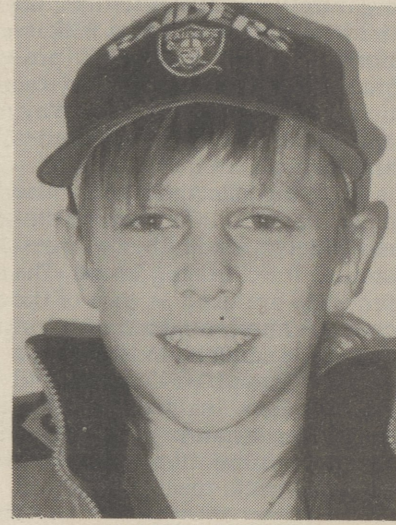


## Young cartoonist's work will appear in *The Dallas Post*

This week marks the debut of a new feature in *The Dallas Post*. "Sprog" is a cartoon panel drawn by Larry Morris, 12, of Sweet Valley. It will appear on the school page in each week's issue.

Larry, who is in the seventh grade at Lake-Lehman Junior High School, is the son of Larry and Bonnie Morris. He has been drawing "as long as I can remember," he says, and when he was six won three first places, two seconds and a third in an art contest sponsored by Sue Hand's Imagery.

Sprog is a British slang term for beginner, and seemed appropriate for the first published efforts by this talented local cartoonist.



LARRY MORRIS

## Evangelist at Dallas Baptist February 21

Dallas Baptist Church guest speaker Garry Stanton, Evangelist, will speak at the Dallas Baptist Church, Harveys Lake Highway, Dallas, on February 21, at the 11 a.m. service, and the 7 p.m. service. The evening service is centered for youth, adults also welcome.

Garry was a wayward minor, back woodsman, former Hell's Angels. He has spoken at schools, Civic Clubs, Tough Love, Drug Rehab, and jails. Garry's six foot plus frame and 300 lbs. gets and commands your attention. He has a message for all for today.

## Letter Injured hiker says thanks

Editor:

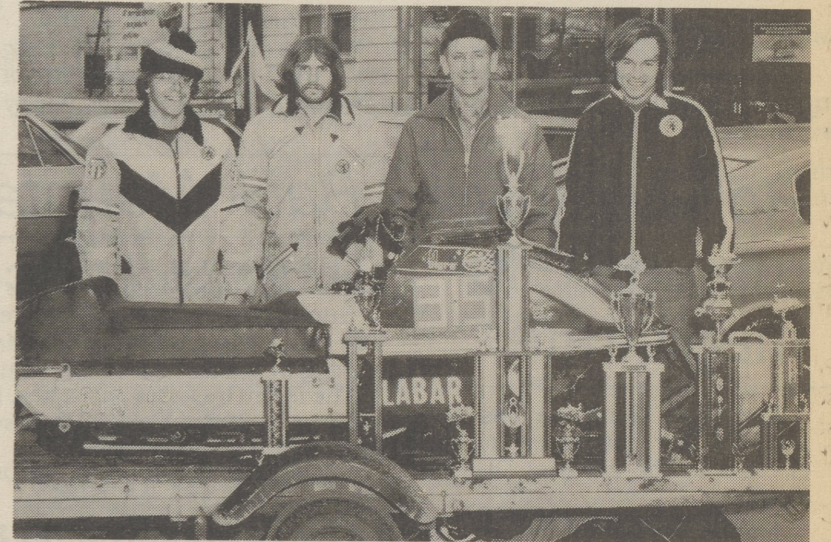
On Sunday, afternoon, January 24, my daughter, grandson, granddaughter and her girlfriend along with my daughter's dog went hiking in the woods in Frances Slocum Park behind Green Pond Road. Later that afternoon it began to rain.

I slipped on a rock and broke my ankle in two places. My daughter had to leave her 12-year-old son and I there while they went for help as it was starting to get dark. After we waited for what seemed forever she came back. So this big thanks goes out to these wonderful volunteers:

Frances Slocum State Park Rangers; Dr. Cwalina, his wife, and son; Kingston Township Rescue Squad and the Dallas Ambulance crew.

We will never forget your kindness.

E. Caruthers and family  
Plains



## "And the winner is - The Stantons."

Snowmobile fans sure heard that announced a lot of times in the 1970's.

Our snowmobile photo has been identified by Mrs. Warren Stanton, "the mother and wife".

The Stantons are shown displaying several of the trophies they won. Pictured, from left, are Carl J. Stanton, Bob Stanton, Warren Stanton and Tim LaBar.

