

Former Post editor Freeman joins state crime commission

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Michael J. Reilly, chairman of Pennsylvania Crime Commission, announced Feb. 1 that J.R. Freeman, at one time editor of The Dallas Post, had joined the Commission as Director of Special Projects, assuming his duties immediately.

In making the announcement, O'Reilly said, "I have followed Freeman's investigative reporting career for the last 10 years and have always been impressed with the thoroughness, diligence and creativity he has shown in his work. I'm delighted that we were able to lure him away from his first love—investigative reporting."

Freeman recently retired as staff writer for the Greensburg Tribune-Review for which he wrote extensively about La Cosa Nostra and other organized crime groups and public corruption in the state.

Many of Freeman's stories have been published in other newspa-

pers and magazines and a number of his articles also have been published in the Congressional Record.

Freeman has been a newspaperman all his adult life. After attending Southern Methodist University, he was employed for 12 years by The Dallas (Texas) Morning News. Later, he was co-publisher of a weekly newspaper in Colorado.

He was a consultant to LIFE Magazine in the late 1960's and during the early 1970s was editor-in-chief of three newspapers in the local area, The Dallas Post, Abington Journal and Mountaintop Eagle. He was one of the first journalists to report the infiltration of organized crime into the Pocono Mountain region of Pennsylvania.

Doris Mallin, former Dallas Post editor, joined the Pennsylvania Crime Commission two years ago as Public Affairs Officer. Ms. Mallin is a native and lifetime resident of Dallas. She was affiliated with the Dallas Post for 22 years.



Judy Fitch entertains at Meadows

Residents at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, recently enjoyed a special music program of old favorite and contemporary songs presented by Judy Fitch, the 1988 Miss Wilkes-Barre/Scranton. A resident of Dallas, Fitch is a Telecommunications and Public Relations major at Wilkes College. She is shown with Bill Clark, resident at The Meadows Nursing Center.

Water

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may be taken over by a larger firm especially if the smaller company is having a problem. House Bill 25 would also contain legislation making it easier for DER or the PUC to make large companies take over smaller companies if they are in trouble.

According to the bill, if the current rates are not enough to meet the purchase price of the smaller company, the larger company can raise the rates to meet the purchase amount.

The members of the Commission agreed that their two priorities are to determine methods to solve water problems and develop-

ing unified ordinances pertaining to water in order to prevent problems in the quantity or quality of water in the future.

Members authorized Molski to contact those municipalities which had not sent in their checks and request them to do so since the Commission needs the money to pay for upcoming expenses.

Ellie Rodda reported that the survey coupons had appeared in all of the local daily and weekly newspapers and that Commonwealth Telephone was waiting for 16,500 coupons to come from the printer so the company will be able to send them out with the next month's bills.

Property transfers

Property transfers recorded at Luzerne County Court House from February 10, 1989 to February 16, 1989. Prices are extrapolated from transfer taxes paid. Many transfers are exempt from tax, so no amounts are shown.

James A. Haughwout to Brian R. Haughwout, 332 Old Carverton Rd., Trucksville, property Old Carverton Rd., Kingston Twp.

Woodridge Assoc. to Donald J. Savage, M.D., 305 Huntsville Rd., Dallas, property, Lantern Hill Rd., Kingston Twp., \$76,000.

Jos. John Tartaglione to James Stuart, RD 2, Box 60A, Harveys Lake, property Lake Twp.

Estate of Mary Sickler, Per Extr. to Anthony L. Recupero, Jr., 406 Susquehanna Ave., W. Pittston, property 15.72 acres, Franklin Twp., \$68,500.

Pool Siegel & Associates, Inc. to Paul J. Siegel, 303 Market St., Kingston, property State Rt. #11, 13.197 acres, Dallas Twp., \$100,000.

Walter C. Covert to Elizabeth T. and Walter C. Covert, Freedman Ave., Dallas, property Lot 2, Freedman Ave., Dallas Twp.

