

COMMUNITY

Commonwealth to provide free phones to low-income families

In accepting a challenge from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) to provide low-income persons with access to their telephone network, Commonwealth Telephone Company is turning their excess inventory into a connection to the world.

As a phone company, Commonwealth has accumulated a number of telephones that are no longer needed, a large percentage of them for cosmetic reasons. To help those less fortunate, the Company contracted with United Rehabilitation Services, Wilkes-Barre, to refurbish these phones. The phones are then sent to the Commission on Economic Opportunity of Luzerne County for distribution to eligible customers in Luzerne and Wyoming counties. Commonwealth has already contributed phones, known as Friendship Phones, to a similar

successful program in York, Pennsylvania and will continue providing phones to other areas in Pennsylvania.

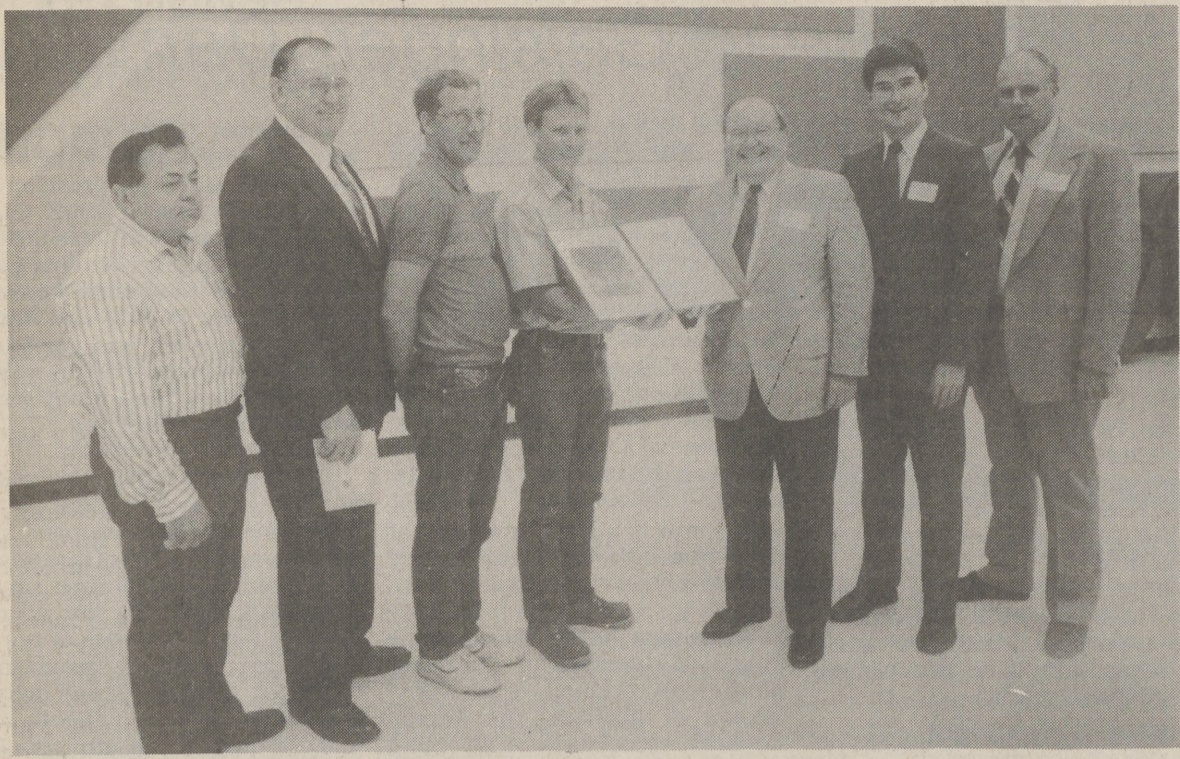
Commonwealth currently participates in Link-Up America, a federal program designed to assist low-income families and individuals in obtaining telephone service. However, Link-Up America does not furnish telephone sets. Recognizing this obvious need, the Company agreed to not only provide the connection service but also the telephone equipment.

"We wanted to do something to help the community and, since our business is telephones, we thought the best way to help would be to provide phones to those who can't afford to buy or lease their own," Mark Santayana, Commonwealth's Regulatory Relations supervisor. "Most of us take tele-

phone service for granted. It's always there when we need or want it. But there are many people who don't have telephones and we want to do what we can to help them."

