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## Food, friendship at Back Mt. Church

By SANDY PEOPLES  
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**DALLAS** - For one week, Trinity Presbyterian Church in Dallas became a place they could call home.

Thirty recipients of the services of the V.I.S.I.O.N. program (Volunteers in Service In Our Neighborhoods) dined and slept in the Sunday School rooms of the church. Various groups, such as the choir, deacons, youth group, and families, prepared and served meals to those individuals trying to find their way back to self-sufficiency. Campus Ministries from College Misericordia also assisted for an evening. And on Monday evening, entertainment was provided by some members of the Gate of Heaven Church Choir in Dallas. The group, directed by Marilyn O'Connell, call themselves the "Lord Have Mercy Sisters of

*This kind of help goes way beyond just writing a check. It's hands on. It's neighbors helping neighbors.*

Vincent Kabacinski  
Cofounder, Exec. Director  
VISION

"the Heavenly Gates."

V.I.S.I.O.N. is a private, nonprofit organization founded in the mid 1980s by Cofounder and Executive Director, Vincent Kabacinski. With the help of faith-based organizations, the program provides individuals with the necessities of life such as food, shelter, and clothing. It provides training and transportation to empower them to develop life skills to be on their own once again. The V.I.S.I.O.N. organization provides thousands of miles of transportation and recently retired a van with over 342,000 miles on it. The van they use at the present time has over 130,000 miles on it.

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## Spirit and joy

*St. Therese's First Holy Communion Class sings with joy on Sunday morning during the service. From left; Peyton Roberts, Laura Strzeletz and Megan Bloom were among the little ones participating in the service.*

## School Board candidates share future goals in Dallas

By HEATHER B. JONES  
Post Staff

**DALLAS** - The following highlights the issues most important to the candidates running for Dallas School Board:



**Maureen Banks**  
Candidate for: Democratic and Republican Dallas School Board

**Q:** What do you feel are the most important issues facing the Dallas School District at this time? How will you address these issues?

**A:** Implementing new state legislations, increasing scores in state testing and ongoing building projects. Continue to work with administration and faculty to implement change and evaluate current plans.

**Anthony R. Barbose**  
Candidate for: Republican and Democrat Dallas School Board Director



**Q:** What do you feel are the most important issues facing the Dallas School District at this time? How will you address these issues?

**A:** Renovation of middle and high schools - this issues is addressed. Decreasing tax revenue due to antiquated county assessment system. Monitoring and updating security - this issue is being addressed currently.

**Russell Bigus**  
Candidate for: Republican Dallas School Board

**Q:** What do you feel are the most important issues facing the Dallas School District at this time? How will you address these issues?

**A:** The most important issues facing the Dallas School District at this time are; new building projects, continual growth of the Back Mountain (as far as people continuously moving to Dallas, etc, and accommodating their needs), technology

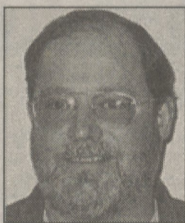
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## Franklin Twp. Supervisor candidates on the issues

By HEATHER B. JONES  
Post Staff

**FRANKLIN TWP.** - As part of the Dallas Post's ongoing election coverage, the following highlights the race for supervisor in Franklin Twp.:

Name: Edward Kraynak  
Candidate for: Franklin Twp. Supervisor  
Hometown: Swoyersville  
Profession: Retired (Auto service and repair 30 years)  
Education background: High school graduate



Kraynak



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**Q:** What do you feel are the most important issues facing Franklin Township at this time? How will you address these issues?

**A:** Transition from agrarian to suburban.

**Q:** Why are you running and what makes you a good candidate?

**A:** Seizing this opportunity to discharge what I perceive to be a civic obligation. My personality being conducive to resolving difficult matters peacefully.

**Q:** What in your background makes

a law school graduate.

**Q:** What will your goals be as a Franklin Township Supervisor? What would you like to see accomplished?

**A:** Keep taxes low, retain to the furthest

you qualified for this position?  
**A:** Thirty years in business, four children having college degrees and my son

extent that I can Franklin Twp.'s pristine natural environment.

**Q:** What do you think voters should know about you that they may not already know?

**A:** I am an extreme fiscal conservative. My personality makes me readily accessible to Franklin Twp. folks. Franklin Twp. property owner since 1963. If elected, folks will find me to be a sincere guy, void of ulterior motives, simply seizing the opportunity to discharge, what I perceive to be a civic obligation.

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*John Gilligan and Adam Morgan from Dallas High School explain what makes a river turn orange.*

## Life revolves around watershed

By HEATHER B. JONES  
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**DALLAS** - Ask John Gilligan, a sophomore at Dallas High School, what makes a river turns orange, and he has the answer.

"Acid mine drainage is the result of bacteria reacting with sulfides in the rocks disturbed by mining," he said. "The reaction produces sulfuric acid, which lowers the pH of the water. It also releases iron oxide, which turns the water orange."

John and four of his fellow classmates, Adam Morgan, Dave Shell, Megan Riley and Corey Phillips, have been in-

involved with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Bureau of State Parks (DCNR) and Northeast Intermediate Unit 19 (NEIU 19) in an environmental forum entitled "Community Connections to our Susquehanna Watershed."

Since March of 2000, students from six area schools have participated in eight meetings, each focusing on a different aspect of the watershed, said Dave Reese, curriculum specialist, NEIU 18.

"Our goal is for students to understand that a variety of people are needed to make decisions concerning the watershed. We also want them to

consider all sides," Dave said.

During the program students journeyed to the Tubs natural area to engage in water testing and geological history observations. They also talked with people from local businesses, industry and government about human interaction within the watershed.

The program doesn't just influence students who attend the eight meetings, said Dave. "We want teachers to use the four to six students that take part in the program to help enhance teaching these topics."

Presentation skills are also a

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