

COMMUNITY

Back Mountain Jaycees ranked 5th in state

At the recent Pennsylvania Jaycees State Board Meeting, held in Allentown, the Back Mountain Jaycees were ranked 5th in the State out of 240 Pennsylvania Jaycee Clubs. This ranking, the highest in the 15 year history of the Back Mountain club, was for the second quarter of the Jaycee calendar year which runs from May to April.

Back Mountain Jaycee Presi-

dent, John J. Jablowski, Jr., said, "this unprecedented move from 18th in the first quarter to 5th in the second quarter was possible because of the members dedication, hard work and involvement in community projects, as well as a 60 percent increase in Jaycee membership growth." He added, "moving from 36 members in April to over 60 in November, has set our

chapter on a strong foundation to launch into continued community involvement for the 1990's." The Jaycees are a non-profit organization that train new leaders through community service.

Anyone interested in further information about the Jaycees may contact President John Jablowski at 825-0599 or Membership Vice President Bill McCabe at 288-4884.



Meadows holding annual membership drive

The Annual Membership Drive for the Meadows Nursing Center Auxiliary, Dallas, is now open to all residents of the community. Letters have been mailed by the auxiliary members seeking your support through active and sustainer memberships.

The Meadows Nursing Center Auxiliary, not only donates thousands of volunteer hours yearly at the center, they also host special activities for the residents and provide funds for projects and equipment at the Center.

Shown preparing the community mailing are auxiliaries, seated, from left, Myrle Coolbaugh, Bernice Hill, Ollie Daubert, Auxiliary President. Standing, Irene Transue, Membership Chairman; Elizabeth Lewis.

Trucksville Troop # 155 holds Court of Honor

Boys Scout Troop #155, sponsored by the Trucksville United Methodist Church recently held a Court of Honor.

Merit Badges were presented to Scott Banta, Bill Bullock, Mike Banta, Paul May, Brian Matosky and Michael Matosky.

John Fiske received his Tenderfoot Badge.

Year pins were presented to the following: 1 Year, John Fiske; 2 Year, Richard Kapalka, Dan Haradan, Paul Haradan; 3 Year, Mike Banta, Bill Bullock, Russell Banta, Sr., Brian Matosky; 4 Year, David and Joseph Koval; 5 Year, Michael and Theresa Matosky; 6 Year, Christ Stone and Ray Metzgar; 7 Year, Ray Baller; 8 Year, Scott Banta, John Baller; 10 Year, Betty Mathers; 20 Year, Richard Montgomery, former Scoutmaster; 38 Years, Harold Smith.

A special thank you was given to

Russell Banta, Sr. for his three years service as Scoutmaster.

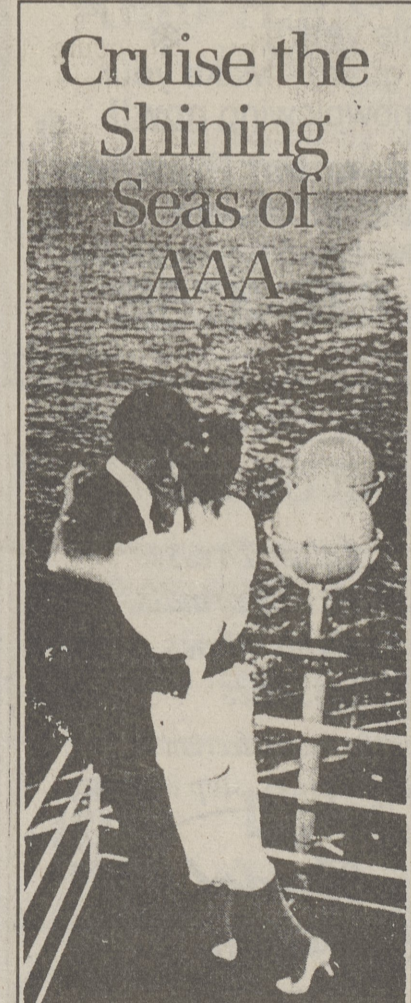
A certificate of appreciation was presented to Betty Mathers for all her help and for her participation on the Scout Committee.

Following the ceremony a parent's meeting was held to reorganize and these positions were filled: Scoutmaster, Ray Metzgar, Jr.; Asst. Scoutmaster, Harold Smith, Dick Montgomery, John Baller and Rich Kapalka; Committee Chairperson, Barb Fiske; Fund Raiser, Terri Matosky; Outdoors Chairman, Paul Haradan; Treasurer, Betty Mathers.

Troop #155 spent a weekend camping at Camp Aachela with the Webelos Den #5 of Pack #155 with Dave Shanaberger and 5 Scouts. Elections were held and Scott Banta and Mike Matosky were

appointed Jr. Asst. Scoutmasters; Michael Banta, Sr. is Sr. Patrol Leader; Bill Bullock is Patrol Leader.

The Scouts are selling Christmas Poinsettias which may be ordered from any Scout or by calling the Trucksville UM Church Office.



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Mercy Center honors employees for years of service

Mercy Center, Dallas, held its annual Awards Dinner recently, honoring several employees for years of service to the facility. Shown, from left, seated, are Nancy Shurites, five years, Dietary Department; Danette Doknovitch, five years, Dietary; and Bertha Kramer, five years, Nursing. Standing are Donn Hunter, Jr., five years, Maintenance; Robert Stocker, 10 years, Maintenance; Cora Johnson, 15 years, Nursing; and Sr. Jayne Pruitt, Mercy Center administrator. Absent for the photo were Maureen Gosart and Mary Sosnowski, both five-year members of the members of the Nursing Department.

Christmas dinner meeting planned Dec. 7

The Luzerne County Association of Educational Secretaries and Office personnel will be holding their Christmas dinner meeting Thursday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. in the Dallas Senior High School Cafeteria. The affair is hosted by the clerical personnel of the Dallas School District.

Homemade Christmas cookies and punch will be available at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served family style beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The delicious menu includes breaded chicken, Swedish meatballs, baked ham with raisin sauce, fresh garden salad, relish tray, scalloped potatoes, whole baby carrots, buttered broccoli, rolls and butter, a festive dessert and beverage. After dinner, entertainment will be provided by the Dallas Elementary School choral group "The Peacemakers" conducted by Mrs. Marilyn O'Connell.

The cost is \$11.00 per person. Reservations are to be made by

contacting Susan Farr or Millie Robinson at the Dallas School District before Wednesday, Nov. 29. They can be reached by calling 675-5201 during school hours. No cancellations will be accepted after Monday, December 4.

There will be a multitude of fantastic gifts available to win and presents galore for the holiday season. Several crafts have also been donated. This gala evening promises to be a great start to the holiday season. Bring all your friends.

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