



Letters

It's a civic duty to critique the police

Editor,  
In response to Atty. Ted Krohn's letter criticizing Mr. Rogers and your newspaper for "lack of professional journalism" and "civic responsibility": Obviously, Atty. Krohn with all his titles, is "a hired gun" for the Back Mountain Police Association. Are we to expect that if anyone dares to publicly criticize the actions of the Back Mountain Police, intimidation by a lawyer will follow?  
After reading both opinions, it appears that Mr. Rogers was correct. The police did enter Bonanza. Anyone with common sense can

see that Mr. Roger's "scenarios" make sense. Maybe, Atty. Krohn would have us believe that the F.B.I. have better training than our local police? This is probably true. On the other hand, I'm sure they do not have a big "S" on their T shirts...Nice try Ted, but your lack of candor is not appreciated. Furthermore, are we to feel pity for the police because they are paid a poor salary? From a lawyer's point of view, a police salary may be microscopic. To the average Back Mountaineer, the police salary is quite generous. I suppose, we get what we pay for. It's

peculiar that Atty. Krohn never redressed the situation of the cruiser at the doughnut shop or the sluggish speed limits which Mr. Rogers complained about. After purchasing a scanner for my home and tuning into the Back Mountain Police, I really do wonder if we pay them too much. Sometimes, there seems to be a discrepancy between what is reported on the radio and what one reads in the newspaper. I believe it is everyone's civic responsibility to critique the police...if need be!  
Len Jones  
Shavertown

Penn State lists public gym activities

Youth and adult soccer leagues, aerobics, golf, and coaches clinics are just a few of the items open to the public on the spring Semester schedule of activities for the new Penn State Wilkes-Barre Athletics and Recreation Building on the campus in Lehman.  
The 34,066 square foot center is open to the public Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; and Sunday, 12 noon-8:30 p.m.  
The strength training room is open all hours of the gym.  
According to Campus Athletic Director Jack Monick, the Back Mountain Youth Soccer organization is making use of the new indoor soccer rink, only the second one of its kind in use in the country. Monick reports the BMYS season is underway with the tournaments to be held at campus January 18, February 8, 22 and March 14, 28.  
The campus will also host its own series of open adult soccer

tournaments, with five teams competing February 1 and February 29 and open high school tournaments, January 25, February 15, and March 7.  
Aerobics classes are held Monday through Saturday, 9-10 a.m.; Monday-Wednesday-Friday 4:45-5:45 p.m.; and Monday through Thursday 6-7 p.m.  
Racquetball courts are open to the public Monday and Thursday, 6-8 p.m. The basketball court is open to community play Tuesday and Thursday 6-8 p.m., and the volleyball court Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.  
The Center's multi-purpose room is open for playing badminton 11 a.m.-3 p.m. each day, and golf lessons are given by appointment 3-8:30 p.m. Saturdays and 12:30-8:30 p.m. Sundays.  
Throughout the month of February, a series of coaches clinics will be held at the facility. Baseball coaches clinics will be held Satur-

day, Feb. 8 and Feb. 15, from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and are open to all area high school baseball coaches and their staffs.  
The campus Continuing Education Department will sponsor racquetball clinics February 22 and 29, and baseball clinics for youths February 21 and 28, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
An extra-mural basketball tournament will be held Saturday, April 4, beginning at 9 a.m. and an open racquetball tournament will be held Saturday, April 11. Local players and teams are invited to sign up.  
Locker room and shower facilities are available.  
A utilization fee will be charged to community members who use the center or its facilities. Special class fees are charged for Continuing Education programs.  
For more information, contact the Penn State Wilkes-Barre Athletics and Recreation registration desk at 675-9259.



State Rep. Phyllis Mundy tours Victims Resource Center

State Representative, Phyllis Mundy, met recently with staff and board members of the Victims Resource Center to tour the center and discuss pending legislation on rape, child abuse and domestic violence. The VRC is a non-profit agency that serves victims of all crimes and their families. It advocates to enhance the quality of care to victims through contact with the legislature, law enforcement, court systems, social services, medical services, and the community at large.  
Shown, seated from left, Carol Lavery, VRC Executive Director; Representative Mundy; and Paulette Albosta, VRC Child Court Specialist.  
Standing, Mary Claire Mullen, VRC Assistant Director; Ruth Betty Baltimore, VRC Board Member; and Teresa Nowak, VRC Court Specialist.  
During the past year, the VRC provided services at no charge to over 1380 victims. For additional information about VRC services, call 823-0766 in Wilkes-Barre, 836-5544 in Tunkhannock and 454-7200 in Hazleton.



Jaycees help Santa at Meadows

The Back Mountain Jaycees accompanied by Santa, recently visited the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, to assist with the Residents' Christmas Party. Santa and his helpers distributed gifts to residents, and joined in a Holiday Sing along. This is an annual community service event for this group. Shown are Jaycees during their holiday visit, left to right, Jim Goulstone, Tim Ansilio, Santa, Greg Runner; Mary Ann Ulichney, Karen Harvey, Program Chairman; Bill Ulichney and Mike Zdan.

