

# PEOPLE

## Area residents in Leadership class

Leadership Wilkes-Barre announces four participants who have been selected for the 1989-1990 class: Sr. Robert Marie Lockman RSM, Adrienne L. Robinson, Christina Graham Ouellette and Duane E. Kersteen.

Sr. Robert Marie Lockman, RSM has also been selected as a participant in the 1989-1990 Leadership Wilkes-Barre training program. Sr. Lockman is employed by College Misericordia, Dallas, PA as Assistant Dean of Student Affairs and Director of Residents. A native of Wilkes-Barre, Sr. Lockman has lived in this area for 32 years. Sr. Lockman graduated from St. Mary's High School and the University of Scranton with a degree in Secondary Administration. She has also attended Millersville University.

Christina G. Ouellette is from Shavertown and is employed by MONY Financial Service as a Field Underwriter. Ms. Ouellette gradu-

ated from Wyoming Seminary and is a graduate of Trinity College, Washington, D.C. with a B.S. degree in Sociology.

Mis Ouellette has been a big sister, in the Big Brother/Big Sister Program of the Bridge. She is also a volunteer in Probation and has been active in various roles in the Gate of Heaven Parent Teachers Association.

Ms. Adrienne Robinson lives in Dallas and is employed by Proctor & Gamble in Mehoopany as a Paper Plant Financial Manager. A native of Colorado, Ms. Robinson has lived in this area for 2 1/2 years. She is a graduate of Colorado School of Mines with a degree in Engineering and graduated from Penn State University with a Masters Degree in Business.

Ms. Robinson was coach at Penn State Wilkes-Barre for women's volleyball.

Duane E. Kersteen of Forty Fort,

is employed by the Luzerne County Medical Society as Executive Director. A native of Kingston, Mr. Kersteen has lived in this area for 35 years. He graduated from Wyoming Valley West High School, Kingston and is a graduate of Wilkes College with a BA in Economics.

Leadership Wilkes-Barre's program consists of 10 monthly, weekday seminars beginning in September which focus on such topics as Community and Economic Development, Government and Politics, Community Leadership, Labor/Management Relations, Education, Volunteering, Human Services, Health Care, The Media, Criminal Justice, and Boardmanship. The seminars are conducted by widely recognized experts in a variety of fields. These program leaders encourage participants' involvement in the sessions as a way to gain new perspectives on community issues.



### Circle K club elect new officers

Election of officers to serve the 1989-90 academic year was recently conducted by the Circle K Club at Luzerne County Community College.

Shown are the new officers, seated, Stacey Croman, Harveys Lake, president. Standing, from left, Lynn Gentle, Wilkes-Barre, secretary; Dot Dalton, Trucksville, vice president; Alicia Jones, Shavertown, treasurer; and Francis Curry, Kingston, Circle K Club advisor and associate director of admissions and recruiting at LCCC.

The club has many activities planned for the upcoming year including the annual Christmas party for disadvantaged children, blood drives, periodic visits to the St. Vincent de Paul soup kitchen where club members volunteer their services, as well as fundraising events to assist the Geisinger Hospital Children's Heart Fund.



### Meadows Nursing Center honors years of service

The Auxiliary of the Meadows Nursing Center recently commemorated five years of service to residents at the Center in Dallas with a special program at their luncheon meeting.

Thomas J. Sweeney, Meadows Nursing Home Administrator, offered congratulations and thanks to the Auxiliaries for their significant contribution of volunteer service and equipment for the Center. The Auxiliary has over 375 active and sustainer members.

Shown are auxiliaries with their anniversary cake, from left, Arline Wertman, Myrle Coolbaugh, Alice Nordfors, Grace Searfoss, Betty Williamson, Grace Resio, Helen Parsons and Thomas J. Sweeney, Meadows Nursing Center, Administrator.

## Kristin Plashinski named to LCCC post

The appointment of a director of development was made recently at Luzerne County Community College when its Board of Trustees formally accepted the recommendation by college president Thomas J. Moran.

Kristin E. Plashinski, of Kingston, was named to the new post at the community college and will be responsible for the development and implementation of a comprehensive external program designed to generate financial support for the college through grants, corporations, and foundations.

Plashinski will be the first per-

son appointed to such a position at LCCC, and a major thrust of the job will be to establish the framework for an annual public fund campaign, and serve as the executive director of the College Foundation which is an initial phase. Plashinski is expected to join the college shortly after the first of the year.

Plashinski is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh where she earned a bachelor's degree in human relations; and has also completed graduate work at College Misericordia. Her work experience includes being the membership director for the Greater Wilkes-Barre Partnership Inc., Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce; executive director of the Wyoming Valley Unit of the American Cancer Society; and field executive for the Greater Wyoming Valley Boy Scouts of America, Penn Mountains Council.

Plashinski is the daughter of Daniel and Mary Morgan Plashinski of Shavertown.



Kristin E. Plashinski

## Parente named to Business Week 'Corporate Elite'

Two alumni of King's College have joined "The Corporate Elite" according to the December issue of "BusinessWeek" magazine.

In a special issue of the publication, William McGowan, a 1952 King's alumnus and Charles Parente, who graduated from King's in 1962, were listed among the chief executive officers of the 1000 most valuable publicly held companies in the nation.

Parente is the chairman of the

board of directors at King's, and McGowan recently donated \$3 million to the college, which has named its new school of business in his honor.

Parente, a Wyoming native and Harveys Lake resident, is president and chief executive officer of C-TEC Corporation, a diversified telecommunications business in Wilkes-Barre. He had previously served as managing partner of the accounting firm Parente, Ran-

dolph, Orlando, Carey and Associates. He received a B.S. cum laude in accounting from King's in 1962 and then served at Deloitte, Haskins and Sells until 1970.

He is a member of the board of trustees at Wyoming Seminary, and the board of directors at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, and St. Joseph's Center Foundation. He is a former member of the board of directors and general campaign chairman of the United Way of

Wyoming Valley. He has also served on the board of directors of Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania, the Salvation Army, and the Westmoreland Club.

Parente is the recipient of the Distinguished Pennsylvania Award from the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the Young Presidents' Organization.

## Michael vies for scholarship

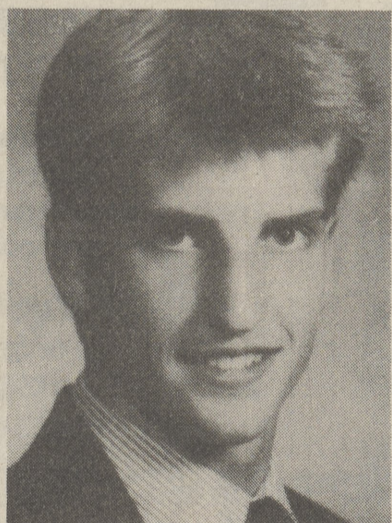
By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Darren J. Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Michael, 23 Woodcliff Road, Dallas, has been selected as the Dallas Senior High School representative for the Principal's Leadership Award, a scholarship developed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

Michael, a senior, as the school's representative will compete at the national level for a \$1,000 scholarship which he may use at a college of his choice.

Darren was a member of the Junior High National Honor Society and the Senior High National Honor Society.

He was a member of the District II championship Dallas soccer team and also lettered in tennis for two years. He was selected for Who's Who in American High School Students and received a certificate



Darren J. Michael

of merit for PHEAA for his college board SAT tests.

Following graduation, Darren plans to pursue a pre-medical degree.

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