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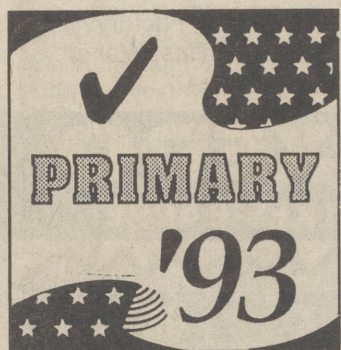
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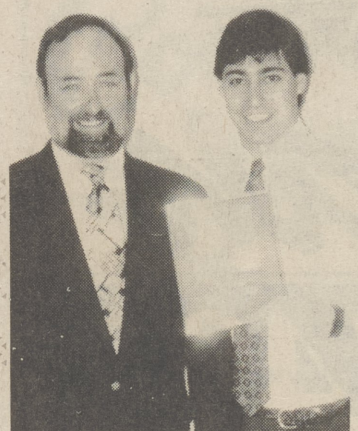


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Antique show plans are in the works at Prince of Peace Church. The annual show and sale is scheduled for May 4-5. Page 7.



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Red Cross blood drive will be held Monday, April 26 from 1 to 6 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Irem Road, Dallas. Appointments, call 823-7161.

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Con artists work area

By GRACE R. DOVE
Post Staff

Warm spring weather brings out anglers, home gardeners, joggers and hikers.

It also brings out flim-flam artists, persons posing as representatives of utilities who try to get into people's homes or roving repairmen who do shoddy work, then disappear before they can be prosecuted.

Fly-by-nighters have already been reported in two Back Mountain municipalities, Dallas Bor-

ough and Franklin Township.

"These people prey on the elderly, most often during warm weather or after a bad storm, trying to convince people that they need their driveway resurfaced or sealed, a new roof or siding, and either try to get into the house or disappear after taking people's money and not doing the work," said Dallas Borough police chief Jack Fowler.

An elderly lady reported to borough police March 20 that two dark-skinned men driving a red pickup truck came to her home.

While one kept her busy, the other stole several pieces of antique jewelry.

Two days later, an elderly man reported that two white males in their mid-twenties, one carrying a briefcase, attempted to get into his home while selling merchandise. When he refused to buy anything, one man tried to get into the house by sticking his foot in the door. They fled when he said that he was going to call the police.

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Soccer action

Colby Gauntlett, left, of Dallas, fought to center a shot as Lehman's Heather Evanish defended during last week's match between the two local teams. Dallas won 1-0. Additional photo on page 9.

POST PHOTO/RON BARTIZEK

Rabies clinic offers low-cost shots

By GRACE R. DOVE
Post Staff

Whether or not the sun is shining Sunday, April 25, the Back Mountain Kiwanis hope that it will literally be raining cats and dogs.

For the first time in several years, the Kiwanis will hold a rabies vaccination clinic, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Dallas Township garage behind the municipal building. Dr. Brock Phillips will give the shots, which will cost \$6 each.

"We're expecting more than 500 cats and dogs, and could possibly see 1,000," said Kiwanis member Cliff Parker.

"It's good for the community, for both pets and people," said project chairman and Kiwanis president Jim Tupper. "Rabies has been on the move through the state for the past several



years. We hope that people remember to bring their cats - for some reason they don't think that cats need to be vaccinated. Any animal can get rabies."

Normally a rabies shot from a veterinarian costs around \$18, Tupper said.

Dr. Phillips, who has been a veterinarian for ten years, said

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Residents ask that Green Rd. be paved

By GRACE R. DOVE
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Kingston Township residents Cindy Delescavage and MaryEllen Durris, who live on Green Road, complained to the township supervisors at their regular meeting Wednesday, April 14, that drainage from Cedar Lane has washed out sections of Green Road, making it nearly impassable.

"The problem didn't exist before the development on Cedar Lane came in," the women said, adding that they have a petition containing 30 names, asking the supervisors to pave Green Road.

Twenty homes are located on the dirt road.