Only yesterday

Years Ago - Jan. 29, 1932  
FIRE DESTROYS CHASE GENERAL STORE

Fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed the home and general store of Asa A. Prutzman of Chase early yesterday morning. The family were barely able to flee in their night clothing before flames were eating through the dwelling.  
Senior Class of Lehman High School will present the play "Sound Your Horn!" in the near future.

Two musts now face all owners of automobiles. The first must is applying for motor vehicle operator's license for all persons intending to operate a motor vehicle after midnight February 29. The second must is that every vehicle owner or operator in the State must have his passenger or motor truck inspected at an official station by midnight March 31.

In a game which ran two extra periods Lehman defeated Dallas Township 50-42. Kingston Twp. girls were defeated by Laketon girls 29-15.

50 Years Ago - Jan. 30, 1942  
ICE HARVESTS BOOST RAILROAD TRAFFIC

Freight traffic in the local branch of the Lehigh Valley Railroad is booming since the start of the ice harvest at Mountain Springs. Forty cars of ice are being loaded daily for the Manchester New York Ice and Coal Co.

Draft Board Number One with headquarters at Wyoming has arranged to have Dallas Borough High School as one of the places of registration for the convenience of men who will have to register February 16.

Wyoming Valley Motor Club elected A.J. Sordoni president at their annual meeting, making him the third president within the past 25 years.  
Dallas Township bowed to King-

ston Township 21-15; Harter over Lehman 23-22; Laketon defeated by Dallas Borough, 23-22.

Final returns for the Red Cross Campaign in Dallas Borough and Township show total contributions of \$824.98.

40 Years Ago - Feb. 1, 1952  
DR. TILEM OPENS DENTIST'S OFFICE AT HARVEYS LAKE

Mrs. George Babchalk, Dallas, has won a \$300 Westinghouse Laundromat and a year's supply of Rain-Soft Rinso in the Arthur Godfrey \$125,000 jingle contest, Lever Brothers Co. announced today.

Dr. Jacob G. Tilm a graduate from Temple University School of Dentistry has opened an office for the practice of dentistry at Harveys Lake.

Engaged - Barbara Jean Ide to Max Dreher.  
Wed - Shirley Jean DeRemer to Robert Whitney.

Westmoreland Mustangs captured first half honors in the Back Mountain League defeating Harter 61-56 on the Mustang's court.

In Back Mountain Church League, Shavertown Methodist pulled into a 3-game lead by one point, 41-40. St. Therese's moved into 2nd place defeating Trucksville Methodist 55-38. St. Paul broke into the win column by its victory over Huntsville Christian in the final game of the night.

30 Years Ago - Feb. 1, 1962  
INDIAN HEAD MILLS PLANS PURCHASE OF TEXTILE PLANT

A long tedious pull toward recovery has started for Fred Hennebaul. Though there is little change in his condition he is off the critical list. Recovery Fund now totals \$3,267.27 Dick Williams, chairman announced.

Discussions concerning the acquisition of Native Lace and

Textiles Inc. by Indian Head Mills are in progress Leon Birnbaum, Chairman of Native Lace & Textiles and James E. Robinson, President of Indian Head Mills have confirmed.

Former customers of Purcell Oil Co. will continue to get the same oil but it will now arrive in J.B. Post Co. trucks, Mr. Purcell announced in a merger with J.B. Post.

Engaged - Mary Ann Engelman to Leon Nowikoski.

Dallas Senior Woman's Club urged club members and friends to make reservations for the club's Valentine Dance to be held Feb. 10 at Irem Country Club.

Steve Bonomo hit a 692 Series, Saturday topping all scores rolled at Crown Imperial for some time.

20 Years Ago - Feb. 3, 1972  
PAUL SABOL APPOINTED KINGSTON TOWNSHIP P.D. CHIEF

Some 50 Kingston Township residents voiced their opposition to a proposed zoning of approximately 23 acres of land in the township for the construction of multiple housing.

A rare blood donor was needed by the American Red Cross last Friday. Betty Gordon of Selinsgrove responded to the emergency call, donating blood at the collection center set up temporarily at the Dallas Intermediate School.

Kingston Township Board of Supervisors appointed Paul Sabol Police Chief January 4, after the untimely death of Chief Herbert Updyke.

Gregory Building a Dallas landmark since 1927 was torn down this week to make way for extended parking facilities for United Penn Bank.

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Legislators will discuss education funding in public meeting Feb. 5

On February 6, state senators and legislators will answer questions regarding education appropriations. The public forum will take place on the campus of Penn State Wilkes-Barre in the Science Building Auditorium beginning at 6 p.m. All who care about public higher education are invited to attend. For more information, contact the campus at 675-9225.

Public service forum will be Jan. 30

"Get Involved" is the theme of a special leadership training workshop for residents of the Back Mountain and anyone else who would like to attend. The workshop will be held on Thursday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m. at Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus in Hayfield House, and is sponsored by the Alumni Organization of Leadership

Wilkes-Barre, the Back Mountain Citizens Council, and Penn State. The workshop is designed to encourage men and women to run for office or to volunteer for appointive positions at the municipal level. Bill Bachman will be moderator, and the panel of local officials will include Earl Gregory, Leonard Kozick, Ellen Nagy, Don Cooper and Jeff Box.