

# Around town

MOTHER'S DAY was celebrated with a Mother's Tea at Trinity Nursery School. The children performed the following selections: My Mother Loves Me (a finger play), I'm A Little Teapot, Katy the Kitten and The Pollywog Song. An original song "Mothers You Are Special", lyrics written by the staff, completed the program.

Then mothers and their children enjoyed a tea. As a momentum of the occasion, the children made special cards for their moms. A begonia was provided for each mother to take home.



JOAN KINGSBURY

Everyone agreed that it was a wonderful celebration

ELIZABETH A. BUZINKAI AND MARY H. MICKIEWICZ, Shavertown, were recently inducted into the Aquinas Society, the honor society of King's College. Congratulations!

EILEEN JUDGE AND THOMAS N. CROSSIN were recently married in St. Therese's Church, Shavertown. Msgr. Joseph P. Gilgallon performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Crossin is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James W. Judge, Shavertown. A graduate of Bishop O'Reilly High School and College

Misericordia where she received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. She is employed by GMAC, Kingston.

Mr. Crossin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Crossin, Forty Fort, is a graduate of Bishop O'Reilly High School and Villanova University where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. He is employed by Bonner Chevrolet, Kingston.

Following a wedding trip to Paradise Island, The Bahamas, the Crossins are residing in Swoyersville.

WYOMING VALLEY RESIDENTS will have the opportunity to see the re-enactment of the Battle of Wyoming on Sunday, May 18 at the Swetland Home, Wyoming Avenue, Wyoming.

Dressed in total colonial attire, 120 volunteers participate in the re-enactment. This event marks the 208th anniversary of the Battle of Wyoming. About 170 patriots lost their lives while fighting against British, Tories and Indians.

Children under 12 will be admitted free. Cost for adults for the two day event is \$3. This fee included admission to both historic homes, the ecumenical church service and the battle.

For more information call the Wyoming Historical Geological Society.

BRYAN JEFFREY ELSTON, son of Roslyn and Bob Elston, 106 Ter-

race Street, Dallas, was baptized at the Idetown United Methodist Church, April 27. Rev. Michael Shambora, officiated. The Idetown Choir, under the direction of Shirley Mahley, provided special music for the ceremony.

Maternal grandparents are Henrietta and Harold Frederici, RD 2, Box 443 Harveys Lake. Paternal grandparents are Harold Elston, Huntsville, an Billie Wilauer, Wyoming.

Brian was born Thursday, Jan. 30, 1986 in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Following the baptism, a reception luncheon was served. Guests included Dale and Bonnie Elston, Sweet Valley and Phyllis and Ken Monsey, Lemon.

MELISSA MARIE SMITH, daughter of Karen Smith, 147 Meadowcrest, Trucksville was crowned Pee Wee Miss Northeastern Pennsylvania in the Miss Hemisphere Pageant held at Pomeroy's Community Room.

She won the highest award in her age group and received a crown, trophy, banner and scholarship for the Philadelphia Theatre of Arts School.

Melissa also holds the titles, Little Sunburst of 1984 and Baby Sweetheart 1985.

(Joan Kingsbury, a Back Mountain resident, is a columnist for The Dallas Post. Her column appears weekly.)



## Getting cleaned up

Shown here is a portion of Rice Cemetery, located on Huntsville Road in Dallas. Volunteers who reside in the area of the cemetery are currently clearing debris from the cemetery.

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# Volunteers clean up cemetery

By JOHN HOINSKI  
Staff Writer

A group of Dallas residents concerned over the dilapidated and deteriorating condition of the Rice Cemetery on Huntsville Road have begun a voluntary cleanup drive in an effort to restore the site.

For the past two weeks, approximately eight citizens have been spending their time clearing debris to upgrade the area which has existed since 1830 and where some of the original settlers from the Back Mountain are believed to have been buried.

"We just feel the people buried there deserve a little more respect," said Jack Fowler, one of the volunteers.

"Right now we are trying to clean it out and set up the tombstones that have been knocked down and scattered," Fowler added. "But the problem is that we're not sure where they belong. We've been down at the Courthouse to see if there is any way we can find out."