"Paving the road won't help; it's a drainage problem" said chairman Daniel Wisnieski. He added that the road crew has laid more than 300 tons of fill on Green Road already.

Most dirt roads experience similar problems during the spring thaw, when mud oozes out of the ground onto the road as the frost leaves the ground, Wisnieski said. Repeated cycles of hard freezes followed by thaws and more freezes also cause these roads to become

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Plans for highway don't please everyone

By GRACE R. DOVE
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Proposed improvements to Back Mountain highways didn't please everyone who attended last week's public meeting on the plan with officials of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT).

Twenty-five people attended the public meeting April 13 where PennDOT officials sought comment on the proposed highway improvement plan for the Route 309-415 corridor.

Charles A. Iacona and Lenny Morris, owners of the Penn-General convenience store/gas station at the intersection of Routes

415 and 118, said that improvements to the intersection would give Turkey Hill, their competitor on the opposite side of the highway, an unfair business advantage.

Iacona said that a concrete median on Route 415 south of the intersection and curbing that will limit northbound traffic on Route 415 from entering Penn-General's parking lot by the store's gas pumps would prevent 40 percent of his customers from entering his business.

Many of his customers drive north on Route 415, then west on Route 118, stopping at Penn-General for gas or groceries, he said.

"No one else will have a concrete median in front of their business," Iacona said.

"If customers have a choice between making an easy right turn into Turkey Hill or turning onto Route 118, driving 100 feet, turning left into our lot and traveling another 150 feet back to the gas pumps, then turning around and going back onto 118, where do you think they'll go?" Iacona continued.

"We have a half million dollar building and 15 employees," Morris said. "Losing 40 percent of our business means that we may not be able to afford to continue there."

When PennDOT district engi-

neer Chuck Mattei cited the intersection's history of accidents, Morris replied that he had seen more accidents involving vehicles turning into Turkey Hill from Route 415 than in front of Penn-General.

Joan Conrad, board member of Back Mountain Baseball and vice-president of Back Mountain Softball, said that her organization had studied the possibility that Irem Road would be closed, bringing more traffic down Church Road in front of the baseball field at the corner of Center Hill Road.

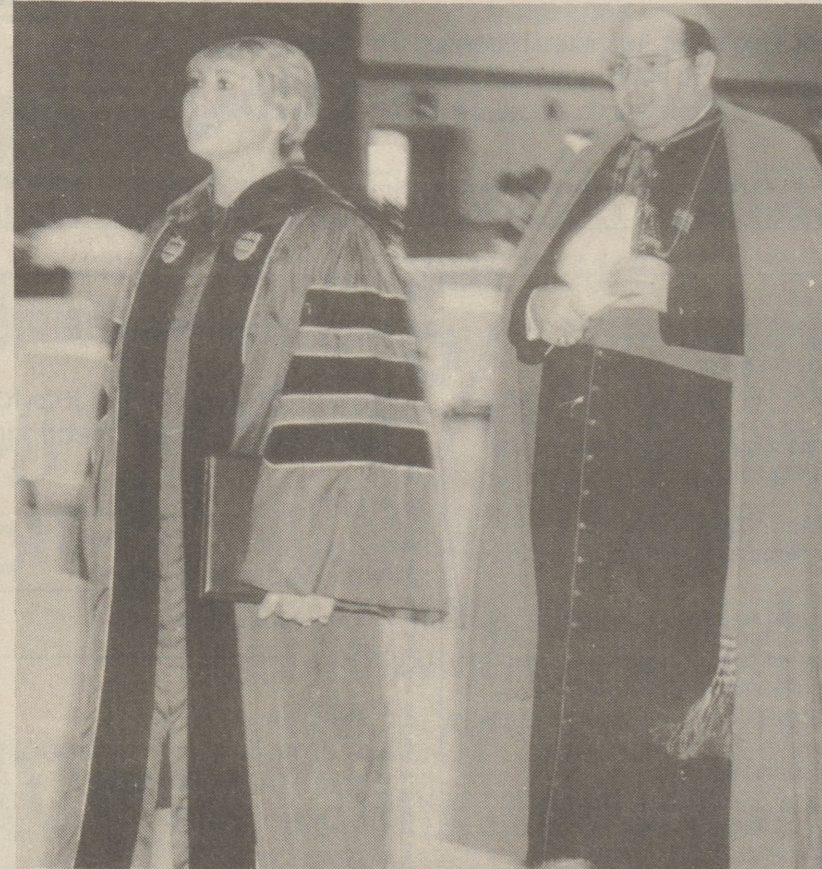
"Since the highway project is for the betterment of the Back Mountain, it's our responsibility to ask our parents to keep a closer

watch on their children," she said.

