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manager, said the amount of rent has not been established, but will be based on their share of utility costs. The Land Trust will use offices the police dept. currently uses.

At its meeting February 12, the Board of Supervisors approved Gerald Fisher's preliminary plan for the Westmoreland Hills addition. The plan was approved contingent upon and subject to an appeal by any aggrieved party. Fisher, who attended the board's meeting Feb. 11, said he did not plan to appeal, but would if people living near his addition off Frangorma Dr. did.

A lawsuit initiated by residents near the addition is pending in the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas.

The board also approved a plan by Echo Valley Estates Mobile Home Park to put recreation facilities on its property.

The first reading regarding the installation of stop signs on W. Center St., Mt. Airy Rd. and Davis St. was approved. The second reading and adoption of the signs will take place at the board's next meeting on March 11 at 8 p.m. in the new municipal building at 180 E. Center St.

4 on E. Stroudsburg dean's list

Four Back Mountain students have been named to the dean's list at East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania for the first semester of the 1997-98 academic year.

Students eligible for the dean's list are those who have attained a 3.50 quality point average or better.

Among those students named to the dean's list at ESU are:

Rick D. Finnegan, junior, Environmental Studies, Dallas; Emily A. Miers, junior, Nursing, Dallas; Jennifer R. Krakosky, junior, Hospitality Management, Shavertown; Elizabeth S. Stearn, junior, Environmental Studies, Wyoming.

BMT students on UDel dean's list

The University of Delaware has announced its Dean's list for the fall 1997 semester.

Named to the dean's list are full-time students with grade point averages of 3.33 or above (on a 4.00 scale) for the semester. Students who started at the University before the fall of 1994 are under a dean's list system that requires a 3.25 grade point average or above (on a 4.00 scale) for the semester, with no temporary grades.

Students from the Back Mountain are: Wesley Michelle Foran of Dallas; Kimberly Anne Jones of Shavertown; Alison Beth Rothstein of Shavertown; Marlena Evé Saxon of Shavertown.



Matt Hinton and Eric Pimm joined in the cheering when Lake-Lehman played Dallas in basketball last week.

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Suspension

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Griffiths said the school board was uncomfortable adding a full-time position for a program that hadn't yet been proven. If the district doesn't come up with an alternative, the grant money will be returned to the state.

Griffiths wrote an \$8,000 grant request last summer as part of the Dallas Education Alternative Learning (DEAL) program to install in-school suspension. The grant was approved in November, and the district matched the \$8,000. The grant only covered one semester of the program.

"The program was an intermediate step between detention and out-of-school suspension," said Griffiths. "It was a program that was in place six or seven years ago

before it was let go due to a money crunch." Students who had formerly been assigned a three or five day suspension could instead spend the time in the program.

Griffiths' plan was to revive the program with the grant money and show the district that DEAL was an asset to the school. "I'd hoped to possibly get the board to authorize it as a program for next year," said Griffiths.

"We set up a room in the high school and put six computers in there with language arts, math and science programs to provide extra study time," he said. The room was big enough to handle up to 15 students at a time.

"It would've been beneficial for students and teachers in both the

middle and high schools. It's too bad it had to come down to a management/union issue," said Griffiths.

The program lasted only from January 20 to February 9. Griffiths said four people applied for the supervisor's position, and the person who was hired understood that the district could not afford to consider the job a professional position.

Wagner agreed that the program is a good one. He said the DEA fought for it when it was cancelled in 1990. "I think everybody admits it's a great and valuable program. They can still implement it," he said. Wagner said the two supervisors of the program prior to its cancellation in 1990 were paid a professional salary.

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Nancie Fitch, D.O., specialist in emergency medicine is joining Gary Batok, M.D., and Keith Vrabeck, M.D., as co-directors of the emergency services department at the Penn State Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center.



A graduate of the University of Scranton with a bachelor degree in biology, Dr. Fitch earned her Doctor of Osteopathy degree from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1990. She completed an internship program at Lewistown Hospital and a residency program in emergency medicine at Memorial Hospital in York, PA, where she served as chief medicine resident in 1994. A member

of the medical center's emergency department for the past three and one half years, she is board certified in emergency medicine and serves as Penn State Geisinger Wyoming Valley's Medical command facility director as well as medical director for five area Advanced Life Support Units. She is a member of the Luzerne County Heroin Task Force, is currently involved in the regional re-design of the Luzerne County Disaster Plan, and serves as a preceptor to physician assistant and paramedic students completing clinical assignments in emergency medicine.

Dr. Fitch is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association, American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians, and the American College of Emergency Physicians. She resides in Dallas.

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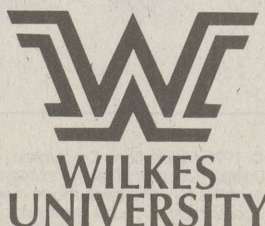
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Cheering

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tics session, this summer with Matt.

