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## Thousands See Parade Go By

WAYNESBURG — One of the largest crowds ever to watch a parade in Waynesburg turned out in sunny weather Saturday for the annual Christmas parade staged by the Greater Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce.

An estimated 5,000 people lined High Street as more than 70 colorful units marched from West Street to Porter Street. They included floats, bands, Miss Merrie Christmases representing county high schools, local Boy and Girl Scout units, the Koal Krackin' Klowns, dancing school acrobatic units, church groups and equipment from a number of fire companies.

Judge Glenn Toothman headed the parade as parade marshal. Bringing up the rear was Santa Claus on a sleigh pulled by a small tractor.

Winners in the float category were

Barbara's Dancing School, which won first prize of \$125, and the Curry Memorial Home, which took second prize of \$75.

Other floats were entered by the Waynesburg Special Events Commission, which sponsors the annual Rain Day festivities; the Youth Fellowships of the Bates Fork and Bethlehem Baptist Churches; Den 1 of the Waynesburg Cub Scout Pack; the Youth Fellowship of the First Baptist Church of Waynesburg; the Greene County Historical Society; the Assembly of God Church; Youth of the Washington Street United Methodist Church, and Tracey's Dancers from Wayne Township.

The Waynesburg Central High School band took first place money of \$100, with the Carmichaels Area High School band placing second to win \$75 and the West Greene High School band third to claim \$50. Other bands in the competition were Jefferson-Morgan and Mapletown high schools.

Each of the bands presented a three-minute program for judges at the courthouse, where most of the audience was congregated.

Representing county schools as Miss Merrie Christmases were Wendy Taylor, Jefferson-Morgan High School; Darci Metcalf, Mapletown High School; Kelley Stoneking, Waynesburg Central High School; Barbie Bamberger, West Greene High School, and Lisa Friend and Linda Sanner, Greene County Vo-



Santa Claus proves big attraction for large crowd.

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Tech School.

James Ottoviani served as general chairman for the parade. Judges were Robert Sonneborn, Ann Call and Mary Parkinson of Waynesburg and Dorothy Young and Betty Long of

Washington.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce said they were pleased with the turnout and participation in the parade.

Following the parade, another

large crowd attended the "Christmas at the Museum" program sponsored by the Greene County Historical Society. It featured holiday food, Christmas arts and crafts displays, and visits with Santa Claus for children.

## Zoning Decision Appealed

WAYNESBURG — Greene County Court has been asked to overturn a decision by the Waynesburg Borough Zoning Hearing Board to refuse a variance which would have permitted continued use of a house on the North Side as a two-family dwelling.

The appeal, filed Thursday by Patricia C. Baily of 120 Sherman Avenue, involves a house at 555 North West Street, where one of the apartments was rented until recently to three college students.

The matter came before the zoning board within recent months on the basis of a complaint by neighbors that the college students were, in effect, using the apartment as headquarters for a fraternity.

Although the college students subsequently moved out, the zoning board refused to permit continued use of the two apartments on the grounds that a variance had never been granted when the house was converted from a one-family dwelling in 1971 by Mrs. Baily's father, the late Charles Carpenter.

The house is located in an area zoned for one-family dwellings.

In the appeal filed Thursday, Mrs. Baily's attorney contends that on Oct. 6, 1971, the zoning board which then held office did grant Carpenter permission to convert the house to a two-apartment dwelling and that the variance granted at that time is still valid.

## Central Greene Could Lose Federal Funds

WAYNESBURG — In light of the possibility that the 1985-86 federal budget could cut money for Title I educational programs, the Central Greene School Board Tuesday directed Superintendent Nancy Davis to formally notify the Central Greene Education Association that there could be a reduction in the Title I staff at the start of the school year next fall.

"We have no definite information, but there are reports circulating that there could be a substantial reduction in federal funding," Business Manager Walter Stout said. "We are giving notice of a possible staff reduction at this time because the contract with the teachers' association requires that notice be given prior to the end of the year if any teachers are to be laid off the following year."

Stout said the same type of notice was given last year because of similar rumors at that time, but that the problem did not develop.

Title I funds are used for remedial programs in reading and mathematics. At the present time, the Central Greene Title I staff consists of eight full-time teachers and one half-time teacher.

During the reorganizational meeting which preceded the regular board meeting, Gerald Matthews was re-elected board president for the coming year. He has held the position since September, when Gary White was forced to resign from the board when he moved from Waynesburg.

Herman Osso was re-elected vice president; Stout was named non-member secretary, and Lila Ayersman was elected as assistant secretary. It was noted that Mrs. Ayersman still has one more year to serve as board representative on the Greene County Vocational-Technical School Joint Operating Committee.

The board took no action on the appointment of a solicitor. It decided to continue holding its monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of each month. They are held at 7:30 p.m. in the board room in the administration building on South Cumberland Street. There will be no further meetings in

1985 GREENE COUNTY PROPOSED BUDGET REVENUES	
Taxes	\$3,264,020
Licenses & Permits	\$5,500
Interest and Rents	\$139,000
Grants and Gifts	\$2,361,500
Departmental Revenue	\$861,025
Paments in Lieu of Taxes	\$49,500
Other Revenue	
Receipts	\$41,100
Temporary Loans	\$2,500,000
Other Non-Revenue	
Receipts	\$346,913
TOTAL	\$455,476
TOTAL	\$10,024,034
EXPENDITURES	
General Government	\$1,495,025
Corrections	\$609,009
Welfare	\$2,999,460
Highways	\$131,600
Health & Hospitals	\$55,590
Civil Defense	\$6,350
Airport	\$121,785
Fairgrounds	\$57,000
Parks and Recreation	\$119,000
Historical Society	\$2,500
Miscellaneous Grants	\$1,521,239
Interest	\$40,000
Transfer to Other	
Funds	\$2,865,476
TOTAL	\$10,024,034

## Selling Stock

CAMERON, W.Va. — Charles Bissett, president of the First National Bank of Cameron, announced Tuesday that the bank's board of directors has signed a letter of intent authorizing negotiations concerning sale of outstanding capital stock of the bank to a one-bank holding company to be known as Cameron Bancshares, Inc.

Under terms of the proposed

## Commissioners Plan Tight 1985 Budget

By Bob Eichenlaub, Greene County Editor

WAYNESBURG — Greene County residents will pay an additional 1/4 mills in property taxes in 1985 to fund a proposed county budget of more than \$9 million.

The county commissioners announced the proposed tax rate of 21 1/4 mills at their meeting Thursday, when they approved the tentative 1985 budget. The budget is scheduled for adoption on Dec. 27 and is subject to possible amendments until that time.

"We did everything possible to avoid raising taxes, but we face a lot of problems," Commission Chairman L.R. Santore said.

Commissioner Dan Bailey said one of the major problems was a decline in state and federal revenues at the Curry Memorial Home, which, coupled with less-than-capacity bed use and over-budget expenditures, resulted in a 1984 deficit of \$400,000 in operation of the nursing home.

"It's costing in excess of \$2.5 million a year to operate the Curry

Home," he said. "I feel we will have to make some radical changes in the near future and either sell or lease some of our assets or liquidate them in some other way. We are a small county providing some services which many larger counties don't provide."

Although the county was at its legal maximum of 20 mills for the general fund in 1984, the commissioners were able to add the 1/4 mills to the overall levy by stipulating that the additional millage will be used exclusively for debt reduction. The extra \$175,000 it will produce will be earmarked specifically for payment of the indebtedness on the new jail, which amounts to \$192,500 a year, relieving the general fund of all but \$17,000 of the annual jail payment.

Payment for the jail, which is the only long-term indebtedness the county has, was set up as a 15-year obligation and still has 11 years to run.

Local taxes are expected to provide \$3,264,020 of the county's 1985

budget of \$9,612,034. The balance of revenues will come from state and federal funds, earmarked for various services, and from departmental earnings.

