

Prothero will make music at Fiesta Bowl

Valerie Prothero, daughter of Jack and Carol Prothero of Dallas will perform at the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Arizona when Penn State plays Texas on Jan. 1. She will also perform in the Fiesta Bowl parade. Valerie is a 4-year member of Penn State's Marching Blue Band as a mellophone player. She has performed in the Citrus, Outback and Rose Bowls.

Valerie will graduate in May with degrees in Chemical Engineering and Environmental Engineering. She is a member of the National Engineering Club, Neuman Club and Pro Life.

She is a 1993 graduate of Dallas High School, where she was vice-president of the National Honor Society. She played mellophone in the Marching Band, French horn in the Concert Band and trumpet in the Jazz Band under the direction of Todd Hunter. She also played soccer and basketball at Dallas.

Valerie has a sister Jacqui at home who is a member of the Dallas Marching and Jazz Bands. Jacqui will graduate in June and will attend Bloomsburg University.



VALERIE AND JACK PROTHERO

Eckman named president of industrial resource board

Hanford Eckman, of Dallas, has been named the newly appointed president of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Industrial Resource Center (NEPIRC) Board of Directors.

Eckman, founder and chairman of Energy Convertors, Inc. (ENCON), located in Dallas, notes, "When one big plant closes, I think everyone tends to be dazzled by the big story... but, in truth, what sustains the economy of this area is the collective good of what is done by the small and medium sized manufacturers." He adds, "Manufacturing is still one of the best paying wage industries, and if we can improve the manufacturing capabilities of those companies and develop better technologies, we can bring more jobs to the area."

Eckman, an engineering graduate of Purdue University, held positions with Republic Aviation Corporation, Thermo-Tek Corporation and The Singer Company before starting ENCON in 1973. The company employs 250 people, and manufactures heating elements and electric heating products distributed worldwide, providing most of the electric heating sources for the U.S. and Canada.

He has previously served as a member of the Dallas Area School Board, Penn State Wilkes-Barre Advisory Board, College Misericordia Board of Trustees, and the Advisory Board of Mellon Bank, N.E., Dallas. He also served as Director of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce.

He and his wife, Phyllis, reside in Shavertown. They have three



HANFORD ECKMAN

children, Elizabeth J. Lloyd, Peter H. Eckman and Charles M. Eckman, plus eight grandchildren, who all live in the Dallas area.

Airman Faux returns from Mediterranean

Navy Airman Donald R. Faux, son of Donald E. and Christine A. Faux of RR 3, Dallas, recently returned from a six month deployment to the Mediterranean, Adriatic and Red seas aboard the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise.

Faux was one of 5,200 Sailors and Marines aboard the carrier who traveled more than 50,000 miles as the lead ship of the USS Enterprise Battle Group before returning to their home port in Norfolk, VA.

Although 140 of the 180-day deployment was spent at sea, Faux was still able to visit Bahrain, Crete, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Spain and the United Arab Emirates.

The 1994 graduate of Tunkhannock Area High School joined the Navy in August 1995.

Parsons reports for duty in Japan

Marine Pvt. Howard E. Parsons, son of Howard and Cindy J. Parsons, RR 2 Outlet Road, Harveys Lake, recently reported for duty with Marine Wing Support Squadron 172, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Okinawa, Japan.

The 1995 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School joined the Marine Corps in October, 1995.

Teachers

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who say they don't know a lot about the disorder. I am surprised there are still a lot of people who don't know how to intervene."

Corbett explains that the district deals with ADD in different ways depending on the severity of the case. First they try to support a child with ADD in regular classes through tutoring and extra assistance. Corbett adds, "In most cases, this is what is needed by children with moderate needs."

Rose Ragnacci, technical coordinator at Lake-Lehman, along with Barbara Landon of Tunkhannock, presented a hands on workshop, titled "Using Hyperstudio in the Classroom." Ragnacci explained that Hyperstudio is a "multi-media authoring tool" that allows students to create presentations.

Ragnacci and Landon presented to a full computer lab of 28 people. Teachers who chose this conference took back knowledge that would allow their own students to use the new software.

Sandy Weyman teaches writing workshops and Advanced Placement English at Lake-Lehman High School. Weyman is a member of the Northeastern Penn-

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Sandy Weyman
English teacher

sylvania Writing Project Fellows. The group held a panel discussion on research papers and research teaching.

