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Guards hold meeting

AIDS victims may come to SCID

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Voicing concern over waves of fear and misunderstanding about the unknown killer Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), a Pennsylvania Department of Corrections spokesperson said Monday that no current plans exist which would send the system's three confirmed AIDS victims to the State Correctional Institute at Dallas (SCID).

Reports earlier this week indicated that the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections had plans of turning SCID into a treatment center for those Pennsylvania

inmates inflicted with AIDS.

Pennsylvania's state correctional system currently has three confirmed AIDS inmates being housed at the state facility in Camp Hill. A fourth confirmed AIDS inmate died earlier this year at the Camp Hill prison.

State correction officials currently have two SCID inmates under medical care for what is believed to be AIDS. The two inmates are not confirmed AIDS victims at this time, officials say.

"The current AIDS problem which is sweeping the country is a very serious one but Pennsylvania's prison system is not being overrun by AIDS victims," said Department of Corrections Deputy Press Secretary Amy Dugan. "It (AIDS) is some-

thing we are concerned with but we are mainly concerned with the wave of misinformation about the disease."

Dugan said Pennsylvania is well below the average number of AIDS inmates compared to other states. For example, the state of New York currently has over 200 confirmed cases of AIDS in its prison system while Pennsylvania has only three, Dugan said.

Pennsylvania houses nearly 14,000 inmates in its 10 state correctional institutes and Dugan said the three AIDS victims found were the result of them "showing signs of AIDS."

"We have no mass-testing going on in the state's prison system," said Dugan. "Each correctional facility is handling their sus-

pected AIDS cases individually.

"In fact," added Dugan, "the two suspected cases at SCID are not as of yet confirmed AIDS victims."

Dugan also said the Department of Corrections does not have a current plan to house the three confirmed AIDS inmates, or others found within the system, at SCID.

"If it comes to that (isolating the AIDS victims in one prison) we will look at all the correctional institutions, not just SCID," said Dugan. "We hope it does not come to that."

Dugan said plans are in effect to educate prison personnel about AIDS.

Said Dugan, "The Department of Corrections plans to set the record straight through education."

Area Jews observe Yom Kippur today

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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Members of the local Jewish community are observing the ending of Rosh Hashanah (New Year) and Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) today. The celebration continues until noon, Sept. 26, as the two are the highest Holy Days in the B'nai B'rith Temple, according to Mrs. Perry Karnofsky of Dallas.

This period of High Holy Days are probably the most uniformly observed of all Jewish holidays, according to Mrs. Karnofsky, and is a time when members of the Jewish faith give close scrutiny to the lives they live.

Yom Kippur is the Day of Atonement — 24 hours of fasting from sundown Tuesday, Sept. 24 to sundown, Sept. 25. It is a day when all members of the Jewish faith cut themselves off from their usual daily pursuits and spend all day at services in the Temple.

The first service is Tuesday night, then services continue all day, Wednesday, with the final service in commemoration for the people who died during the year. The members pray for the cleansing of their transgressions throughout the whole year — for the sins they have committed and for the deeds they should have done and didn't.

At Neilah, the service at the end of the fast, children bring flowers to

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Library notes 40 years

The Back Mountain Memorial Library will celebrate 40 years of service to the community with an Open House Birthday Party from 9:30 to 5:30 on Saturday, October 12.

On February 15, 1945, Judge Harold J. Flannery granted a charter to the Back Mountain Memorial Library Association to establish a free, non-sectarian public library for the Back Mountain communities. The first goal was to purchase the Ryman building on Main Street in Dallas for \$4,000.

In one of the many editorials written by Howard Risley, he made reference to the library's dedication as a living memorial to all men and women who had served, were serving at that time and all individuals

who would serve in the armed forces of the United States.

The library stationary letterheads to this day include the dedication, "A perpetual, living memorial to the Back Mountain men and women who have served in all wars to preserve the American ideal."

