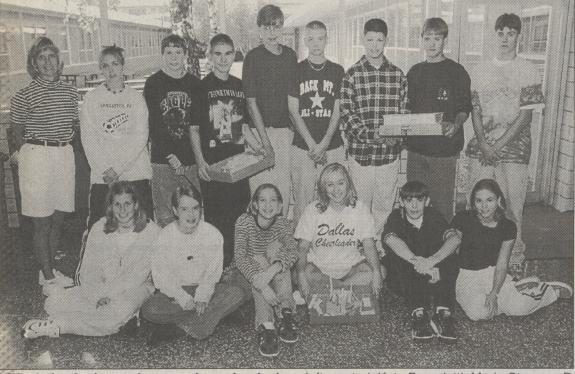
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With their winning graham cracker schools, from left, seated; Kate Benedetti, Maria Stevens, Danielle Padavan, Erica Swatko, Chris Yale, Chandra Hull. Standing, Stephanie Kutza, Todd Jones, Jason Smith, Ryan Chlubicki, Bobby Gebhardt, Bobby Zaruta, Ken Bauer, Jason Hayes. At right, Erica Swatko with her group's project, a tropical school complete with a palm courtyard.

## Freshmen fashion schools from crackers, learn cooperation

DALLAS - Imagine this; you and four or five friends are given a package of graham crackers, a little icing and one sheet of heavy paper. Your mission - choose a leader, divvy up the work, and build a miniature school. Oh, and you have only 45 minutes to fin-

That's what about 100 ninth grade students in Ruth Skammer's Wellness I class at Dallas High School did last week. Best of all, the three winning groups received two extra credits for building the best schools.

Skammer said the cooperative learning project was meant to

that Shalata's and Evans's stories

were accurate and that he pulled

Shotwell off Shalata and then went

into the house and ripped the

phone out of the wall so that no

ents' home in Shavertown. Police

told him not to return to the resi-

dence where his girlfriend was

ing and went to see Evans that

morning. She called police and

Shotwell ran into the woods and

He was charged with simple

assault, harassment and defying

He violated the trespass warn-

Shotwell was taken to his par-

one could call police.

that night.

was not found.

a trespass warning,

teach the students to work in groups and to make decisions, such as who would be the team leader, and which members would have what responsibilities. Picking a leader "wasn't hard," said Jason Smith. "They just nominated me.

The winning schools were se-

lected by a panel comprised of two teachers and principal Frank Galicki. Each of the top three projects drew two votes, so there was no order of finish.

What was the hardest part? "Getting the icing to stick," according to Chandra Hull.

by Ronald Bartizek

# BMT surgeons offer new procedure for bypass surgery

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital's cardiac surgery team continues to offer area open heart patients a relatively new and advanced procedure that eliminates the long incision in the leg which is required to remove a vein for open heart or coronary artery bypass surgery.

The procedure is called videoscopic saphenous vein harvesting and it reduces the postoperative pain and recovery time associated with coronary bypass surgery, which is performed on more than 300,000 patients in the United States each year.

Back Mountain residents George E. Cimochowski, M.D. and Michael D. Harostock, M.D. and colleagues Russell F. Stahl, M.D. and George C. Economopoulos, M.D. have completed over 70 successful videoscopic saphenous vein harvesting procedures since the procedure has been offered at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

In the videoscopic surgical procedure, also known as "Endoscopic vein harvesting." a surgeon makes two or more incisions, two to three inches in length, in one or both legs to accommodate special surgical instruments used in the procedure.

These include a miniature camera which allows the surgeon to view the inside of the leg on a television monitor and remove the vein through the small incisions.

## Raymond publishes manuscripts

Staff members of Allied Services John Heinz Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine, Wilkes-Barre Twp., have recently had two manuscripts accepted for publication.

"The Role of the Clinical Neuropsychologist in the Assessment and Treatment of Rehabilitation Patients", co-authored by Michael J. Raymor.d, Ph.D., of Dallas, director of the neuropsychological/cognitive services department and Rebecca M. Castellino, cognitive therapist and "A Model Program for Brain Injury Rehabilitation", co-authored by Michael J. Raymond, Kristin C. Bewick, M.S. Ed., CPCRT, cognitive therapist, Alexanne Kennedy, M.S., CCC-SLP, speech therapist and Terence Duffy, M.D., medical director of the brain injury program at John Heinz, will be published in a special issue on rehabilitation in the Journal of Health Management and Public Health.

#### Sweet Valley Fire Co. to present band

The Sweet Valley Fire Co. Auxiliary will present "The Pigeon Hill Station" a country blue grass band on Sat., Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Sweet Valley Fire Hall, Main Road, Sweet Valley. Donation is Adults \$5; children 6-12, \$2.50 and under six free. Tickets may be purchased from any fireman or auxiliary member.

#### O'Reilly to hold Fall Craft Show Sept. 19

The Public Relations Committee of Bishop O'Reilly High School will sponsor a Fall Craft Show Sat., Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Bishop O'Reilly High School. The show is strictly craft oriented. A wide variety of crafts will be available with many vendors from Northeastern Pennsylvania participating. Refreshments and home baked goods will be sold by the committee. Chances are also be ing sold on a queen size, handmade quilt.

