

## McTague

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adapted well. "I call him Uncle Tom because he is very close to my father and mother," said Greg.

"Since I have been here I now know why we were sent here. Saddam Hussein is a cruel and demented man. Many of our EPWs were forced to join the Iraqi Army because their families were threatened with death. He has raped and pillaged Kuwait, literally as well as figuratively. The stories are horrendous, both from the Iraqis and the Kuwaitis that I work with," Greg said.

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**Greg McTague**  
Former Dallas resident

"I belong here. We all belonged here. The things that I have seen will change me forever. I will stay here until I am no longer needed."

"This is the greatest adventure of my life. I don't know what life holds for me but I pray to be home soon. I hope to read about myself in The Dallas Post. I read the article on Tom Landon and Jim Buckley and wish that my friends could read about me. My life and heart remain in Dallas and I would really like my friends and family there to read about my being here. If it can't be done, I understand."

Mrs. Williams is very proud of her grandson. "He has always been a kind and considerate young man, committed to responsibility and understanding," said Margaret Williams.

Many of Greg's parents friends still reside in this area and know Peter and Judith. Judith was a nurse at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital when they lived in Dallas and presently is a recruiter of nurses at Sacred Heart Hospital in Chester.



**DESERT DUTY** - Steve Carr of Dallas catches a few Saudi Arabian rays on the "deck" he and his mates constructed near the tent in which they live. (Photo contributed)

## Steve Carr hopes to come home soon

By **CHARLOT M. DENMON**  
Staff Writer

Channel 28's news commentator Keith Martin returned recently from an assignment in Saudi Arabia where he looked up many of the local area men and women serving in Operation Desert Storm.

Among those Martin had an opportunity to talk with and also photograph was Steve Carr of Dallas, son of Mrs. Stella Carr, 29 Terrace St., Dallas, Pa. 18612. Carr told Martin he was getting a little sun after coming off his 12 hour shift and indeed Carr was enjoying himself on a deck he and some of his comrades had built in the sand near the large tent where 10 of

them were housed.

A Specialist in the 300th, Carr works 12 hours daily, seven days a week helping tend to the POWs.

"His morale was high and he was delighted to have his picture taken," Martin said. "He asked me if it would be in a local paper so his family and friends would see it."

"Steve has no idea when he is coming home," said his mother last week. "He called me on March 10 and told me they were 120 miles from the Kuwait border but he didn't know when they would leave to come home. He also said they landed in Saudi Arabia just two hours before the war started," his mother said.

Carr graduated from Dallas High School in 1989 and joined the Reserves before he started school at Penn State University.

"One night a friend told me she saw the newsman talking to a Steve Carr of Dallas," Mrs. Carr said. There will be a Desert Storm Special "Desert Storm" on WBRE Saturday, March 23, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

"When Steve called me he told me about the picture. He also said they were taking care of the POW's over there and they feel sorry for them, they are so pathetic. He also said he is anxious to come home but it may not be for a while - maybe in May."

## Incumbents challenged in Kingston, Jackson twps., Harveys Lake

By **RICHARD JOHNSON**  
Staff Writer

Several races for local office in the Back Mountain have brought out a surplus of candidates, including a Republican challenge of entrenched Democrats at Harveys Lake.

In Kingston Township, three seats are up for grabs. Three incumbents, Herbert Hill, Daniel Wisniewski and William Tippet will be facing a challenge from three residents.

Ed Carey, of Sunset Avenue, has thrown his hat into the ring. Carey, who has been a member of the Shavertown Fire Company for nearly 50 years, said that his term with the company will help him if elected.

"I held every office in the fire company and am a member of the board of trustees," he said. "I know what needs to be done in a decision-making position."

Carey is satisfied with the way the township is run but would like to see the supervisors have a bit more say. "I am in favor of home-rule government," he said, "but it seems like we have a couple of people leading the whole outfit."

"I think when a man is elected he should have a say in how the township is run and that is what I think there needs to be a little more of," Carey added.

Also running is Richard Adamchick, of Hazeltine St. in Shavertown. Adamchick could not be reached for comment on his candidacy but is known by many at his "Pizza Perfect" business.

The other candidate is George Tucker of Roushey St, Shavertown, who also could not be reached for comment.

All six men are running on the Republican slate.

Three candidates seeking one spot on the Jackson Township Board of Supervisors. Incumbent Thomas Adams is the only Republican running.

He will face opposition in November from either Walter Glogowski of Bairland Drive, or Andy Chopyak of Gates Road.

Chopyak said that he has run before but lost, but he is optimistic about this election.

He is an eight year resident of the township and believes that the supervisors are going to have to watch the growth in the township.

"This area is beneficial to growth," he said. "But it should be a controlled growth."

Chopyak believes that if not controlled properly the township could face problems down the line. "This is a country setting and should stay that way," he said.

"We have basically two types of residents, farmers and those who live in developments, and they are going to have to work together because things are expanding very rapidly."

Glogowski could not be reached for comment.

In Harveys Lake Borough, five Democrats and four Republicans are vying for four positions on the council.

Incumbents, David Abod, Joseph Miscavage and Joseph Sgarlat are seeking re-election. The other Democratic candidates are Martin Noon, of RR1 Box 411 Harveys Lake and Thomas Kehler, of RR3 Box 156 Harveys Lake.

On the Republican side, John Morris, Jr. of RR1 Box 266, Jeffrey Austin of RR3 Box 305, William Wagner of RR1 Ridge Avenue and Georgine Petroskas of RR1 Box 404, have all thrown their hats in the ring.

## Comm Center to expand with additon of dispatching console

By **RICH JOHNSON**  
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The Back Mountain Communications Center will be expanding in the near future with help from Kingston and Dallas townships.

