## New Trucksville bank office slated for February opening

Steady progress continues on the Grange National Bank's new Back Mountain branch office. The 12,000 square foot office plaza is located at the former site of Howard "Duke" Isaacs Chrysler/ Plymouth automobile dealership located on the Dallas Highway in

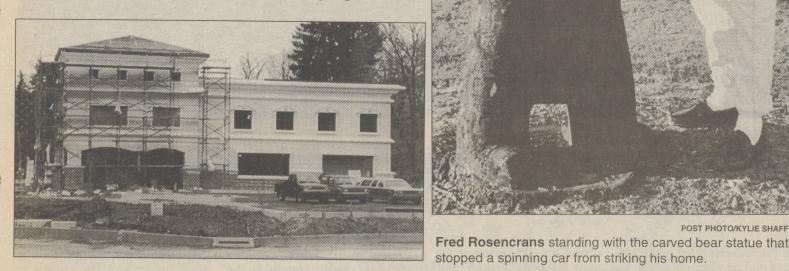
The new facility will serve as the "gateway" to the Back Mountain area. The building will contain the newest and most up-todate professional offices as well as retail shopping opportunities.

"Grange National Bank will bring to the area friendly and affordable banking services," said bank President Tom McCullough. "Longer hours, outstanding CD rates, no service charges on savings accounts and super low fees on checking accounts are just a few of the services that sets Grange National Bank apart from other area banks", McCullough adds.

Professional architecture, interior design, engineering and development services for the project are provided by Flack Wallack, Inc. of Dallas and A. Pickett Construction, Inc. is handling all on-site construction.

The Back Mountain office in Trucksville is scheduled to open in early February.

For further information you can call toll free 1-888-214-9132 or reach them at their World Wide Web site at www.grangebank.com



Grange National Bank will open a branch in Trucksville in February

Benefit bash for 4 year old

Sat. Jan. 18, a "Winter Break Out Bash" in honor of 4 year old

Organizers of the benefit, Nicole Darling, Cristi Landrigan and

Renee Strauser will be running with the Leukemia Society's Team

in Training where each will run the London Marathon (26,2 miles)

on April 13. In addition to the marathon each Team in Training

member is required to raise \$3,000 for the Leukemia Society of

America. The Winter Break Out Benefit is just one of several

Donations can be made by contacting Nicole Darling at 717-674-

fundraising activities being held.

**Business association officers** 

The Back Mountain Business and Professional Association has

installed officers for 1997. Shown above, from left, Fran Ochman,

secretary; Mary Ellen Gianuzzi, president; Bartt Slocum, treasurer. Vice president James Tupper was not present for the photo. The

the campus of College Misericordia. New members are welcome.

group meets the second Thursday of each month, at Merrick Hall on

Anthony Carroll and benefiting the Leukemia Society will be held at

The Castle Inn, located on Rt. 415, in Dallas. Entertainment will be

provided by Gary Cutter and Strange Brew from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

## 'Bear' protects family from out-of-control driver

By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER

DALLAS - A black bear statue is deemed a "hero" for saving a local family's home from an outof-control car.

The Rosencrans family of Dallas was awakened around 1 a.m a couple of weeks ago to the sound of a car crashing. Fred Rosencrans said he ran outside to find a car in the middle of his yard pointing directly for his house and the driver talking to the bear. "I believe he was asking the bear for jumper cables," said Rosencrans.

Apparently the driver came over the small bridge on Lower Demunds road too fast and when he tried to make the sharp turn following the bridge he spun backwards into the bear. The man was not injured and appeared to have been drinking as it could be smelled on his breath, and well, he was talking to the bear. The police were notified and escorted the man away.

The hero bear stands approxi-

POST PHOTO/RON BARTIZEK

"I believe he was asking the bear for jumper cables." Fred Rosencrans

POST PHOTO/KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER

mately five feet tall and is made of solid solid wood, a Hemlock tree to be exact. He has stood proudly in the Rosencrans yard for a year now, watching over all who pass in his path. He is actually rooted into the ground, which contributed to his not budging when the car hit him. Unlike the car, the bear only suffered minor bruises and scratches. If he hadn't been in the right place at the right time. it appears the car would have hit either the house or cars parked in the driveway. The Rosencrans's are grateful for their tireless guard.

The bear is quite a sight and can be seen from Lower Demunds road, near the East Dallas United Methodist Church.

#### In-Home Health celebrates free service

In-Home Health Services is celebrating one year of Joint Commission Accreditation by offering a free home visit to any senior citizen, in the Back Mountain area, who would like more information about Advance Directives (Legal directions so you have a voice in your medical care if you become unable to speak for yourself.) You will receive written information including a sample living will which could actually

A staff member will answer your questions and leave you with valuable information. Our office is located at pole 89, Harveys Lake. Call this week for more information or to set up an appointment at 639-1111, Mon.-Fri., 9-4 p.m. This offer will end Jan. 24. "Treating your family like our family.



performing arts for preschoolers





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fire before it could do any damage. His change of heart also led to arson charges when a hall monitor saw his accomplice standing guard outside the restroom, which was supposed to be locked and off limits to students.

The fire was supposed to occur Tues., Jan. 7, but one of the juveniles got into trouble, so the incident was postponed.

Dallas Township patrolman Jeff Dennis said the incident was a serious attempt to burn the school, and the investigation into events leading up to the Jan. 10 fire will probably continue for two weeks.

Dennis said he does not yet know how the students got into the bathroom, but there was no sign of forced entry. The incident took place between 11:30 and 11:45 a.m in the "junior lavatories," which are nearest the auditorium and normally used only for outside events.

Dennis said the two juveniles

in the restroom stalls and left the room. When they returned, the paper was only smoldering, so they pulled paper out from the rolls and lit it. But a while later, one juvenile, worried that the fire would cause serious damage or injury, returned to the restroom and tried to squelch the fire while the other kept watch.

By the time Galicki arrived at the restroom, the fire was out. No alarms were sounded and the building was not evacuated. Many teachers and students didn't learn of the incident until Monday.

Miller was supposed to be off school property due to other problems. Galicki said he was "excluded from the building," and no one saw him at the school.

The two juveniles were taken to the Luzerne County Juvenile Detention Center to await hearings. Miller made bail of \$5,000 cash Tuesday morning.

All three are charged with sevfirst set fire to toilet paper on rolls eral arson related offenses.

# Neuman to lecture in Colorado and capital

Joel Neuman, M.D., chief of interventional radiology at the Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, continues to be recognized nationally for his work with CT angiography. He has been selected to present a series of four lectures on this topic in February at a national meeting at Snowmass in Colorado, and his abstract The Use of CT Angiography for Evaluating TIPS will be presented at the Society of Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology national meeting in Washington, D.C., in March. In addition, he has been selected to serve as a peer reviewer for The Journal of Computer Assisted Tomography.

A graduate of the University of Miami and the University of Miami School of Medicine, Dr. Neuman completed a residence program and fellowship in interventional radiology at the Mount Sinai Medical Center, also in Miami. Board certified in radiology, he is a member of the Radiological Society of North America and the Society of Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology. Dr. Neuman's work in CT angiography at Geisinger Wyoming Valley has been recognized by Picker Inter-



JOEL NEUMAN, M.D.

national as creating some of the best CT images in the world. Several of the studies developed at Geisinger have been integrated into Picker's product demonstrations world-wide.

Dr. Neuman and his wife, Janet, reside in Shavertown. The couple has three children, Sam, Eli and

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