To qualify for a phone, customers must have income at, or below, 150% of federal poverty guidelines and will be responsible for paying their own phone bills. The eligibility requirements and distribution of the phones is determined by the local Commission on Economic Opportunity.

For further information on eligibility requirements and phone distribution in Luzerne County, please call Dave Ritter, -CEO staff, 1-800-822-0359 from 8:30 to 5:00, Monday through Friday. In Wyoming County, call Kevin Holehan, CEO Wyoming County Coordinator at 836-4090 from 8:30 to 5:00, Monday through Friday.



P&G Volunteers receive citation

Volunteers at the Proctor & Gamble Paper Products Plant in Mehoopany recently received a citation from the State Senate in recognition of their assistance at this year's Environmental Day program for Tunkhannock Area Middle School students. On hand for the presentation were, left to right: Bob Hay, P&G Environmental Group; Kent Kresge, Superintendent, Tunkhannock Area School District; Jim Ely and Mark Gregory, P&G volunteers; State Sen. Charles D. Lemmond, Jr.; State Rep. Ken Lee; and Russell O. Hons, Middle School Principal. The camp was conducted for sixth grade students at Camp Lackawanna, in Vosburg. Volunteers from throughout the community, as well as those from P&G, spent two days teaching the students about the environment. Among the subjects covered were: flora and fauna found in the outdoors, air and water quality, trees and their place in the eco-structure, and how the weather affects the balance of nature.

Philharmonic lists new season

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic has made several changes in both programming and customer service for the upcoming 1990-91 season. A 1989 survey revealed that most subscribers, though generally satisfied with the orchestra, were in favor of a number of improvements.

Those surveyed indicated a preference towards the more popular classical pieces. Accordingly, Music Director Hugh Keelan has chosen a thematic approach to the 1990-91 Classics Series. Each concert will feature the best-loved works of a specific country or group of countries including the Soviet Union, the United States, Germany, France and Eastern Europe.

Subscribers also expressed a desire for an additional concert in the Pops series, therefore a Pops concert has been added. The Christmas concert, previously a part of the Pops series, will now be scheduled as a separate event.

Changes in the Philharmonic's ticket exchange policy have also been made in order to improve customer service to subscribers. Tickets can not only be exchanged between both cities (Wilkes-Barre and Scranton) but also between both the Classics and Pops series.

The subscriber therefore has greater access to any of the Philharmonic's regular season concerts.

Other benefits include a newsletter, priority seating, no waiting in lines and discounts off the price of additional single tickets. These

benefits represent the Northeastern Philharmonic's commitment to improving service to its audiences.

Subscriptions for the 1990-91 season are now available. For information call the Philharmonic's Customer Service Representative at 342-0920 or 287-1916.

Girl scouts enjoy day camps

Girl Scouts in the Back Mountain have had a busy week last week. Neighborhood 24 which covers Dallas, Lehman, Harveys Lake and surrounding communities, had a Day Camp on the grounds of the Irem Temple Country Club, Neighborhood 25, which includes Trucksville and Shavertown, held their Day Camp at Frances Slocum State Park.

Camp Hemlock at Irem had as their theme, "It's A Small World". One hundred fifty eight girls participated, divided into 14 units which each represented a different country. Eighteen adult volunteers and Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts serving as Program Aides, helped the girls to learn more about fire building, cooking, knot tying, and other camp skills. They also en-

joyed crafts like tie-dyeing, and had fun with international songs and games. They had two overnights, one for Brownies and one for Juniors.

On Friday evening, they closed their busy week with a final camp show for girls and parents. Debbie Dinger was the Camp Director and Debbie Marcy was the Business Manager.

The closing activities included an old-fashioned picnic with girls competing in sack and three-legged races, greased ball game and tug-of-war. There was also a magic show and ice cream treat, followed by a program of skits and songs for the parents.

Some 80 girls were registered and 20 Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts served as Program Aides.

Arts at Hayfield set for August 26

The Arts at Hayfield Summer Festival VI Arts and Crafts Show and Sale will be held on Sunday, August 26, at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus in Lehman. More than 3,000 attended last year's event which will again include fun, food and entertainment for the whole family.

