

## COMMUNITY

### Dance proceeds will benefit Husband

A benefit dance is being held to help a Centermoreland family who lost their home in a fire last month. The dance to benefit the Jack Husband family, will be held, Saturday, Feb. 17, at 9 p.m., at the Northmoreland Twp. Fire Hall, Centermoreland. Donation is \$7.50 a person, which includes beverages and a meal. Music will be by the Blue Ridge Mountaineers. The event is being sponsored by the Back Mountain Riding Club and the Blue Ridge Mountaineers. Members of the club are contributing and preparing food for the dance.

The Husband's mobile home on Route 292, just east of Centermoreland was destroyed by fire the morning of January 12, 1990. About 30 firefighters from five fire companies were called in to put out the blaze. Firefighters battled the flames for over an hour in heavy snow before the fire was brought under control. Jack, his son, Jack, Jr., 17 and his daughter Jennifer, 16, are currently staying at the home of Jack's mother, Dorothy Husband, in Centermoreland. Husband's brother, Herbert, and sister and brother-in-law, Nick and

Judy Rusinko, who are helping to organize this event, said all contributions are greatly appreciated and also, all monies and other contributions that are raised by the benefit dance will be given to Jack Husband. All expenses are being paid by the Back Mountain Riding Club, Centermoreland, and the Blue Ridge Mountaineers, Mehoopany. Tickets for the dance, or information about making contributions may be obtained at Dottie's Variety Store in Mehoopany, or by calling 333-4034, 333-4931 or 833-5433.



**SNOWBOUND PROJECT VOLUNTEERS** - Student volunteers in the Penn State Campus Snowbound Project take time out to practice shoveling snow, a task they do for numerous Lehman residents as a community project. Left to right are John Glatz, Craig Muns, Calvin Fields, Lori Pashinski, Leslie Stefanski, Kathy Dougherty, Kim Zdrojesky, Allyson Slutak, Tracy Cook, Erin Laibino, E.J. Shaffer, Warren Riggins, Colleen Gerrity and Advisors Ann Holmes, Sean Kelly and Jack Monick. (Photo by C.M. Denmon)

### Local author will sign books Saturday

J.T. Elias, an author who lives in Centermoreland, will be at the Back Mountain Bookshop from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Saturday to sign copies of his new novel "The Shy Nude." J.T. Elias was born in Lebanon, and was brought to the United States at a young age by his parents. He grew up in Wilkes-Barre and studied at Loyola College in Baltimore before World War II and at King's College and New York University after. During the war he flew 30 bomber missions and

was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Purple Heart, and other decorations. Mr. Elias was in business in Wilkes-Barre for many years, during which time he wrote several plays and short stories. He later moved to New York and had two of his plays produced there. One, "Socrates, Socrates," was videotaped and copies have been sold to nearly 300 colleges and universities in the United States, Canada and Australia. In "The Shy Nude" Mr. Elias

weaves three plots, the major one the story of the revenge of Chester, the main character, against a woman who drove him out of town nine years earlier. The woman looks on herself as a patron of the arts; when Chester learns this he attempts to sell her a fake Impressionist painting for a large sum of money. In addition to writing, Mr. Elias records the stories and experiences of World War II airmen on videotape, which he sells to the history departments of colleges.

### Student project helps Lehman elderly

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

When a group of Penn State Wilkes-Barre students were searching for a community project to take on, part of the answer came from an item in a Rhode Island newspaper. Sean Kelly, assistant director of student programs and services, came across an item in the paper telling about a group of college students who were planning a one-day Fall cleanup day in the college community.

"I thought, 'why not do something similar here,'" said Kelly, "and when I mentioned it to the students they began discussing what type of similar projects they could do over a longer length of time for the community. They tossed several ideas around and finally came up with the suggestion of shoveling snow for senior citizens and handicapped residents of Lehman. They also suggested doing errands for those who would be snowbound in the event of a storm. They would do their shopping, pick up their mail and run other errands for these residents," Kelly explained. The students idea was that when

the media predicted a storm, the students would run errands in advance for the citizens, then go back to the homes after the snowfall and clear away the snow. "I made it understood that these residents would have to be patient because I didn't want the students out on the roads until they were clear. I didn't want them to take unnecessary chances on slippery roads. The students had numerous calls to help some of the senior citizens or handicapped with housecleaning, such as moving or lifting heavy items or cleaning windows.

