

Hero

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Gieda may have put aside fear in part because he has taken martial arts instruction for several years. A 1998 graduate of Dallas High School, he is now enrolled at the Penn State Worthington-Scranton campus, studying architectural engineering technology. After two years there, he will head to the Harrisburg campus to complete an undergraduate degree.

Gieda started taking martial arts when he was five years old. A few years later, he was fascinated by movies featuring kicking, punching heroes. "I wanted to be like Bruce Lee someday," he said.

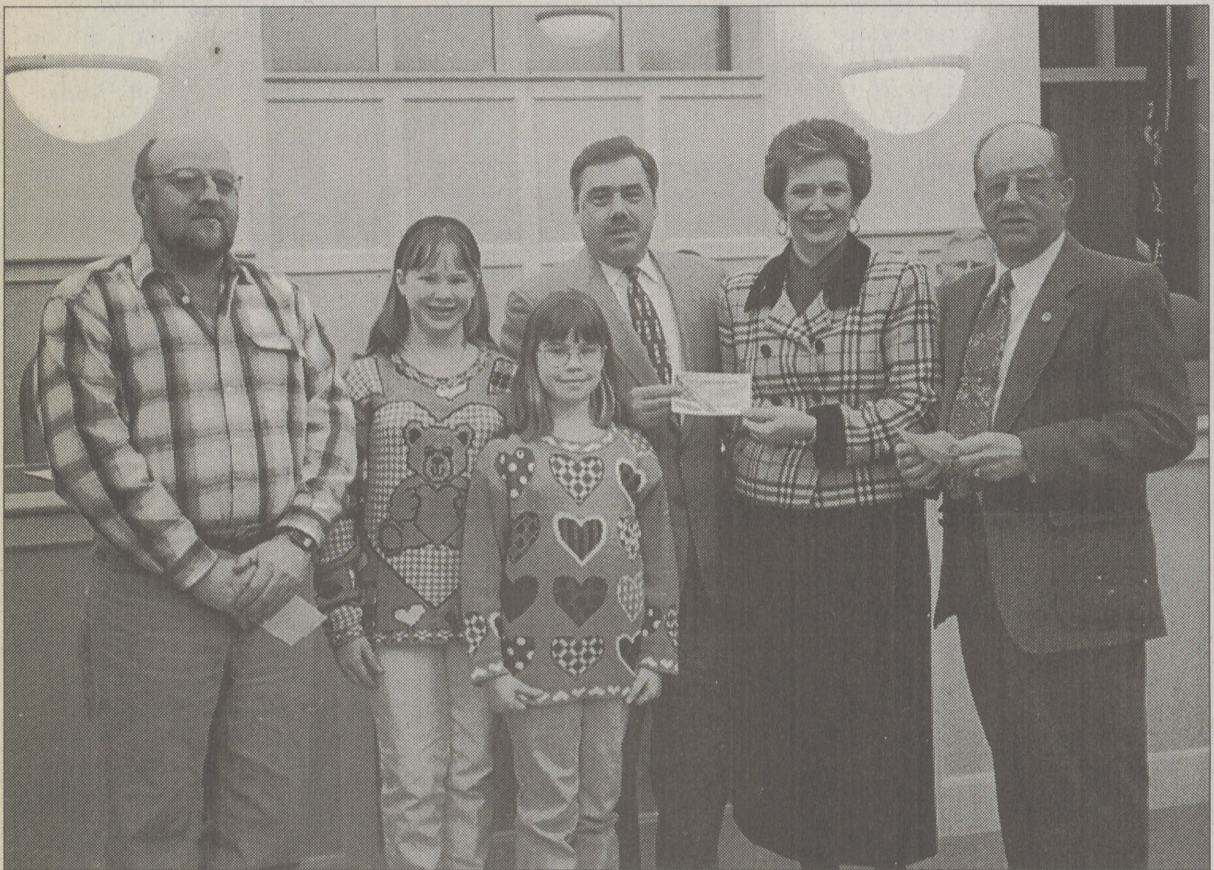
He's come pretty close. He studies at the Shaolin School of Kung Fu in Wilkes-Barre, and has just earned a black belt. "No, thank God," he answered when asked if he has ever needed to use his skills. "And I hope I never do."

As for pursuing wrongdoers, would he do it again? "Absolutely," he replied.



Brian Gieda posed with his parents, Ed and Mary, and officer William Norris, who investigated the theft that Brian prevented.

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Holiday home winner

The Getz Family of Butternut Rd., Shavertown, won top honors in the Holiday Homes Decorating Contest sponsored by the Kingston Township Board of Supervisors. Barbara Prebula took second place; Charles Emil took third place and Christopher Concert took fourth place. All winners received a U.S. Savings bond from the township. Receiving their reward at the January Board of Supervisors meeting, from left, Charles Emil, Sara Getz, Abby Getz, Gerald Getz, Shirley Moyer, supervisor; and Paul Sabol, supervisor.

BIRTHS

NESBITT
KATRA, Tony and Judith, Shavertown, a son, Jan. 14.
DUDEK, Jeff and Tina, Shavertown, a daughter, Jan. 15.
MATOS, Laszlo and Lorraine, Harveys Lake, a son, Jan. 15.

SCHNABLE, David and Tammy, Dallas, a son, Jan. 17.
SWEPENHEISER, Harry and Cynthia, Dallas, a son, Jan. 19.
SWIDA, Leonard and Denise, Shavertown, a son, Jan. 20.

MERCY
GILL, Dennis and Cynthia, Dallas, a daughter, Jan. 14.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

Dennis Brislin, owner of Brislin Construction, Shavertown, has been elected president of the 12,800 employer-member Pennsylvania Builders Association (PBA), Lemoyne.

