

## Property transfers

Property transfers recorded at the Luzerne County Court House from February 11, 1993 to March 2, 1993. Prices are extrapolated from transfer taxes paid.

JRH Inc. to Clarence T. Newcomb, 309 Bunker Hill Rd., Wyoming, property Idlewood Dr., Dallas Twp., \$16,000.

Alan F. Updyke to Lawrence L. Dawes, RR 3, Box 37, Hunlock Creek, property Main Rd., 2.00 ac., Lake Twp., \$13,200.

LTC System Inc., to BK Dentures Inc., 401 Moltke Ave. Scranton, property Twp. Rd. 593, Lehman Twp., \$242,583.

Stuart Heydt to Geisinger Foundation, 100 N. Academy Ave., Danville, property L2, Bl 2, Bulford Farm, Jackson Township, \$330,000.

Pa. Green Acres Inc., to Michael J. Hudacek Jr., 835 W. Main St., Plymouth, property 45 acres, Ross Twp., \$300.

Daniel Behm to Victoria L. Cooper, RR 3, Box 211, Harveys Lake, property Lt. 3, Boro of Harveys Lake, \$54,500.

Estate of Joseph W. Borkowski to Barry J. Horvath, 10 W. Ridge St., Shavertown, property Lt. L&K, Twp. of Lehman, \$15,000.

Allen K. Kidd to Anthony J. Wisneski, RD 2, Box 13A, Tunkhannock, property 3 parcels, Boro of Harveys Lake, \$90,000.

Peter J. Hillard Jr. to Charles Guskiewicz, 35 Maude St., W. Nanticoke, property 2 parcels, Twp. of Lehman, \$6,000.

Marvin Carkhuff to Jms. Reese, 100 Perrin Ave., Shavertown, property 0.74 acres, Twp. of Kingston, \$68,000.

Est. of Eliz. R. Ruckno to General Waterwork Corp., 2004 Renaissance, King of Prussia, property 0.97 acre, Boro of Harveys Lake, \$18,000.

Michael E. Casey to Sidney E. Blaine, 3711 Stanton St., Philadelphia, property 2 parcels, Harveys Lake.

Madge B. Hudson to Edward Michael Campbell, Box 388-1, RD 2, Dallas, property Lehman Twp., \$65,500.

Yenny's Car Wash Inc. to Scott Parkhurst, 203 Manor Dr., Shavertown, property 2 parcels, Dallas Boro, \$111,000.

John A. Cresko Jr. to John O. Yapple, 19 Westminster Dr., Dallas, property Westminster Dr., Dallas Twp., \$114,500.

Estate Henry J. Nied to Nancy E. Schlosser, RR 1, Box 81E, North Lake, Ross Twp., property North Pond, L13,114, 13-A, 14-A, Ross Twp., \$70,000.

Robert W. Kleiner II, to Thomas E. Heffernan, 48 Monroe Ave., Dallas, property Monroe Ave., Dallas \$110,000.

## Sabol announces candidacy for Kingston Twp. supervisor

Paul M. Sabol of 43 South Pioneer Avenue, Trucksville has announced his candidacy for the position of Township Supervisor in Kingston Township. A resident of the Township for nearly 40 years, Sabol will seek election as a Republican candidate.

Sabol has served as a member of the Kingston Township Police Department for over 30 years. Since 1972 and until January 31 of this year, he served as the chief of police.

He has attained a number of prestigious law enforcement posts, which include past president of the Luzerne County Chiefs of Police Association, past president of the Northeast PA Chiefs of Police Associations, and immediate past president of the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association. He has also served as treasurer of the Back Mountain Police Association for 24 years and also served as its president.

Sabol is a life member of the Trucksville Volunteer Fire Company after 28 years of active service. He was also an active member for many years with the Kingston Township Ambulance Association. Sabol is a member of the George M. Dallas Lodge 531, the Caldwell Consistory of Bloomsburg, and the Irem Temple.

Sabol lists among his accomplishments and community contributions his annual chairmanship of the Back Mountain Police Association's Annual Ham and Egg Breakfast, which benefits LUZARC (Luzerne County Association for Retarded Citizens). He has served as chairman of the Back Mountain Control Center Joint Operating Commission since its inception in 1987 and has worked with his



PAUL M. SABOL

colleagues toward the successful implementation of Luzerne County's first 911 telecommunications system.

He is well-known for his progressive stance in law enforcement, having served on advisory boards, which have enacted Luzerne County's first Emergency Radio Communication System and the first criminal records retrieval and information center for the county. He has been a strong proponent of shared or cooperative services among Back Mountain communities.

Sabol views his past working knowledge of government at the local, county, state, and federal levels as being a major benefit in providing progressive and fiscally-competent leadership to the citizens of Kingston Township.

## Principal

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hind, grabbed him by the arm and placed him back into his seat.