Jim Davis, a resident of Davenport Street, initiated the action when he approached the Borough Council at the last monthly meeting to get their help in the project.

"We talked to Jerry Machell and Ted Montross, but all the board members were supportive," Davis said. "We've been up here using chain saws and axes to clear the weeds and tree limbs and the council has sent up a truck to haul the debris away."

Davis said he doesn't know how

long the project will take, but one thing is for sure, there is much work to be done.

"There are a lot of markers here indicating the graves of the people buried here, but they are covered by dirt and trees and a lot of them are scattered around. So we're not sure where they belong," said David.

"They use to have that information about the layout of the cemetery stored in a building up here but it was destroyed some time back," he added. "If anybody has an idea

where we can find that out, please contact us and let us know."

Davis says he doesn't really know why he became involved in the task other than he believes it is something that should be done.

"This place has sort of been forgotten up here," Davis noted. "I just think that somebody should do something to clean it up."

In addition to Fowler and himself, Davis' two sons, Scott and Jim, have also contributed to the cause along with Bob Parrish, Joe Hudak, Joe Dwinchick and John Ochman.

## Clean-up program extended

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors has extended the Annual Spring Clean-up for the benefit of Township Residents.

The Clean-up will continue throughout the week of May 12 through 17th. The hours will be from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Saturday hours will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be no hours on Sunday. Only Kingston Township Residents will be permitted to participate in this program, proof of residency will be required.

Items not permitted will be washers, dryers, refrigerators, television sets, hot water heaters, boilers, furnaces, stoves, or large appliances. No tree stumps, concrete or rock, or household garbage.

The Kingston Township Supervisors have noted that the last Spring Clean-up was a tremendous success and township residents are encouraged to participate in this year's program. There is no charge to residents for participation in the clean-up.

# Entertainment

"Soap Opera" - those associated with this type of show prefer the term "serial drama." Drama it has been for millions of fans who get caught up each day in the tangled lives of the characters.

Dramatic serials originated on network radio, where they were first spawned by advertising. They came to be known as "soap operas" because they were usually sponsored by soap companies.

One of the largest was Procter & Gamble who even today, is the leading TV advertiser. The company buys time on as many as 30-40



the mothers and fathers of the younger generation and their bewildering offspring; "Ma Perkins," "Portia Faces Life," "Just Plain Bill," "Our Gal Sunday," and many others.

Soaps went through a transition period in the late 1970s. A major development was the lengthening of several of the most popular ones from one-half to a full hour. Another significant move was to reorient daytime serials toward a younger female audience and male audience, which now includes large numbers of students, unemployed males, mothers and grandmothers.

Dramatic serials have become

favorites of TV viewers. There is now a soap awards ceremony and a return to the Daytime Emmys. Stars of these shows frequently appear on the cover of numerous publications, most of which are devoted solely to the soap genre. Soap opera festivals are also being held on a regular basis. The Wyoming Valley Mall has hosted such festivals through the years with stars from "Another World," "Ryan's Hope," "All My Children," etc.

(Debby Wysocki is the entertainment writer for The Dallas Post. Her column appears weekly.)

## Jackson Twp. news

THE LADIES AUXILIARY of the Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Company will have a bake sale on Election Day, May 20, at the Fire Hall, Chase Rd. Refreshments will also be on sale. Baked goods would be appreciated.

THE BACK MOUNTAIN WIDOWS CLUB will have their meeting and luncheon on Saturday, May 17 at the Bonanza Restaurant, Dallas, 12:30 p.m. All widows are invited.

LADIES AUXILIARY of the Jackson Twp. Volunteer FireCo. will meet at the fire hall on Chase Rd.,

May 14, at 7:30 p.m. Hostesses are: Mrs. Mary Emerick, Mrs. Carolyn Esser, Mrs. Desiree Evans. New members are welcome.

THE QUILTERS of East Dallas U.M. Church enjoyed a Chicken and Biscuit Dinner in honor of Mrs. Ben Brace's 91st birthday. Those who attended were: Viola Brace, Jeanette Dickenson, Charlotte Weaver, Freda Hughey, Sara Clark, Helen Franklin, Natalie Walter, Beatrice Ockinhouse, Gladys Wagner and Marella Stanton.

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