

DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS

HARVEYS LAKE WOMAN CHARGED AGAIN

Harveys Lake resident, Bonnie Goble, 50, was charged with endangering the welfare of her 16-year-old daughter and recklessly endangering another person. The same charges were dismissed a week earlier due to insufficient evidence. The Luzerne County District Attorney recharged Goble on Feb. 12. She is free on bond and is awaiting trial.

TERRORISTIC THREATS

Harveys Lake resident Shane Matthew Conrad was arrested Dec. 8 by Dallas Borough patrolman James Drury after a disturbance was reported to the police. A Philadelphia man reported that as he was leaving Back Mountain Bowl on Rt. 415, Conrad allegedly yelled racial slurs out of his white Subaru and threatened to shoot the man. The defendant allegedly started to reach into the back seat of his car, but a woman in the car stopped him.

Upon arrival police interviewed the Philadelphia man and found his story consistent. Police found a Remington Model 7600 .270 caliber rifle in the back of the Subaru and a loaded magazine containing four .270 Winchester bullets.

Conrad was charged with terroristic threats, disorderly conduct/hazardous physical offense and possessing an instrument of crime with intent to use. A related charge of ethnic intimidation was dismissed.

CARELESS DRIVING

Mountaintop resident Adam Joseph Tereska, 26, was arrested Oct. 5 by Dallas Borough patrolman Michael Prokopchak after police observed him driving erratically on Rt. 415. Tereska told police he did not have a driver's license with him when asked for it and said his name was Terrance Adams. When Prokopchak asked the Back Mountain Communications Center to run the name, no information was found. After running Adam Tereska, the owner of the vehicle, it was discovered that the defendant's license was suspended.

Tereska was charged with careless driving and driving with a suspended license. A related charge of false reporting to law enforcement authorities was dismissed.

Soup and Haluski available on Feb. 26

The Gate of Heaven Altar & Rosary Society will sell Vegetable Beef Soup and Haluski on Wed., Feb. 26. The soup is \$3.50 per quart and Haluski is \$1.50 per serving. Order prior to Feb. 23 by calling 675-4839 or 675-2696. Pickup time is 11 a.m.-6 p.m. in the school cafeteria kitchen.



Crilley speaks about Olympic experience

The Lower Wyoming Valley Eye Bank held their monthly meeting recently at the Irem Temple Country Club. The Dallas and Harveys Lake Lions Clubs hosted the affair. Donna Crilley, an assignment reporter for WBRE-TV was the guest speaker and she chronicled her two-week stint at the Olympics Games in Atlanta. Shown with Crilley are from left, Dave Keating, President of the Dallas Lions Club; Crilley, Drew Fitch and Paul McCue, Dallas Lions representative to the Eye Bank.



Rotary Club gives \$2000 to Children's Wing

The Back Mountain Memorial Library was recently presented with two checks by The Dallas Rotary Club. One check for \$2,000 was the first part of a pledge that the club has made for \$6,000 for the Children's Wing Capital Campaign. This pledge is to be completed in the next three years. A second check was presented in memory of the late Gerald Waycallis, a very active, well liked and respected member of The Dallas Rotary Club. Shown in the photo, from left, Ron Fitch, President, Dallas Rotary Club; Joe Stager, Rotarian and member of Library Board; Martha Wheeler, Back Mountain Library and Alan Landis, treasurer, Dallas Rotary Club.

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4 eager for role as student 'ambassadors'

By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER
Post staff

BACK MOUNTAIN - Four students from the Back Mountain plan to get some hands-on education while tackling the outback this summer. The students are involved in the People to People Ambassador Program, which is taking them to Australia and New Zealand.

For 21 days these adventurers will meet with other students, government officials and stay with a host family for a short time. They will also learn a great deal about the indigenous peoples and wildlife of the island continent, and visit major historical sites, museums and monuments.

"I want to meet new people and see how people in different cultures live. I think it will be cool to see how a different country is run," explained Christina Baldo, 16, of Shavertown. "I've always wanted to go to Australia. At first I wasn't sure if the offer was for real; I'm glad that it is."

The students are referred to People to People by other students who have gone through the program, teachers, or high school listings of college-prep students. They receive an informational brochure and application in the mail about the program that was started in 1956 by president Dwight D. Eisenhower. If interested, the students attend an informational meeting and are interviewed. Students can apply for college credit through the program.

Once accepted the students attend monthly meetings designed

to educate and acquaint the travelers with one another. "The meetings help to bring the group together, to get and make friends," said Charlotte Sours, delegation leader and Wyoming Seminary teacher, who will be accompanying the group of 29 from both Luzerne and Lackawanna counties on the trip.

Sours, who worked with a junior high group last year, said the experience is a maturing one. "They are exposed to different people and a different culture."

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They see we have much more in common with other countries than they think. Also, they have to be very responsible. They have to keep a journal, it's like a working vacation," she explained.

Eisenhower believed that private citizens forging friendships with those from other nations could make a significant contribution to world peace. He saw this program as a way to advance the understanding between cultures, beyond the restrictive limits of official diplomacy.

Although not necessarily politically driven, the students are up to the challenge of being ambassadors. "I think it will be neat to represent the United States as an ambassador," said Courtney Kryston, 15, of Dallas. Paul Carlson, 16, of Dallas, added that

he is interested in finding out how other countries run their government.

Politics aside, there are many activities on the trip that appeal to these explorers. One that struck all four as a definite highlight is a trip to the Great Barrier Reef, which extends 1,250 miles off the northeastern coast of Australia. The reef is the largest coral formation in the world. "I'm really looking forward to snorkeling at the Great Barrier Reef," said Carlson, who takes a keen interest in wildlife. "I want to go swimming at the reef while we are there," said Kryston.

All four also mentioned their curiosity about the wildlife of Australia in particular. The short-nosed bandicoot and Tasmanian Devil, not to mention kangaroos and Koala bears are just a few of the animals they might run into.

The trip costs \$4,000, not including air fare to Los Angeles where they will depart. "It is a big expense and the students deserve credit because they earn and collect some of the money themselves," said Sour. Selling candy bars is a popular way to collect funds. "I'm selling candy bars and it's going very well," said Sarah Nichol, 15, of Dallas, whose taste for traveling was whetted by a recent trip to London. Kryston is planning a yard sale to raise extra money.



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