

# Calligrapher

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card every year?

There's more to the process than simply choosing a script. According to Mae, the process also involves some measuring and layout: "First, you must decide what size letters and pen nib you'll use. Then you decide what size paper the final piece will be on. And finally, you must decide what arrangement is pleasing to the eye."

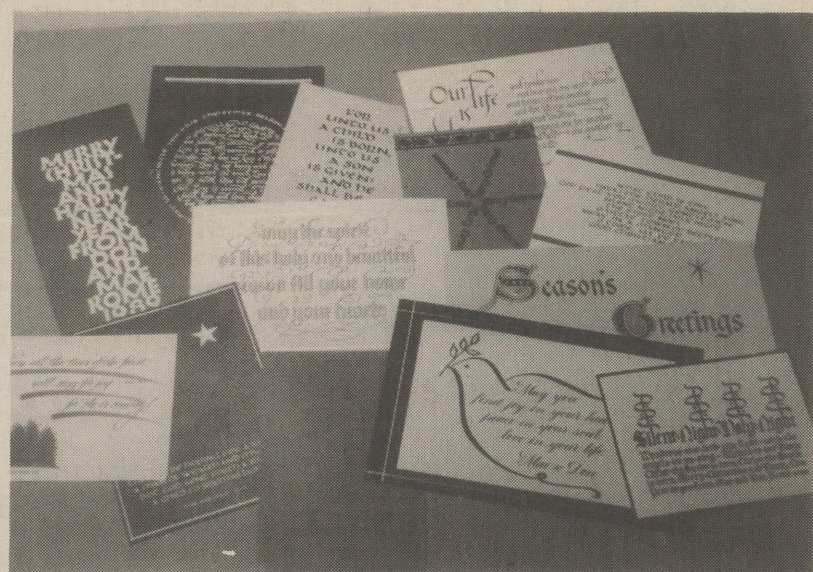
Mae's projects are not limited to greeting cards. Her studio table is lined with Christmas tree ornaments bearing beautiful holiday sayings written in various scripts. The elegant circular ornaments, about the size of a half dollar piece, are framed in gold with a tiny red bow adorning the top.

Her holiday works extend beyond interior decorations. She's also responsible for designing the cover of a Christmas bulletin for her church, Shavertown United Methodist, designating Poinsettia plant donors. The ornate cover is done in heavy "black letter" script, similar to the "Old English" style, bordered by two rows of poinsettia leaves.

Although Mae does calligraphy mainly as a hobby, she occasionally does work for friends and relatives who want gifts made. Most are poems or notable quotes which take on an air of even greater significance and deeper meaning when portrayed in an elegant and appropriate script. Once framed, and sometimes embellished with a touch of color or surrounded by pressed flowers, these plaques add a distinctive flair to any room.

After the holidays, Mae stays busy with other calligraphy projects such as certificates, resolutions, wedding invitations, and programs, just to name a few. Her work can be found in several Back Mountain locations.

A certificate of dedication for the community room in the Back



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The arrangement of holiday cards and ornaments done by calligrapher Mae Rome exhibits several different styles of script including uncial (broad, short, rounded strokes) copperplate (fancy, flowing strokes), italic (distinctive, readable) and black letter (Old English, gothic-looking).

Mountain Memorial Library in memory of Glenn W. Eyet, Jr. bears her handiwork.

She also completed a resolution in memory of the late Rev. John C. Petrasko, displayed at College Misericordia, Dallas.

Mae credits the guild with much of her success in calligraphy. "The members are very open and sharing with information on the latest products and techniques." At the meetings and workshops, she has been exposed to techniques including "gouach" (pronounced "gwash"), which is a combination of watercolor and ink to add color to her lettering.

Mae feels her calligraphy talents are not unique to her alone. Almost anyone can do it, she says. "Calligraphy is a learned discipline. You have to learn the strokes and the different techniques such as coordinating the background with the lettering."

She continues, "and then it takes practice. Lots and lots of practice."

Mae, a mother of three grown children, and a grandmother of three, has been known to close her door, play classical music, and practice calligraphy for hours at a time. "It's like anything," she says with a smile, "if you enjoy it, you do it."

The purpose of the guild is to promote the study and practice of calligraphy, to encourage individual proficiency, and to stimulate an appreciation for the history and application of the art.

The guild also holds an annual exhibit in various locations where members display their work in an effort to educate the community.

For more information on joining the Calligraphers' Guild of Northeastern Pennsylvania, please contact Virginia Sosik, President, at (717) 346-5074.

# PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property deeds were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse for the week of December 1-7.

Agway Inc. to Back Mtn. Assoc., 2 parcels, Dallas Borough, \$180,000.

Scott Parkhurst, et ux, to Back Mtn. Assoc. LLC, 3 parcels, Dallas Borough, \$160,000.

Dorothy Saypack, et vir, to Elva C. Valentine, Lot 72, Glendale Manor, Dallas Borough, \$2,000.

Edward A. Montross, et ux, to Keith Sorokin, 1.215 ac. Montross Street, Dallas Twp., \$20,000.

William G. Rice, et ux, to Michael R. Goldsmith, et ux, 51 Dorchester Drive, Dallas Twp., \$25,000.

Constance Bruno, et vir, to Robert C. Brillhart, 2 parcels, Harveys Lake Bor., \$300,000.

Robyn Jones to Kathryn A. Yench, Jones Ave. Lots 23, 24, Harveys Lake Bor., \$49,000.

Robert J. Cowell, et ux, to James D. Whitehead, et ux, Lot 1, McKee Subdiv., Harveys Lake Bor., \$12,000.