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Writing Project is a four to six week writing intensive workshop held in the summer at either Wilkes or King's, often attended mostly by teachers. Weyman said that alumni of the class keep in touch and meet several times a year. The group fosters "a sharing of ideas about writing," she says.

Weyman says the group had mixed emotions about the research paper, but that they concluded that it is a necessary part of the curriculum. "It is important because it is something students have to go through on a college

campus. Teaching it allows us to give them a guided tour. Even though it is tedious, it is important to go through," she explained.

All the teachers involved felt the day of workshops was useful. Baranowski, who was presenting for the third time at the conference, said, "It was a learning day and an educationally social day. Teachers never get the chance to interact that way."

Sandy Weyman also appreciated the chance to not only listen to the presentations, but the opportunity to share her own observations about teaching. Weyman added, "You get to interact with other people at other schools and update your learning. The conferences help teachers because they offer such a wide variety of timely topics."

Fr. Cusick at Holy Family Residence

Father William Cusick of Gate of Heaven Church has been temporarily assigned to the Holy Family Residence while he continues to recuperate from illness. Cards and letters may be sent to Holy Family Residence, 2500 Adams Ave., Scranton PA 18503.

Church will hold New Year's watch

The Brethren in Christ Church of Hunlock Creek will hold a New Year's Eve watch night service Dec. 31 beginning at 9 p.m. The evening will feature games, refreshments and the presentation of the Focus on the Family Video, *A Man Call Norman*. The evening will conclude around midnight with a communion service. All are welcome. No charge. The church is located on Hartman Road next to Spencer's junkyard in Lake Silkworth. Call 477-2188 for directions.

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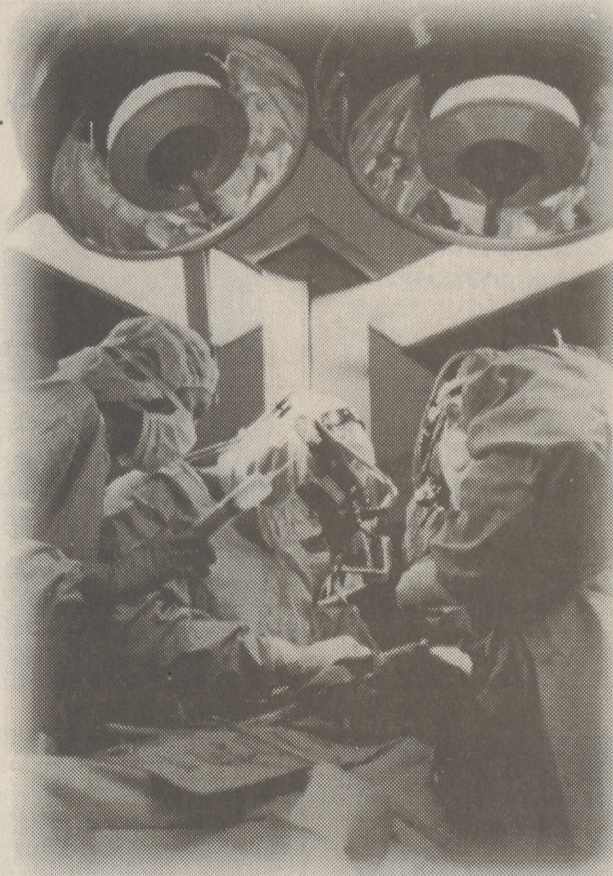
Announcing a promising new procedure in open heart surgery. *And only one regional hospital offers it.*

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Surgeons have recently developed a groundbreaking procedure that eliminates a lot of the pain associated with coronary bypass surgery. It's called endoscopic saphenous vein harvesting.

In most bypass operations, surgeons take, or "harvest," portions of the saphenous vein from one or both legs. The vein is then used as a bypass, or "graft," around the coronary blockage or obstruction. Ironically, much of the pain associated with open heart surgery comes from that large leg incision.

Now, surgeons don't have to make that lengthy leg incision. Instead, they make some very small ones, and



using an advanced fiber optic television camera for guidance, they remove those portions of the vein that are needed for the heart. *Smaller incisions mean much less pain - and a faster recovery.*

If you're a candidate for coronary bypass surgery, or if you know someone who is, tell them this exciting news. And keep this in mind, too: *Across northeastern*

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