The Stantons raced in The World Series of Snowmobiling at Eagle River, Wisconsin. Although they didn't take first place, they did very well and represented the Back Mountain with pride.

Old Photos are lots of fun. They bring back so many fond memories! Thanks, Mrs. Stanton, you were always there to support them and your still doing their P.R.

J.W.J.

## U.S. policy should not be tied to cheap oil

BY J.W. JOHNSON

As President Clinton prepares to tackle the nation's economic woes, he would be well advised to promote a **rise** (that's right, rise) in the price of oil. Here's why:

Our very future as a world political and economic power is, in fact, dependent on Americans embracing a notion the Japanese own as a cultural imperative: those who fail to look long-term, indeed, those who fail to plan, also plan to fail.

We must, in fact, specifically demand of President Clinton that he, in concert with Congress, stop mortgaging our economic future in championing a need for cheap oil. This, along with tying the lives of our young men and women, to the short-term expediency of attempting to sabre rattle away an oil price rise, as President Bush was attempting to do in the last days of his presidency.

Setting aside the blatant stupidity of war to keep oil cheaply available, more to the economic point is that if we continue to establish policy based on cheap gasoline, while depleting our own finite oil supplies, then we will almost certainly become, and sometime in the next century, a third-rate economic and political power. We should, in fact, be paying \$3 per gallon for gasoline...or higher. Here's why:

From the beginning of this century, the world's oil supply and its price was controlled by what is known in the oil industry as the **Seven Sisters**, a loosely knit group of oil companies who received only lip service from those in charge of monitoring monopolies. At the same time, it was perhaps necessary for both supply and price to be controlled by the suppliers, or the world's economies, desperately dependent on the black gold, would fluctuate wildly.

Along came the 1970's and

OPEC, an acronym for a consortium—largely Arab nations—called the Oil Producing Export Countries. Two steep price hikes in the 1970's proved the temporary wisdom of supply and price control as the world, most notably the United States, went into price shock and economic recessions both times oil prices were raised.

We survived, largely through reducing dependence on foreign oil by reducing consumption, by dramatically improving our overall energy usage intelligence through massive education programs, and through experimentation and real world use of alternative energy sources, complete with tax incentives.

What's happened since the 1970's is that, in the 1980's, and into the 90's, oil prices have dropped dramatically. This was caused, in part, by reduced consumption from the 1970's, along with a sluggish world economy reducing demand.

Now along comes Saddam Hussein in 1990 and the U.S. decides to become modern day Hessians, hiring out our military forces for the dubious benefit of having our young people die in the sand when the real solution is implementation of simple market forces.

Remember the \$3 a gallon mentioned earlier? We need to increase the price of gasoline to a point where consumption will be reduced, and the rewards of the free enterprise system will rise up to discover, manufacture, distribute and promote alternatives, i.e., a viable electric automobile. There's only so much oil, folks, and the nation which gets out from under its yoke first will be the nation to lead the next 1,000 years.

The other thing that Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait in 1990 did was to prolong the illusion that this country can and should continue its primary eco-

nomie activity as a military-industrial complex. The naked truth is that many, many Americans are being paid under the thinly veiled guise of defending America here, and freedom abroad when, in fact, it is disguised socialism providing jobs.

And the horrible irony is that while we have applauded the Soviet Union, and Eastern Europe for its abandonment of communism in favor of free enterprise, we find our economic system glued to the Defense Department for the survival of an inordinate number of American citizens.

To wit: The Tobyhanna Army Depot is northeast Pennsylvania's single largest employer, providing nearly a half billion to the local economy.

Don't kid yourself: our presence in the Middle East has as much to do with keeping profits flowing, and defense industry jobs intact, as it has to do with trying to maintain stable oil prices.

We proclaim peace and market war. We market war while our public infrastructure is falling down around our ears.

We shout about the Japanese economic invasion while buying their cars, selling them our real estate, and not following their example of \$3 per gallon for gasoline.

Any further military action in the Middle East should be because we have declared a war against a legitimate threat to our principles and way of life, and come about in a war fully supported by the people in both principle and pocketbook.

Then again, former Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev was quite correct when he said:

"Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river."

Have you seen any bridges in that Middle Eastern sand?

If anyone can provide any information concerning these graduates, please contact the reunion committee at 675-6461, after 5 p.m.

## Dallas Class of '63 seeks classmates

The Dallas High School Class of 1963 reunion committee is looking for addresses of the following classmates:

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