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## Former Dallas star Greg Manusky helps 'Skins to NFL playoffs

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Former Dallas standout Greg Manusky shared the thrill of victory with his Washington Redskins teammates last Saturday, as the Skins topped the Philadelphia Eagles 20-6 in a National Football League playoff game.

"Greg Manusky was a fantastic kid when he played football at Dallas," said Dallas faculty member Ron Rybak, who coached the Mountaineers when Greg played. "He played varsity as a sophomore and he was a good athlete and a good student. We needed a tight end and a tackle and he played both positions for us. He set a school record of 117 tackles.

"He was a big boy and built well and I told him, 'During football season sleep with a football and during basketball season sleep with a basketball,' and he did."

Now that he is the Redskins starting middle linebacker, Manusky doesn't sleep with a football any more, but still keeps one in his room.

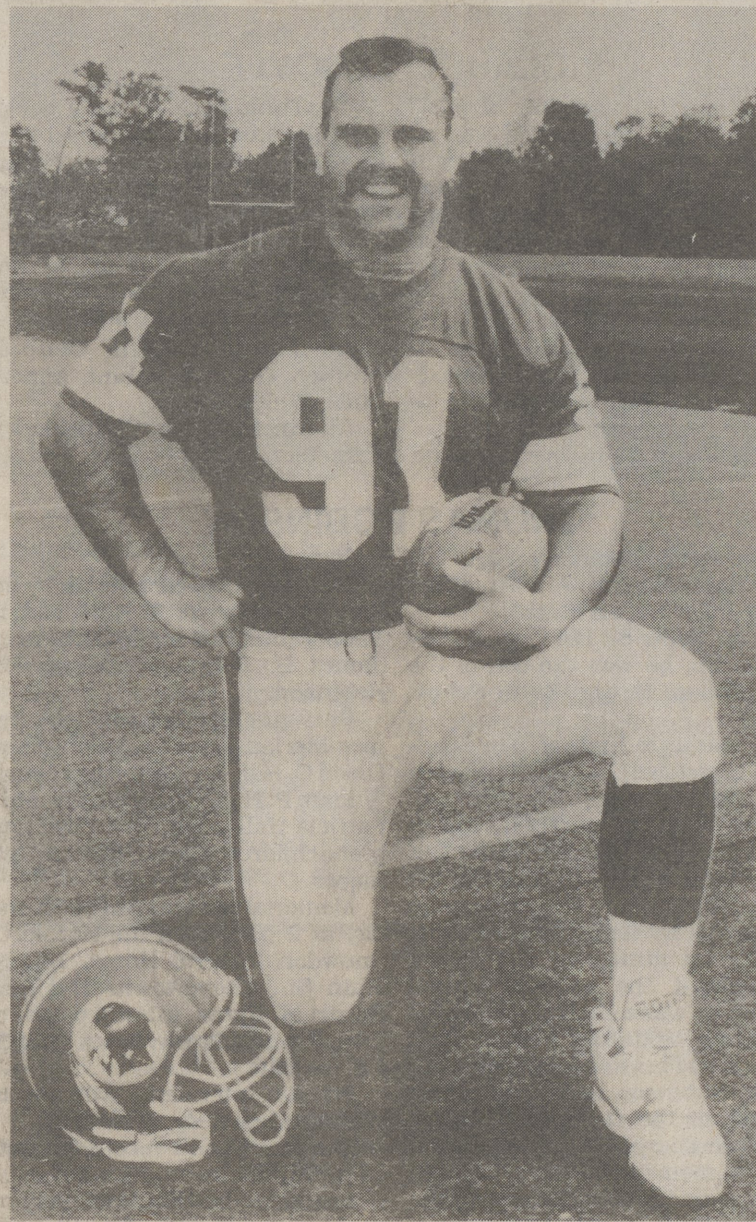
Manusky played football at Dallas High School until he graduated in 1984, then he entered Colgate University where he played middle linebacker, made All-American, and majored in education.

"I enjoyed playing at Colgate. It was fun. It wasn't a big school but I was a big fish in a little pool instead of a little fish in a big pool going unnoticed," Manusky said.

"Following graduation I was a free agent, I wasn't drafted but I had about 11 pro teams interested, including the Redskins, Tampa Bay, San Diego, Dallas, and others. I talked with my agent and we narrowed it down to Washington or San Diego. I decided on Washington and I am not sorry."

"That's what I admire most about Greg," said his former coach, Rybak. "He was drafted and worked himself into the position of middle linebacker. He was always a dedicated player. I remember the one year we were playing Lake-Lehman at our field and Greg found some old black football shoes in the back of the football supplies room. He wanted to know what they were

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GREG MANUSKY  
Washington Redskins middle linebacker

## Are deadly Rt. 309 crashes inevitable?

By RICH JOHNSON  
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Last week's accident which took the life of a Noxen woman, has once again raised questions about the design and safety of Route 309 in the Back Mountain.