The two townships will be providing the center's Joint Operating Commission with a no-interest loan so that a second communications terminal can be added at the center.

The additional terminal will be added because of the growing number of calls received by the communications center and also because of the newly installed 911 emergency line, according to Kingston Township Police Chief Paul Sabol.

"We are getting set for contin-

ued growth," said Sabol, who is also president of the center's Joint Operating Commission. "We are trying to get it set up so we can handle more calls. Right now if a call comes in it can tie up a line and we want to make sure there is an opportunity for other calls to come in."

Kingston Township and Dallas Township are splitting the cost of the \$32,000 loan for the purchase of the console. The Kingston Township supervisors gave their approval for \$16,000 to go to the center at a meeting last week.

The Dallas Township Supervisors had not yet met on the matter, but Supervisor Frank Wagner did not anticipate any problems with approving the loan.

"This is something we need,"

said Wagner, who also serves on the Joint Operating Commission. "Right now there is a chance that a person who calls 911 could get a busy signal and we don't want that so we are expanding the system."

Wagner said that the new terminal will allow 30 more phone trunk lines to go into the center, thus allowing more calls to be taken.

"Even if we did get a crank call or if we had a call where we couldn't understand the person we will have the ability to put them on hold and trace the call so we know where it is coming from," said Wagner. "While that is going on we will also be able to take calls even though one line is on hold."

The Dallas supervisors were scheduled to take action on the matter March 19. Wagner said he

hadn't discussed the issue in detail with the other supervisors but felt that the board would most likely approve the loan.

"It is only a short term loan," he said. "And in a sense we will just be deducting it from the fee we pay to be part of the communications center."

According to officials, the loan will be another step for the commission toward standing on its own.

"We want it all to be an independent entity," said Sabol. "We are trying to get away from having one or two municipalities look like they are supporting the center so we are doing what we can to become independent."

The Joint Operating Commission is in the process of setting up its own budgetary system and

administrative operations. However, it is still looking to the municipalities to help guide it until things get off the ground.

Kingston Township is helping to set up the administrative operations, according to township manager Jeffrey Box.

"Basically we are only allowing them to use our computers to set up the bank accounts, payroll and other records," said Box.

"In order to be effective we felt the center needed to set up monthly reporting areas and we have volunteered our assistance in doing that," he added.

Sabol noted that even though the computers are in Kingston Township all control is made by the joint operating commission.

"Kingston Township will have no control over the finances," he said. "We are heading to our goal of

becoming independent and have a system that will last a good long time."

## Spill

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No details of the exact nature of the spill were available when The Post went to press, but reports on emergency radio frequencies said that the material may have been poisonous if inhaled.

The area was isolated and traffic was not allowed on a portion of the highway as emergency crews worked with the county Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Environmental Resources to clean area.

## Police report

### KINGSTON TOWNSHIP TWO CAR ACCIDENT ON ROUTE 309

Officer Walter Davis was dispatched to a two-car accident March 14 on Route 309 at West Franklin Street where investigation revealed that a 1990 Jeep driven by Thomas Banker, RD 5, Dallas was traveling south on Route 309 in the right hand lane on a downhill grade and approached the intersection of Route 309 and Franklin Street when Wilson J. Honeywell, Shavertown, driving a 1983 Plymouth was stopped at the stop sign on W. Franklin Street, didn't see the Jeep and pulled out in front of the vehicle. The impact was on the right front end and driver's door on the Jeep and the driver's side and door on the Plymouth.

### HARVEYS LAKE ONE CAR ACCIDENT

Harveys Lake Police investigated a one-car crash March 15 in the borough. According to the police report a car driven by Amy Tattersall was heading on Lakeside Drive when the tie-rod split on the vehicle. The car went out of control and struck a small board fence before coming to stop. Police Chief Lionel Bulford said that the fence helped stop the vehicle from going into the lake.

### DALLAS BOROUGH STOLEN CAR FOUND, THIEF CAUGHT

Police reported that Henry Sedorchak's 1987 Chevrolet which he reported stolen from the parking lot of the Woodlands, Plain Township, March 7, was recovered

by the Dallas Borough Police Department after a chase with the suspect Jason Bealla. Bealla fled into a wooded area and escaped but was located March 11 in Harveys Lake Borough and was taken into custody by Dallas Borough Chief John Fowler, Officer Doug Higgins, Officer James J. Drury and Harveys Lake Chief Lionel Bulford.

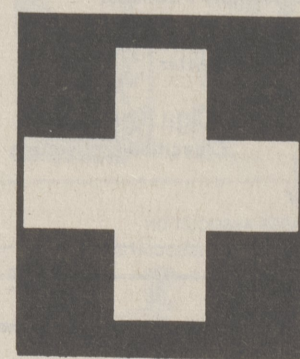
Bealla abandoned the car in Jackson Township and was picked up in Harveys Lake. Bealla was charged with receiving stolen property, intentionally receiving the 1987 Chevrolet knowing that it has been stolen with no intent to return it to the owner. Bealla appeared before District Magistrate Earl Gregory and is in Luzerne County Prison. Sedorchak notified the police that damage to the car was estimated at \$2,120.

### WARRANT ISSUED ON THREATS CHARGE

According to police reports, a warrant was issued to Laurence C. Stearn, Kingston Township, by Dallas Borough Police to appear before District Magistrate Earl Gregory on charges of terroristic threats, harassment by communication. Stearn is accused of making harassing phone calls to his ex-girlfriend while she was working at Bressler's Ice Cream and Yogurt Shop, Dallas Shopping Center, and also threatening the victim's boyfriend with violence. The incident was reported by John Scoble.

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