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New chief walks Dallas Twp. beat

By Sandy Peoples
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DALLAS TWP. - Chief Robert Jolley may be new in his current position, but he is a 25-year veteran of law enforcement. He graduated from the NE Training Center's Police Academy in July 1976.

Chief Jolley has been with the Dallas Twp. Police Department for 14 years. He has also served as a police officer with Dallas Borough and Kingston Township.

"Law enforcement is a multifaceted job," said Chief Jolley. "It's not the same thing every day. It's challenging because every call has different aspects than the last one. I'm looking forward to getting into the position, and I'm grateful to the Board of Supervisors for giving me the opportunity to serve as the new chief. The job will have its peaks and valleys, but after 25 years, you learn to roll with it."

In his new position, Chief Jolley will supervise eight full time and seven part time peace officers. He puts a great emphasis on the officers being seen as "peace" officers. "At the end of my career," he said, "I want to be seen as a peace officer who, during an emergency, restored order where there was none."

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Cabaret!

Pictured at right, Austin Williams sings with the Lake Lehman Chorus in the school's fourth annual "Cabaret." Left, Lauren Scott is a member of the Lake Lehman Band who presented "Cabaret" at the high school last week. The "Cabaret" included instrumental and vocal solos, duets and other small ensembles in a wide variety of musical styles. For more "Cabaret" photos, see page 3.

Time may be right to buy a Back Mt. dream

By SANDY PEOPLES
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DALLAS - Some people think that owning their own home is an impossible dream. However, the combination of making home ownership a high priority goal and doing a little planning, can put you in the home of your dreams in no time.

Interest rates are at an all time low right now, and it looks like they may go even lower. There has never been a better time to make the decision to invest in something that you can keep for a lifetime rather than spending money on rent.

There are two major parts to reaching the goal of home ownership. One is finding the right home that you can afford. The other is finding the financing to pay for it. The key to success is finding the loan first.

The lender will help you determine how much you can afford. Then you can go shopping with a realtor, or on your own, with knowledge that puts you in the price range that will make loan approval a snap. Having that pre-qualification for a mortgage loan in your hand lets the seller know that you are serious and helps the price negotiation reach a successful conclusion for you.

"There is a mortgage loan product for everyone," said Paul Ochman, Mortgage Consultant at Pennstar Bank. "We have loans with no down payment, a small down payment, and even some with closing cost assistance."

To help the lender obtain loan approval for you, have the following information available when applying for your mortgage loan:

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Sound will never be the same

By M.B. GILLIGAN
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DALLAS - "African music is the main influence in all kinds of popular music you hear today," Barbara Pearson, Artist in Residence, told fourth grade students at Wycallis Elementary School.

Its effects are seen in jazz, tap, blues, rock, and others, and it came to this country with the African slaves. "The slaves were keeping their sanity with their music. They used it for games and for communicating their real feelings," Pearson said.

The Artist in Residence program is a grant program funded by the Dallas School District and the Luzerne Intermediate Unit #19. "I call it education in art. This is part of their social studies class and I expect the students to be responsible for the material we cover," said Pearson. Students are learning about the importance of African influence as they dance "chugging," "hand-

jive," and "call and response."

Integrating the arts into the regular curriculum is not a new idea. Research points out that students learn not just by reading and seeing but also by hearing and doing. "We try to show schools how to use their art and music specialists as real classroom resources. They can apply the arts to their regular curriculum," said Pearson who was a member of the committee which wrote the Pennsylvania Arts Standards.

Pearson has been doing these types of educational dance programs for 25 years and is directly involved with training teachers to use the arts effectively in regular classroom curriculums. She earned a master's degree in liberal arts from Wesleyan College and is on the roster for the NEIU and the PA Council of the Arts.

In addition to the fourth grade classes, Pearson worked with some of the other programs during her three weeks

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Fourth grade students in Mrs. Crispell's class are "stepping it down."

Future biologists, zoologists forming at Gate of Heaven

By M.B. GILLIGAN
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DALLAS - Eight Gate of Heaven School students earned first place and two earned second honors at the 40th regional meeting of the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science, March 3 at King's College.

Students from 47 middle and high schools in the area presented scientific studies to a panel of judges for individual scoring at the event. The 10 students from Gate of Heaven attended with their sponsor, science teacher Nedda Cashore.

"We practiced here at school with overhead projectors because we use them during the presentation," said Carla Reino, whose project compared the effectiveness of hand sanitizers and hand soaps.

The presentations were divided into 12 different scientific categories that were then broken down into different grade levels. The categories ranged from Behavioral Sciences and Biology to Mathematics and Zoology.

"I was really interested in the difference in heat absorption in colored

house shingles and pool covers," said Katie Ambrose, whose project was judged in the 7th grade physics section. Kellie Casey, Laura Nieman, Annie Onzik and Tara Shevock joined her in that section.

They all earned first place honors - which is possible because students do not compete against each other. Rather, their project and presentation are judged by a score of 1 to 5 in five different areas that include scientific thought, experimental methods and analytical approach.

Casey Harrington's first place honor came from her Botany presentation. "I put 25 seeds in each of nine petri dishes and kept them in different temperatures. I shaved the shells from some of the seeds. Those started to grow after the first day," she said.

Seventh grade student Alex Tasco presented a project in Microbiology. "I found that the longer you leave food at room temperature the more bacteria will grow on it."

The first place honor winners will attend the state level presentations on May 13 and 14 at Penn State University.

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Junior Academy of Science

Junior Academy of Science participants from Gate of Heaven are pictured with their sponsor. First row from left: Casey Harrington, Tara Shevock, Kellie Casey, Carla Reino and Katie Ambrose. Second row, Laura Nieman, Annie Onzik, Gregory Suhocki, Robert Baur, Alex Tasco and Mrs. Nedda Cashore.

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