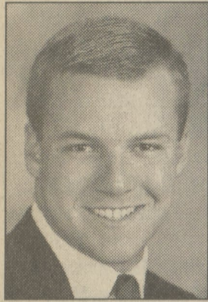


VanLoon is first Dallas graduate accepted to attend Air Force Academy

Peter C. VanLoon, the son of Attorney Mark and Stephanie VanLoon of Dallas, recently received assurance of admission to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.



Peter VanLoon

Peter, currently a senior at Dallas Senior High School, received a nomination to the Academy through U.S. Senator Arlen Specter and will join the Academy's class of 2007 in late June of 2003.

VanLoon will pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering and a Commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force.

VanLoon is the first student from Dallas Senior High School to have earned an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy.

Dallas to hold college financial aid night

For parents or guardians with seniors planning on attending college, Dallas High School will host "Financial Aid Night" on Tuesday, January 7 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in the high school library. For those families planning on applying for financial aid, this meeting is critical.



Playing reindeer, from left, first row: Samantha Feist, Jennifer Lloyd, Christine McCarthy. Second Row: Destiny Lombardo, Thea Treslar, Alyssa Monaghan, Zachary Downs, Gabriella Oliveri, Kaylin Russell, Kelly Monaghan. Third Row: Danielle Bloomfield, Kassy Wall, Erika McCabe.

Wycallis Elementary third grade concerts

The third grade classes at Wycallis Elementary School in Dallas presented "A Winter Holiday" December 12 in the school gym. The show included skits, songs, dances and xylophone players celebrating winter and the holiday season.



Snowflakes, from left, first row: Santa, Greg Selinski, Frosty, Alexandra Heltzel, Reindeer, Samantha Lentz, Jacob Piskorik, Merissa Talmadge. Second row: Lauren Scafidi, Maggie Rackleff, Tiffani Gebhardt, Morgan Dingle, Danny Morgan, Corey Schreffler.

Holiday trash pick up schedule

DAMA wishes to remind our customers that there will be no collection of trash or recyclables on New Years Day Wednesday Jan. 1. The regular Wednesday collection will be on Thursday. DAMA is also pleased to announce that there will be a no bag limit for trash week beginning Monday, Dec. 30, 2002 and ending Saturday, Jan. 4, 2003. The normal two bag limit will resume on Monday, Jan. 6, 2003.

SENIOR MENUS

Senior Citizens Centers sponsored by the Area Agency on aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties offers hot noon meals Monday through Friday to people 60 years of age or older. Donations from participants are gratefully accepted and needed in order to expand this program. The following is the menu for the week of January 2-8. All menus include margarine, milk and coffee. The local Senior Center is located at 22 Rice St., Dallas.

THURSDAY: Let's Celebrate 2003 Special Dinner - Roast pork w/homestyle gravy & stuffing, whipped potatoes, broccoli

au gratin, whole wheat bread, vanilla holiday cupcake.

FRIDAY: Baked parmesan fish, oven brown potatoes, roman vegetable medley, tartar sauce, rye bread, oatmeal raisin cookie.

MONDAY: Italian sausage & peppers, cheesy whipped potatoes, vegetable medley, rye bread, applesauce.

TUESDAY: Boneless chicken wings w/ buffalo sauce, baked potato, seasoned broccoli, whole wheat bread, chocolate pudding.

WEDNESDAY: Bake pork chop w/apple raisin stuffing & gravy, butternut squash, beets, dinner roll, grapefruit juice, vanilla cookie.

Girl Scout cookie sale will begin January 5

Girl Scout troops across the six-county Penn's Woods Council service area are gearing up for the start of the annual Cookie Sale Program set to begin January 5. The CELEBRATE! theme for the 2003 Girl Scout Cookie Sale encourages girls, leaders and volunteers to honor the positive impact that Girl Scouting, the world's largest and most experienced organization for girls, has had on more than 50 million girls' lives since 1912.

Girl Scouts who participate in their local cookie sale build greater self-esteem, improve their communication skills and develop business and financial savvy they will use for the rest of their lives. The Girl Scout Cookie Sale is one of the best program tools available to teach girls how to establish goals, set budgets, make presentations, learn good manners, track inventory and understand customer relations.

This year, Girl Scouts will be selling Thin Mints, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Peanut Butter Patties, Lemon Pastry Creams, Caramel Delights, Animal Treasures and

Friendship Circles at \$3 per box. All of the money earned in the Cookie Sale Program remains locally and is used to fund everything from troop-planned field trips and badge work, to Council sponsored programs like camping, outdoor education, career exploration, travel opportunities, sports, arts and science initiatives.

Even community service projects are supported by Cookie Sale revenues: Last year alone, Girl Scout troops in Penn's Woods provided over 68,000 hours of service to their communities.

