

Daniel Kinley, Brittany Sayre, Chris Parrish, with Eric Myers behind, looking very authoritarian, from Mrs. Hersteck's class.



Shannon Dingle, Elysia Balavage and Tommy Perrego, with their finest headgear. Mrs. Paczewski is their teacher.



No.

Amy Yurchison. "Well, what do you think of this one?"



Second-grade students at Westmoreland School showed creativity, learning and fun at "Hat Day" last Friday. Each child was encouraged to wear a hat typifying a particular line of work, activity, region of the world, era in time or an original creation. The photos show they responded with enthusiasm. Teachers are Mrs. Faerber, Mrs. Hersteck and Mrs. Paczewski.



Mrs. Hersteck, who can't blame anyone but herself, with Kristy Kravitsky.



## Alternative ed students charged with assault

## By GRACE R. DOVE Post Staff

**DALLAS TOWNSHIP** – Four female alternative education students attending classes taught by Gina Morrison at the former elementary school on Church Road have been charged through the Luzerne County juvenile authorities in connection with two disturbances January 11.

A 15-year-old girl who is presently on probation faces a felony charge of aggravated assault, misdemeanor charges of simple assault and disorderly conduct and a summary citation for harrassment after assaulting two teachers.

Police said the girl had been causing a disturbance during class and was walking around and using profanity. After she knocked materials from Morrison's desk, Morrison attempted to restrain her.

The student knocked Morrison to the desk and punched her in the face before the pair rolled onto the floor.

The girl then assaulted a male teacher who tried to help Morrison. Morrison received medical care for a mouth injury. She was also hit in the head and had some of her hair pulled out, police said.

"We have arrested this girl before in connection with incidents at the school," said investigating officer Jeff Dennis.

In a second incident, two female students threw their desks over and kicked them around, threw books onto the floor and used profanity, police said.

Teachers tried numerous times to stop them before calling police. The students have been charged with misdemeanor disorderly conduct.

In a third incident January 18, a girl locked herself in a restroom, cursed and screamed, then left the restroom and threatened to shoot Morrison.

When Morrison attempted to restrain her, she kicked her several times. The girl also threw three large books through three windows and kicked Mr. Dombroski, a male teacher who came into the room to assist Morrison, several times.

She will be charged with aggravated assault, making terroristic threats, disorderly conduct and institutional vandalism.





PHOTOS BY CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK



Ally Kovalchik, Mario Oliveri and Celia Pambianco, chapeau models extraordinairre. They're from Mrs. Faerber's class. Jillian Ungvarsky, who made her Lion King theme hat with a little help from mom.

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