Eric and Matt are both active in the Boy Scouts and have been friends for many years. Eric has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout, one of the highest divisions in Boy Scouts. Matt is currently working toward achieving the Eagle Scout rank. Both boys were encouraged to try cheerleading and invited to tryouts by their former neighbor, coach Dobrowski.

Matt and Eric praise each of their families for supporting their decision to cheer and enjoy when their families come to watch games and competitions. Eric has two younger brothers and says, "They tease me like any brother would, but they are supportive." In fact, one of Eric's brothers says he might like to give it a try.

The Lake-Lehman cheerleading squad is preparing for an open

"It was awkward at first touching the girls, having to lift them."

Eric Pimm
Lake-Lehman cheerleader

competition on March 7 at Luzerne County Community College. Eric and Matt are planning to cheer with the squad throughout high school. Matt will have several years to perfect his stunt work, while Eric has one more year of high school to cheer and this summer to perfect his moves. He is planning to apply to Hawaii Pacific University and hopes to cheer with their squad after leaving high school.

Lake Lehman

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high school to the elementary school," said Ragnacci. The two buildings will then be networked together.

Ragnacci said Ridge's plan is to have all schools linked together on the Penn. Education Network. "The money is to get schools started on this goal," she said.

The high school currently has an IBM computer lab and a Macintosh lab. Different classes take turns using the labs during the eight periods in the day.

"This is an important project because information is doubling every 18 months," said Ragnacci. "There is so much information out there that we can't afford to give them in a printed book."

Students utilize a variety of educational software. Many classes, including accounting, science and english, use the internet as an educational supplement.

Ragnacci said the school hopes

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Roseanne Ragnacci
Lake-Lehman
technology coordinator

to work on wide area networking for the final year of Link-to-Learn. This would mean bringing another building into the network that may be farther away from the main connection at the high school.

"We look forward to move in this direction," said John Oliver, high school principal.

Ragnacci said the technology prepares the school for the 21st century.

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A message to patients of Dr. James C. Walsh, dermatologist

Since his retirement from his practice of dermatology on December 31, 1997, Dr. Walsh has transferred his patient medical records to dermatologists Kevin Crouse, M.D., and Paul Long, M.D. If you were a patient of Dr. Walsh and you wish to have your records transferred to an alternate office, please call us at 820-6111.

Drs. Crouse and Long are board certified dermatologists and are associates with Penn State Geisinger. Both physicians have an office at the Penn State Geisinger Health Group, 1000 East Mountain Drive, Wilkes-Barre. Dr. Long also has office hours at Penn State Geisinger's new location at 499 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston.

We want to assure you that we're dedicated to continuing your personal care. We look forward to the opportunity to serve you and your family.

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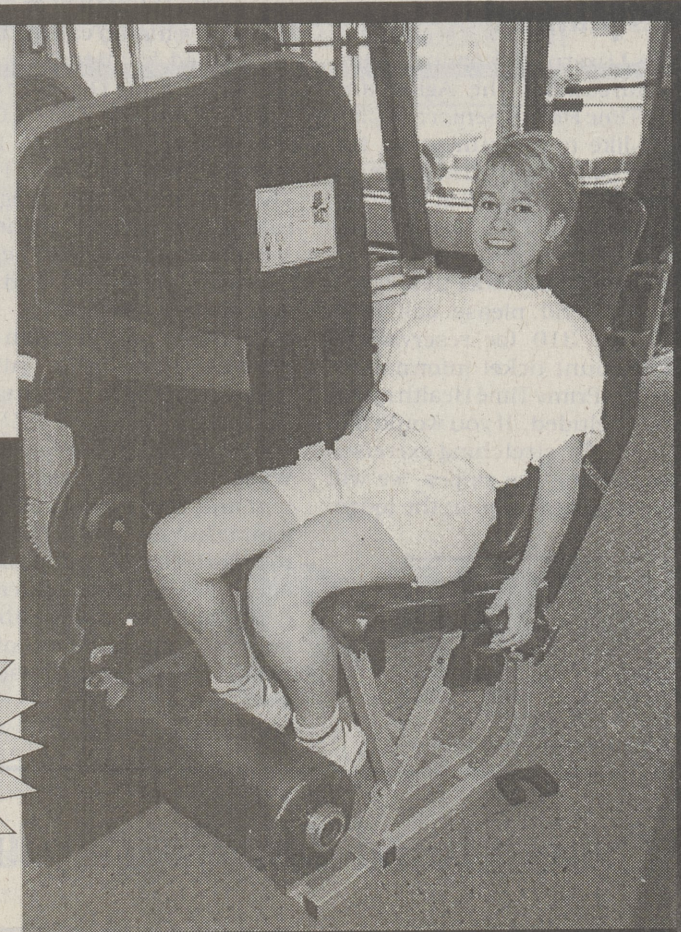


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