Walter C. Covert to Sharon T. and Carl W. Miers, Freedman Ave., Dallas, property Lot 1, Freedman

Ave., Dallas Twp.

Oliver J.R. Troup to Wm. F. Goeckel, 605A Meadows I, Newberry Estate, Dallas Twp., property Dallas Twp., \$70,000.

Anne Louise Griffiths to Anne Louise Griffiths, 439 Main Rd., Dallas, property Saxe Plot, L 4,5, Dallas.

Estate Elizabeth Richmond to Scott P. Parkhurst, 111 Summit St., Shavertown, property 14 Shaver Ave., Shavertown, \$42,000.

Marion H. Van Horn to Ann H. Parkhurst, 34 Pioneer Ave., Shavertown, property Rte. 40131, 32.879 acres, Dallas Twp., \$43,000.

John A. Blase to Judi L. Blase, 23 Highland Dr., Dallas, property Lake Twp.

Per Adverse Possession, Thomas F. Hanlon to Wm. M. Kasarda, Harveys Lake, property Harveys Lake.

(Per Atty. In Fact) Richard F. Bellas, to J. Lee Turner, 426 Orchard West, Newberry Estates, Dallas, property (1) Unit #426 garage #50, (2) garage #51, Newberry Estates, \$50,000.

Debra L. Evans to Diane and Gary M. Evans, RD 2, Box 232B, Harveys Lake, property State Hwy., 8,172 sq. ft., Lot 17, Lehman Twp.

Trucksville United Methodist marks World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer services will be held on March 3, 7:30 p.m. at the Trucksville United Methodist Church. This marks the 102nd observance as thousands of Christians join together in 170 countries and regions of the world to pray as one body for each other and for peace in the world. This global circle of prayer acts each year as a powerful bond of hope to strengthen relationships between all people on this volatile planet.

The theme of the 1989 World Day of Prayer is "Jesus, Teach Us to Pray". Fourteen Back Mountain churches will participate in this year's event. They are: Gate of Heaven, Trinity Presbyterian, Lehman United Methodist, Shavertown United Methodist, Dallas United Methodist, Huntsville Christian, St. Frances Cabrini, St. Therese's, Dallas Baptist, Prince of Peace, St. Paul's Lutheran,

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Learning

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to offer on-site training to each of the state's intermediate units. The workshop, "Preparing LD Students for College," is followed with an on-campus "Lead Team" training which establishes three-member resource teams for each intermediate unit. Technical assistance is provided through the Lead Teams. The training program is funded through a grant from the United States and Pennsylvania departments of education.

College Misericordia does not recruit learning disabled students, but those students interested in applying to the college should first secure a standard admissions form from the admissions office; then submit the application along with a cover letter briefly summarizing the learning disability. The student should also submit a copy of a psychological report containing results of a recent Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale.

The college also requires an official high school transcript which provides the types of special education provided during high school if possible, and two letters of recommendation from educators, one of which should be completed by a special education professional.

Results of the SAT should be submitted but will not be used in making an admission decision.

A committee takes a good look at the applicants folders and if all the pieces fall into place, the applicants will be interviewed. Interviews are conducted as a family unit.

When accepted, students participate not only in the ALP but also enroll in the regular classes where they must achieve the same minimum averages as all students to progress to a major in their sophomore year.

At the present time, few of the students are from the local area; most are from New Jersey, New York and Maryland. They form a predictable circuit beginning from Connecticut to New York, Virginia, then to New Jersey and then to Pennsylvania.

There are innumerable individuals who have become successful, who had learning disabilities. Among these are Jackie Stewart, Bruce Jenner, Winston Churchill, Albert Einstein, Walt Disney, Gen. George Patton, Cher, Thomas Edison and recently Tom Cruise, the young actor who battles dyslexia.

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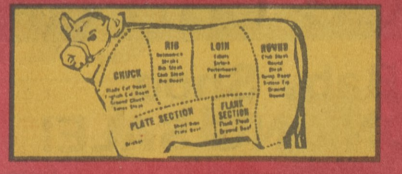
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