Kingston Township officials say they are doing what they can to make the highway safe for motorists, but many believe it is an uphill battle.

Last year, 44 percent of all traffic accidents in the township occurred along Route 309. The figures show that of the 240 reported accidents in the township, 105 were along the highway.

Officials are reluctant to list any single reason for the problems on the highway, but say that the volume of traffic and the speed of motorists contribute to the accidents.

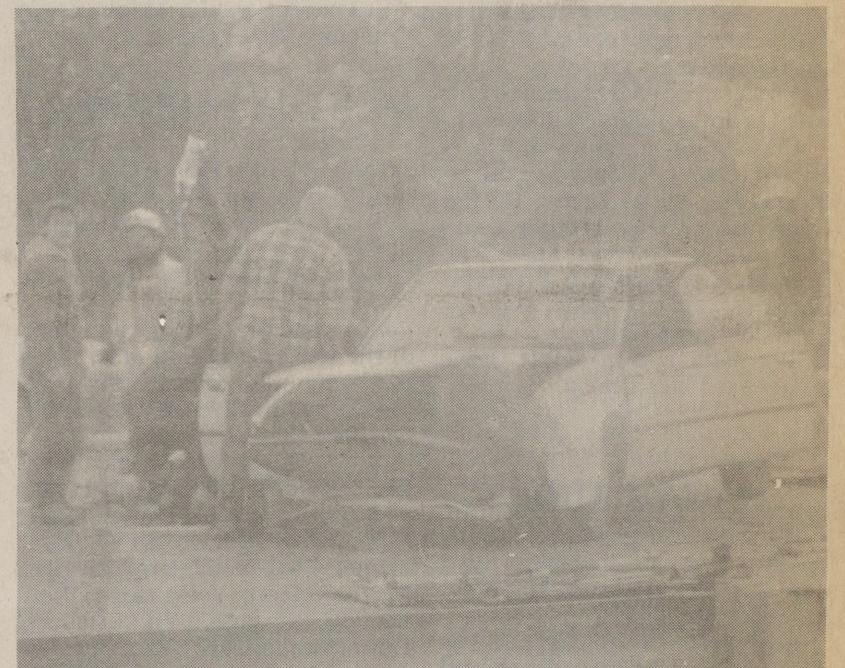
*Raised medial barriers could prevent accidents of the type that occurred last week*

"I would have to say that the two biggest problems are the speed and the use of the highway," said Kingston Township police chief Paul Sabol. "You can look out there every day and see a continuous line of traffic and that, in part, makes it a troublesome road."

Sabol said that his department is making a concerted effort to slow down the motorists. "There are many days in which we have one officer who concentrates solely

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## Head-on accident claims Noxen woman's life



DEADLY CRASH - Emergency crews provide assistance to Claudia O'Boyle near her car which was struck head-on by another car last Friday. O'Boyle later died as a result of injuries from the accident. (Post Photo/Rich Johnson)

By RICH JOHNSON  
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A Noxen woman died in a three-car crash that injured two others and tied up traffic on Route 309 for hours Friday evening.

The accident occurred at around 4:30 p.m. on Route 309 near the South Main Street intersection in Shavertown, according to Kingston Township Police.

Authorities say that a car driven by a 16-year-old male was traveling south on Route 309 and crossed the dividing line for an unknown reason. The vehicle, a 1984 Pontiac Fiero, struck a truck driven by Linda L. Festa, 45, of Shavertown and then slammed head on into a car driven by Claudia O'Boyle, 38, of Noxen.

O'Boyle received numerous injuries in the accident and was taken to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital where she was pronounced dead at 5:00 p.m.

The driver of the Fiero and a 15-year-old passenger were both taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where they were hospitalized in fair condition.

Police are not releasing the names of the teens because of the gravity of the situation. Kingston Township police officer Michael Moravec said

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## More local soldiers stationed in Mideast

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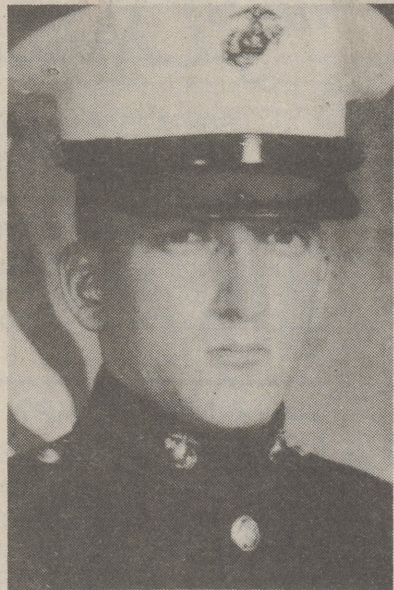
Leaving to join other soldiers in the Mideast has become a regular occurrence for Back Mountain residents as each week it seems more and more young men and women are told to prepare to 'ship out'.

Just before Christmas Jeffrey White, son of Mrs. Bernadine White, Trucksville, called home to tell his mother that all leaves were frozen and he would not be home for Christmas as planned.

