

Obituaries

MILDRED KEAR

Mildred B. Kear, 86, Country Club Apartments, Dallas, died June 11, 1989, at her home, following an illness.

Born in Minersville on Oct. 8, 1902, she was the daughter of the late George and Sarah Jane Williams Ball.

She was graduated from the former Beechwood School, now Beaver College and from Hood College.

She received her master's degree in business from Drexel Institute.

Mrs. Kear had been a resident of Dallas for the past 56 years.

She was active in the founding of the Back Mountain Memorial Library and the library's auction, book club and book collection committee.

She was a past president of the Parents Teacher Association for the Dallas School District and helped establish a teen center.

Mrs. Kear was a member of the

Irem Temple Country Club Women's Golf Team, since its inception in the late 1920s. She was also a member of the Irem Temple Women's Bowling Team.

She was a well-known sports enthusiast, bowling and playing golf well into her 85th year.

During World War II, she was a volunteer with the American Red Cross and the Civil Defense. She was a member of the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church of Dallas and its Women's Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lloyd B. Kear, in 1977.

Surviving are daughters, Joan Kear Shuman, Dallas; Sally Kear Braun, Newton Centre, Mass.; three grandchildren.

Interment was in Fern Knoll Burial Park, Dallas.

Memorial contributions, if desired, may be sent to the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, 18612.

RALPH MARSHALL

Ralph H. Marshall, 86, formerly of Demunds Road, Dallas, died June 18, 1989 at the Masonic Home, Elizabethtown.

Born in Danville, and a resident of Dallas for 25 years before moving to Elizabethtown, he was the son of the late Harry and Maude Cook Marshall.

He was a graduate of Coughlin High School and the Wharton School of Business.

Before retiring, he owned and operated an insurance agency in Wilkes-Barre.

He was a member of the Dallas United Methodist Church, where he had served as treasurer and

been a member of the board of trustees.

He was a member of the George M. Dallas Lodge #531 F. & A.M., Irem Temple, Wilkes-Barre and he was past president of the Wisconsin's Club, Wilkes-Barre YMCA. He was also a member of the Toastmaster's Club, Wilkes-Barre and the Dallas Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, the former Elizabeth Jenkins; daughters, Mrs. Marilyn Pearson, Grand Junction, Colo.; Mrs. Lois Baumgartner, Edwardsville; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren.

Interment will be in Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.

MARION POWELL

Marion B. Powell, 79, of North Main Street, Shavertown, died June 12, 1989 at home.

Born in the Parsons section of Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of the late William and Laura Howells Bevan.

She was a graduate of Coughlin High School and had resided in Shavertown for the past 40 years.

Before retiring she had been employed by the former Linear Corporation, Dallas.

She was a member of the Shavertown United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Powell, 1973.

Surviving are sons, William D., Tuscon, Ariz.; Richard W., Chicago, Ill.; stepdaughter, Ms. Suzanne Powell, Rochester, N.Y.; sister, Mrs. Lois Berninger, Wilkes-Barre; two grandchildren.

Interment was in the Denison Cemetery, Swoyersville.

ANNA WALP

Anna Walp, of Dallas, died June 15, 1989 in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.

Born in Nanticoke, she was a daughter of the late Alex and Martha Yurkewicz Gwiazdowski.

She was formerly employed by the General Cigar Co., Nanticoke.

Surviving are her husband, Leonard; sons, Leonard Jr. and Allen, both of Dallas; four grandchildren; sisters, Mrs. Helen Marr and Mrs. Mildred Faldowski, both of Nanticoke.

Interment was in Edge Hill Cemetery, West Nanticoke.

Dallas

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Dallas, was appointed to the list of substitute non-instructional employees for the 1989-1990 school year and Donald Chamberlain, Elizabeth Street, Dallas, was appointed to a maintenance position at the Dallas High School at an annual salary of \$9,400. Ralph McCormack was appointed to the position of Central Supply clerk effective July 3, 1989.

The board also approved the appointment of the following professional employees as department chairpersons for the 1989-1990 school year as follows: art, Jane Walzak; business, John Chapple; English, Donald Hopkins; guidance, Patricia Russin; health, Larry G. Schuler; home economics, Lavada Riggins; industrial arts, Gerald D. Kolman; language, Arno

Miller; library, Ann M. Camp; mathematics, Edward S. Augustine; music, Florence Sherwood; nurses, Rita Bren; science, Margaret Johnson; and social studies, John Turner.

A motion was approved to continue the payment of administrative salaries and confidential secretaries salaries at their present rate until such time as the board adopts another agreement.

The motion applies to all members of the administration staff

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Boats

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admitted enforcement is a problem on Harveys Lake. According to Messerle, the commission does not have enough manpower to patrol the lake regularly. "We try to be visible and have as many patrols as possible (on the lake)," Messerle explained.

A group of fisherman also said that enforcement was the key to better safety on Harveys Lake.

"Why would they obey the laws if the laws are not enforced?" asked Thomas Butman. "I see a lot of people drinking on boats out there. Usually the same boats are doing crazy, dangerous stunts. If the threat of getting caught existed, maybe these people would drink harmlessly at a bar instead out here where someone could get killed."

The fisherman said they spend a lot of time watching the boats on the lake, and each said they rarely saw boats being stopped or checked by the police or Fish Commission.

One fisherman said that when a police cruiser drives in sight, boaters settle down. As soon as the cruiser is out of sight, the boaters start acting recklessly again.

