



on entertainment

with Debbey Wysocki

There are many facets to what the average person calls "entertainment" — movies, TV, music, travel, etc.

But what can be a more basic form of entertainment than reading a good book? People are fortunate nowadays because they can buy paperbacks at reasonable prices, join book clubs, and borrow hardcover, more expensive books at libraries. They are also afforded book reviews, and lists of the top-selling books and Literary Guild Selections.

For avid readers, Howard Fast's series of books is strongly recommended. It is the saga of the Lavette family as revealed by Fast in "The Immigrant", "The Legacy", "The Establishment", and the newly-published "The Immigrant's Daughter", which recently made the top ten best-seller list.

Another area that now tends to be overlooked, because of VCR's, satellite dishes, and other forms of modern technology, is the radio. In the past, the radio was to people what TV is to everyone today.

Radio stations exist nearly everywhere, in small towns, cities, and major metropolitan centers. Radio's two services are classified into amplitude modulation (AM) and frequency modulation (FM). Now

more than 60 years old, radio broadcasting has also undergone a revolution. Listeners at one time favored AM radio, but now FM stations collectively attract more than 60 percent of the listenership because of new competitive formats, superior high-fidelity sound, stereophonic capability, and station coverage.

The Radio Advertising Bureau reports that 99 percent of all U.S. homes are radio-equipped, with 5.5 radio sets in an average household. Total radio listening per person averages three hours per day.

Despite the fact that television has overshadowed radio, radio has more mobility and portability. Listeners may use radio at almost any time in almost any location. People may listen to radio while engaged in other activities. In other words, radio is an extremely flexible medium. It is interesting to note that radio achieves its highest audience levels between 6 and 10 a.m. and then declines to its lowest level during the evening (prime-time television) hours.

For listening pleasure, area residents have many radio stations, such as WNAK-73AM, WILK-98AM, WARM-590AM, WNAK-730AM, WBAX-1240AM, WBEQ-1300AM, WBQW-1320AM, WARD-1540AM, WRGN-88.1FM, WRKC-88.5FM, WVIA-89.9FM, WLCH-90.7FM, WMJW-92FM and WKRZ-98.5FM. In the realm of theater, area

residents can attend plays produced by the drama departments of local colleges, traveling companies, The Little Theater of Wilkes-Barre, Showcase Theater, the Genetti Dinner Playhouse (Hazleton), Music Box Dinner Playhouse (Swoyersville), the Bucks County Playhouse (New Hope), Pocono Playhouse (Mountainhome), and of course, plays produced on Broadway (New York City).

What has developed in recent years is what is called Children's Theater. The Music Box Players Children's Theater in Swoyersville plans "The Fabulous Fable Factory" and "Jack and the Beanstalk." All children's productions feature a McDonald's "Fun Meal" for each ticketholder. The last production of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" was quite entertaining.

The Children's Theater at the Pocono Playhouse, "Broadway of the Poconos," is held on Wednesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. All tickets are \$3.00, and reservations are recommended. The Pocono Playhouse plans "Babes in Toyland" (July 16-17), "Pinnocchio" (July 23-24), "Cinderella" (July 30-31), "The Wizard of Oz" (August 6-7), "Adventures of Tom Sawyer" (August 13-14), and "Charlie Brown" (August 20-21).

For interested parties, the same productions are presented a day later at the Bucks County Playhouse, "State Theater of Pennsylvania" (South Main Street, New Hope).

(Debbey Wysocki is the entertainment writer for The Dallas Post.)



BILL LEWIS

Lewis is candidate

Bill Lewis, of Wilkes-Barre, has announced his intention to seek reelection as a Member of the Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania, representing Luzerne County. He will see election to the seat in the primary election on Tuesday, May 20.

Lewis is Chairman of the Luzerne County Young Republicans and has served as State Treasurer of the Young Republicans of Pennsylvania. He has served as a local Republican Committeeman and, during the 1984 Pennsylvania Reagan-Bush Campaign, he served on the State Ethnic Voters Task Force.

A graduate of Wilkes College, Lewis holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Lehigh

University and is presenting completing a Masters of Business Administration degree at Wilkes College and a Doctorate in government and public administration at Lehigh University, where he served as the Parkhurst Fellow in Government. Lewis serves as Counselor of the Center for the Study of the Presidency and recently completed service as Co-Chairperson of the 17th Annual Presidential Student Symposium, held in Washington, D.C.

Lewis is President of the Northeast Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, a member of the Board of the Family Service Association and serves on the Planning, Allocations and Resource Development Committee of United Way of Wyoming Valley.

Club meets

March is National AWANA month. The Community Church of Dallas recently recognized its Cubbies and Sparks Club members at a morning worship service. The boys and girls participated at a morning worship service. The boys and girls participated in the service by singing their club theme songs along with "This Little Light of Mine" and "Boys and Girls for Jesus." They also recited a Bible verse.

