

THE DALLAS POST

EDITORIALS

Misericordia program proves all can learn

The Alternative Learning Project at College Misericordia goes a long way towards supporting the notion that with a little specialized help, almost everyone can become educated.

This first of its kind program gives "learning disabled" students the same chance at a college degree that is available to those without disabilities. In so doing, it offers the special help needed without compromising the standards that the college demands. As a result, many young persons who would otherwise be denied higher education are given the opportunity to develop their abilities to the fullest and to take a most productive role in society.

The success of this program makes us wonder what could be done if a similar approach were taken with young people who are simply poorly motivated. Could a customized program be created for inner city youths, for example, or for the rural poor? Would it work?

We obviously don't know the answers to these questions. But we applaud the Alternative Learning Project and hope its authors bring the same dedication and creativity to the problems of poor education that face so many of our populace.

Start of Jackson Township sewer project is welcome

After five years of planning, proposing and negotiating, the project to install sewers in Jackson Township will begin soon. Installing a municipal sewer system will make the township a cleaner and more attractive place in which to live, and will allow Jackson Township to share in the growth and prosperity that have flourished in the Back Mountain.

The Jackson Township Municipal Authority is to be commended for their wisdom in selecting a contractor who helped the township gain all the grant and low interest money possible to finance the project. In so doing, they have saved individual residents several hundred or even thousands of dollars in fees.

We, like the people of Jackson Township, look forward to the swift completion of the project.

Are President's priorities backed with dollars?

We found much to agree with in President George Bush's budget address last week. It's tone and direction were a refreshing change from the limited focus that characterized most of these speeches in the last eight years.

Supporting basic research, boosting education, creating more economic opportunity, cleaning up the environment, offering more help to single parents - all themes we think are long overdue. There's a problem, though; the actual budget Mr. Bush presented contains only minor changes from the one he inherited from Mr. Reagan. We don't think a half per cent change here and there will make nearly the difference that Mr. Bush has promised.

Perhaps there is more in Mr. Bush's budget than meets the eye. We certainly hope so, because we think some of the initiatives he outlined are critical to this nation's and the world's future.



Snowy coverlet

Kunkle United Methodist Church waits invitingly for worshipers and friends under a cover of fresh snow. (Photo by Charlotte Bartizek)

Letters

Cancer Society says "thanks" for old Christmas cards

Editor: "Thank You" to all of those who contributed greeting cards which will be sent to the Indian Cancer Society. A few years ago they embarked on a project of collecting and converting used greeting cards by recycling and selling them to raise funds for their Society. Your

support in assisting in our Worldwide Fight Against Cancer is greatly appreciated.

Marilyn M. Maslow
President
Wyoming Valley Unit
American Cancer Society

Thanks Post for photo coverage

Editor:

Thank you so much for stopping by the Nursery School and taking the photo for Dinosaur Day. We were thrilled to get some publicity. We always have such a hard time getting photos in the papers.

This was great timing as we appreciate the article on our Registration Day along side of the photo.

We really appreciate your help.

Linda Mazur and Staff
Trucksvill Nursery School

Free tax help available for seniors

The Bureau for Aging is pleased to announce the RSVP Volunteers will be available to give assistance with federal and state income tax and the PA Rent/Property Rebate. In order to reduce waiting time at the senior centers, everyone will be taken by appointment only. RSVP will be in Tunkhannock this year.

received in 1988. It is impossible to complete the forms with information missing.

Please call the senior center nearest your home for an appointment.

Dallas Center, 675-2179, March 7; Edwardsville Center, 287-3381, March 14; Falls Center, 388-2623, March 8; Kingston Center, 287-1102, every Monday and Wednesday from Feb. 22 to April 12; Wyoming County Center, 836-2324, every Tuesday from Feb. 22 to April 11.

Citizens' Council meets Feb. 22

A public meeting of the Back Mountain Citizens Council will be Wednesday, Feb. 22, 7 p.m. in the science building on Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus.

Committees have been organized and have held initial meetings to discuss plans they will recom-

mend to the interested residents of the Back Mountain.

Committee chairpersons also urge those citizens interested in becoming a member of one of the committees to attend next Wednesday's meeting. Municipal officials are also urged to attend.

Only yesterday

50 Years Ago - Feb. 17, 1939 Martin murder unsolved after two months

After two months police see no solution in Margaret Martin case.

Representatives of civic groups and service clubs met at Irem Temple Country Club met to lay plans for a community center.

Dallas High School band will present its third annual concert Feb. 23.

Engaged - Eleanor Machell and William Brickel.

Dallas Township defeated Lehman High School basketball team 40-23 Tuesday night.

40 Years Ago - Feb. 18, 1949

Beaver trapping season opens for 10 days

Henry Laing Firemen saved property worth \$381,500 during 1938.

Beaver trapping season opened Tuesday and runs through Feb. 28.

Dallas Business Association has started a drive to enroll all Back Mountain businessmen in the organization.

Dallas Borough girls team defeats Harter's girl cagers 26-16.

FBI to conduct police school for local officers.

30 Years Ago - Feb. 12, 1959

75 homes built in Back Mountain last year

Elwood Whitesell, Dallas, and Earl Payne, Sweet Valley, won recognition in the Miami, Fla. Fishing Tournament when they caught large sailfish in the Florida Keys waters.

Seventy five homes were built in Dallas, Franklin, Kingston Township and Dallas Borough in the past year.

Engaged - Helga Woerner and Eugene Lazarus, 2nd.

Alderson ties for top spot on 66-57 win over Shavertown in the Church League.

Dallas Lions donate eye-testing equipment to Gate of Heaven School.