In addition, the budget is artificially inflated by a number of "in and out" items on both the revenue and expenditure sides. It provides, for example, for a \$2.5 million tax anticipation loan which, if borrowed, would be repaid later in the year.

In 1984, the county borrowed a total of \$1.2 million through tax anticipation loans. The commissioners explained they have increased it to \$2.5 million this year in anticipation of the possibility that the entire amount could be obtained at the start of the year and then invested, producing revenues which would exceed the interest payment on the loan.

While the budget lists no anticipated opening cash balance for 1985, some idea of the financial plight faced by the commissioners is found in the fact that it anticipates there will be

\$291,000 in unpaid obligations at the end of the year, including \$114,000 in bills at the Curry Home, \$80,000 owing on retirement fund payments, \$25,000 due on medical insurance payment, \$30,000 on workmen's compensation payments, \$15,000 due MH/MR, \$14,000 on fire insurance payments and \$5,000 on unemployment compensation.

On top of this, the county paid just \$72,678 toward its 1984 obligation of \$230,000 to social security, which will raise the amount due in 1985 to \$318,580.

The budget also indicates that the commissioners overspent the county buildings account by \$134,000 in 1984 through work done on remodeling the third floor of the county office building.

The commissioners pointed out that the county's Blue Cross and Blue Shield payment will increase by more than \$50,000 in 1985, citing it as one of the things over which they have no control.

## Council Adopts Budget, No Tax Increase

WAYNESBURG — Waynesburg Borough Council adopted a 1985 budget totaling \$902,107 at its meeting Monday, setting tax levies at the same levels they have been for the past two years.

The budget provides for expenditures of \$755,601 in the general fund, \$68,431 in the revenue sharing fund and \$79,075 in the state highway aid fund.

The property tax levy was again set at 31 mills, which includes three

realty transfer tax with the Central Greene School District.

Property taxes are expected to produce \$261,201, while the other taxes will bring in \$163,900. Licenses and permits, interest and rent and departmental earnings are expected to bring in another \$221,000, including \$100,000 from sewage service charges.

Major expenditures include \$177,593 for police protection; \$46,874 for fire and ambulance service, includ-

County Office Building.

On recommendation of Councilman Kenneth Fox, council refused to approve an application from Mr. and Mrs. John C. McNay for permission to park up to 18 cars on the grounds of the former South Ward School building which they own. The grounds are being used to park cars owned by federal mine safety inspectors who have moved their offices into a former storeroom on West High Street which is owned by the McNays.

Fox said that he had inspected the

pointment of a second council member to attend sessions at which the zoning ordinance will be completely reviewed with a view to making amendments to remove ambiguities and make the regulations more clear cut.

Council responded by stating that Councilman Lonnie Dusenberry is already serving as a member of the board, while holding open the possibility that an additional council member would attend key sessions.

In response to a request from

# Christmas Parade Full Of Sights And Sounds



Miss Merrie Christmases Kelley-Stoneking, Barbie Bambarger, Lisa Friend, Darci Metcalf, Wendy Taylor, Linda Sanner and Nancy Hanley



Barbara Dancing School's float, complete with horse and sleigh and snowman, was the first prize winner.



Christi Czyzewski, Brean Ewart and Kelly Wilson were little twirlers for Lisa Elek Academy of Dance performers.



Diane Piatt, Ruth McCollum, Chrissy Konofsky, Jamie and Jo Rawlings and LouAnn Abbadine ride Curry Memorial Home float to second prize award.



Greene County Lamb and Wool Queen Pam Kerr brings lamb to parade. Both kept warm in wool coats — one natural, the other manmade.

## Area Man Guilty Of Assault

WAYNESBURG — Louis Clinton Czako, 34, Waynesburg R.D.4, was convicted of aggravated assault Tuesday for the abuse of his 12-year-old son, Steve Czako.

A Greene County Criminal Court jury returned the verdict at 1:30 p.m. following three hours of deliberation. Following return of the verdict, Czako was committed to the Greene County jail pending the posting of a \$10,000 percentage or property bond. Judge Glenn Toothman increased the bond to that amount on motion of the district attorney. Prior to the trial, Czako had been released on a \$5,000 recognizance bond.

Sentencing was deferred pending possible post-trial motions.

During the trial, the youth testified that on April 12 his father struck him over the head with the handle of a knife, kicked him in the side, and threatened him with the knife.

The defendant denied the charge, claiming that his son had suffered the injury to his side by falling through the floor of a porch which was under construction at the family home.

## Cumberland Twp. Board Discusses Redevelopment

CARMICHAELS — Details involving the Crucible redevelopment project commanded most of the attention at a meeting Thursday evening of the Cumberland Township supervisors.

The supervisors approved final payments of \$4,700 to Waterworks, Inc. for construction of the Crucible sewage treatment plant and of \$1,470 to Miller Electric for electrical work at the plant.

They said the \$232,000 plant will be placed in operation next summer after all of the sewer mains and collector lines have been completed.

The solicitor was directed to write a letter of intent to proceed with legal steps necessary for demolition of several vacant houses in Crucible. The houses have already been condemned at public hearings and demolition is expected to begin within three to four weeks.

In the only other action, two lot split applications from Edward and Evelyn Board were approved to enable them to sell property off Route 21 near Five Points. They plan to sell 14½ acres to Frank and Mary Polander and 1.8 acres to Kenneth Board.

## Pizza Fire Doused

WAYNESBURG — Waynesburg volunteer firemen were called out at 5:30 p.m. Friday to a fire in an oven at the home of Kim Dulaney of South Morgan Street.

Firemen said a pizza in the oven caught fire and caused minor damage.



Santa and helper Sherri Hosey greet Ian Paul of Pittsburgh at Waynesburg museum.



Tanya Glover and Regan Lough do a walkover while holding hands.



Waynesburg Central tuba player Doug Fisher gets into spirit of Christmas parade.

## DeWeese Opposes Rate Hike

HARRISBURG — State Rep. H. William DeWeese said during the weekend that he will support the efforts of the Consumer Advocate Office (OCA) in battling a proposed telephone rate increase by ALLTEL Pennsylvania, Inc., which serves Greene County.

The Waynesburg Democrat said he is pleased OCA has filed a complaint against the company's request because the rate hike would increase basic exchange customer's bills by an average of 69 percent.

"Southwestern Pennsylvania people can't afford a phone bill increase of that size," DeWeese said. "Many are lucky to be able to pay their food and heating bills. This rate hike, if approved, would cause a \$10 monthly phone bill to go up to nearly \$17. That's an additional \$83 a year — too much to ask of folks on tight budgets."

"I am very pleased to see the OCA going to bat for ALLTEL customers. It's the kind of watchdog agency taxpayers need to look out for them, especially during hard economic times."

DeWeese is a member of the House Appropriations Committee and a long-time supporter of the Consumer Advocate who helped lead the committee's fight to stabilize the OCA's annual budget.

The Public Utilities Commission has suspended the ALLTEL increase until May 27, 1985 and, according to DeWeese, has ordered an investigation into the company's proposed rates. He also said that the Consumer Advocate has hired utility regulation experts to conduct a separate investigation into ALLTEL's claims.

All Photos By O-R

## Vo-Tech Board Creates New Job

WAYNESBURG — The new administrative position of executive officer of the Greene County Vocational-Technical School was created Wednesday at a special meeting of the school's joint operating committee.

The operating committee, which consists of a representative of each of the county's five school boards, named Linda Giroski of Bridgeville to the position, setting her annual salary at \$33,500, to be pro-rated for the balance of the 1984-85 school year.

Giroski has been at the school since August as acting director of vocational education, a position held by Norman Waldman, who is currently on leave. He is scheduled to return on Jan. 21.

Dr. Dolores Zoldos, superintendent of the Carmichaels Area School District who is serving as chief school administrator this year, said that Giroski will be responsible primarily for developing programs and curriculum, for recruiting students and for developing all areas of the school.

