

# PEOPLE

## Canfield appointed tennis group's executive director



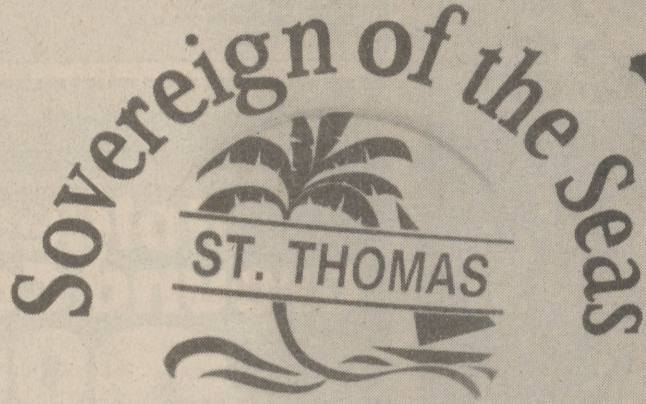
Laura F. Canfield

The Middle States Tennis Association, with headquarters in King of Prussia, Pa., announced the appointment of Laura F. Canfield as the new Executive Director.

Ms. Canfield was previously employed by The Eastern Tennis Association, White Plains, NY, as USTA Schools Program Director and Junior Programs Director. She also held positions as Circulation Manager of Tennis Week/Tennis News Inc., New York, NY and Tournament Coordinator for Sports Investors, New York, NY.

Laura is a magna cum laude graduate of East Stroudsburg University and received her Masters of Science in Sports Management from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Canfield, 100 Highland Blvd., Dallas.



MR. AND MRS. DANIEL MEEKER

## Meekers win trip from Saab

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Meeker of Kunkle Motors joined "SAAB PEOPLE" from 20 countries to reap the rewards of a year long contest.

The Sovereign of the Seas became their home for one week as they visited Caribbean ports. Saab-Scania AB, of Sweden, chartered the ship for personnel, dealers and salespeople who were lucky winners.

First stop was Turbo Island (actually Labadee-Haiti) then on to San Juan where a team from each country competed in Saab International Games at the Sports Stadium.

Last stop was St. Thomas for optional tours and shopping.

## Neil recognized by national hotel/motel association



Bruce Neil

Bruce Neil, of Dallas, chairman of the Hotel and Restaurant Management program at Luzerne County Community College, has recently earned the Certified Hotel Administrator distinction from the Educational Institute of the American Hotel and Motel Association (AH&MA).

The Certified Hotel Administrator is the most prestigious designation offered by the Educational Institute. To qualify for the distinction, hotel/motel executives must demonstrate academic achievement and industry expertise.

Neil, who is also chairman of the college's Tourist and Travel Management curriculum, is a member of the Pennsylvania Travel Council, Pocono Mountain Vacation Bureau, LCCC academic affairs committee, American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA), Northeastern Pennsylvania Restaurant Association, LCCC dietary advisory committee, Hospitality Educators Mid-Atlantic Region (HEMAR), Hotel Sales Management Association International, Council on Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Education (CHRIE) adult learners committee, and other local and national organizations.

Neil was recently recognized by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) for being a nominee for the 1989

CASE Professional of the Year program. Neil resides in Dallas with his wife, Judy, and their children Michael and Robert.

## Conahan certified in mental health

Ms. Linda Conahan, R.N., Head Nurse on the Addiction Treatment Program at First Hospital Wyoming Valley, recently was notified that she successfully passed the professional certification examination for Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing which is sponsored by the American Nursing Association.

Psychiatric and mental health nurses have expertise in psychiatric and mental health nursing practice and understand theories concerning personality development and the behavior patterns involved in the treatment of mental illness. Practice in this area also requires knowledge of the expected affects of treatment upon client behavior, and of the relationship this has to nursing care.

Ms. Conahan is a graduate of the Albert Einstein Medical Center School of Nursing in Philadelphia, and currently is pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from College Misericordia in Dallas. She is a Registered Nurse with the State of Pennsylvania and also



Linda Conahan, R.N.

is a Certified Addictions Counselor. Prior to her employment at First Hospital Wyoming Valley, Ms. Conahan was Manager of the Adolescent Psychiatric Unit at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

## Gouse joins First Eastern

John Gouse, a Back Mountain resident, has joined the executive staff at First Eastern Bank as an assistant vice president according to an announcement by Richard M. Ross, Jr., chairman.

Gouse is the sales manager of First Eastern's Millford Office with the responsibility for the management and operation of this full-service banking office. Prior to joining First Eastern, he was a branch manager at a local financial institution and also served as an official with a consumer discount company.

Gouse is a graduate of King's College where he received a BS degree in Business Administration. He is a former member of the Dallas Kiwanis and resides in Shavertown with his wife, Sharon, and their two children, Kendra Marie and Sarah.



John Gouse

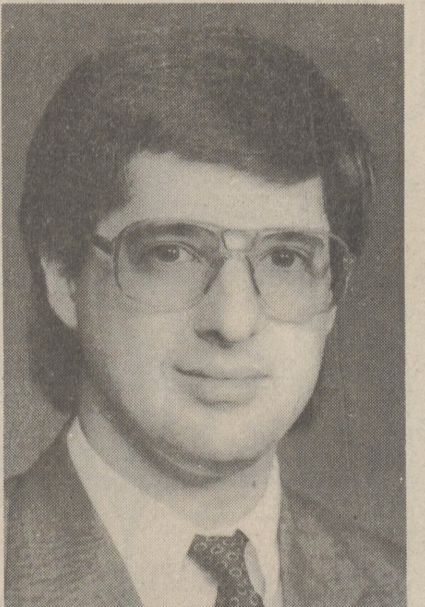
## Besecker gains PG&W post

Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company (PG&W) has announced the promotion of Jeffrey Besecker to the position of Application Group Supervisor.

Mr. Besecker joined PG&W in 1981 as a Programmer and was promoted to the position of Senior Programmer in 1984, and Programmer/Analyst in 1985. He most recently held the position of Systems Analyst.

He is a graduate of Dallas High School and Wilkes University, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Math and Computer Science.

Mr. Besecker and his wife, Lori, reside in Dallas with their children Jared and Adam.



Jeffrey Besecker



## Wilkes University alumni honor Bruce Gover

The National Executive Committee of the Wilkes University Alumni Association recently honored Bruce Gover '72 as past president of the group. Gover, who lives in Lehman, held the president's position for 1988 and 1989. He was presented with a pointillism portrait of the Annette Evans Alumni House, created by artist Bill Williams. The committee meeting was held at the Arnaud C. Marts Sports and Conference Center on the university campus. Shown making the presentation from left are: Tom Hadzor, Vice President for Development; Dr. Christopher N. Breiseth, President of Wilkes University; John Baron, Jr. '75, President Wilkes Alumni Association; Bruce Gover '72, and Anthony Shipula, Director of Alumni.



Airman Sean P. Loeffler has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

He is the son of Ronald T. and Judy A. Loeffler of 33 Elizabeth Street, Dallas.

The airman is a 1989 graduate of Dallas High School.

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