"I do not drink, but I drive fast," said Erik Pallo while waiting to put his boat in the lake. "If I thought I could get caught, I would probably slow down."

Pallo explained that the only enforcement he ever saw on Harveys Lake was the police cruiser. "I hardly think a car is going to pull over a boat," he said.

Alcohol-related deaths at Harveys Lake since 1980

June 1983 - Four family members killed when their Baja boat was struck by a Mastercraft motor boat driven by 27-year-old Denis Abromavage of Pittston. Abromavage had a Blood/Alcohol level (BAC) of .13. The legal BAC limit is .10. Killed were Sharon Pallis, 39; her 6-year-old son Joseph; Karen Pitcavage, 34; her 7-year-old son Thomas, all of RD #3 Wyoming. Abromavage served a prison sentence for manslaughter and other charges.

June 1983 - Kenneth Labar, Tunkhannock, jumped of a boat and is presumed drown. He had allegedly been drinking alcohol before jumping out of the boat. The driver of the boat, Phillip J. McCain, Tunkhannock, was charged with recklessly operating a motorboat.

August 1985 - Kim Stanley Krasner, 31, of RD#2, Box 36, Harveys Lake was killed when his speedboat struck a lakefront dock. He died of injuries sustained when his head slammed into a diving board on the dock owned by Richard and Lorraine Scott. The coroner rules that Krasner was intoxicated at the time of his death. Six empty beer cans and six full ones were found in his boat.



BLOOD DRIVE - The American Red Cross Council will conduct a blood drive, June 26, from 1 to 6 p.m. at Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake. Members of the Lake-Lehman Area Council sponsoring the drive are, above, from left, Mary Jude Swanson, Harveys Lake Service Women's Club; Mary Davis, Harveys Lake Women's Service Club; Edward Kelly, Lake Silkworth Lions Club; Joyce Birt, Lake-Noxen PTA president; Liz Sichler, Our Lady of Victory, council chairperson; Gerry Petroskas, Our Lady of Victory Church, Blood Drive coordinator. Council members absent from photo are Joseph Neilson, Harveys Lake Lions, D.C. Roberts Fire Company; Joseph Platka, Lehman Fire Company; and Charity Marlot, Lehman-Jackson PTA president. (C.M. Denmon Photo)

Blood Drive at Harveys Lake June 26

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Writer

Our Lady of Victory Parish of Harveys Lake will sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive, Monday, June 26, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., in the church social rooms.

Service organizations in the Lake-Lehman Area have joined forces to form the new Lake-

Lehman Area Blood Council, whose goal is to increase blood donations in the area which are far below quota amounts.

The Harveys Lake Women's Service Club, Lake Silkworth Lions, D.C. Roberts Fire Company and the Women's Auxiliary, Lake-Noxen and Lehman Jackson Parent Teachers Associations and Lehman Fire Company have vol-

unteered their services. The Harveys Lake Women's Service Club will have eight volunteer nurses and volunteers as escorts and for other tasks. All of the service organizations are soliciting their members to donate blood. The Blood Council needs 80 donors from the Lake-Lehman Area.

Call 639-1045 if you wish to make an appointment to donate

Harveys Lake thrillseekers 'ride the wire'

By SCOTT A. DAVIS Post Staff

A new wave of fun has taken Harveys Lake by storm this year, one which mixes watersport with boating and has come to be called "riding the wire."

This new water sport involves a small rubber raft, a ten to fifteen foot cord, and a speedboat. While the operator of the speedboat jets through the water, this new breed of thrill-seeker rides the small raft which is tied to the boat.

"It is a sport for people who want to waterski but cannot afford the equipment," claims sport enthusiast Troy Sanine. "It is all the feel without the cost."

Sanine explained the history leading up to this new sport. He

said that people in the past used to put children out on little boats and drag them around the lake. Some people who saw this decided it could be fun for adults, too. Sanine also said he likes the romantic picture of the sport's development. "Pirates used boats tied on the end of their ships to punish prisoners and crew. I always wanted to grow up to become a pirate and this is as close as I'll ever get," he said.

Sanine explained that the objective of the sport is to stay on the raft. "You can sit, stand, kneel, or lay down; but you cannot fall out."

"Riding the wire" enthusiasts like to gather together for stiff competition. Each takes their turn on the raft, and they are timed to see who can stay on the raft longest. After the first stage,

comes the semi-finals. The few who stayed on the raft longest go back out. This time they must sit up in the raft. They are timed to see who can stay up longest once again. The two top performers then meet in the finals. This time, they must stand in the raft. Whoever stays up longest wins the event and becomes the new champion.

The new breed on the lake seems to have been accepted by other lake users. "It looks like fun," said waterskiier Kathy Rice. "I think I might give it a try."

As for other boaters on the lake, the raft riders seem openly welcomed. "They are a lot easier to see than the waterskiiers," said boat operator Phillip Sawyer. "They usually use brightly-colored rafts that are easy to pick out in the water."

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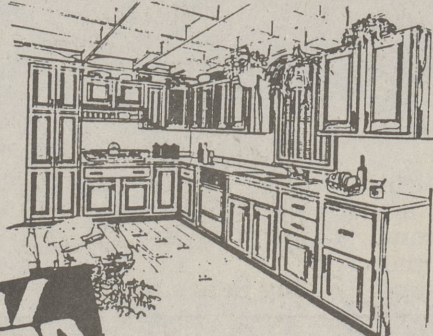
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