



PREPARING - Diane Beisel instructs Kingston Township ambulance members how to be prepared for a mass casualty disaster. (Photo by Scott A. Davis)

KT ambulance trains for mass casualties

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Airplane crashes, bus accidents, mass shootings, toxic fires; all of these events are in the headlines every day. Each involves the potential of multiple injuries and deaths. What would happen if a disaster struck the Back Mountain? Members of Kingston Township ambulance asked themselves that question last week.

Members of the volunteer ambulance company meet Sunday evening for a training session in Triage, the sorting out of numerous casualties by severity for treatment.

Kingston Township ambulance member and Registered Nurse Diane Beisel, Shavertown, instructed the session. "Any kind of accident could happen, bus accidents, explosion of hazardous material. We have to be prepared," Beisel said.

At the session, the ambulance members learned how to approach a disaster site, how to

sort casualties, how to organize operations, and what to do after the disaster operation concludes.

"If you are called to a situation you think has mass casualties, first call for help (from other companies)," she explained to the members. "You can always cancel them if they are not needed."

She explained how tags are used to sort the wounded and dead by priority. First priority injuries include patients who have suffered a witnessed cardiac arrest, serious breathing problems, uncontrolled bleeding, certain burns, and people who have severe medical problems such as a heart attack.

Second priority injuries include patients with other severe burns, spinal injuries, moderate bleeding, and conscious patients with head injuries.

Third priority are for patients with minor or non-emergent injuries, except for obviously mortally wounded where death appears reasonably certain.

Fourth priority involves the obvious dead.

Patients are treated in order of severity.

The ambulance members learned not to drive the ambulance right up to the scene of a disaster. Beisel explained the ambulance should be parked away from the scene until they can be certain it is safe to go closer. "A dead ambulance attendant is no help to anyone," she warns.

The members learned how to set up a command post, how to work with other responding units, and to critique the disaster's handling after it is over. "Every disaster should be followed by a critique. This way, you can see what was done wrong and how to do it right the next time," Beisel said. "But remember, it is better to do something wrong than not to do anything at all," she told the members.

She explained why the dead and dying are treated last in a disaster. According to her, someone who can be saved should be saved. Those who are going to die, can not be saved.

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, 7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting; 7:00 p.m. KING'S CHOIR Practice (for 6-12 year olds).

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

THE FELLOWSHIP EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH - Hildebrandt Road, Dallas Phone - 675-6426. Pastor, Rev. Dwight Hodne; Assistant Pastor - Minister of Youth, Rev. Joh. Butch Jr. - SUNDAY, 9 a.m. Morning Worship, also a Junior & Beginners Church; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School; 7 p.m., Informality & ministering to one another sets this service apart. Nursery is provided for all services; WEDNESDAY, 7:30 p.m., Prayer and Worship; THURSDAY, 9:15 a.m., Women's Bible Study with nursery provided; 7 - 8:30 p.m., F.C.Y.F. weekly youth meeting with in-depth Bible Study.

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. CONFESION; 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, Wor-

ship 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.

JACKSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Pastor, Rev. Michael Shambora. 8:45 a.m. Church Worship; 8:45 a.m. Sunday School.

KUNKLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - RD 1, (Kunkle) Dallas. Phone 675-0556. Pastor, Rev. Michael Willis. SUNDAY Church service starts at 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Classes for all ages 10:45 a.m.

LEHMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Pastor, Rev. Michael Shambora. Layleader Mr. Don Weidner; 10 a.m. Sunday School; 11:15 a.m. Church Worship.

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, 9:30 a.m.

ST. THERESE'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.; CONFESIONS; 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 Cen-

ter St., Shavertown. Phone 675-3616. Pastors, Rev. James A. Wert, Rev. Harriet L. Santos. Music Director, Rosendo E. Santos. SATURDAY: 5:30 p.m., Chapel Service. SUNDAY 9 a.m. Chapel Service; 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School, class; 11 a.m. Worship Service TUESDAY: 7:00 p.m. Tough Love Meeting; WEDNESDAY: 9:30 a.m. New Life Prayer and Bible Study for young women, 7:30 p.m. Practice with summer soloists.

TRINITY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Church St., Dallas. Pastor, Rev. Andrew Pillarella. Phone: 675-3131. SUNDAY: Church School for all ages, youth choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m., Superintendent, Mary Chapell; Morning worship at 11 a.m. (Nursery provided). TRINITY NURSERY SCHOOL - Monday thru Thursday, 9-11:30 a.m.; 11:30-2 p.m.

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. morning service; 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.

Property transfers

Property transfers recorded at Luzerne County Court House from July 21, 1989 to July 26, 1989. Prices are extrapolated from transfer taxes paid. Many transactions are exempt from tax, so no amounts are shown.

Joseph Sergi to Joseph Sergi, 52 Harris Hill Rd., Trucksville, property Harris Hill Rd., Kingston Twp.

Dolores A. Goble to Stanley J. Stefanski, Box 15, RD 1, Lakeview Terrace, Harveys Lake, property Oak St., Lake Twp., \$75,000.

Arthur K. Gensel to Dennis W. Nusall, 9 Oval Dr., Dallas Twp., \$100,000.

Linda B. John to Mark P. Moran, 437 Main St., Dallas, 2 parcels, Main St., Dallas, \$75,000.

Samuel J. Naples to Theresa Flynn, PO Box 2069, Wilkes-Barre, property Public Rd., Kingston Twp., \$49,900.

Brunon J. Kryger III, to Robert M. Williams, RD 6, Box 29, Dallas, property (1) County Rd., (2) Harris St., \$52,000.

Estate Theophilus Davies Jr. to James Cocolin, 251 Machell Ave., Dallas, property Harveys Lake, \$90,000.

John A. Moreck to Adam Serafin,

212 Chestnut St., Larksville, property lot 33, Cedar Lane Phase II, Tiller Rd., Kingston Twp., \$38,000.

Zack A. Riehl to Paul R. Duda, 64 Pine View Rd., Dallas, property Pine View St., Dallas, \$400.

Elsie A. Wissner to Edward F. Furman, RD 1, Box 46, Noxen, property 1 acre, Public Rd., Lake Twp., \$20,000.

Alford H. Jackson to George J. Maurer, RD 1, Box 57, Harveys Lake, property Public Rd., Lake Twp., \$6,000.

Thomas W. Dombroski to Paul J. Moran, 607 Country Club Apts., Dallas, property Terrace Ave., Kingston Twp., \$1,750.

Lakeside Construction & Management Inc. to J. A. Novitski, 41 Sutton Rd., Shavertown, property 2 parcels Worden St., Kingston Twp., \$22,000.

Joseph R. Fink to Mark H. Bell, 455 Millington Rd., Shavertown, property Millington Rd., Jackson Twp., \$302,000.

Estate F. Gordon Mathers to Al-Sar Realty Corp., P.O. Box 103, Harveys Lake, property Mathers Dr., Kingston Twp., \$100,000.

Terry Jones to Peter M. Kaminski, Pole 118, Lakeside Dr., Box 206, Harveys Lake, property 1.34 ac., Harveys Lake, \$127,500.

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