Mrs. Conrad said that her organization will study erecting more fencing along Church Street to control pedestrians entering or leaving the ball park. The group hasn't received any written estimates yet, but plans to raise all the necessary funds themselves, she said.

Senator Charles Lemmond, who lives in Dallas, said that he was concerned about the potential impact of closing Irem Road on the residents of Fox Hollow and Shrine View, the Trinity Presbyterian Church, TLC Nursery School and the members and

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New president for Misericordia

College Misericordia inaugurated its tenth president, Carol A. Jobe, PhD, Saturday, April 17, in ceremonies at the new Anderson Sport-Health Center. Dr. Jobe is the first lay woman president of Misericordia, Luzerne County's oldest four-year college.

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Arnie Garinger closing out career at Misericordia

By DAVE KONOPKI
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Arnie Garinger remembers the first time he ever set foot on the campus of College Misericordia. It was back in the 1930's and the three-year old with blonde ring curls was a ring bearer during a ceremony.

Little did he realize the impact he would later have on the school.

The popular placement director, affectionately known as "Uncle Arnie," of the Back Mountain college is retiring after more than two decades of service. He will be honored at a dinner, a "testimonial roast" according to professor Dave Payne, on Saturday, April 24.

"I remember thinking this was a giant place with giant buildings," recalled Garinger of his first visit to the college. "I think my returning to College Misericordia was more than a guy returning to his roots. There had to be another force that brought me back here."

Garinger's career in education began as a secondary science teacher in the Paoli Area School System in Chester County in 1955.

After a stint in the United States Army, Garinger returned to public school work as a guidance counselor at Tredyfflin-Eastown Junior High School in Berwyn, Pa.

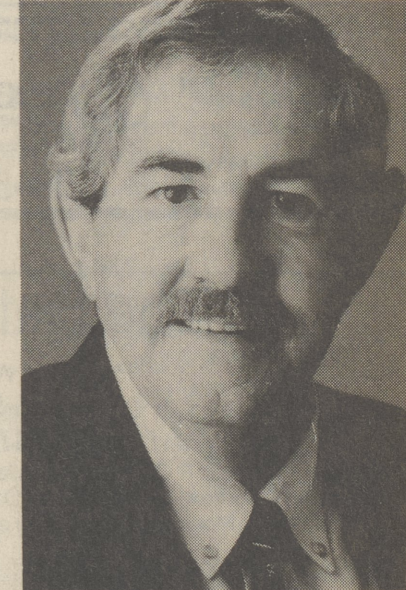
He helped open the new Valley Forge Junior High School as assistant principal in 1965 and was promoted to principal in 1966 before coming to Misericordia in 1969.

Garinger said the most drastic change in the college came in the 1970's when the school became co-ed.

"The admission of male students came at a time when it was needed the most," said Garinger, who has had an average placement rate of 95% of those completing degree requirements over the last 10 years. "I've always wanted Misericordia to get its due. The key to the school is the amount of love at the school."

According to Payne, who has been an associate and friend of Garinger more than 20 years, the respect for Garinger from the student body is overwhelming.

"Everyone calls him Arnie," Payne said. "But it's not out of



ARNIE GARINGER

disrespect. He's open, helpful to students and is very approachable. Students often seek him when they have a problem.

"He's had a variety of jobs here," added Payne. "He's been a teacher, a counselor and a placement director. He runs job fairs for the students and has opened some networks for students. He always gives the appropriate advice and has a certain lightness and sense of humor about him."

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