kept my mouth shut so far this season, but our daughter is only a sophomore and has two years of softball ahead of her. She enjoys playing on the team, but I'm afraid if her father's antics continue, she'll give it up out of sheer embarrassment.

DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS? SYMPATHETIC MOTHER DEAR SYMPATHETIC MOTHER:

Explain to your daughter how lucky she is to have a father who is interested in her and her activities. As long as your husband is doing no real harm, just grin and bear it. After all, when it comes to sports - boys will be boys!

DEAR AUNT PATTY:

Our children are begging my husband and I to install an inground pool. To be very honest with you, we simply cannot afford one. Many of their friends have them and our children don't want to feel left out. What should we do?

T.D.

DEAR T.D.:

You sound like a pair of disillusioned parents trying to buy love. Don't be afraid to tell your children no. In the end they will respect you for it. Otherwise they will see you as gutless and will blame you when there is trouble. We are living in a child-dominated society. (Remember the Cabbage Patch Doll phenomenon!) When we try to buy love, the price goes up, as it does with other commodities. The child who senses his parents feel guilty will collect his frivolity, then think up something else so he can collect again. Children can be expert emotional blackmailers. Simple solution - learn to say no!

DEAR AUNT PATTY:
I recently moved to Dallas from the Mid West. I am unfamiliar with some of the food I have eaten here and would like some recipes. Can you help? I need recipes for pierogies, poppyseed roll, and stromboli. Thanks!

T.A.K.

DEAR READERS:

I need your help. If you have a good recipe for any of the above mentioned, please share it with us.

DEAR AUNT PATTY:

My husband's company has been doing a lot of unexpected firing recently. My husband is in a constant state of worry. He comes home from work exhausted, angry, and with indigestion. What should I do to help him?

ALL FIRED UP

DEAR ALL FIRED UP:

Question him about what is happening and get him to talk about it, then, listen. Arrange to do something you both enjoy but haven't done for a while. Invite someone to dinner who is unrelated to your husband's place of work. Show him some fun and tender loving care. Also schedule an appointment with his physician for a physical. Stress often causes ulcers. Good luck. (Need help? Seeking advice? Got a problem? Write to "Dear Aunt Patty," c/o The Dallas Post, P.O. Box 366, Dallas, Pa., 18612.)

Durkin speaks to association

Color Consultant, Jane Durkin was the guest speaker at the April 9 meeting of the Cross Valley Chapter of the American Business Women's Association held at the Sheraton Crossgates. Ms. Durkin demonstrated a 50 year old concept of season based colors and using them to a person's best advantage in personal appearance on a member of the organization.

Ms. Durkin attended the Philadelphia College of Art and works from her Back Mountain studio "A Certain You" and also from the boutique "Looking Good" on Wyoming Avenue, Kingston.

Featured vocational speaker for the month was Mary Ann Murray, a charter member and L.P.N. at the Veterans Nursing Home Facility.

Nomination of candidates for the annual awarding of college scholarships took place. As principally an educational organization, the Cross Valley Chapter of the American

Business Women's Association presents 3 scholarships annually to women in the community attending local colleges. Members of the organization work cooperatively on project fund raisers throughout the year to sponsor these scholarships. Presentation to elected recipients is planned for the annual Associate's Night dinner in May.

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