More than 40 artists and crafters are expected to exhibit works in a juried craft show, including pottery, basketry, weaving, jewelry, folk art, stained glass and hand-painted clothing, rag rugs and much more.

Barbara Lemmond and Beth Ward, both of Dallas, have been named as chairs for the event.

"We are proud of the exhibits we have had in the past, and we promise that the selection of crafts will be of the highest quality and of more variety," said Lemmond. She added that the entertainment already planned includes the popu-

lar folk group "Just Us"; Karate for Kids, presented by Black Belt Dudley Snyder; local magician and entertainer Pat Ward, and his ballroom animal friends; and face painting for the children.

Also caning demonstrations will be presented throughout the day by Diane Sharer of New Albany.

"We will have plenty of food for sale, including Chinese items, and all-American sandwiches, hot dogs, hamburger, fresh fruits, and Arts

at Hayfield's own homemade cookies. And most popular of all, the Hillside Dairy Ice Cream truck will be on hand," added Lemmond.

The festival will run from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Admission is a \$1.00 donation.

Arts at Hayfield is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the arts in the Back Mountain region of Luzerne County. The organization is looking for volunteers to help with the festival.

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Property transfers

Property transfers recorded at the Luzerne County Court House from July 6, 1990 to July 10, 1990. Prices are extrapolated from transfer taxes paid. Money transfers are exempt from tax, so no amounts are shown.

Agnes B. Marino to David M. Secor, RD 2, Box 133 B, Myerstown, Pa., property L106, 107, Walnut Ridge, Birch St., Harveys Lake.

Marianne T. Schwartz to Marianne T. Schwartz, Pole 285, Lakeside Dr., Harveys Lake, property 1.1.178 ac., 2.0.054 ac., \$87,294.

Leonard Chesterfield to David Bailey III, P.O. Box 231, W. Pittston, Harry St., Lake Twp., \$85,000.

Michael J. Milunick to David Bromberg, RD 1, Box LT 38, Harveys Lake, property Maple St., Harveys Lake, \$65,000.

Jean Pawlowski to Wm. J. Tor-

torella, RD 3, Box 79, Harveys Lake, property North View Plot, Harveys Lake.

Wm. J. Tortorella to Gary C. Barnard, Box 73, Outlet Road, Harveys Lake, property North View Plot, Harveys Lake, \$38,889.

Wm. J. Tortorella to Gary C. Barnard, Box 73 Outlet Rd., Harveys Lake, property L16, North View, Harveys Lake, \$11,112.

Woodside Homes Inc. to G. Geoffrey Miller, 120 Staub Rd., Trucksville, property Staub Rd., Kingston Twp., \$207,500.

Estate Andrew S. Stash to Craig W. Sayre, Box 200 RD 2, Overbrook Rd., Dallas, property 1.2 acres, 2.1 acre, Dallas Twp., \$79,900.

Leroy C. Stair to Mary Bellas, RD 3, Box 171, Dallas, property, 0.57 acres, Franklin Twp.

Mary Bellas to Leroy C. Stair, RD 3, Box 171, Dallas, property Sutton Creek Rd., Franklin Twp.

Mary Bellas to Ruth J. Stair, RD 3, Box 171, Dallas, property 1.00 acre, Franklin Twp.

Douglas Whitehead to Nicholas Calvitti, 281 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, property 2.00 acres, Powder Horn Dr., Dallas, \$34,000.

Classic Distributors Inc. to Wm. P. Horner, RD 2, Box 239, Harveys Lake, property 5.3 acres, Rte. 40119, Dallas Twp., \$22,000.

Margaret Ferguson Swartz to Leslie E. Taylor Jr., 200 Beech St. Shavertown, property Franklin Ave., Kingston Twp., \$9,000.

Estate Stella Evanosky to James H. Ryan Sr., KP4, RD 3, Harveys Lake, property North View Ave., Harveys Lake, \$800.

Byron Goble to Helen Goble, 47 Meadowcrest Dr. Trucksville, property 10.11 acres, Franklin Twp.

Edward F. Furman to Dwayne M. Kallinay, RR 1, Box 46, Sorber Mt. Rd., Noxen, property Lake Twp.

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