On March 12 the Sparks Club participated in Uniform Day by wearing their uniforms to school. The boys and girls who wore their uniforms to school received a special prize on Club Night.

AWANA stands for "Approved workmen ar not ashamed," and is designed to teach boys and girls the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The club meets on Wednesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Community Church of Dallas. It is for boys and girls from 3 years of age through second grade. The public is invited. For more information contact, Pastor Dale Brown at 675-3723.

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Eddie

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wasn't with his eyes, but that was probably something behind them causing his poor vision.

The assumption was correct when a CAT scan revealed the presence of an aneurysm or growth. Eddie was immediately taken to Children's Hospital in Philadelphia and operated on five days later. After four hours of surgery, a malignant growth was found on his pituitary gland.

Radiation was chosen as the best form of treatment and when doctors found out the Turchins lived near the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital (the family lives in Ceasetown in Jackson Township), they strongly suggested Eddie's therapy be done there.

"They said the General had the best type of facility for his particular problem and that he would probably respond better being in his home environment," Mrs. Turchin said. "And he did."

Eddie began a series of 29 treatments of heavy dosages of radiation concentrated on the brain area that began in early November and continued until the beginning of December. The outlook didn't look good, but the tumor did gradually begin to shrink.

He hasn't received any treatments since, although he still takes three types of medication and has to see one of three specialists every five or six months. Despite all the adversity, Eddie has taken it all in stride.

"He was only eight years old at the time and he never complained," Mrs. Turchin said.

Eddie, now a sixth grade student at Lake-Lehman, is the same as anyone else, with varying interests, including swimming and wrestling. But his real passion is Scouting.

Since 1983, Eddie has been involved in Scouting and has acquired numerous badges for projects such as woodcrafts, first aid, leather designs and written reports among others. He is currently working on his Citizenship Boy Scout Merit badge and recently attended a Jackson Township meeting to collect information for his report.

And, like father, like son — or in this case — like son like father, Eddie Sr. has also taken an interest in Scouting and is now a Scout leader.

"You don't know how wonderful it is to be involved in something like this with your son," Mr. Turchin said. "He's doing all the things I never had a chance to do as a kid. He's a Scout, and I wasn't. He's an altar boy, and I wasn't. And now with him involved in these things, I'm able to participate with him in them, too. And it's a lot of fun. We have a lot of laughs together."

Mr. Turchin said he used to worry all the time whether Eddie was ever going to beat his illness. But, because of Eddie's profound belief that he will overcome his obstacle, that attitude has rubbed off on his father.

Now, the two are enjoying life more than ever. They absolutely refuse to look at the negative side and firmly believe that someday he will be cured. Scout's honor!

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DR. RICHARD A. LANE JOINS PUGLIESE EYE CLINIC

Joseph Pugliese Eye Clinic is pleased to announce the appointment of Richard A. Lane, M.D. to its ophthalmology practice. Dr. Lane will be practicing general ophthalmology at the Eye Clinic.

Dr. Lane graduated Magna Cum Laude from Duke University, North Carolina, and received his medical degree from Albany Medical College, Albany, New York. He served his internship in internal medicine at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, New Hampshire. He completed his residency in ophthalmology at the Medical University of South Carolina where he was chief resident.

Dr. Lane was certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology and is a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. He was honored with the HELM Vision Research Award by the Medical University of South Carolina. Dr. Lane had a private ophthalmology practice in Newport, Rhode Island from 1984 until the time he joined the Eye Clinic. He is presently residing with his wife Deborah in Dallas, PA.

Dr. Lane will be taking appointments Monday through Saturday in addition to Wednesday evenings at the Eye Clinic in Kingston, 288-7405. Also, he will be taking new patient appointments daily Monday through Friday at the Eye Clinic's two new satellite locations in Bloomsburg, 784-4777 and Berwick, 752-1000.

Since the addition of Dr. Lane, the Eye Clinic staff now consists of seven ophthalmologists and three optometrists covering the following subspecialties: Joseph F. Pugliese, M.D. - Cataract and Lens Implant Surgery; Thomas G. Sharkey, M.D. - Pediatric and Glaucoma Surgery; Donald J. Savage, M.D. - Retina - Vitreous Surgery; Anthony J. Kameen, M.D. - Medical Ophthalmology; Larry A. Litscher, M.D. - Cornea and Refractive Surgery; Harry G. Glen, M.D. - General Ophthalmology; Jay L. Endrusick, O.D., Kurt J. Moody, O.D., and Gail A. Evans, O.D. - Specialty in Contact Lens Fittings, Refractions, and Low Vision.