



GERMAN TRADITION - Dallas Middle School German students Ben Sappe and Susan Benedetti display the gingerbread houses that they made while studying German Christmas traditions in class. (Post photo/Grace R. Dove)



GINGERBREAD HOUSES - Kristen Nackley, Melanie Love and Rebecca Hoover show off the gingerbread house which they made for German class at Dallas Middle School. (Post photo/Grace R. Dove)

Middle School students share holiday traditions from around the world

By GRACE R. DOVE
Post Staff

"Fröhliche Weihnachten!" "Feliz Navidad!" and "Joyeux Noël!" echoed through the halls of the Dallas Middle School December 20 as eighth-grade foreign

language students shared Christmas carols and customs.

"The students must learn carols in the language that they are studying," explained German teacher Ellen Boyer. "As part of the cul-

ture, they also explore Christmas customs, including those which have become part of American Christmas traditions."

Boyer cited examples of French carols, Spanish foods and the ever-

popular German Christmas tree and Advent wreath.

Mrs. Boyer's German students also constructed elaborately decorated gingerbread houses, a custom which her students have ob-

served since 1977, when eighth grader Kris Butler made the first gingerbread house.

"This is a good opportunity for the students to share their knowledge," added French teacher Gwen

Quick and Spanish teacher Lois Redmond. "And it helps to create interest in foreign languages and cultures by making the entire school aware of the foreign language program."

Property transfers

Property transfers recorded at the Luzerne County Court House from December 11, 1991 to December 12, 1991. Prices are extrapolated from transfer taxes paid. Many transfers, such as those between family members, are exempt from tax, so no amounts are shown.

Frank Boyle Burnside to Frank Boyle Burnside, RR 1, Box 299, Harveys Lake, property 2 parcels, Lakeside Dr., Harveys Lake.

American Diversified Enterprises Inc. to Eugene J. Martinchak, property Dallas Twp., \$1,500.

Jane M. Muchler to George W. Nichols, PO Box 143, Harveys Lake, property Woodland Ave., Lake Twp., \$13,000.

James J. Drury to James J. Drury, Annabelle Ave., PO Box 76, Shawnee, property Jackson Street, Dallas Boro.

Stewart E. Humphrey to Harold J. Allabaugh, 2019 Mapledale Rd., Elizabethtown, Pa., property Outlet Drive, Lake Twp., \$26,000

Mary Sulewski to Arlene J. Sulewski, 712 Cemly Circle, North Wales, Pa., property 3 parcels, Lake Twp.

Frank J. DiDonna to Paul E. Schweizer Sr., 134 Ohio Ave., Clementon, NJ, property Newhart Place, Harveys Lake, \$12,265.

Joseph J. Bobyo to Walter C. Schweizer Sr., 2516 Frankford Ave., Philadelphia, property Walnut Ave., Harveys Lake, \$3,000.

Famar Realty Inc. to Arthur Koval, property Staub Rd., Kingston Twp., \$25,000.

Kathleen R. Palmer to Wm. Ogen Palmer, 34 Grove St., Trucksville, property Grove St., Kingston Twp.

Teddy Kostrobala to James L. Luksh, 30 Glenview Ave., Dallas, property 0.34 ac., Powderhorn Dr., Dallas Boro.

Prothonotary to Teddy Kostrobala, 50 Powderhorn Dr., Dallas, property Powderhorn Dr., Dallas Boro, \$4,000.

Pauline S. Baer to Joseph C. Yates, 713 New Galena Rd., Chalfont, Pa., property Ridge Ave., Harveys Lake, \$30,000.

Ed Delaney to Ed Delaney, 23 Norton Ave., Dallas, property Claude St., Dallas Twp.

Ed Delaney to Ed Delaney, 23 Norton Ave., Dallas, property Cor. Claude St. & Center Hill Rd.

James L. Monk to Ferrell Propane Gas Co., Missouri, One Liberty Plaza, Liberty, Missouri, property 1.081 ac. Lehman Twp., \$85,000.



SANTA IN DALLAS - Santa took a ride on a Dallas fire truck Saturday before the annual party at the American Legion, Daddow-Isaacs Post 672. Post Commander Walter I. Galka, Dallas Fire Chief Bob Beseker and post Adjutant Tom Reese were on hand to greet him. (Post photo/Grace R. Dove)

Santa pays a visit to the Back Mountain

Santa Claus found time during his whirlwind pre-Christmas world tour to visit the good children at three Back Mountain Christmas parties this past weekend.