All eight varieties are available to customers through individual Girl Scouts, at troop Cookie Shops throughout their communities or by calling the Council's toll free cookie hotline at 1-888-6KOOKIE. For more information about the Girl Scouts or about the Cookie Sale Program, log onto the Council web site at www.pennswoods.org and click on "Cookies," or call the Council's Wilkes-Barre Service Center at 1-800-432-9786 or 829-2631.



Dallas Principal Galicki honored

Frank P. Galicki, principal of Dallas Senior High School in the Dallas School District, and outgoing president of the Pennsylvania Association of Secondary School Principals (PASS), was honored by his peers and guests at the tenth annual state principals' conference in Reading at the annual banquet held at the Reading Sheraton Hotel on Monday, October 21. Galicki was presented with a plaque and a ring for his exemplary service to the association as president during 2001-2002.

Galicki currently serves PASSP as immediate past president, and has served as the chair of the Pennsylvania Associations of Elementary and Secondary School Principals' Joint Management Committee. He is a former president-elect, president and immediate past president of PASSP, as well as a member of the conference committee (1994-present) and the East I Regional Representative (1993-1997).

Galicki and his wife, Terry, a teacher in the Pleasant Valley School District, have three daughters: Dora Marie, a graduate of Penn State University is presently teaching elementary art in the Phoenixville School District; Tess, a junior at Penn State University and a social studies/secondary education major, and Lena, a Junior English/secondary education major.

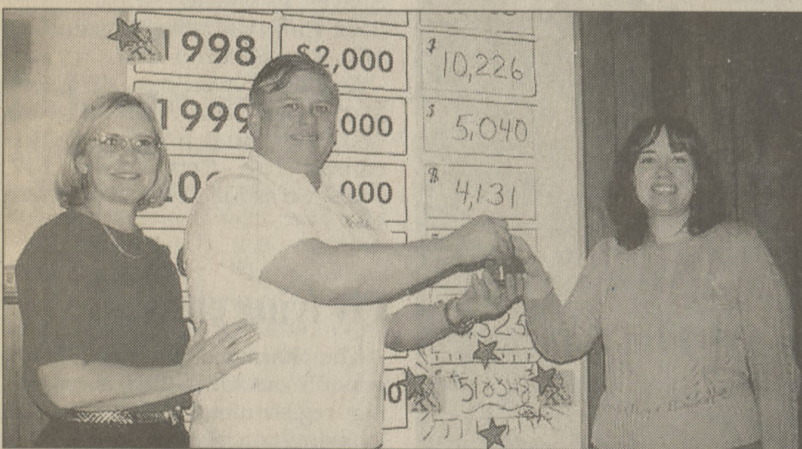


PSU opens 'Café Commons'

The faculty, staff, and students at Penn State Wilkes-Barre recently celebrated the grand opening of the new campus cafeteria, the "Café Commons." A new addition to the Student Commons building, the Café features stations for deli sandwiches, fried foods, soups, beverages, etc. The area has a separate area for performers who frequently entertain students at noon, a faculty/staff dining room, and a private meeting room.

The new cafeteria was funded by University Park and some furnishings were donated by Penn State Harrisburg Housing & Food Operations. The Café Commons was designed by The Architect and Engineering Group and the contractor was Power Builders, Inc. Construction to convert the former cafeteria is underway and will house a refurbished student lounge, Student Government Association office, an Internet Café, a private meeting room, and various student club offices. Work is scheduled for completion by the start of spring semester, 2003.

Shown, from left, first row: Dr. Mary E. Hines, campus executive officer; Denise Galeano, food services manager; PSU Nittany Lion, Paul Chocallo, tech services; Jon Sinclair, student government president, Chad Spackman, Penn State Office of Physical Plant; Martin Dougherty, The Architectural & Engineering Group. Second row, tech services staff: Elizabeth Rodrigues, Lester Jones; Bob Davis, Gary Culver, Bill Dotter, and Tom Weaver.



King's Phonathon sets record

The 28th Annual King's College Alumni Phonathon topped its goal by 22 percent, and for the first time topped the half million dollar mark, raising \$518,348 in gifts and pledges. Chairperson Charles W. Wasserott IV, '77, jump-started the phonathon with a "Funathon" of food, fun and prizes. Wasserott, Second Vice Chair Diane Zabriski, '92, and Sean McGrath, '94, treated this year's volunteers to theme nights with a barbershop quartet, caricaturists, Monarch Money auctions and a Hangman and Scrabble night that culminated in a pie in the face for both Wasserott, and Frank Pasquini, '71, Vice President of Institutional Advancement.

This year's phonathon included a student effort in cooperation with the CTE/King's College Business Education Center on the King's campus, which aided the effort to reach out to more alumni than has been possible in the past.

In the picture, Louise Wasserott, '75, alumni director, looks on while Charles Wasserott, IV passes the traditional phonathon bell to next year's chairperson, Diane Zabriski.

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