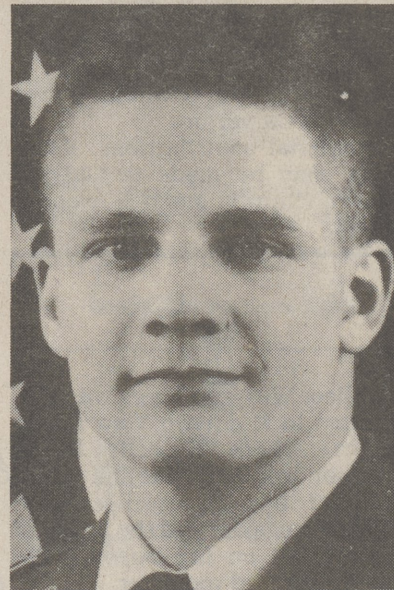
"The day before Christmas he shipped out," said Mrs. White. "He flew first to Spain where he had a 12-hour stopover. He called home from there but he did not know where he would be and it is too early for us to have heard from him."

Jeff, a 1989 graduate of Dallas High School, enlisted in the Marines in February of 1990. He went to Camp LeJeune for training and graduated from training there in September, as PFC, in the Maintenance Engineer Battalion.

From Camp LeJeune, he was transferred to Twentynine Palms, California, with the intent that he would be fixing vehicles to be sent over to Saudi Arabia.



JEFFREY WHITE



JEFF SPUDIS

Marines. His mother said she didn't believe he had any idea he would be going overseas.

"I have been having a difficult time reconciling to the fact that he has gone. I am trying to place the entire situation in God's hands. I just hope some kind of settlement is negotiated and all of our men and women come home."

Jeff Spudis also in Saudi Arabia

Sgt. Jeff Spudis left October 3 from Fort Hood, Texas, for the Mideast. Jeff is the son of Mrs. Bonnie Spudis, Trucksville. He graduated from Dallas High School in 1986, where he had played on the high school football team. He did not play baseball in high school but had played in the Teeners League and in Little League.

Following graduation, he enlisted in the Army in August, 1986, and is now a surveyor with the Alpha Battery Field Artillery. He is married to the former Suzanne Bergevin of Dallas. When he was transferred to Fort Hood, his wife went with him and since he has been sent to the Mideast she has remained in Texas on the base.

"He called me the week before Christmas and he was able to call

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## Residents' protests keep 'Italian Road' open

By RICH JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

"Italian Road" in Lehman Township will remain open after the township's board of supervisors voted down an ordinance to abandon it after listening to concerns from citizens at a public hearing Monday night.

The hearing was scheduled as the board proposed to adopt an ordinance vacating township road 593, better known as Italian Road. About a dozen property owners turned out at the hearing to voice opposition to the ordinance.

Township solicitor Joseph Van Jura stated that the board had planned to vacate the road for a number of reasons, including its condition, lack of use and location.

Carole Phillips of R.D. 2 Dallas was the first person to testify against the ordinance. She told

the board that her house was on a corner lot along Italian Road and Huntsville Road. Phillips said that if the township vacated the road her driveway and mailbox would have to be moved. She also said she had been told her property value would decrease from 10 to 15 percent.

She also said that property owners would be left with a lot of unanswered questions. "What about the utility pole along the road?" she asked. "I was told that if it needed to be replaced or maintained the owner would have to do it but we don't know who the owner of the road would be if you give it up. And what about liability?" she added.

Guy Beh, a manager for Pennsylvania Water & Gas and general manager of Theta Land Corpora-

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PHYLLIS MUNDY  
120th District  
State Representative

## New State Rep. Mundy sets up shop

By RICH JOHNSON  
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Some people would be upset at having to work on New Year's Day. Not Phyllis Mundy, the new State Representative in the 120th District officially took office during a swearing-in ceremony held in Harrisburg on January 1. Now Mundy says she couldn't be happier being in a position she is sure she will love.

In an interview last week, Mundy spoke about the work done so far and her feelings about the next two years as she begins her first term as a state representative.

Local office open to constituents

Mundy said that even though she was sworn in on New Year's Day, she has been doing a lot of work since defeating incumbent Scott Dietterick for the statehouse seat.

"Actually, I've been working since Nov. 6," she said. "I thought

it was important to set up a district office as soon as possible so that there would be continuous representation for the constituents."

Mundy set a goal of having a district office opened by December 1. She admitted that she missed that goal by a couple of days but said that the office is open and functioning well. "We are open and already we are handling some constituent requests. That is why

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I am here. The people expect us to be up and going and we are," Mundy said. "While I was working I also wanted to open the office and go to Harrisburg to start getting ready so I was really trying to be in three places all the time."

Mundy praised the work already done by her legislative assistant, Sara Woodard. "She has done a lot and is going to be a big asset to me and the constituents."

Says she's ready to serve

Despite having less than one week's experience as a Represent-

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