

### BMBA DONATES TO CHILDREN'S SHOPPING SPREE



The Back Mountain Business Association has once again donated \$1,500 to the Rotary Club of Dallas to help with the Children's Christmas Shopping Spree which the Rotary has conducted for more than 40 years. This is the third year that the BMBA has donated this generous gift. Forty-five children from the school districts of Dallas, Lake-Lehman and Northwest embarked on a "wishes come true" day of shopping to purchase winter coats, boots, shoes and more. Members of the association recently presented their check to the past president of the Rotary Club. From left, are BMBA members Diane Dreier, Liz Martin, Brian Burd, Sandy Peoples, Rotary Club past president; Beth Ann Delaney, president of the BMBA; and Joe Moskovitz, Dallas Borough manager.

### DALLAS CENTRE HARDWARE DONATES TO CHILDREN'S SHOPPING SPREE



This is the second year that Jim and Carol Eason and Gerard and Michele Geise from Dallas Centre Hardware have made a generous donation to the Rotary Club of Dallas to help with the club's annual Children's Christmas Shopping Spree. Their check for \$750 helped buy coats, boots, gloves and more for 45 children from the Dallas, Lake-Lehman and Northwest School Districts. The Rotary Children's Shopping Spree was founded more than 40 years ago by the late Rev. Andrew Pillarella who served as the club's chaplain for many decades. From left, are Rotarian Paul Saxon, chairman of the children's shopping spree; Gerard and Michele Geise from Dallas Hardware.

### 'CHRISTMAS POTPOURRI' SLATED FOR TONIGHT



An evening of Christmas music, drama and laughter is what you can expect at New Life Community Church when "Christmas Potpourri" is presented at 7 p.m. today, Dec. 16. The church is located at 530 Brace Rd., Dallas. For more information or directions call 570-NEW-LIFE (639-5433). From left, Avaree Gaitano, Laura Madeira and Rachel Madeira perform a Christmas Medley

### SLOCUM

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ing of the woman after whom a state park was named. He also knows a lot more about the movie business than he did before.

"I learned a lot about movie production," he said, while relaxing in a classroom at Wyoming Seminary. "There's a lot of waiting around and it can actually be kind of boring. But the end result is worth it."

Bachman, who spent five years making the film, has been impressed with the public's reaction to it.

"When I saw it come up on the screen at Movies 14, I knew we truly had a movie here," he said of the film. "Then, when we tried it on a test audience, it fit like a glove. I can't believe how this thing is taking off."

Bachman admitted to pursuing the story about Frances Slo-

cum because nobody really knew who she was.

"Whenever asked about her, people would just say she was somebody who was raised by the Indians," he said.

Bachman relates the story about how, in 1837, the Lancaster Intelligencer-Journal published a story about a man who had met a white woman who told him she had grown up along the Susquehanna River.

Because Lancaster was the only town along the Susquehanna the man was familiar with, he sent a letter to the newspaper there which, in turn, published the letter.

A priest, originally from Wilkes-Barre then living in Lancaster, read the letter and

thought, "This has to be Joseph Slocum's sister who was lost 60 years ago."

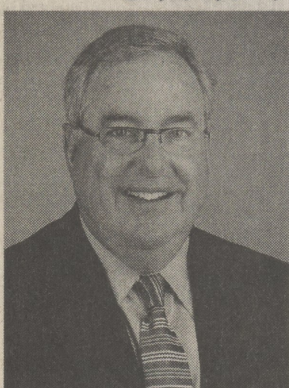
"Her life story is incredible," Bachman said. "I'm not smart enough to make this stuff up."

Bachman will leave Wyoming Valley at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 28, en route to Peru, Indiana with the woman who plays the aged Frances Slocum and the woman who portrays her mother.

The movie will then be presented in Indiana.

The DVD of the movie goes on sale today at all Joe Nardone Gallery of Sound stores, all Gerity's Supermarkets, the Tudor Book Shop in Kingston and Barnes and Noble in the Arena Hub Plaza.

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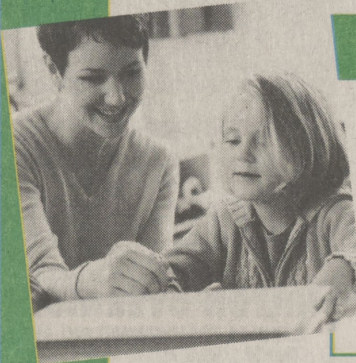
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