Robert Lee Trumbower, et ux, to Paul Pushefski, et ux, 1 ac. Hunlock Twp., \$49,000.

Robert W. Ruck, to Raymond J. eagen, 640 Park Ave., Jackson Twp., \$117,000.

Charles Shiber, et ux, to David C. Konopki, et ux, Jackson Street, Dallas Borough, \$81,500.

Mark J. Koval to Dawn M. Moran, Lot 39 Ridge Street, Kingston Twp., \$65,000.

William Hann to James Lamoreux, et ux, .25 ac. Lake Twp., \$3,000.

Peter J. Owad, to Edward Manherz, 815 ac., Lake Twp., \$20,000.

Christopher C. Williamson, et ux, to Howard M. Steffen Jr., et ux, 2.84 ac., Lake Twp., \$22,000.

Paul C. Goodwin, et ux, to Chris Shaw, et ux, 6.8ac. Goodwin Subdiv., Lehman Twp., \$33,000.

Dorothy Puckel, et vir, to Given J. Harleman, et vir, 6 ac. Tall Oaks Subdiv., Lehman Twp., \$30,000.

# Budget

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ments is expected, a decrease of 52 percent or \$3,800 from last year's budget.

The township's ambulance and two volunteer fire companies will each receive an additional \$3,500, for a total of \$10,000 apiece. Previously the township gave them each \$4,500 for operating expenses along with \$2,000 to the fire companies and \$3,000 to the ambulance company for fuel. The contribution has been changed to one donation of \$10,000 per company, to be used wherever needed.

Supervisory personnel in all departments will receive raises of five to six percent.

Four senior police officers will receive raises of 12 percent, while four senior road workers will receive 10 percent raises.

Major equipment expenditures include a new marked police cruiser and a new road truck with a snow plow and spreader.

In personnel matters the supervisors unanimously approved

a drug and alcohol policy and random testing through the Pennsylvania Association of Township Supervisors, which will cost the township \$125 a year. Federally mandated random drug and alcohol tests will be required for the seven road workers, who all have commercial (CDL) licenses to drive vehicles weighing more than 26,000 lbs.

In zoning matters, the Colarusso, Mary Pieshala and Moldesky/Nardone minor subdivisions and the application by the Geneva School to use the Living Faith Free Methodist Church for a private elementary school were unanimously approved.

A public hearing has been scheduled for January 10 at 8 p.m. for the rezoning application of the Roy Evans property at 20 North Memorial Highway from residential to commercial.

Township offices will be closed December 25-26 and January 1-2 for the holidays.

# Winter parking rules in effect

Kingston Township Police Chief James Balavage would like to remind residents that the Winter Parking Ordinance is in effect as of November 2, 1995 through March 31, 1996. Under this ordinance residents are prohibited from parking vehicles on township streets between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. each day.

The chief also reminds residents that vehicles are not permitted to be parked on township streets during snow storms, or for eight hours after the end of a storm.

The ordinance is designed to keep the township streets open and clear so that snow removal measures can be effectively undertaken by the road department.

The chief urges all township residents to cooperate in complying with the township ordinance to avoid enforcement measures.

# Haefele enlists in Army

Daniel J. Haefele has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Enlistment Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Wilkes-Barre.

Haefele, a 1981 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School will report to Fort Jackson, S.C., for military basic training Jan. 3, 1996.

He is the son of Harold J. and Jayne Haefele of RR 4, Dallas.

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**Cut off at least two inches** from the bottom of a fresh tree before placing it in a stand. This will enhance the tree's water absorbency. Check the water level in the stand daily, and add fresh water whenever needed.

**Keep trees away from fireplaces**, radiators, televisions and other sources of heat that could dry out the tree, creating a fire hazard. Always keep a fire extinguisher close by in the house.

**Use only those tree lights that carry the UL label**, and choose new cool lights for safer operation and greater energy efficiency. Test old lights before trimming the tree. Discard light strings with defective wiring or breaks.

**Do not overload the wiring system in your house.** If other lights dim when you turn the tree on, these lights should be switched to another circuit while the tree lights are on.

**Do not overload extension cords.** Doing so creates an unsafe electrical condition.

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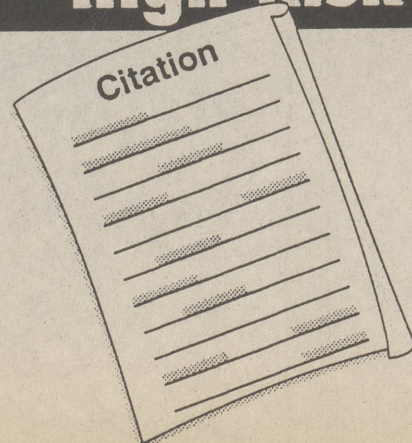
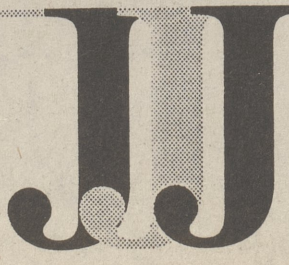
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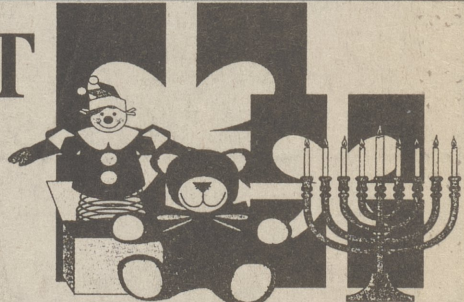
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