

### Civil War

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scrip or kept a running tab which they settled with him on payday.

Carolee Aycock, Carol Kelly, Nancy Casagrande and Janice Hilley modeled their period costumes for visitors: dresses or skirts and blouses worn over a corset, pantalets, a chemise (slip), an underpetticoat, hoop petticoat, overpetticoat and cotton stockings held up by garters.

Their hair was caught up in snoods, heavy crocheted hair nets which kept it from flying about.

"Decent women going out in public also wore a hat and gloves with open fingers," said Janice Hilley. "Before hoop skirts came into fashion, the women usually wore six to 10 petticoats to make their skirts fuller. That was the fashionable look - a tiny waist with the bust and hips as full as possible."

Walking in hoop skirts isn't that hard. Getting into and out of the car is the most difficult and clumsy, the women said.

Children dressed similarly to their parents, although young girls didn't have to wear hoop skirts.

"This is fun, something to do with my Dad," said Amy Casagrande, 13.

"I like history and reading about the Civil War," said musician Phil Yurkon, 13, who "enlisted" in Company K as a drummer. "I figured that I'd learn a lot doing this. It's lots of fun."

Five-year-old Lee Ann Robbins hid underneath her wide-brimmed straw hat, shyly nodding "yes" to a reporter who asked her if she liked dressing up for the Civil War.



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**HOW IT WAS** - Janice Hilley, Carolee Aycock and Nancy Casagrande, above, model women's attire from the Civil War era. Under the dresses are pantalets, a slip, a corset, two petticoats, a hoop skirt and cotton stockings. At right, Sara Dombroski, Lee Ann Robbins, Amy Casagrande, Carol Kelly, Lisa Casagrande and Philip Yurkon line up for sarsaparilla.



The re-enactment was sponsored by parent-teacher organizations of the Middle Level Building and Lake-Noxen Elementary School.

### Hit-run

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GMC, the truck is owned by Advanced Transportation, Inc., of Pittston.

"I never heard it coming," Zikor said. "One minute, Ginger and I were walking - the next moment I was up in the air and tumbling down. I was knocked out for a couple of minutes, but Ginger was unconscious the whole time after we were hit."

Ritts was transported by Life-Flight helicopter to Geisinger Hospital in Danville, while Zikor was treated at the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital and released.

Zikor said the pair walk along Carverton Road every day to Brown Manor and back, using the south side of the road, which has a 20-foot berm.

"There's lots of room there," she said.

Witnesses at the accident scene gave police a description of the rig, which was later found parked on West Eighth Street in West Wyoming.

*"I have had more than 100 calls in two days, well-wishes and people offering their prayers. That helps a lot."*

Patricia Zikor  
Hit-and-run victim

Potoeski turned himself in to police the next day.

Kingston Township police said that Michael J. Thorek, Jr., a passenger in the rig at the time, is the company driver assigned to the truck.

Potoeski will be cited for numerous traffic violations, including failure to render aid at the scene of an accident, careless driving and two counts of leaving the scene of an accident, police chief James Balavage said.

He will also be charged with two counts of causing an accident involving death or injury to another person and two counts of recklessly endangering another person, police said.

Potoeski stated to police that he didn't know that he had snapped off the utility pole and was dragging it, according to the police report. He also said that he didn't know that the pole had hit two cars and the two women, according to the report.

Zikor praised the paramedics, the Kingston Township police and the ambulance crew for their prompt, caring response.

"They're just wonderful, the best in the whole world," she said. "They decided very quickly to Life-Flight Ginger to Geisinger, the best decision."

Zikor said that she was "just

banged up" with injuries to her elbow and ankle, but had no broken bones. She credits her exercise and weight training with saving her from more serious injuries.

People passing the accident scene stopped to offer help, she added.

"I have had more than 100 calls in two days, well-wishes and people offering their prayers," she said. "That helps a lot."

Ritts is still at Geisinger Hospital in Danville, where her condition has been upgraded to serious.

"I feel so helpless, not being allowed to see Ginger," Zikor said. "They're only letting family see her right now. I'm praying for her and hoping that everything will be all right. Please ask people to pray for her."

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