

Alisa Merolli's poem wins prize

Alisa Merolli, Shavertown has won first place in a statewide contest for her poem about child abuse. Miss Merolli is a sixth grade student at Gate of Heaven School in Dallas. She wrote the poem last year when she was in Mrs. Kelly's class.

The class and others across the state participated in the second annual Child Abuse Prevention Poetry Contest sponsored by the state Department of Public Welfare.

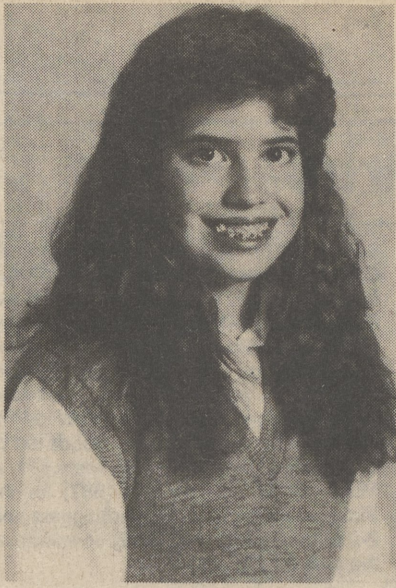
Miss Merolli is the daughter of Adrian and Nancy Merolli, North Lehigh Street, Shavertown.

The poem follows:

My God, watch over all the children
Who need your help and love.
Look over them with open arms
From the heavens high above.

They need your help so desperately
When everything looks dim.
For sometimes their chances of being loved
Might be very slim.

Their loved ones are punishing
And hurting them so,
But the damage they are doing
They just don't know.



Alisa Merolli

The hitting and the "down words"
Are not the end of it.
It's knowing that these people
May never quit.

Listen to those children cry,
They sound as if they're going to die.

They do not know that we are there,
Ready and waiting to show that we care.

These children are a part of us,
And they would not make such a fuss
If we can give them any love.
So God, give us strength from above!

Religious Services

COMMUNITY CHURCH OF DALLAS (across from Chapel Lawn Cemetery on Harveys Lake Memorial Highway.) Phone 675-3723. Pastor Dale S. Brown. SUNDAY, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Worship, (Jr. Church and Nursery); 6 p.m. Family Bible Hour. WEDNESDAY, 6-8 p.m. AWANA Club (ages 3 through 6th grade). THURSDAY, 12 noon - Ladies Prayer Hour (Nursery provided). SATURDAY, 7:30 a.m. - Men's Prayer Hour.

DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. Phone 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Bealla, Pastor. SUNDAY, 10:30 a.m. Church School, 9 a.m.

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FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH - 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville. Pastor Tim Tanner. SUNDAY, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday, 6:30 p.m.; WEDNESDAY, Family night, 7 p.m.

GATE OF HEAVEN CHURCH - Machell Ave., Dallas. Phone, 675-

2121. Pastor, William Cusick; Assistant Pastor, Michael Sullivan. Mass Schedule: SATURDAY, 5 p.m.; SUNDAY, 7, 8:30, 11 a.m., 12:15 p.m.; MONDAY, Novena Devotions and Mass, 7:30 p.m., Rosary at 7:15 p.m. CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 4 - 4:50 p.m.

HUNTSVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH - (1 block west of Huntsville Reservoir Dam, RD 4, Box 197, Dallas. Phone 675-0611, Pastor Cliff Jones. SUNDAY, Worship service 9:30 a.m., Sunday School 11 a.m.

IDETOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Pastor, Rev. Michael Shambora; Layleader, Mr. Henry Bergstrasser. 10 a.m., Church Worship; Sunday School, 11 a.m.

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PRINCE OF PEACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH - Main St., Dallas. Phone 675-1723. The Rev. John S. Prater, Rector. SUNDAY, Holy Communion, 8 a.m., Holy Communion, 10 a.m., 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday; Morning Prayer, 10 a.m.; Church School 10 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - 196 N. Main St., Shavertown. Phone 675-3859. Pastor, Rev. Harold R. Baer, Jr. Service of Worship, 8:30 and 11 a.m. Church School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.