She will also explore the possibility of instituting adult education programs, night classes and other programs "to make the school a more vital part of the community," and will work with Waldman in administering the existing programs for high school students. She will be responsible directly to the joint operating committee.

In line with the new administrative alignment, the board adopted revised job descriptions for the two executive positions and a revised organizational chart.

Giroski is currently on leave from the Parkway West Area Technical School at Pittsburgh, where she has held various administrative positions for the past 12 years. She will be resigning from that school.

She received her BS degree in marketing from Youngstown State University and her Masters of Education degree from the University of Pittsburgh, where she also earned director of vocational education certification. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cooper of Waynesburg. In other action at the meeting, the

operating committee reinstated Louis Schneider as an instructor in the licensed practical nursing program, with back pay retroactive to Sept. 14.

The action was taken in line with an arbitrator's ruling on two grievances filed by Schneider, who was originally hired as a substitute and held that position for a year. The arbitrator ruled for the board on a grievance concerning Schneider's salary, ruling that he was bound by a contract he made with the board and not by the staff contract. It ruled, however, that various things which occurred during the year gave him the status of a temporary professional employee rather than a substitute, and that he should have been retained in his position rather than being laid off at the end of his year of teaching.

James Pyle, who is currently senior auto mechanics instructor at the Greater Johnstown Area Vocational-Technical School, was hired as an auto mechanics instructor to fill a vacancy created with the impending resignation of Dan Winger. Pyle's appointment will be effective Jan. 18, with his salary being set at \$22,650.

During the reorganizational meeting, Henry Bacan of the Carmichaels Area School Board was elected president of the joint operating committee for the coming year, with John Berdine of the West Greene Board being elected vice president. They succeeded Adam Novak of Southeastern Greene and Karen Sabo of Jefferson-Morgan, who had served as president and vice president for the past year.

Regular meetings will continue to be held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month.

No action was taken on the appointment of a solicitor until the committee has had an opportunity to review three proposals.

## Divorce Granted

WAYNESBURG — Anita Dawn Miller Hayes of Spraggs R.D.1 was granted a divorce from Gary Larry Hayes of Mt. Morris Star Route in a final decree handed down Tuesday by the Greene County Court.

They were married April 8, 1982. There are no children.

## Borough Delays Budget Talk

CARMICHAELS — Carmichaels Borough Council held a short business meeting Wednesday evening but put off discussing the borough's budget until a work session on Monday. Council members agreed that after the work session, the budget would be tentatively adopted at a special meeting Dec. 17.

The sale of the old borough police car for \$650 to the only bidder, Matt R. Jellick of Carmichaels, was approved. In addition, council agreed to pay \$132 to Thomas Russell for storage of the car for the past month. Russell had donated the car to the borough several years ago, and when a new car was purchased recently, the old police car was returned to him. However, the borough solicitor advised council it could not legally return it and was required to advertise for bids on the old car. Russell then charged the borough for storing the vehicle for a month.

Council voted to approve the plans of "Emergency Medical Transport Inc." to build an office and garage at the corner of George and Hudson streets with the ambulance exit to be on Hudson Street.

Robert W. Watson was appointed to fill a vacancy on the board of the Carmichaels-Cumberland Joint Sewer Authority and Lucille Butler was re-appointed to a three year term on the Flenniken Library Board. Mrs. Butler has served as a library board member since the library was founded in 1959.

Council was notified that its office rent will be raised \$25 a month on Jan. 1, making the borough's rental payment \$175 monthly.

The council voted to approve free parking in the borough from the Dec. 17-24. Members also announced they are looking for three persons to serve as borough auditors for the 1984 audit.

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## Sale of Nursing Home Idea Worth Exploring

The Greene County commissioners raised a lot of eyebrows last week when they strongly hinted that they are seriously considering ways in which the county could be relieved of the financial burden of the Curry Memorial Home.

Their concern about the high cost of operating the nursing home was expressed in connection with preparation of the 1985 county budget, with Commissioner Dan Bailey stating that the board is looking to make some radical changes which could include either the leasing or sale of the nursing home to a private operator.

He pointed out that it costs about \$2.2 million a year to run the 111-bed facility, which experienced a deficit of about \$400,000 this year due to a number of factors, including cutbacks in state and federal funding due to new regulations and higher-than-expected operating costs.

Operation of the home is the largest single item in the county budget, consuming about one-third of total expenditures. Even with the state and federal funds it receives, it is a major consumer of county tax dollars. It also employs about half of the county work force, generating an annual payroll of \$1.7 million.

The woes of the institution are due in large part to changing state regulations on nursing home care and to increasing costs. But it is also due to a great increase in competition from private nursing homes.

As the commissioners pointed out, the Curry Home has had an average of five empty beds this year — a situation which was unheard of during the many years the nursing home had a consistently long list of persons waiting for a vacancy. As recently as a few years ago, in fact, the former board of commissioners were still considering a plan to expand the Curry Home to help meet the demand.

Since then many private nursing homes have been established, most notably the 120-bed Greene Health Care Center which is less than a mile from the Curry Home, and they have greatly reduced the demand for beds at the county institution.

Because Greene County has operated a nursing home for 50 years or so, the idea of looking for a private company to buy or lease the Curry Home comes as a shock.

But as the commissioners noted, many counties which are even larger than Greene County do not operate public nursing homes, and with changing conditions they are probably correct in thinking that the time has come to seriously explore the possibility of taking Greene County out of the nursing home business.

A study may prove them wrong, but they won't know until it has been made.

## Jefferson Fire Hall Paid In Full

JEFFERSON — Less than five years after they built it, members of the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Co. have paid for their new \$450,000 fire hall.

"It represents a lot of hard work by a lot of dedicated people," Fire Chief Rip Jenkins said Monday.

The occasion was marked with a ceremony Saturday afternoon in which Jenkins and President Kevin Clelland joined in lighting a match to the mortgage on the building, while other members, their families and guests watched.

The new fire hall (Jenkins calls it a truck house) was formally dedicated at an open house in February 1980. The 14,000-square-foot building provides space on the first floor for the company's three pumpers, tanker, two ambulances and squad car, as well as its 1950 antique pumper and a 1906 hand-pumper, the oldest fire apparatus in Greene County, which occupies a place of honor.

The building has the only brass pole in any fire station in the county. There also are a vehicle wash bay, radio room, maintenance room and multi-purpose room on the ground floor of the two-story building. The second floor contains a large recreation room for firemen, exercise room, television room and offices, as well as an unfinished area.

The fire hall is attached to the fire

## Student Receives Science Award

Aimee Cettin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cettin of Bobtown, has been named recipient of the annual Bausch & Lomb Science Award at Mapletown High School.

Valerie Burchianti, high school guidance counselor made the presentation. "The Bausch & Lomb award is especially significant because it recognizes the senior student at our school who has attained the highest scholastic standing in science subjects," she said.

As winner of the award, Miss Cettin is eligible for consideration for one of several four-year science scholarships at the University of Rochester in New York.

company's new social hall, which was built in 1976 and which also was paid off within five years. It is used primarily for fund-raising events by the fire company and also is rented for community use, having banquet facilities for 500 people.

Now that the fire hall is paid for, Jenkins said, the company will move on to purchase a new \$175,000 pumper. "We've already placed the order, but it will probably be 1986 before it is delivered," he said.

Founded in 1925, the Jefferson Fire Co. started out with one truck which was stored in Malone's garage. It later moved to an old brick structure on the main street through town, which was used until the new hall was built.

Lorene Shannon of Pittsburgh was architect for the 60-by-123-foot building located just behind the carnival grounds in Jefferson.

The company currently has some 50 members, including four junior members, Jenkins said. Most of the company funding comes from money earned by firemen and auxiliary members through various events, including the annual carnival held during the third week in July.

## Driver Admitted To ARD Program

WAYNESBURG — Leonard Michael Tennant, 43, of Millsboro was admitted to the Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition program following a hearing in Greene County Court Thursday.