A limited amount of vendor space is still available. For more information contact Pat Manorek at 696-2490.

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#### PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property transfers were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse for the week of

Aug. 28 - Sept. 3: Harry F. Goeringer, et al to Brian J. Feeney, et al, see deed,

Dallas Twp., \$3,000.

John S. Nicholas, et ux, to Henry G. Gallagher, et ux, see deed, Dallas Twp., \$118,400.

Bruce W. Huyghue, to Walter L. Podbelski, et al, Lot 2 Bl 2, Jackson Twp., \$279,000.

#### DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS

#### Assault, trespass, harassment charges filed

Shavertown resident Robert Shotwell, 28, was arrested June 29 by Dallas Township patrolman Brian Feeney after police responded to a domestic dispute in

Police found Joseph Shalata, 22, standing outside the residence at RR 2, Box 129-C, Dallas with a bloody nose and swollen right eye. He also had a cut leg and red marks around his neck.

Shalata told police that Shotwell hit and punched him after he got out of his car because Shotwell and Jessica Evans were fighting. Evans told police that Shotwell threw her down concrete steps.

D.U.I. CHARGES

Clark Crawford, 27, told police

• Dallas resident Amy Nadzan,

24, was arrested June 9 by Dallas

Township patrolman Brian Feeney

after police observed her driving

Nadzan was taken to Wilkes-Barre

General Hospital where her blood

alcohol level was determined to be

.134. She was charged with driv-

ing under the influence of alcohol.

A related charge of failing to keep

topher Mikulka, 26, was arrested

June 14 by Dallas Township pa-

· West Pittston resident Chris-

right was dismissed.

ment on Ransom Rd.

After failing field sobriety tests,

erratically on Hildebrant Rd.

Mikulka was taken to the Luzerne County D.U.I. Processing Center where his blood alcohol level was determined to be .123. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving

with a suspended license. The following people waived their right to a preliminary hearing before District Justice James

• Courtdale resident Steven Pembleton, 31, arrested July 1 by Dallas Township patrolman Brian Feeney after police observed him driving erratically on Lower Demunds Rd.

After failing field sobriety tests, Pembleton was taken to Wilkeslegal limit. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, failing to keep right and disregarding traffic lane.

• Wilkes-Barre resident Dean Benedetti, 22, arrested June 13 by Dallas Borough patrolman Michael Prokopchak after police observed him driving erratically on Rt. 309.

After failing field sobriety tests, Benedetti was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where his blood alcohol level was determined to be .112. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and exceeding the speed

• Shavertown resident James Barto, 61, arrested May 5 by Harveys Lake Borough patrolman Mark Karlonis after police observed him driving erratically near the Alderson section of Harveys

He was taken to the Luzerne County D.U.I. Processing Center where his blood alcohol level was determined to be .217, more than twice the legal limit. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and failing to wear a seat belt.

• Shickshinny resident Ryan P. Leahey, 24, arrested August 25 by Dallas Township patrolman Doug Higgins after police observed him driving erratically on Main Rd.

After failing field sobriety tests, Leahey was taken to the Dallas with a suspended license.

· Shavertown resident Kevin L. McGeehan, 31, arrested June 10 by Dallas Township patrolman Jeffrey Dennis after police observed him driving erratically on Westminister Dr.

After failing field sobriety tests, McGeehan was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where his blood alcohol level was determined to be .187. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Related charges of failing to keep right and disregard traffic signals were dismissed.

 Tunkhannock resident Jack A. Schoonover, 41, arrested June 20 by Dallas Borough patrolman Michael Prokopchak after police observed him driving erratically on Rt. 309.

After failing field sobriety tests, Schoonover was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where his blood alcohol level was determined to be .180. He was charged with driving under the influence, possession of marijuana and disregarding traffic lane. A charge of careless driving was dismissed.

• Shavertown resident George Spess, 40, was arrested June 6 by Dallas Township patrolman Brian Feeney after police were called to a one-car accident on Overbrook Ave. with no injuries.

After failing field sobriety tests, Spess was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where his blood

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#### Sicilian Style trolman Wayman Miers after po-Township Police Department alcohol level was determined to be lice were called to car off road where his blood alcohol level was 122. He was charged with driving which hit a sign and dirt embank-Barre General Hospital where his determined to be .194. He was under the influence of alcohol. A PIZZERIA blood alcohol level was determined charged with driving under the related charge of careless driving After failing field sobriety tests, to be .244, more than twice the influence of alcohol and driving was dismissed. Nana Lee's Cheesecakes Beaumont Inn Grand Opening Sept. 19 - 20 Weekly Features. 16 Carverton Road, Trucksville Appetizer Feature Free delicious samplings Call Ahead 696-2100 Touscan Sausage Spiraled with Angel Hair & Naped in a Roasted Garlic & Tomato Cream Eat in or Take Out Any

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