



# People



### Baby Parade held

A number of area children recently took part in the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Baby Parade sponsored by the Careerist Branch of the auxiliary. Prizes were awarded to first, second, and third place winners in two divisions: Walking age to three-year-old and four to six-years-old. The winners are shown here. From left, Division II - 1st place, Dave Albert, Wyoming; 2nd place, Jennifer Klaipts, Dallas; 3rd place, Sylvia Price, Wyoming. Division I - 1st place, Nicole Yamrus, Kingston; 2nd place, Alissa Marianacci, West Wyoming; 3rd place, Corey Cortese, Avoca. Back row are Cindi Taylor, parade chairman; and Robert Delconte, judge.



### Wearing the green

From today on, Auxiliary Volunteers at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas who have given 50 or more hours of volunteer service will be wearing smart forest green smocks which will quickly identify them to the staff, residents and visitors. The volunteers have been looking forward to receiving their smocks, and those who have not quite reached the 50 hour mark are working hard to do so. The Auxiliary members are a close knit group who give of their time and talents to help in many phases of the work of the Meadows Nursing Center, assisting the staff wherever their help is appropriate. Volunteers work under professional direction and supervision and have a wonderful rapport with the staff. Director of Volunteer Services, Marilyn Gregorski or Rita Nichols, volunteer coordinator, would be happy to talk with anyone who wishes to join the volunteers. Please call volunteer services at 675-8600 ext. 115. For further information pertaining to the Auxiliary, please call Auxiliary president, Diane Corby, 675-4893. Shown here, from left, seated, are Glenna Willson, auxiliary member; Gertrude Eckert, auxiliary member. Standing, Velma Davis, auxiliary member; Catherin Maxwell Bolinski, auxiliary publicity chairman; Louise Lamoreaux and Mazie Mazar, auxiliary members; Barbara Barakat, auxiliary first vice-president; Diane Corby, auxiliary president; Rachel Hale, auxiliary second vice president; Irene Transue, auxiliary secretary; Rita Nichols, volunteer coordinator.

### Two students among those cited

The names of two students were inadvertently omitted from the list of Wyoming Seminary students who were honored for the achievements during an NEDT test. They are Thomas Imperiale, of Kingston; and Robert Eggleston, of Wilkes-Barre.

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## DEAR "AUNT PATTY"



#### DEAR AUNT PATTY:

My fiancé and I have begun planning for our wedding which will take place next spring. Several things have really been bothering me and I wanted to know what someone else would think. Donna (not her real name) wants to ask her former boyfriend of four years to be an usher for our wedding. I am totally opposed to the idea. We need five male attendants and I'd like to have my best friend, my brothers and two of Donna's brothers.

Donna and I have had two serious arguments so far. She chose her attendants and already asked them without even asking my opinion. She insisted on choosing extravagant engagement and wedding rings, our honeymoon destination, and she has been looking for an apartment for us without consulting me. This business with her former boyfriend is the last straw. What do you think I should do?

#### SUFFOCATING DEAR SUFFOCATING:



THOMAS SWEENEY

### Sweeney named to position

Thomas Sweeney, Administrator of The Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, was recently elected to the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Association of Non-Profit Homes for the Aging (PANPHA).

PANPHA is the state association consisting of approximately 240 member homes throughout the state. PANPHA's annual meeting was held recently in Hershey, and involved educational seminars for Nursing Home Administrators.

Tom Sweeney resides in Scranton with his wife, the former Mary Culklin and three sons, Patrick, Thomas, Jr., Daniel.

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It sounds like you are having second thoughts before marrying an overbearing, demanding, selfish, spoiled girl who plans to run your life as she sees fit. You are lucky to have been given a preview of the way your marriage will be before the main event.

Things will get worse after the wedding, so don't marry her thinking you'll change her after she becomes your wife.

You did not mention your love for each other. Is there love, honor and respect? Decide now, before the wedding, if Donna is truly the person with whom you want to spend your life. It is easier to break an engagement than get a divorce. If you truly love each other it would be worthwhile to postpone your wedding for a while and concentrate on your relationship and get some counseling.

#### DEAR AUNT PATTY:

I have a feeling that one of my co-workers is a lesbian. It wouldn't bother me if she wasn't so interested in me. We work in a factory and she stops by my area several times a day, and she's constantly touching me. It makes me very uncomfortable. I don't want to be unkind, but I do want her to get lost. Any suggestions?

JANE DOE

#### DEAR JANE DOE:

You should be sure you are not jumping to conclusions about her sexuality without more evidence. If this co-worker is indeed a lesbian, you should be able to make your feelings clear without hurting hers. All you have to do is let her know you are happily heterosexual and involved with men. Tell her about a date (or make one up) with a guy you are attracted to. If she doesn't get the hint or want to accept it you may have to be more direct and say something like, "I'm glad you want to be friends, maybe we can double date sometime. My boyfriend has several unattached buddies." If all else fails, and she really pesters you, just tell her to get lost.

#### DEAR AUNT PATTY:

I am 13 years old and I want to write and thank you for saying it is OK to let a 12 year old shave her legs. My Mom finally gave in and let me shave mine after reading your column last week. Thanks! I will trust you to answer my problems anytime. It is such a relief to finally be able to let my boyfriend rub my legs without being totally embarrassed.

HAPPY LEGS

#### DEAR HAPPY LEGS:

Shaving the legs at 12 or 13 is OK but letting your boyfriend rub your legs is not OK. Tell your boyfriend to keep his hands to himself.

#### DEAR AUNT PATTY:

My 11 year old daughter is unwilling to take on any responsibility for herself. It is really frustrating to have to make even the smallest decisions for her. She comes to me about what to wear, whether to go to a school function, and whether to go to a party or not. How can I get it across to her that she is old enough to handle these problems on her own? Or is this something she'll have to grow out of? I know I've spoiled her by letting her expect me to do things for her and by taking her wherever she wants to go and picking her up whenever she needs a ride. I've enjoyed doing all of these things for her but I now want her to take on more responsibility. How should I start?

MOM IN ORANGE

#### DEAR MOM:

Your daughter may be having a reaction common among adolescents going through the transition from childhood to adulthood. She needs help in learning more responsibility for herself. Start by limiting the number of options she has. You may start by selecting two or three outfits for her and telling her to choose one. She should become better able to exercise her judgment in less structured circumstances as she becomes more comfortable in

making simple decisions. As for deciding such things as whether or not to go to a school function or party, you might try to talk to her about the reasons why she may feel hesitant and help her to talk about her concerns. This is much better than taking the position that "it's up to you to stay home or go to the party," which doesn't help an adolescent who is uncertain about making commitments.

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LISA J. BAKER

### Baker joins LCCC staff

Lisa J. Baker recently joined the staff of Luzerne County Community College as Public Information-Alumni Coordinator, according to Thomas J. Moran, President of the college.

Mrs. Baker will be responsible for preparing news releases, feature stories and special assignment articles about the college, and will coordinate the revitalization of the college alumni association, including areas of fund-raising, establishment of regional mini-chapters, and the central Alumni Executive Council.

She is the daughter of Atty. and Mrs. Edward W. Jones, II of Dallas and resides in Lehman with her husband, Gary.

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