Tennant, who was charged with driving while intoxicated, was ordered to pay \$250 in administrative costs, plus court costs, and was placed on probation for six months. He was also ordered to attend driver improvement school and was given a 30-day license suspension.

Charges of forgery, defiant trespass and unlawful taking which had been brought against Thomas William Simkins, 19, Carmichaels, were dropped in court Thursday.

It was brought out that all money had been returned and that all parties involved in the case had agreed to the dropping of charges.

## Faces From The Past-Do You Recognize Them?



This picture of old Eclipse Theater on West High Street, where the Wilson Building now stands, was taken in December, 1914. Pictured left to right are William Gray, assistant projector operator; Ocie Long, ticket seller and Ella Tharp, ticket taker. The picture is the property of Mrs. John W. Scott of Rogersville.

## Must Remove Building

WAYNESBURG — The owner of an old service station in Morrisville has been given 30 days to tear it down or the Franklin Township Supervisors will have the building demolished under the municipality's dilapidated building ordinance.

At the supervisor's meeting Monday, Solicitor Bill Hook reported on a Dec. 5 hearing held in Federal Bankruptcy Court in Pittsburgh with Arthur Spagnol of Spagnol Enterprises of Export.

According to Hook, Spagnol has been given 20 days from the hearing date to begin removing the old Gulf station and, if the building is not removed within 30 days, the supervisors can take appropriate action.

Although the question was raised if the owner should be given more time because of the Christmas holidays, it was noted that the supervisors have been trying for over two years to have the structure removed.

Hook reported that Joe Simatic, manager of Southwestern Pennsylvania Water Authority, is currently checking into how many fire hydrants there are in the township. The water authority, which took over the Southeast Franklin Water Authority, believes there are some hydrants which have not been paid for.

Hook said the matter should not affect the 1985 budget, but taxes may have to be adjusted for the 1986 year depending on the water authority's findings.

The supervisors will meet at 4 p.m. Dec. 31 to adopt the final township budget. The budget was given tentative approval on Nov. 26 and calls for expenditures of \$990,000 with no tax increase.

In other business, the supervisors named Robert Anderson as Affirmative Action Officer for Small Community Grants. The supervisors also agreed to adopt an agreement with the Central Tax Bureau for collection of delinquent per capita taxes.

The supervisors met after the meeting with Hook to discuss a lawsuit by a North Waynesburg woman seeking compensation for damage to her home from a landslide.

## More Audio-Visual Aids Acquired By Library System

WAYNESBURG — Operation Outreach, the audio-visual department of the Greene County Library System, has purchased several new items of interest.

Five filmloops — silent 8mm films — on bowling are available to anyone with a valid library card. A set of slides with teacher's guide, entitled "Report to the Nation on Crime and Justice," is now ready to be used. Four filmstrips with cassettes on the Christmas and Thanksgiving holidays may be borrowed and a record called "Sittercise" may be used by all ages for exercising.

These items and projectors may be borrowed from Operation Outreach at 54 Church Street. For more information, call 852-1900.

## Ice Causes Crash

ROGERSVILLE — A Waynesburg man suffered minor injuries in a one-vehicle accident at 12:45 p.m. Thursday on LR 30041, two miles south of Rogersville.

According to police, George D. Rush, 18, of Waynesburg R.D.4 slid on the icy highway and struck two guardrail posts. Damage was considered moderate.



## Fact and Folklore

John O'Hara

WAYNESBURG — Most county residents are already busy shopping for Christmas gifts and a few are gearing-up for the annual "chore" of last-minute shopping spree.

Local merchants say the shopping is about what they anticipated. The wiser ones have already made their selections and will leave the rest for those of us who always wait.

As usually the jolly atmosphere, traditional for the season, prevails along High Street and the local malls. Also as usual, it's the woman of the house taking the most responsibility and making the decisions.

It always seems the woman of the house makes sure everyone is satisfied with the gifts, makes sure the groceries are in the larder and no one is forgotten during the holiday.

Of course it has always been that way and probably always will.

Students are looking south to the warmer climate of Florida and the beach activity. They are thinking of

ways to get money for air fare and the land of sunshine to get away from the snow and books for at least a weekend.

For many it is a time for reunions and meeting former classmates who have gone to college and will making their first trip back home. Others will be home on leave or furlough from the military and some will return to visit family.

Fathers are thinking of the wide variety of sports on television including the traditional bowl games which begin before Christmas and continue through the New Year's celebration.

Organizations, both civic and fraternal, will be busy with charity work or special events for the needy. These special events, whether for local needy or Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh, bring us all together at this special holiday each year.

'Tis the season to be jolly and also very busy.

## public records

WAYNESBURG — The following deeds were recorded during the past week in the office of Greene County Register and Recorder Thomas Headlee:

**Carmichaels**  
Luther M. Day, executrix James Carter Barr Estate, Carmichaels, to Betty Jane Miller, Carmichaels, house and lot, no consideration.

**Center Township**  
Robert D. and Deborah Lynn D'Angelo, Cameron Star Route, Waynesburg, to Donald and Irene C. Wiseman, Virginia Beach, Va., 30 acres, \$46,500.

Kim S. Gillogly, Holbrook R.D.1, to Anthony F. and Nancy J. Fell, Pine Bank R.D.1, lot, \$6,000.

**Clarksville**  
William A. and Nancy J. Gifford, Waynesburg R.D.6, to Helen B. Craft, Clarksville, lot and improvements, no consideration.

**Cumberland Township**  
Allen M. and Sandra K. Warchak, Brunswick, Ohio, to Donald R. and Clara B. Kovall, Nemaocolin, lot, Nemaocolin, \$300.

Carl D. and Cecilia D. Hughes, Irwin, and others, to Ernie and Lois M. Hornberger, Cumberland Township, lot, \$1,000.

James C. and Mary Ann Hathaway, Carmichaels R.D.1, to Brian Hathaway, Carmichaels, 60 acres, \$35,000.

**Franklin Township**  
Helen G. Dittman, Waynesburg, to Cora Mae Jewell, Lansing, Mich., house and lot, Sherman Avenue, \$52,500.

Thomas L. and Dianna L. Villers, California, to Sophia Albert, Franklin Township, two lots, West Waynesburg, no consideration.

**Gilmore Township**  
Consolidation Coal Co. to Louis A. and Geraldine Eddy, Pine Bank R.D.2, house and lot, no consideration.

**Morgan Township**  
Gilbert E. and Arlene S. Koedel, Athens, Ga., and others, to Consolidation Coal Co., 37.6 acres, \$54,200.

Louis A. and Geraldine Eddy, Pine Bank R.D.2, to Consolidation Coal Co., one acre, no consideration.

**Perry Township**  
Charlotte M. and Charles Proctor, Weirton, W.Va., to Sara Cain, Franklin Township, half interest in five lots, Rush View Plan, no consideration.

**COMPLETES BASIC**  
Pvt. Douglas L. Strope, son of Charles B. Strope of Moundsville, W.Va. R.D.1, and Beverly K. Strope of Cameron, W.Va., has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky.

He is a 1984 graduate of John Marshall High School.

## letterbox

### Help Appreciated

On Tuesday, Dec. 4, the Senior Citizen's van transporting passengers had a tire blow out one mile from the Marianna exit while traveling south on Interstate 79.

To our disappointment, not only the tire was irreparable but the spare tire was also defective.

The anxiety of the passengers was lifted by a gentleman stopping and taking the van driver to the nearest telephone. Next, a state trooper in his routine check spotted us and stopped. He put up flares for our safety.

The third person to show concern was a friend indeed. Jesse Lemley of Mt. Morris Star Route put the spare from his vehicle on the van so we were able to proceed to Waynesburg before complete darkness overtook us.

This appeared like an answer to our prayer. Truly Mr. Lemley demonstrated "loving your neighbor as yourself." On behalf of the Senior Citizen passengers we say, "thank you" for your kindness, concern, trust and generosity.