Boarding a Dallas fire truck Saturday afternoon, Santa rode through the streets of Dallas Borough to invite children to the American Legion hall for a party. His arrival was announced by the truck's sirens and flashing lights, courtesy of driver, Chief Bob Beseker.

The American Legion, Daddow-Isaacs Post 672, assisted by the Viet Nam Veterans of America Chapter 539, hosted the annual Christmas party. Each child had a chance to sit on Santa's lap and

received a small gift. After a round of Christmas songs, members served guests a snack.

"We do this every year as a gift to the kids of the Back Mountain," explained Post commander Walter I. Galka.

Santa also brought gifts to kids of all ages at Shavertown Fire Company's annual party, complete with munchies.

Santa's Back Mountain visit concluded Sunday afternoon at Franklin Township Fire Hall. After a guided tour of the township, complete with a fire engine, rescue truck, flashing lights and sirens, Santa visited the fire company's party. Children lined up for a hug and a small gift.

No tax increase in Harveys Lake budget

Harveys Lake Borough held the final reading of its proposed 1992 budget Tuesday, December 17.

The council projects that the borough will spend less in 1992 than it will by the end of 1991, with projected income at \$560,200, and expenses at \$559,879. This year, the borough expects that income will be \$596,679, and expenses will be \$567,245, leaving the borough with a \$29,434 surplus.

Taxes will remain the same, with a 21.5 mill property tax, and a 1% earned income tax which is split with the school district. The garbage fee will also remain at \$85 a year.

A mill is a \$1 tax on each \$1,000 of assessed property value.

According to councilman Joseph Sgarlat, the borough recently received a \$5,000 grant to pay for the flashing school crossing lights by the Lake-Noxen Elementary.

Sgarlat asked borough residents who live on the northwest side of the lake to complete the income surveys which have been mailed to them. The surveys will be used to help determine if the borough is eligible for various grants in the future, Sgarlat said.

Sgarlat also said that the borough has received approval for a grant of between \$10,000 and \$70,000 to construct dry fire hydrants at the Outlet, Sunset and Worden Place sections of the borough.

A dry fire hydrant is unpressurized, and would draw water from the lake. Its purpose is to prevent fire hoses from clogging if they are dropped directly into the lake.

The council's reorganization meeting will be January 6 at 7 p.m. Councilman David Abod and Joseph Miscavage were reelected in the November election, while Thomas Kehler and Martin Noon will be joining the council.

Joseph Sgarlat and George Gwilliam will be leaving the council.

Veterans Club donates books to Penn State

Over 60 books on military history were donated to the Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus Library recently. The presentation was made by the Vets Club to assistant librarian Marcia Nelson. This is the sixth presentation of volumes on military history the Vets Club has made to the library. Some of the topics included World War I and II, the Civil War and Desert Storm.

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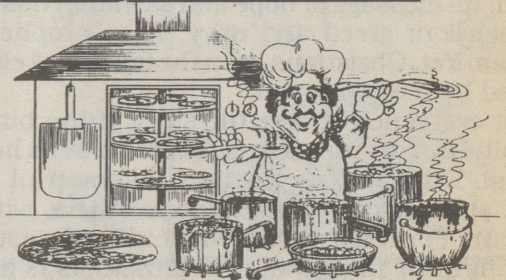
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Cheerleaders

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represent the United States in Britain.

"They worked for this all down their cheerleading career and we're very proud," said cheerleading coach Sheila Bonawitz.

For the Penn State tryouts, Williams, Vaughn and Landon had three days to learn a cheer, dance, and chant. For the performance in England, they received a video tape on December 13 of a cheer, dance and chant they must learn. Once in England, they'll have only two rehearsals with the 1,200 other cheerleaders who will be perform-

ing. The cheerleaders will be broken into six groups alphabetically. Williams and Vaughn are in the same group, while Landon is in another.

In addition to performing in Britain, Williams and Vaughn also have been chosen to try out to be Universal Cheerleading Association instructors for the summer of 1992. If they are chosen, they'll travel throughout the country to instruct future cheerleaders.