ST. TERESE'S CHURCH - 64 Davis St., Shavertown. Phone 696-1144. Pastor, Rev. Joseph F. Meighan; Deacon, James P. Feerick. DAILY MASS, 8:30 a.m. SATURDAY, 4:30 p.m.; SUNDAY, 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m.; Holy Day, Vigil 7:30 p.m.; CONFESSIONS: Daily at 8:15 a.m.; Saturday, 3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Rectory hours, M-F, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., corner of West Center St., Shavertown. Phone 675-3616. Pastors, Rev. James A. Wert, Rev. Harriet L. Santos. SUNDAY 9 a.m. Chapel Service; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, classes for all ages.

Mary Lou Swingle, Superintendent; 11 a.m. Worship Service. WEDNESDAY, 10 a.m. New Life Prayer and Bible Study for young women.

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TRUCKSVILLE FREE METHODIST CHURCH, 370 Carverton Road, Trucksville, Pastor Rev. Warren W. Hoover, Telephone 696-2535. SUNDAY: Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Family night service at 6:30 p.m. with adult Bible Study. with Pastor and Christian Life Club for children and preschool children. WEDNESDAY: 7:30 p.m., Christian Growth Service.

TRUCKSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Church Rd., Trucksville. Phone 696-3897, Pastor, Rev. Shillabeer. SUNDAY, 9:30 a.m. and 11 s.m. morning service; Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Fellowship; 10:30 a.m.;

VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH, Independent" Rt. 292, RD 5., Box 691, Tunkhannock (in Vernon), Pastor, James A. Cummings, Phone 333-4935. SUNDAY, Worship Service 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 10:45 a.m., Evening Service 7:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, Midweek Bible Study, 7 p.m. THURSDAY Good News Club, 4:30 p.m.; Agape Youth Fellowship, 7 p.m.

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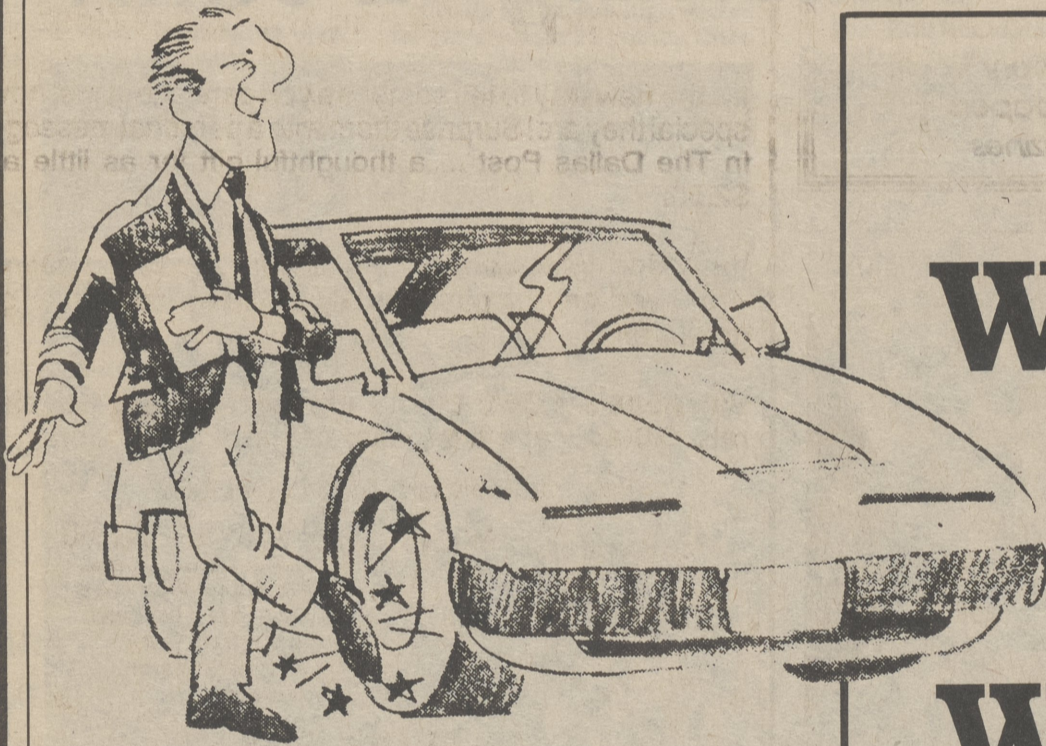
The association was formed last fall by a group of residents opposed to the rezoning of land off Machell Avenue for the Deer

Meadow Estates development. It has since filed suit against the Borough Council's action in rezoning the land from C-1 (conservation) to R-1 (residential).