Later, two others stopped, one male and the other a female to help. Again, thanks from us all to all who cared by sharing.

Max B. McMillan  
Holbrook R.D.

## AROUND TOWN

By THE STAFF

Members of Greene County Retired Public Schools Employees held their Christmas meeting Saturday Dec. 1, at Benedum Hall on the Waynesburg College campus.

Mrs. Winelle Gray presented the program, which included the singing of Christmas carols led by Mrs. Martha Litten, with Jeannie Gordo at the organ.

The Rev. David Barrett, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesburg, spoke of his trip to the Holy Land, Egypt and central Europe. While in Europe he attended the Passion Play at Oberammergau which marked its 350th anniversary this year.

Joseph Siegman, PRPSEA lobbyist in Harrisburg, announced that the legislative committee of the state association is working for passage of an automatic cost of living and hospitalization bill. He also said that PRPSEA has initiated a "Foundation Fund" campaign with the goal of erecting a new headquarters building.

At the county level, enrollment has increased with 14 new life members and nine chapter members. All retiring or retired school employees are eligible to join.

Mrs. Lewis Vance, chapter president, introduced guests, who included Domenick Capelli, president of the Fayette County association; Cameli Ronco, District 7 chairman of public relations; Jack Bendall of Region 1; Mrs. Jack Bendall, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Siegman.

The next meeting of the association will be held on March 9, 1985. The time and place will be announced.

Tech. Sgt. Robert E. Redinger was recently awarded an associate degree in applied science by the Community College of the Air Force headquartered at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Redinger is a weather technician with the 3rd Weather Squadron at Langley Air Force Base, Va. His wife Air Force Tech. Sgt. Christy A. Redinger, is a daughter of Harry L. and Virginia B. Schiffbauer of Carmichaels R.D.1. He is a son of C. Arlene Redinger of Chambersburg and Robert F. Redinger of Everette.

Pvt. Douglas L. Strope, son of Charles B. Strope of Moundsville W.Va. R.D.1, and Beverly K. Strope of Cameron, W.Va., has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky.

He is a 1984 graduate of John Marshall High School in Glen Dale W.Va.

Mr. and Mrs. David Shaw of Waynesburg selected the name Ashlee Renee for their daughter born November 15, 1984, at West Virginia University Hospital, Morgantown.

Paternal grandparents are Clarence and Donnie Shaw of Waynesburg. Maternal grandparents are Jim and Shirley Marin of Waynesburg. Evelyn L. Reynolds of Waynesburg is the maternal great-grandmother.

Area residents enjoyed the annual "Hanging of the Greens" Christmas program at Waynesburg College Friday night. The Part-Tyme Players and the Waynesburg College Lamplighters performed in Alumni Hall and afterwards a large tree of the west side of Miller Hall was lighted for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Robin Roberts of Waynesburg announce the birth of a son, Gregory Scott, on Saturday, December 8, 1984 in Greene County Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Roberts is the former Donna Zimmerman. Robert is employed by the Observer-Rd porter in its Greene County office.

# Senior Football Player Honored

**CARMICHAELS** — Thomas Rumancik was honored as the "Outstanding Senior Football Player" at the Carmichaels Lions Club Senior Football Banquet held in the grange hall Wednesday night.

Rumancik, in accepting the trophy, said the success of the program this year was due to the fine effort of the whole team and, while he was appreciative of the honor, the whole team should share in it.

Rumancik has been named as All-Conference Defense Player of the Year and a member of the Observer-Reporter All-District team.

Bill Dukett, offensive coordinator and assistant coach of the Washington and Jefferson Prexies, was the principal speaker at the banquet. Dukett, in giving a brief review of the Prexies season, said he believed their success was due to successful cooperation between the staff and the players.

He said there are four essentials to

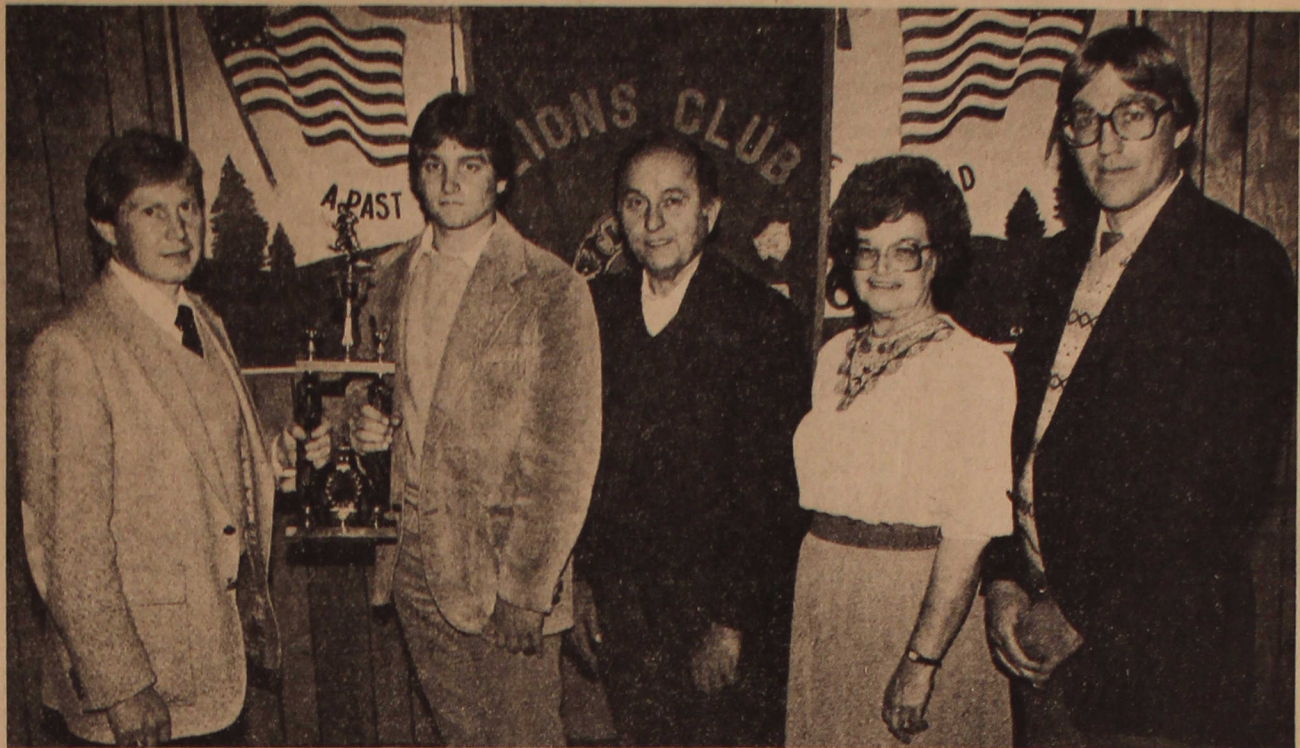
a winning program: preparation, confidence, loyalty and pride. He added that these essentials can be carried from the football field into daily life.

He congratulated Rumancik on his award and all the seniors present for a good season and a winning attitude.

In brief remarks, Athletic Director John Krajnak, told the parents how proud he was to be a part of the Carmichaels Area High School football team.

Toastmaster Frank Ricco introduced seniors Mark Mieter, Gerald Swift, Richard Hroblak, Scott Bowser, Barry Guesman, Bill Cooper, Bernice Zeiglar, Randy Durr and Mark Voithoffer. All were honored by the club for their participation in the football program.

Other guests included head football coach Tom McCombs and his staff, a parent of the senior players and sons and daughters of the Lions club members.



From left, Carmichaels Lions Club President Oscar Hathaway, Thomas Rumancik, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Valent Rumancik, and Bill Dukett.

## Jackets Win

**WAYNESBURG** — Just when it seemed Sam Church was ready to pull the gun down from over the fireplace and take off after the schedule-makers for Waynesburg College's wrestling team, something nice happened.