The library currently serves nine municipalities; the boroughs of Dallas and Harveys Lake and the townships of Dallas, Kingston, Franklin, Jackson, Lake, Ross and Lehman.

The formal dedication was planned for October 7, 1945, but violent storms prevailed and the dedication ceremonies were held on October 12. A parade was formed including all Legionnaires and all

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Mercy Sister

Sr. Regina Kelly, English instructor at College Misericordia, explains the new cross designed for the Sisters of Mercy by one of the Members of the Order living on Campus. Sr. Regina recently wrote a brief history on the Mercy Sisters, founded by Catherine McCauley of Dublin in 1831.

Mercy Week is celebrated now

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Mercy Week — Sept. 2 to Sept. 29 — is a week of activity surrounding Mercy Day, Sept. 24, at College Misericordia. It marks a congregational celebration of charismas of the Sisters of Mercy, sponsoring body of the college.

The week opened Monday, Sept. 23, 8 p.m., with a coffee house in Merrick Hall, followed Tuesday, Sept. 24, by Mercy Day beginning at 11:15 a.m. with Convocation by Msgr. Andrew J. McGowan in Kennedy Lounge, 4:15 p.m., Folk Mass, and 9 p.m. an open student government meeting, Kennedy Lounge.

On Wednesday, Sept. 25, 10 p.m., there will be a Folk Mass; Thursday, Sept. 26, 2 p.m., special tribute to retired Sisters; 9 p.m., "Thursday Nite at the Movies"; coffee house; Friday, Sept. 27, College Community Appreciation Day, a combined activity for faculty, staff, students, administration and their families, with a dinner, hayride, bonfire and sing-a-long. Saturday, Sept. 28, marks the beginning of the Parents Weekend with a program of activities planned for Saturday and Sunday.

The Sisters of Mercy have provided an affordable, quality education to hundreds and hundreds of students through College Misericordia, which they founded in 1924, on the same campus where the college stands today.

It was in 1874, that the Sisters of Mercy came to the Scranton Diocese and in 1875 that they located in Wilkes-Barre and Hazleton. In 1914,

they purchased the property where the college stands today but because of World War I, they could not build the school until 1924.

At that time, the Catholic Order of the Sisters of Mercy was not readily accepted in the Back Mountain and the day that the college opened crosses were burned on the campus by unidentified persons. However, during the 1972 Flood the services offered by the college seemed to change the attitude of persons in the Back Mountain community.

It was Catherine McCauley of Dublin, Ireland, a woman of compassion and prayer, a socialite turned social worker, who founded the Religious Sisters of Mercy in 1831 with only seven co-workers. The Sisters of Mercy take four vows, the vow of poverty, chastity, obedience and the fourth the care of the poor, sick and ignorant. They are the vows set by Catherine McCauley, who spent her entire life devoting her time to doing that.

There were only 37 students in the first class at College Misericordia, comprised on only one building and a gymnasium. The first few classes of students wore uniforms and for many years only Sisters and a few Priests were members of the faculty.

The Sisters lived in St. Mary's in Wilkes-Barre until the Mother House burned down in 1964, then they moved to Mercy Center.

The first college catalogue published by the Sisters of Mercy defined their purpose "To educate girls in the area who could not afford a college education." Today, with six buildings on the campus, a

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Franklin's will be sold

A report over the past weekend that Franklin Family Restaurants with offices located in Kingston were purchased by the Friendly Ice Cream Company, received general confirmation by The Dallas Post on Monday, Sept. 23.

