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Students at Westmoreland and Dallas elementary schools made Valentine's Day cards for the Volunteers of America. Above, at Westmoreland, from left, front row; Michael Fasulka, Salem Ghoweri, Elizabeth Heintz. Standing; Debbie Bayer, art teacher; Patrick Zagorski; Joan Makoski, school social worker; Jillian Ungvarsky; Molly Bridger. Below, Dallas Elementary students show off their handiwork.

STUDENTS' CARDS **ASTOUND** VOLUNTEER

Twenty -six classes from Dallas Middle, Dallas elementary and Westmoreland elementary recently shared their hearts and creativity for the area's elderly. Amy Gwiazdowski, an intern at Volunteers of America came up with the idea for "Random Acts of Kindness" week (Feb. 10-16). Gwiazdowski said she picked up more cards than she ever imagined. She received approximately 400 cards from Dallas elementary alone. "It was a lot more than we hoped



for, especially considering the short amount of time they were given," she said.

Joan Makowski of Dallas elementary said it only took one phone call to get the students active. "We try to get them to do community service. This was a

unique and fun type. Hopefully they will call on us again," she said.

"Random Acts of Kindness" day was established in 1991 during the Persian Gulf War. In 1995 it graduated to a full week.

Trout will be stocked

The following waters are sched-

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uled for the 1997 trout stocking,

in Harveys Creek

Fedor Road.

St. Paul's open Ash Wednesday Feb. 12

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown, will be open Ash Wednesday, Feb. 12, from 7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m. for Lenten meditation. Guides for private devotions will be available in the pews, and after private prayer and meditation, you may either leave or come forward to hav ae the pastor pray with you or impose ashes or both as you may prefer. The Ash Wednesday evening service, with Holy Communion, will be

at 7:30 p.m. All are invited.

Arson

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of the Millers, is thankful Ibbotson showed up when he did. "He's a wonderful man who saved their lives. I thank him from the bottom of my heart for saving them," she said. McMahon is trying to set up a fund for the family, but had not finished doing so by Tuesday.

The Kingston Township supervisors will honor Ibbotson and Edward Holland Jr., who first spotted the fire, at 8 p.m. at their Feb. 12 meeting.

State police trooper Andrew Petros Jr. has ruled that arson was the cause of the fire, which started on the home's front porch. He would not release any other details because the fire is still under investigatio+n by the Kingston Township Police Department. Ibbotson went to the scene after Holland noticed the fire while stopped at the light at Rt. 309 and Carverton Rd. He went directly to the police station, and notified Ibbotson, who was on duty at the time.

Kingston Twp. police chief James Balavage said Tuesday that no suspects had been identified, and no other witnesses had come forward. He did not know what substance, if any, might have been used to start the fire, but speculated it was not gasoline, which would have burst into flame. The house had asbestos siding, Balavage said, but the fire got behind the siding and into the wall, which would explain its rapid rise to the second floor.

Asked about a motive, Balavage would say only that he had "no comment.'

McMahon said the family is staying with a friend and doing as well as can be expected.

Sue Hand receives international award

Sue Hand, 35 Main Street, Dallas, is one of 70 artists receiving an award in the 22nd International Miniature Art Show, Clearwater, FL. Jan. 26 - Feb. 9. Two hundred seventy five artists from the U.S. and a dozen foreign countries competed for \$15,000 in awards. Hand's work was for third in mixed media.

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