The Yellow Jackets grabbed a victory.

Almost immediately, things changed.

The smiles were back on the wrestlers' faces after a thrilling 29-19 victory over California on a bitterly-cold Thursday evening.

The win was the first for the Yellow Jackets, who were thumped earlier this season by Division I powers Pitt and West Virginia.

"Yeah, it's been a pretty rugged start," said Church. "It's hard for Division I schools because they do so much tournament activities. We'd like to move our schedule around and put some teams in between. Like California."

### J-M 51, Sweet Wheats 49

**WAYNESBURG** — For three quarters, Waynesburg Central High School's new girls basketball coach Nick Mandich had a reason to smile. That's because the Sweet Wheats were leading Jefferson-Morgan 37-26 with eight minutes left to play.

But Waynesburg ran out of personal fouls and experience and the Rockettes went on a scoring run of their own to edge Waynesburg 51-49, ruining Mandich's coaching debut.

"We have a very inexperienced team and we just got into foul trouble," Mandich said. "At halftime we had three girls with three personals and two girls with four."

### Mikettes 39, AC 36

**CARMICHAELS** — The loss of three starters who fouled out late in the game did not keep Carmichaels High School girls from defeating Albert Gallatin 39-36 in basketball competition Friday night.

The Mikettes led throughout the game, sparked by 18 points by Kim David, her team's only scorer in double figures.

Identical 16-point efforts by Chris Elias and Deanna Appleton kept the Colonials in contention.

### Wbg. 49, Highlanders 36

**CLAYSVILLE** — Tammy McIntire scored 14 points while teammate Natalie Braddock added 11 as Waynesburg High School opened its Section 11-AAA girls basketball schedule with a 49-36 victory over McGuffey.

The victory evens the Lady Raiders' overall record at 1-1, with Debbie Walker adding 10 points for the winners.

But Church had to be wondering near the end of the match. The Vulcans held a 19-11 lead and three bouts remained. But the Yellow Jackets racked up three consecutive pins — Mark Kissell nailed Cal's Glen Buchert in 3:59 at 177 pounds; Brian Ross (190) put away John Cerny at 3:25 and heavyweight Rusty Wright pinned Mike Mihalek at 2:05.

"This first win feels good," said Church, who watched as the Yellow Jackets raised their record to 1-2. "Wins always feel good. It takes the pressure off the kids. It's hard for a good high school wrestler to lose four or five times in a row."

The Jackets got an indication of how satisfying a night it would be when Mark Hogue (118) pinned California's Roger Shirey at 3:47 to hand Waynesburg a quick 6-0 lead.

"I was really delighted with the pin at 18," Church said. "Shirey is a good kid and this was an important match for us."

After the Vulcans' Rick Travis (126) decisioned Jim Jenkins, 15-9, to cut the lead to 6-3, Waynesburg's Scott Arrigoni and Mike Downing of California battled to an 8-8 draw. But according to Church, the Jackets benefited more from the tie.

"We didn't expect that," he said. "That tie was great because that kid (Downing) was real good."

In a wild bout following the draw, Waynesburg's Tim Gump managed to come out with a 21-18 decision over Jori DiDomenico at 142 pounds to put the Jackets up 11-5.

California then reeled off three consecutive wins to take a 19-11 lead. John Mansfield (150), a product of Canon-McMillan High School, decisioned the Jackets' Dennis Cook, 7-2, Vin Hanlon (158) easily handled Kevin Woods with a 21-7 superior decision, and Bill Harris (167) pinned Waynesburg's Bill Mundell at :31.

"Mundell has been catching some bears lately," Church said. "He's had three tough kids and he gets down when he gets pinned. We've had several kids catch some bears lately."

But pins in the last three weight classes secured the victory.

"We have a couple of kids wrestling out of order," Church said. "Maybe when we get some kids back from injuries, it will make us a more solid team. We'll be well-balanced then. We have a kid out at 67 and we had to move Mundell up."

What also makes this a satisfying win, of course, is the rivalry between the two schools.

"It's a pretty good rivalry, but it's a friendly rivalry," Church said. "We always try to keep things friendly because it's more fun for everybody. There was good intensity out there. I personally enjoy competing against them."

## Trinity Drops Raiders For Second Win

Certainly nobody on Trinity High School's boys basketball team has an aversion for the basket.

Four Hillers reached double figures as Trinity easily secured its second win of the exhibition season Saturday night, 72-59, over Waynesburg Central.

Sophomore point guard Mike Selway led the way, scoring 19 points, while Tim O'Connor added 14, Chuck Goudy, 12, and Basil Martin, 11.

Besides his 11 points, Martin led the Hillers in rebounds with 14.

Waynesburg (1-1) received an 18-point effort from Mark Dukate, while John Adams added 16 points.

### Raiders 75, Maples 57

**MAPLETOWN** — Waynesburg Central High School, with four players in double figures, had little trouble with Mapletown in Friday's opening game for both Greene County boys' basketball teams.

The Raiders rolled to a 75-57 victory behind Mark Dukate's 22 points; 19 by Steve Stuck; 13 by Tim Jackovic and 10 by Pete Walker.

Mike Sbrinovich, the game's high scorer with 23, and Marty Orsky with 12 provided most of the Maples' offense.

### AC 61, Mikes 59

**MASONTOWN** — Albert Gallatin, holding off a last-minute surge, took a thrilling 61-59 exhibition win from Carmichaels High School's boys basketball team Friday night.

The Colonials (1-0), bolstered by 15 points from both Buddy Quertinnont and Tom Carafa, were able to offset a 30-point performance by the Mikes' Brian Blasinsky.

Mark Meiter add 15 and Roger Waters 12 for Carmichaels.

### Bearcats 59, Mikettes 35

**BENTLEYVILLE** — Bentworth High School scored early and often to defeat Carmichaels 59-35 in exhibition action.

Jennifer Johnson led the Bearcats, now 2-0 overall, with 19 points while Amy Liker had 16 and Jamie Adams 14. Bentworth jumped to a 20-6 first quarter lead and held a 36-14 halftime advantage.

Missy Chess led Carmichaels, now 0-1, with 15 points.

## Geneva Trips Waynesburg

**BEAVER FALLS** — Waynesburg College's basketball team learned a little bit about the Towering Trio Thursday night at Geneva College's Methany Fieldhouse.

The Yellow Jackets were crushed by Geneva, 80-73, in a District 18 game and the trio of 6-7 Charles Hawthorne, 6-9 Lee Fausneucht and 6-7 Thomas Gaston had a field day.

They scored 63 of Geneva's 80

points. "We expected it. It's a good game plan to use when you have a front line of 6-10, 6-7, 6-7," Waynesburg head coach Rudy Marisa said after watching his smaller Yellow Jackets get manhandled inside.

Geneva's Hawthorne, coming off a disappointing nine-point performance Tuesday night in a loss to Pitt-Bradford, came back with a game-high 40

points and nine rebounds.

"He didn't hang his head after Tuesday's game and I'm happy about that," said Geneva's first-year head coach Mark Evans. "He knows every great player has two or three bad games a year. He played an outstanding individual game within the parameter of our offense."

The loss gave Waynesburg (1-2) a two-game losing streak and broke the Golden Tornadoes' three-game losing streak.

Gaston added 17 points and nine rebounds while Fausneucht had six points and six rebounds for the winners.

Senior Paul Stanley led Waynesburg with 19 points and seven rebounds while sophomore Harold Hamlin added 21 points and freshman Chris Greene 14 points and seven rebounds.

Geneva led most of the first half and held a 36-27 lead with 6:26 remaining in the half when Gaston made a jump shot. The Jackets managed to battle back, however, and took a 45-43 lead at intermission.

Waynesburg held the lead, 54-51, early in the second half on a shot by Theron Hogue, who finished with nine points. But Gaston led Geneva's comeback and tied it, 54-54, with 13:33 remaining in the game.