James Velis, Director of Friendly Ice Cream and Restaurants home

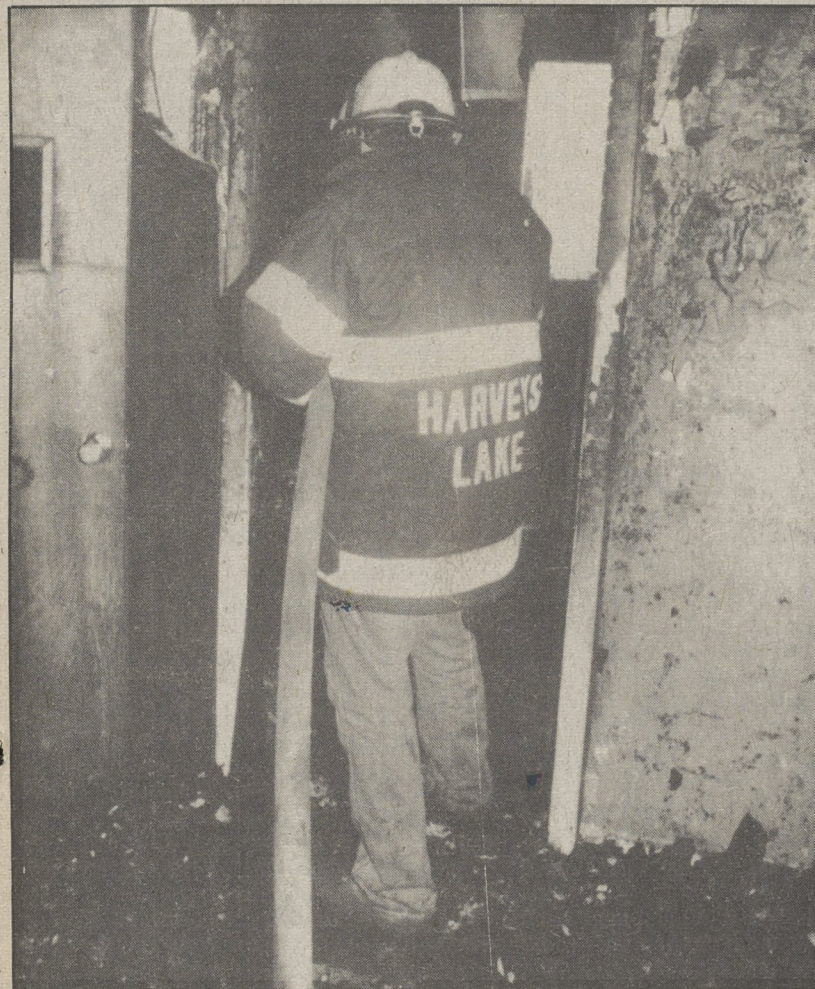
office in Wilbersham, Mass., confirmed that the company, a subsidiary of the Hershey Corp., had signed an agreement to purchase the entire Franklin Family Restaurants Organization which consists of 12 restaurants. Velis said that a formal announcement releasing details of the agreement would be made Sept. 30.

The local report was that Marvin Franklin of West Virginia, President of Franklin's, sold 51 percent of controlling stock to the Friendly Company with the understanding the local restaurants would continue to operate under the present name of Franklin Family Restaurants.

It was also reported that Frank Paczewski, Executive Vice President, would remain with the company and that it was expected all other personnel would be retained by the new owners.

Paczewski, a resident of Dallas, could not be reached for comment prior to presstime.

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Smoldering remains

An unidentified Harveys Lake fireman, Monday morning, uses a two-inch hose to spray the remaining, smoldering ashes of a bedroom located in the Daniel Jackson home along Outlet Road, Harveys Lake. Firemen were called to the scene of the 8 a.m. blaze which gutted the cinderblock building. There were no serious injuries reported late Monday night and officials say the entire Jackson family, consisting of the husband and wife and two children, escaped without injury. Fire officials say the "interior of the building was totally destroyed." No cause of the blaze was determined as of Monday afternoon.



Dallas Post/Ed Campbell

Free wash

Dallas Post photographer Ed Campbell took advantage of a FREE Car Wash held Saturday by members of the Youth Group of the New Life Community Church at Kentucky Fried Chicken, Dallas. Each young person solicited sponsored or pledged a certain amount of money toward every car the group washed. Proceeds from the event will be used for Christian trips, retreats, concerts and missionaries. Here, a young lady from the church washes Ed's Bronco.

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