



### GOH takes league championship

The Gate of Heaven Girls Seventh Grade Basketball team defeated Holy Rosary of Duryea 35-28 to capture the Wyoming Valley Parochial League Championship. Janelle Zabresky led the Gators with 18 points and 16 rebounds in the final game. The team finished the league season with a 17-2 record.

First row: Kim Durr, Lauren Collini, Devin Carey, Katy Whalen  
Second row: Dave Whalen, Lauren Adamchak, Sandy Krogulski, Kristen Evans, Janelle Zabresky, Joanna Smith, Melissa Millo, Ken Krogulski  
Missing from photo: Coach Mary Durr, Liz Clements, Leslie Wetzel, Christa Wroblewski.



### Zabresky hits 500 points

Janelle Zabresky recently scored her 500 point for Gate of Heaven seventh grade team. Janelle is pictured with coaches Ken Krogulski, Dave Whalen and Mary Durr.

### Back Mountain Outdoors



Chris Denmon

As the sun broke over the trees, a group of men from the Pennsylvania Deer Association began their work pruning wild apple trees on Gamelands 13. Gamelands hold thousands of apple trees within their borders, but with the Pennsylvania Game Commission's limited manpower, the association has taken on the task of pruning as many as they can.

This will be the group's third year doing this kind of project and only a fraction of those trees have been pruned so far.

The Pennsylvania Deer Association (PDA) is a state-wide organization that has been in existence since 1978 and is still perhaps one of the smallest groups of its kind in the Keystone State. The organization now numbers approximately 900 members.

"Since our numbers are less than 1/10 of a percent of licensed hunters in Pennsylvania, it can be a little disturbing that more people aren't members of the PDA. Especially since we represent the most heavily hunted game animal in Pennsylvania," says Tom Harmon.

Harmon, who is a Regional Director of the PDA, is no stranger to doing what is needed for the future of hunting in Pennsylvania. Harmon has worked on every PDA project in the Northeast since they started three years ago. He also oversees the management of funds for the Youth Field Days that take place throughout the state.

In the past the group has performed such tasks as planting crab apple, chestnut, and Callery pear trees on state gamelands. The Game Commission provided the seedlings and the association supplied the tree protectors that prevent rabbits and deer from harming the trees while they're seedlings. All of this is done with funds that are raised from memberships, raffles, and banquets.

### Volunteers aid deer

The PDA also has taken on an active role in Pennsylvania in the proper management of the white-tail deer. "We want people to learn why it is necessary to manage deer scientifically and not for political, social, or economic reasons," says Harmon.

The Pennsylvania Deer Association will hold its second annual Northeast Regional Banquet April 1 at the TGIF/Holiday Inn complex in Wilkes-Barre. The guest speaker is slated to be Bob Clark, an award-winning author, western big game hunting guide, and one of the best turkey hunters in the country.

"It is the purpose of these banquets to raise money for habitat projects, Youth Fields Days, and many other worthwhile causes. Last year money was donated to 34 Youth Field Days, several Youth Conservation Schools, and Women In The Outdoors programs," says Harmon.

Anyone wishing to attend the Pa. Deer Associations banquet or participate in one of their habitat projects can do so by contacting Tom Harmon at 639-2810.



Tom Harmon, a director of the Pennsylvania Deer Association, diverts water from eroding the base of an old apple tree in Gamelands 13.

### Tickets on sale for Dallas High School's production of *Mame*

Dallas High School is now making final preparations for the musical comedy *Mame*, to be presented on April 6, 7, and 8 at 8 p.m. in the High School auditorium. The production is under the direction of Donald Hopkins, assisted by Audrey Ide, with choral direction by Cassie Palfev and instrumental direction by Todd Hunter.

The show evokes memories in the adult population of Angela Lansbury's memorable creation of Mame Dennis, an outspoken sophisticate who suddenly becomes the guardian to her nephew Patrick. The funny and heart-warming episodes are filled with memorable songs including "It's Today," "Mame", "Bosom Buddies," and "My Best Girl." The cast and

crew are working to create this glitzy, Manhattan fable with colorful sets and costumes created by the students and theater staff.

The cast includes senior Norah Krakosky (*Mame*), Abby Ahmad (Vera Charles), Ashleigh Ide (Agnes Gooch), Jeff Levinson (older Patrick), and Morgan McOwen (Pegeen). Other seniors include Joe Goryll, Ethan Lewis, Tina Burakiewicz, Sarah Martin, Tally Thomas, and stage manager Chris Riley. Seventh grader Ben Rother portrays young Patrick. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Tickets may be purchased in advance by calling 674-7239 any afternoon between 12:30 and 3 p.m. Advance tickets are available at a \$1 discount.

### Walk-a-thon benefits Wyoming Valley Children's Association

The "Do It for the Kids" 5K (3.1 mile) Walk-A-Thon to benefit Wyoming Valley Children's Association will be held Sat., April 15, beginning at 10 a.m. in the Bishop O'Reilly High School gym, Kingston.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. All proceeds from the event will be used by the Children's Association to provide therapeutic programs and services to local children who have disabilities. To register to walk, call the Children's Association at 829-2453. The 8th

annual walk-a-thon is being sponsored by local Kentucky Fried Chicken stores.

All walkers are asked to obtain a minimum of \$25 in pledges or pay an entrance fee of \$25. Participants will receive a t-shirt and be entered in a prize drawing. The top three fund raisers will receive prizes and the top team will be recognized.

Photo, left to right: Dotty Martin, walk-a-thon chairman, Keith Cole, KFC, and Jim Cocolin, owner of local KFC stores.

### L-L hockey parents to meet April 3

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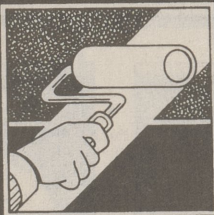
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