The Jackets had consecutive dunks by Hamlin and Stanley to cut the Geneva lead to 61-60 with 10:39 left and seemed to gain momentum. Hamlin and Greene followed with baskets to give Waynesburg a 64-61 lead.

Geneva (2-3) came back again, though. Hawthorne led the way, starting with a jumper with 6:20 left. It gave Geneva the lead for good, 67-66.

"Two dunks don't make a basketball game," Marisa said. "We have a lot of technique to learn and experience to gain."

Geneva, however, was pleased with the effort.

"It was a nice win for us. It showed our kids that the system works," said Evans, who's team has gone defensive and pattern offense-oriented this season.

"When we play intelligent basketball like we did tonight, that's just fine. The kids have not panicked. We have a 26-game schedule and have to continue to improve little by little. Patience, intensity and intelligence are three things we have to continue to learn. We showed a lot of three tonight."

## College Basketball

**ERIE** — Waynesburg College's basketball team snapped its two-game losing streak and pounded Penn State-Behrend, 100-62, Saturday night in a District 18 game.

Paul Stanley led the Yellow Jackets, 2-2 overall and 1-0 in the district, with 27 points while Harold Hamlin added 22 points and 10 rebounds. Senior center Don Crawford added a

season-high 11 points and nine rebounds for Waynesburg and freshman Chris Greene had 10 points.

"It was one of those games when everything went well," said Waynesburg head coach Rudy Marisa. "I wish we could have saved some of those points for another game, though. It was nice to see us getting together after two consecutive losses. We were anxious to get back on track."

Waynesburg dominated the game and led 49-31 at the half.

Sophomore Dave Blanks led the Cubs with 13 points while 6-8 center Randy Gorniak added 12 for the losers.

"It's nice to win away from home and their place is not an easy place to win," Marisa said. "Last year the game went into overtime there so winning like we did was nice."

"Our guys just played together very well. That was the key."

Freshman point guard Kevin Lee had 11 assists for Waynesburg.

## Bowling

Louise Hewitt led her Spiders team to a shutout win over the Gnats in Afternoon Tea League play this week at Arbor Terrace Center.

She rolled a 209 single game and 510 series while Sophie Fahey led the losers with a 168 single and 488 series.

The Wasps took three points from the Fleas behind the efforts of Connie Vernon who rolled a 187 single and 496 series. Karen Tanner was high gun for the losers with a 194 single and 486 series.

The Ants took three points from the Hornets behind Judy Hartmann's 162 single and 442 series. Erma Short paced the losers with a 163 single and 438 series.

The Flies took three points from the Bees with Doris Wagener rolling a 164 single and 455 series for the winners. Evelyn Brunofsky tossed a high 155 for the Bees while teammate Edith Haines rolled a 405 series.

### Rockettes 57, Devils 32

**BURGETTSTOWN** — Jefferson-Morgan High School won its second game of the season in as many tries by rolling past Burgettstown, 57-32.

The Rockettes broke open a close game after one period by outscoring Burgettstown 22-4 in the second quarter.

Angie Kelly led Jeff-Morgan with 21 points while Eva Zurich added 14

## College Wrestling

The wrestling teams of both Waynesburg College and California University were in action over the weekend.

The Vulcans dropped two of three matches at the Pitt-Johnstown Tournament to put their record at 1-4. California lost to UPJ, 35-9, and Millersville, 35-15, and defeated Mansfield, 35-18.

Waynesburg used pins from Mark Hogue (118), Jim Jenkins (126), Tim Gump (142), Kevin Woods (158), Shawn Richardson (167), Mark Kissell (177), and heavyweight Rusty Wright to drop Muskingum, 53-3.

Dennis Cook (150) and Brian Ross (190) were the other winners for the Yellow Jackets, who raised their record to 2-2. Muskingum fell to 0-3.

## Raiders Won't Succumb

By Joe Tuscano, O-R Sports Staff

It all started with an innocent realignment of teams.

At the time, Waynesburg High School's wrestling team was enjoying life at the top of the heap in Class AA and then, poof, the rug was pulled out from under the Red Raiders.

Suddenly, Waynesburg was battling Class AAA teams in one of the most difficult sections in the WPIAL. Suddenly, section titles were no longer the norm. Suddenly, things were not as rosy as they once were.

Consider: The Red Raiders enjoyed supremacy in Section 8-AA but in the rugged Section 7-AAA, have disappeared in the shadows of Trinity, Canon-McMillan and Chartiers-Houston.

While a Double-A school, Waynesburg captured three WPIAL team titles in the past eight years. In Triple-A, the Red Raiders have not made the playoffs.

It is not likely that, in the near future, Waynesburg's enrollment will drop low enough to re-enter Double-A.

Still, Waynesburg has not rolled over and died; that's just not their style. And while head coach Joe Ayersman stays low-keyed, there is no doubt the possibility of winning a Section 7 title has him licking his

chops.

"We've got a lot of lettermen back and we hope we're going to be improved," Ayersman said. "We've got some big sophomores coming up and they should help."

Waynesburg jumps right into the thick of its Section 7 schedule against Trinity, Tuesday, Dec. 18, McGuffey Saturday, Dec. 22, and Canon-McMillan Wednesday, Jan. 2. Ayersman's next win will make him the winningest coach in the school's history.

And the Red Raiders will accomplish it without the benefit of Chuck Shriver, who will probably be lost for the season with torn knee ligaments. Shriver, who amassed a 17-11 record at 138 pounds last year, was a third-place finisher in the section.

"He wrestled in a couple of tournaments this fall but it wasn't getting any better," Ayersman said. "It's a real loss for us."

Chuck Rettinger, a junior letterman, will replace Shriver. But there is still quite a hole left in the middle weights by his loss. Yet, solid seasons by seniors Scott Brewer (132) and Jack Herrod (145) could change that.

One of the bright spots for Waynesburg this season will be the return of senior Dave McWilliams, a section runnerup with an 18-6 record at 112.

"We need McWilliams to have a good year," Ayersman said. "At 119 we have Shane Cole and he'll be battling it out with Steve Keeners."

The lower and upper weights will be the Red Raider strong point, even though their senior heavyweight, Mike Bussey, has not wrestled since junior high.

"That's always been kind of a soft spot for us," Ayersman said. "He lacks experience but he's a strong boy. It's just a matter of us giving him some basics. As the year goes on, we hope he can improve and get better."

Scott Blair will return at 98 pounds, and Doug Higgins at 185, but Ayersman will dip into what he feels is a talented pool of sophomores for help. Chad McCracken and Scott Longwell will get a look at 167, as will Cal Hensley. Bill Corbett could also see action at 185.

"I'm optimistic about the sophomore class, especially with the middleweights we have coming up," said Ayersman, who is looking to improve on last season's 11-4 overall record and 4-3 section mark. "If we get some lightweights and heavyweights next year, we'll be all right. But if we get anyone hurt in the lightweights or heavyweights this year, we'll have to forfeit."

And a season that has already tossed some strikes at the Red Raiders could be that much longer.



## Boosters Club Officers

The Waynesburg College Yellow Jacket Boosters Club elected new officers at a recent meeting. At the meeting were, from left, Rudy Marisa, athletic director and head basketball coach; Dr. J. Thomas Mills, college president; William Tornabene, head football coach; Jack Glass, newly-elected Booster's Club president; Dr. Bruce Shipe, vice president; Ed Knight, assistant treasurer; and Jay Espenshade, secretary. Ralph Sommers, who was elected treasurer, is not pictured.

## Greene County Obituaries

### Freda F. Strosnider

Freda F. Strosnider, 80, of 76 East Lincoln Street, Waynesburg, died Thursday, December 6, 1984 in the Greene Health Care Center following an illness of three weeks.