Defense counsel Bruce Anders called three character witnesses to the stand including guidance counselor Jack Wolensky, who presented a letter signed by 44 staff members of the school which voiced concern over the tarnishing of Martinelli's reputation.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Gilbert Griffiths and Pat Ratchford, a Pittston Area high school student-athlete who had once played baseball under Martinelli, were also called to testify on behalf of the principal.

Anders made a passionate closing argument, citing sections of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code and the School Code. Section 509 of the Crimes Code deals with the use of force by a teacher. The section states that use of force by a teacher is justifiable if a teacher feels it's necessary to maintain discipline and "the degree of force, if used by a parent, is not unjustifiable."

Force would be unjustifiable when "it is designed to cause, or known to create, a substantial risk of death, serious bodily injury, disfigurement, extreme pain or mental distress."

The bottom line according to Anders, and the main reason given

by Gregory for his decision, is that faculty and staff act "en loco parentis" over a child while he is at school. That phrase means that the staff can use the same amount of force a parent would use in order to maintain discipline. Anders and Gregory both stated the use of force used by Martinelli did not even meet the requirements of corporal punishment.

"In my 10 years as an attorney," Anders concluded his closing argument, "this is the weakest prosecution that I've ever seen. The only crime committed here is the crime that we're in court to answer these ridiculous charges."

Martinelli thanked the school community for their support and also expressed relief that the pain and embarrassment endured by his family and friends was over.

"Everyone, from the teachers right on up to the school board was very supportive," said Martinelli, who was surrounded by family and friends in the courtroom. "They were just great. They all helped me to get through this. It's (the dismissal of charges) a big relief."

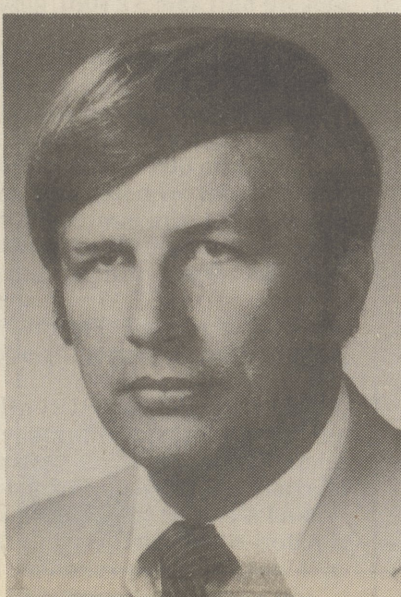
The parents of the boy, Howard and Debbie Jones of Dallas Township, were not called to testify at the hearing. They had no comment on the decision.

## Litz announces candidacy for Dallas School Board

John P. Litz of Windsor Drive in Dallas announces that he is a candidate for a 4-year term as a School Director in the Dallas School District. He has filed on both the Democratic and Republican slates. Litz served as a School Director from 1988 to 1991 and was President of the Board in 1991.

A graduate of Lafayette College with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering, Litz received a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Wilkes College. He is also a Registered Professional Engineer and a Registered Professional Land Surveyor in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Litz is a 1987 graduate of the Leadership Wilkes-Barre program.

Litz is employed by UGI Utilities, Inc. in Kingston as Division Controller. He is a member of Wilkes-Barre Rotary, serves on the board of United Cerebral Palsy of Luzerne County and is a member of the Citizens Advisory Council to the Dallas School District. He had been associated with the Back Mountain Youth Soccer Association for nine years as a coach, board member and President of



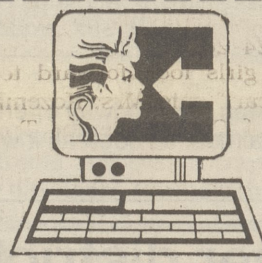
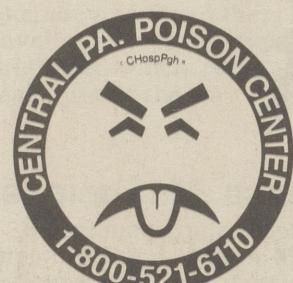
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the Association.

Litz has been a resident of Dallas for 20 years. He and his wife, Ann are the parents of three children: Regan and Damian, graduates of Dallas Senior High School and Matthew, a student at the Dallas Middle School.

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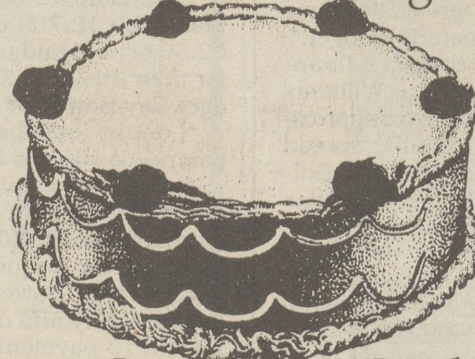
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