"The students volunteer their time, they are not paid for their work," Kelly emphasized. "We have approximately 15 signed up for the program; three staff members and the rest students. They are enthusiastic about helping the residents. They placed posters and signs describing the project in various business places throughout the community and had our two phone numbers on the posters. They had only to call 675-9287 or 675-9284 to get help. When the residents call us, we contact the students to go help them. The students have a dedicated concern for helping others," Kelly said.

He explained that the Student Government Association has 24 clubs on campus and one of each club's stipulations is that its members must participate in community work in order to receive funding. The Veterans Club, for instance, does community cleanup in Lehman Center, and the Circle K Club does volunteer work at Hi Meadows.

"The Snowbound Project aids the residents physically and also saves them the cost of paying someone when these people can't get out. Since we started the project, the weather has not been very cooperative, but more people also have to become aware of our program. Many of the residents are hesitant to call us, but once we help one or two, they spread the word to others. Many of the local students bring in the name of a neighbor or a resident living down the road from who needs help.

"Once we help a resident we keep their name on a list and do errands for them automatically every time we have had weather. The students are anxious to help others and eventually we hope to extend our program to cover more area," Kelly concluded.



### Teens attend babysitting seminar at General Hospital

Twenty-three area teens recently attended Wilkes-Barre General Hospital's babysitting seminary. The seminar, sponsored by the hospital's Volunteer Services Department, is taught by members of General's Education Department and officers from the Safety and Security Department. Participants received a certificate upon completion of the course. Shown from left, are the seminar participants. First row, Joann Bohn, Michelle Nerozzi, Diane Morgan, R.N., MSED, instructor; Jennifer Gadomski and Malinda Moore. Second row, Tiffany Suda, Dallas; Ben Hubbell, Carolyn Selenksi, Holly Judge, Nicole Lolli, Angela Ricci, Pamela Veronick, Holly Moore, Chrissy Steadele, Shavertown; Bethany Newell. Third row, Gretchen Dehey, Amy Elias, Chrystal Larson, Becky Lyon, Maureen Kittrick; Eileen Kittrick; Terry Dehey and Christine Gagliardi.

### Property transfers

Property transfers recorded at the Luzerne County Court House from February 1, 1990 to February 2, 1990. Prices are extrapolated from transfer taxes paid. Money transfers are exempt from tax, so no amounts are shown.

Estate John Tencza to Edward S. Tencza, 17 Park St., Dallas, property cor. Huntsville St. & Park St., Dallas.

Sophie Parduski to Jennifer Parduski, 184 Hillcrest Dr., Shavertown, property 1 acre, Kingston Twp.

Woodrich Associates to John

Henry Ellis IV, 44 E. Sixth St., Wyoming, property Lantern Hill Rd., Kingston Twp., \$94,500.

Estate Wm. H. Glahn Sr. to Charlotte M. Burns, 217 Kings Land Ave., Lyndhurst, NJ, property Kingston Twp., \$65,500.

Louis J. Mastrini to Louis J. Mastrini, RD 7, Box 48, Hillside Rd., Shavertown, property 2 parcels, Jackson Twp.

John P. Elenchik to Eleanor A. Taylor, RD 2, Box 175, W. Overbrook Ave., Dallas, property 1) Overbrook Ave.; 2) Seymour Ave., Dallas Twp.

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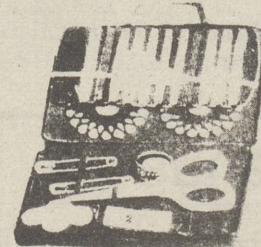
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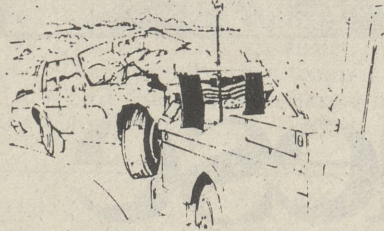
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