



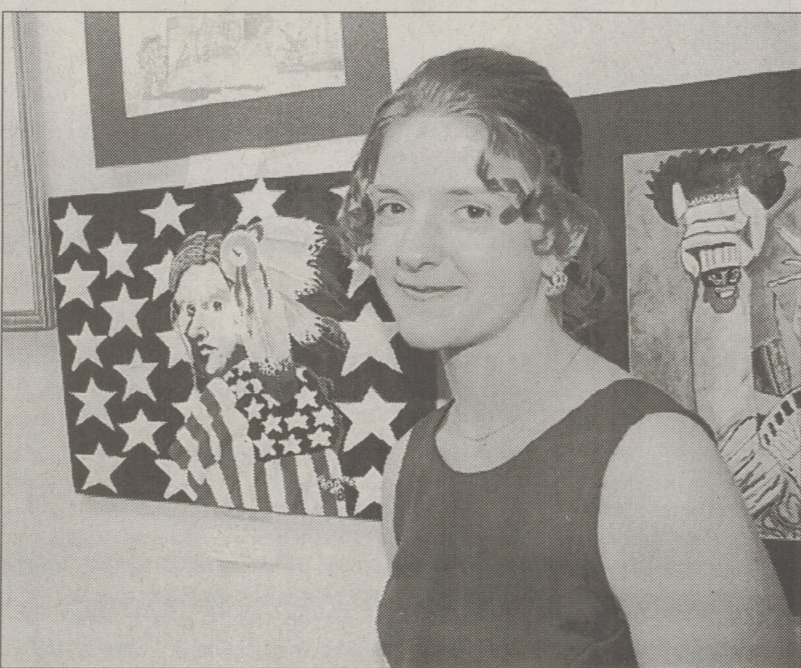
# 'The Art of the Flag'

The second annual exhibition of students' artwork is hanging in Sen. Charles D. Lemmond's office in the Dallas Shopping Center. Students at Sue Hand's Imagery were given the challenge to create paintings and drawings that incorporated the American Flag, and responded with a variety of creative interpretations of the flag theme.

Helene Jayne, left, wrapped an eagle's head in red, white and blue, while Robin Edwards, below, mixed the flag and Native American images.

The exhibition continues until May 29. Call 675-3931 for office hours.

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## Ireland

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way caught the attention of people in Northern Ireland who were working for peace. "It was a major event," Rittner said. The conference entitled "The Anatomy of Hate," brought peace movement leaders and heads of state together, such as French President Francois Mitterand, South African President Nelson Mandela, former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, and Nadine Gordimer.

After reading about the conference, some people in Northern Ireland contacted the foundation and Rittner answered the phone call. Although the foundation would not get involved, Rittner offered to go to Ireland to tell them how to organize a conference.

"I was really quite taken with these people and their dedication," she said. "I spent 18 months helping them organize the conference and raise the funds." The conference they organized was

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Sr. Carol Rittner, RSM

called "Beyond Hate: Living with our Deepest Differences." Since then, Rittner has been back and forth between the United States and Northern Ireland.

Since that first conference, Rittner has been involved with other projects. "Things have evolved," she explained. "I've helped to organize International Journeys of Coexistence. We work with people with leadership ability — teachers, community development workers, women who work with women's groups, people who work in unions — and we do a series of workshops. We've taken

groups of people to Israel to talk to leaders to see what they can learn from each other, to learn how to respect differences." Rittner was also instrumental in bringing Jerry Adams, leader of Sinn Fein, the political wing of the Irish Republican Army, to the U.S.

Rittner offered her perspective on the peace document that goes up for vote May 22. "The principle of the document is that the people of Northern Ireland have the right to determine how they want to govern themselves. If this document is supported, it will require that the Republic of Ireland give up their claim to Northern Ireland. I hope it's supported. I think it's like any document that's been pounded out. No one gets everything they want."

"It's the first step, but I think there's a lot of work that needs to

be done," Rittner said. "You can't legislate a change of heart. It takes work by educators, policy makers, community workers, and the media. It's just the first step really."

Both Larkin and Rittner agree that education is a vital part of the peace process. "I think education is one of the things that is needed," Rittner said. "I also think people need to get to know each other and know that the other is not the enemy."

In Ireland, the sisters are very active in education. Larkin explained, "We have a sister who works in an area that is particularly vulnerable. There are sisters who are social workers in parishes that go out and work in communities. Wherever they are needed, I think the sisters will be there."

## Kingston Twp. to dedicate new municipal bldg. May 28

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors will be holding a Dedication and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new Kingston Township Municipal Building on Thurs., May 28 at 4 p.m. at the Kingston Township Municipal Building, 180 East Center Street in Shavertown.

The Township is proud to announce that Lieutenant Governor Mark Schweiker, Senator Charles Lemmond, and other dignitaries will be present to help the Township dedicate the new \$1,900,000 Administrative Office and Police Department Complex. The new facility marks the completion of commitment by the Kingston

Township Board of Supervisors to improve the Township's physical plant for the next century. The new Municipal Building, along with the expansion of the Public Works Facility in 1997, combined for a \$3,000,000 improvement project. The new facilities will serve the residents of Kingston Township for many years into the future.

The Township will also hold an Open House on Sat., May 30 from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the new building. The public is invited and welcome to both events. Questions about the events may be directed to the Township Manager, Jeffrey K. Box at 696-3809.

## Mallory Carey takes first place at Long Talent Expo

Mallory Carey, daughter of David and Debbie Carey of Dallas, recently attended the John LongTalentExpo at the Radisson La c k a w a n n a Station Hotel in Scranton.

She received first place awards in solo tap and jazz, along with second place awards in solo pantomime and lyrical.

Mallory's combined scores

earned her the "Junior Miss Talent" title for the 10-16 age division. She also received a special judges award for "Best Dance Expression".

Mallory also participated in the Starpower National Talent Competition in Hartford, CT.

She competed in the tap and pantomime categories, captured two gold medals, the first place trophy for the panomime category and a second for tap.

Mallory is a dance student of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oberst, owners and directors of Back Mountain Dance Studio.



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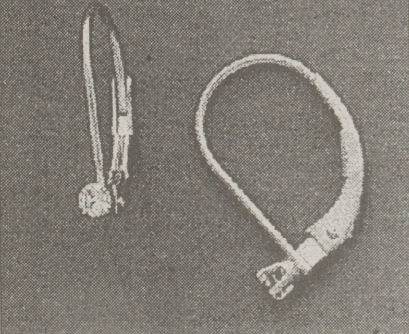
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