She was born October 31, 1904 at Jefferson, a daughter of Samuel J. and Mary Redlingshaffer Fulton, and had resided most of her life in Waynesburg. Her husband, J. Fred Strosnider, died February 2, 1967.

Mrs. Strosnider graduated from Jefferson High School and attended Waynesburg College. She was employed for 29 years by the Democrat Messenger as society editor and in other capacities, retiring in 1973.

She was a member of the Oak View United Methodist Church, where she had served as organist and as a member of the administrative board, as well as being active in the United Methodist Women.

She was a Gold Star Mother and was a past president of the auxiliary to James Farrell Post 330, American Legion, and had served as president of the Tri-County (Washington-Greene-Fayette) Council of the Legion Auxiliary.

She was a 45-year member and past president of Emerald Chapter 135, Order of Eastern Star, and had also served as worthy high priestess of Bethesda Shrine No. 25 at Washington.

She was a past noble grant of Lady Greene Rebekah Lodge 385 at Waynesburg and a past district deputy president in the Rebekahs. She held the degree of Chivalry from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

She was also an active member and had held offices in Wayne Council 124, Daughters of America, the Pleasant Hour Club, the Mothers Study Club, the Polly Wayne Garden Club, the East Franklin Grange and the Jefferson Township Society of Farm Women.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Everett H. (Mabel) Fitch of Waynesburg; two nieces, Mrs. Lloyd M. (Mary Jane) Blair of Waynesburg and Miss Lois Fitch of Scotsdale, Ariz.; two great-nieces, Jeanette Blair Lindsey of Waynesburg and Janice Blair of Jefferson, and a great-nephew, Lloyd E. Blair of Waynesburg.

### Ellis M. Christen

Ellis M. Christen, 87, of Jefferson R.D.1, formerly of Fowler, Ind., died at 11 p.m. Wednesday, December 5, 1984 in Greene County Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born April 13, 1897 at Monmouth, Ind., a son of Edward S. and Frances Marlow Christen, and had resided most of his life at Fowler, Ind., having moved to the Jefferson area several months ago. He was a retired county agent for Benton County, Ind.

Mr. Christen was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Fowler Presbyterian Church and the Masonic Lodge and Rotary Club at Fowler. He was a graduate of Purdue University and received his master's degree at Pennsylvania State University.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Rogers Christen, whom he married June 27, 1922; four daughters, Mrs. Joseph H. (Harriet) Sanders of San Clemente, Calif., Mrs. C. Thomas (Lois) Maddox of West Lafayette, Ind., Carol Christen of Jefferson R.D.1, who is Greene County extension home economist, and Mrs. James M. (Beth) Madison of Morgantown, W.Va.; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Naomi Allen of Terre Haute, Ind. and Mrs. Catherine Crum of Richmond, Ind.

A son, Edward; a brother, Ferd, and a sister, Margaret Whistler, are deceased.

### Mabel B. Phillips

Mabel Bernice Phillips, 91, Waynesburg R.D. 2, died at 11:30 p.m. Saturday, December 8, 1984 in West Virginia University Hospital, Morgantown, following an illness of two months.

She was a daughter of Nathan B. and Emma Groves Johnston and was born November 18, 1893 in Center Township, where she resided in early life. She had made her home in the Muddy Creek area for 80 years.

Her husband, Frederick Phillips, died February 15, 1959.

Mrs. Phillips was a member of the former Muddy Creek Presbyterian Church, now the Greene Valley Presbyterian Church.

### Louis A. Krutko

Louis A. Krutko, 78, Carmichaels, died Sunday, December 9, 1984 at Greene County Memorial Hospital.

He was born October 8, 1906 in Czechoslovakia, a son of John and Mary Treger Krutko, and had resided in the Carmichaels area for the past 64 years. He was a retired miner who had worked at the Crucible mine.

Mr. Krutko was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Carmichaels, where he served on many committees. He was also a member of the United Lutheran Society Assembly 242 at Fredericktown, and of Dilworth Local 1980, United Mine Workers of America.

Surviving are his wife, Susan Batovsky Krutko; four sons, Paul Krutko of Strongsville, Ohio, Melvin Krutko of Macedonia, Ohio, Daniel Krutko of East Lake, Ohio and Robert Krutko of Bedford, Ohio; a daughter, Mrs. Walter (Evelyn) Brown of Cortland, Ohio; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Adeline Bendick of New Kensington.

A brother and a sister are deceased.

### Charlotte Tate

Charlotte Y. Tate, 76, of 496 North Morris Street, Waynesburg, died Tuesday, December 4, 1984 in Montefiore Hospital, Pittsburgh, after an illness of three weeks.

She was born August 19, 1908 in Pittsburgh, a daughter of the late James and Lillian Hopkins Mitchell, and had resided at Waynesburg for the past 25 years. Her husband, Earl Tate, died in 1967.

Mrs. Tate had been employed as a cook for the Denny family of Waynesburg. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Waynesburg.

Surviving are a son, Henry Tate of Pittsburgh; two grandchildren; a brother, Albert Mitchell of Pittsburgh; three nephews and four nieces.

A sister, Mrs. Helen Hux, and a brother, Robert Mitchell, are deceased.

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### Trucks Collide

WAYNESBURG — No injuries were reported from an accident at 12:05 p.m. Sunday at the corner of High and Porter Streets in Waynesburg.

Borough police said pickup trucks operated by Kenneth Conklin, 22, Sycamore and Barry Miller, 24, Waynesburg collided at the intersection. Damage was reported as moderate.

Borough police also reported that Sally Lou Lydic, 29, Waynesburg, suffered a minor knee injury and was treated at Greene County Memorial Hospital following a collision at 10:50 a.m. Friday at the corner of Fourth Avenue and North Richhill streets.

The driver of the other car, Debra Kay Sauers, 24, Waynesburg, was not injured. Damage was listed as moderate.

### Vehicle Skids

WAYNESBURG — A Washington County man suffered a head laceration at 2:30 a.m. Saturday when his car skidded on a curve and went off a country road in Dunkard Township.

State police at Waynesburg said Carl Fike of Fredericktown was taken to Monongalia General Hospital in Morgantown, W.Va., by the Bobtown Fire Company ambulance. Police said the car was badly damaged.

### Home Burgled

WAYNESBURG — Property valued at more than \$900 was stolen sometime during the past weekend from the home of James Ritchea on Route 30001, a half mile north of Aleppo.

State police at Waynesburg said an unknown person or persons forced open a window to get into the house. The type of stolen articles was not listed.



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### Jaycees Join

The Carmichaels Jaycees have donated more than \$200 worth of new toys for distribution by the Tri-County Leathernecks Club. The toys will be distributed at Russell's Used Car lot on Saturday, Dec. 15. From left: Ivan Modrick, president of the Marine unit, and Rob Cole, representing the Jaycees.

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### TEACHERS MEET

WAYNESBURG — Members of Greene County Retired Public Schools Employees held their Christmas meeting Saturday, Dec. 1, at Benedum Hall on the Waynesburg College campus.

Mrs. Winelle Gray presented the program, which included the singing of Christmas carols led by Mrs. Martha Litten, with Jeannie Gordon at the organ.

The Rev. David Barrett, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesburg, spoke of his trip to the Holy Land, Egypt and central Europe. While in Europe he attended the Passion Play at Oberammergau, which marked its 350th anniversary this year.

Humble team with a 198 single and 558 series. Donna Knisely topped the M&M team with a 229 single and 569 series.

Baily Insurance and Hopkins & Sons split their match with Bonnie Kiger leading the Hopkins team with a 185 single and 493 series. For Baily's, Cindy Palmer rolled a 455 series and Janie Headlee, a 163 single.

### FIRST BIRTHDAY

Lewis Russell (Rusty) Rice, son of Lewis and Lida M. Rice of Waynesburg, will celebrate his first birthday Friday.

Grandparents are Mark and Sue H. Morris of Waynesburg. Great-grandmothers are Opal Howard and Stella Rice of Waynesburg.