20 Years Ago - Feb. 13, 1969

Gino's Shoe Store opens

Back Mountain Municipal Authority last Thursday announced that sanitary sewage system for Dallas Borough, Dallas Township and Kingston Township would be in operation by August, 1970.

Dallas School District will sponsor a "Sex and Narcotics" seminar for students and their parents.

Students from 22 high schools participate in Northeast District Orchestra Festival Concert and Dallas High School.

Back Mountain Library making great strides but needs more space and more money.

Hanover Hawkeyes surprise Lake-Lehman downing them 37-8.

John Ginchetti opens shoe store in Dallas Shopping Center.

10 Years Ago - Feb. 15, 1979

523 Dallas students may be relocated

Was Harveys Lake's John Krasner, target of contract hit or robbery? Fort Lauderdale police chief said his department believed Krasner was the victim of a holdup that went sour.

Dallas Post plans local bridal show for Feb. 21.

Dallas School District is faced with possibility of relocating 523 students in the 16 classrooms of Dallas Twp. Elementary building, if the school board's appeal for an abatement date is denied.

Jeremy Torr joins Dallas police department.

Dallas cagers whip Titans 73-65.

Library news

Two books on Lech Walesa added to library

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK

The Back Mountain Memorial Library has received a donation of two books on the life of Lech Walesa from The Polish American Congress of Northeastern Pennsylvania. The books are titled, "A Way Of Hope" by Lech Walesa and "My Brother, Lech Walesa" by Walter Brolewicz. The book by Walter Brolewicz is a story of roots, politics and survival. The roots are the author's, as he journeys to Poland, the homeland of his parents, to meet his "brother" Lech Walesa. The politics are those of this extraordinary leader and Nobel Prize winner as he talks to his family, staff, and members of the Solidarity network. The survival is that of the Poles as they live their lives against a backdrop of military rule. The reader gets a rare glimpse of Poland through Walesa's eyes, as well as through the author's American perspective.

A long-time user of the library was in the other day enjoying our cat display and advised us that she has been coming to the Back Mountain Library for over 31 years, having used the old building down on Main Street before we moved to Huntsville Road. She originally joined when the library was loaning groups of books on permanent loan to the schools and has continued her interest in the library. The cats reminded her of our first li-

brarian, Miss Miriam Lathrop, who lived in an apartment over the old library and had several old Tabby Cats for pets. Evidently these cats were allowed to lounge in the library in special places. Where the cats are concerned, the library was their home while it was your library. Susan O'Malia, we thank you for this nostalgic information and we are happy you are still using this library as your own.

On the subject of libraries, I noticed in the papers that Barbara Bush was at the Philadelphia Free Library and spent a moment with a fourth-grader. Mrs. Bush was launching the city's "Love is Reading Together Week". Student Eric Wall, aged nine, said, "she was nice—like a grandma".

New books at the library: "Hot Siberian" by Gerald A. Browne is set against a backdrop of highest-stakes contraband diamond smuggling, from the frozen core of Siberia to the sly marts of old Europe. This is a heart-racing saga of adventure and passion.

"Smoke and Mirrors" by Barbara Michaels is a story with a magical blend of romance and danger—a potion guaranteed to delight fans and garner new devotees. Here is a no-holds barred look at the high-stakes game played by the powers behind the power, where murder is the ultimate trump card. A game with startling and sinister ways.

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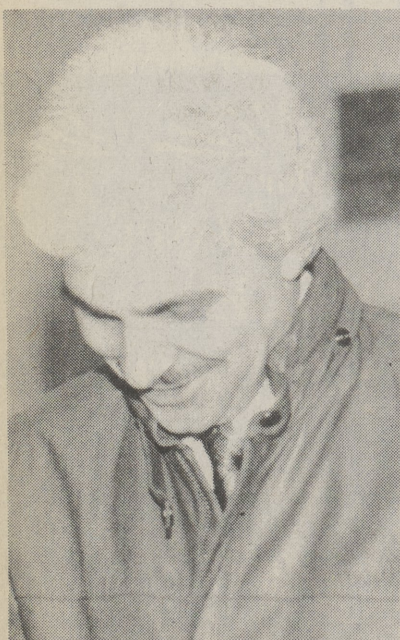
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The Post asks: Do you approve of small games of chance being legal?



Charles Chlsarick
Shoe Salesman
Kingston
"I think they should be legal. Something like that would help us raise mney for our church because nearly everyone will buy chances."



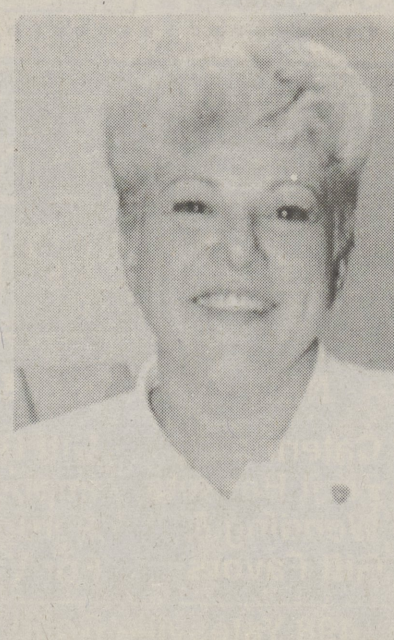
Mark Schmoll
Jewelry Salesperson
Dallas
"Why not? If they're legal lots of groups could sell tickets or 50-50 chances. Some sell them now illegally."



Gus Walters
Businessman
Dallas
"I don't see anything wrong with it. Those who want to buy them will, those who don't won't buy them."



Susan Davis
Account Executive
Dallas
"It would be great. I belong to a small group which helps children and that would be a way to raise the money we need."



Andrea Molski
Receptionist
Dallas
"It might as well be legal. Everybody sells some kind of chances anyway so why not make it legal."