Interested residents may write to P.O. Box 491, Dallas, PA 18612, or call 675-0467 during the day.

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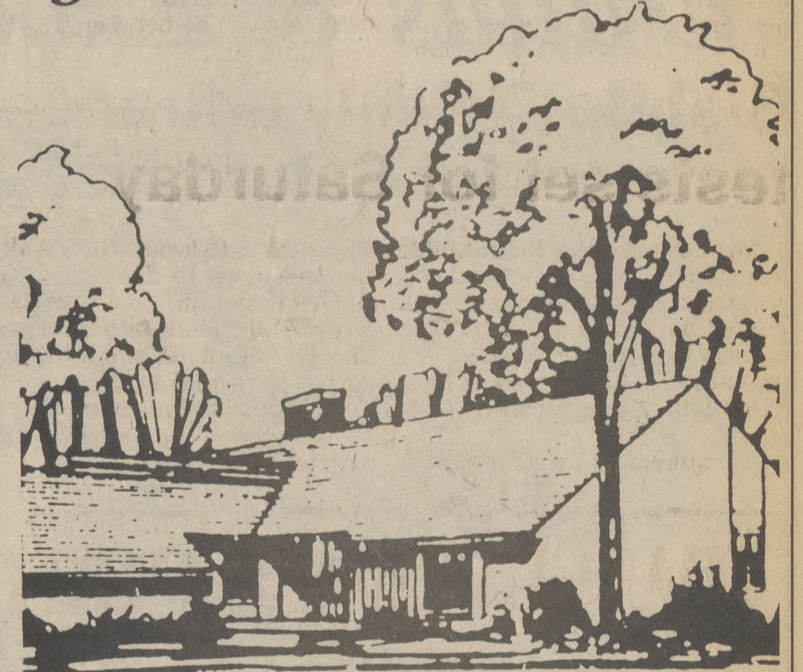
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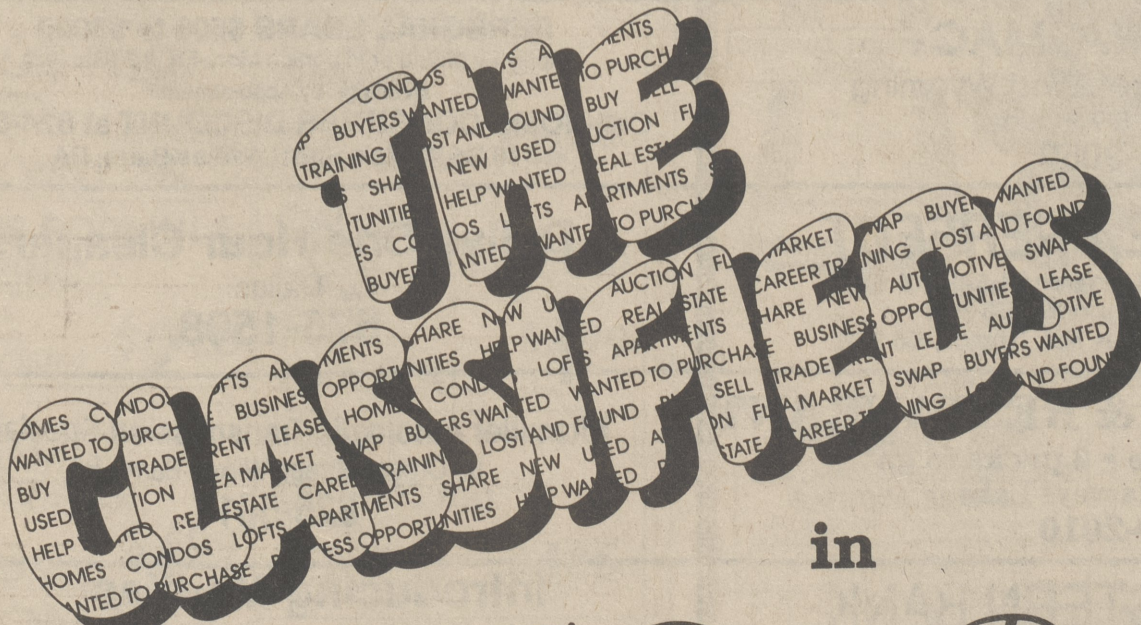
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