Brislin will head the 160 volunteer-member board of directors, where he will be responsible for overseeing the association's activities on both the state and national levels. He had previously served the PBA as secretary, treasurer, vice-president, a board member for 15 years, a Regional Vice President in 1986 and a Regional Legislative Officer in 1995. He also had served on the state association's Legislative, Finance Membership Committees and as a Pennsylvania Committee for Affordable Housing Trustee. He is a member of the association's legislative grassroots contract club, Hammers and Gavel.

Brislin has also been active in the National Association of Home Builders. He has been a member of the national board of directors for more than 10 years. He also serves as a national legislative contact.

Brislin is a member of the Building Industry Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania where he had served as president, secretary, treasurer and vice president. He has chaired numerous local committees. He received the prestigious Builder of the Year honor in 1985, 1989, 1992 and 1993.

Brislin is also very active in his community. He is a member of the Planning Commission of Jackson Township, a member of the American Legion Post 1345 and a member of the Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree. He is a veteran of the United States Navy and is a graduate of Coughlin High School, Wilkes-Barre and the Philadelphia Wireless Technical Institute.

Brislin resides in Shavertown with his wife, Peggy. He is a member of the Building Industry Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

BMT GOP to meet

The Back Mountain Republican Association will meet Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kingston Twp. Municipal Bldg., Center St., Shavertown. Topics will be the Lincoln Day Dinner and committee appointments. Members are encouraged to attend and new members are welcome. For more information, call Charles Kane, president, at 675-1091.

Donkey basketball Jan. 29 at Lehman

It's time again for the annual Lake-Lehman Donkey Basketball Game. The game will pit the seniors against the faculty at 7:30 p.m. on Fri., Jan. 29, in the high school gym. A pregame exhibition will feature the senior girls vs. the senior boys (who will wear boxing gloves). This game will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale for \$3.50 from members of the senior class, in the high school office and at the door.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property transfers were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse for the week of January 8 - 14:

Neil T. Dwyer, et ux, to Clifford King Parker, et ux, See deed, Dallas Twp., \$5,000.

William Klein, per tax claim, to Elizabeth Covert, Lot 119.20 Fern Ridge, Dallas Twp., \$434.

Ronald Carl Willauer, et ux, to Philip E. Lonergan, see deed, Franklin Twp., \$89,000.

Timothy L. Kehler, to Jeffrey T. Kehler, et al, see deed, Harveys Lake Bor., \$54,000.

Rose Graffeo, per tax claim, to Richard Dodson, et ux, L64 Maple Knoll, Harveys Lake Bor., \$6,450.

John Tobin, per tax claim, to James Pilger, Dudley Ave., Harveys Lake Bor., \$1,040.

Federal Nat'l Mtg. Association, to Human Services Consultants, Inc., 513 Smiths Pond Road, Jackson Twp., \$130,000

Anthony J. Garbush, et ux, to Christopher C. Kohl, et ux, Lot 61, Jackson Twp., \$25,000

James R. Bertram, to John K. Frank, 2 parcels, Jackson Twp., \$88,000.

Andrew J. Dickson, to Robert E. Lockman, et ux, Lot 33 Midway Manor, Kingston Twp., \$115,000.

Deith S. Rosenn, et al, to Charles N. Burns, Jr., et ux, Lot 23 Firewood Farm 11, Kingston Twp., \$75,000.

Joseph M. Lombardo, et ux, to Thomas Runscavage, Jr. partner, Lot 26 Sleepy Hollow, Kingston Twp., \$42,000.

Charles M. Boyle, to Robert C. Nuase, Jr., et ux, see deed, Kingston Twp., \$2,000.

Charles Harris, to James Bauer, et ux, 5.144 ac Lot 7, Lake Twp., \$25,000.

John Jones, Jr., et ux, to Christopher Busch, /Rheinschmidt, 1.05 ac. see deed, Lehman Twp., \$119,900.

Mark S. Weaver, et ux, to Mark Henninger/Angela Hoyt, Lot 3 seed deed, Ross Twp., \$85,500.

James F. Schloemer, et ux, to Joan A. Roan, Lot 14 Mountain Springs, Ross Twp., \$5,500.

Robert E. Brenner, per tax claim, to Scott P. Andrews/John Schenck, see instrument, Ross Twp., \$818.

Answers to King Crossword

DIANA	PERSIA	solution	22
FIUGUES	EXOTIC		
ANODES	SPIRIT	8123	14
YEET	OTTO AIS	4196	20
ODOR	SOW	9529	25
ART	ONEA WHOS	5341	13
LEWIS	SANDICLARK	2610	17
POOR	STOP TOY	19	12
SIAT	OPIAL		
OBI	HUINI O.FAN		
RIDGES	TIODINE		
ATEASE	OVERDO		
LEDGER	NARIES		

Answers to Super Crossword

ISAAC	CHAP	SLAB	STROP
MENLO	OESE	LIMO	TRIFE
PAITOU	LYNN	AMAH	VICAR
STEER	ODE	SPIRE	ABELLE
STOWAWAY	TAMALE		
ARIP	SWAY	GNU	SINE ELI
LEATHER	PEONS	ANNEXES	
ATRAIN	CANDIES	STRIVE	
CRISP	MOLT	AROA	INTER
KOISS	TAMPS	TENDON	SEE
OSIAGE	NODES		
GAB	WINONA	GREBE	WOKIE
AGREE	RIFER	LATE	LIVID
SLATTE	FLOWERS	LOPING	
PESETAS	LEONE	REVENGE	
ETH	HINT	ROD	REVE
ESS	DESIRE	DAMAGING	
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