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Most Municipalities Expect No Tax Increase

WAYNESBURG — Greene County's 26 municipalities have budgeted in excess of \$6.6 million to finance local government operations in 1985.

But even though it represents an increase of 12 percent over 1984 budgets, the only tax increase will be in Perry Township, where the property tax will be raised by one mill to provide additional revenue in support of the Mt. Morris Volunteer Fire Company.

Two townships, in fact, have reduced their property taxes. Wayne Township, which has had the highest levy of any of the 20 townships, will cut its levy by two mills to 15 mills, while Richhill Township will pare one mill off to reduce its levy to three mills.

Secretaries in all of the townships, where a large portion of the budget involves maintenance of the county's 859 miles of township roads, reported healthy cash balances going into the new year.

In general, townships in the western part of the county have the lowest taxes because that's where most of the county's coal reserves are located to give them healthy assessment bases. In some cases, companies which own the coal pay as much as 75 percent of the property taxes.

Total expenditures in the 20 townships are estimated at \$5,440,879. In addition to taxes, major sources of revenues are state gasoline tax allocations, which total approximately \$1.2 million, and federal revenue sharing funds totaling some \$600,000.

Township budgets are currently open for public inspection and are scheduled for adoption late this

month, most of them on Dec. 31, with Gray Township being the only one which has already adopted its budget.

The six boroughs have total budgets of \$1,198,548, of which \$902,107 is found in the Waynesburg spending plan. Unlike the townships, all but Carmichaels Borough have already adopted their budgets. None include any tax increases.

A summary for each of the 20 townships and six boroughs:

TOWNSHIPS

Aleppo — Aleppo Township is scheduled to adopt its \$96,900 budget on Dec. 31. There will be no change in the three-mill property tax or \$5 per capita tax. The township also gets half the revenue from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax, with the West Greene School District getting the other half.

Center — Center Township will retain its present six-mill property tax, with ¼ of a mill being designated for fire protection. The township also levies a \$3 per capita tax and shares revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax with the West Greene School District. The budget, with expenditures estimated at \$263,995, is scheduled for adoption on Dec. 31.

Cumberland — Cumberland Township, which is the only one in the county to maintain a police department, is scheduled to adopt its \$770,983 budget on Dec. 31, with no change in the 10-mill property tax which has been in effect for the past 10 years. It includes eight mills for general purposes, one mill for the new machinery fund, and one mill for fire protection. The township also levies a

\$5 per capita tax, \$5 occupation privilege tax, and shares revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax with the Carmichaels Area School District.

Dunkard — Dunkard township will retain its present 11½-mill property tax in 1985 to finance a budget of \$218,000. The township also levies a \$5 per capita tax and \$5 occupation tax and shares with the Southeastern Greene School District the revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax. The budget is scheduled for adoption on Dec. 31.

Franklin — Franklin Township is scheduled to adopt its \$990,000 budget on Dec. 31 with no change in the present eight-mill property tax, which includes five mills for general purposes, two mills for fire protection and one mill for machinery. The township has a \$5 per capita tax and a \$10 occupation privilege tax. It and the Central Greene School District share revenue from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Freeport — Freeport Township will adopt its \$58,368 budget on Dec. 27, with no change in the four-mill property tax. It has a \$3 per capita tax and shares with the West Greene School District revenues from a one

percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Gilmore — Gilmore Township has proposed a budget of \$174,673 for the coming year which will be adopted on Dec. 31. There will be no change in the 3½-mill property tax and \$3 per capita tax. The township and West Greene School District share revenue from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Gray — Gray Township, which is the smallest in the county, adopted its \$19,443 budget on Dec. 17 with no change in the two-mill property tax, which includes one mill for fire protection. The township also has a \$5 per capita tax. It and the West Greene School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Greene — Greene Township will retain its present 5¼-mill property tax to finance a \$200,000 budget which will be adopted on Dec. 31. The township also collects a \$5 per capita tax and a \$5 occupation privilege tax. It and the Southeastern Greene School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Jackson — Jackson Township is scheduled to adopt its \$143,631 budget on Dec. 29 with no change in the two-

mill property tax and \$5 per capita tax. It and the West Greene School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer township.

Jefferson — Jefferson Township will adopt a \$250,000 budget on Dec. 31 with no change in the 12½ mill property tax, with includes 10½ mills for general purposes and two mills for the machinery fund. The township also collects a \$3 per capita tax and \$5 occupation privilege tax. It and the Jefferson-Morgan School District share revenues from a one-percent earned income tax and a one-percent realty transfer tax.

Monongahela — There will be no change in the five-mill property tax when Monongahela Township adopts its \$175,000 budget on Dec. 31. The township also collects a \$2 per capita tax and a \$5 occupation tax and shares revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax with the Southeastern Greene School District.

Morgan — Morgan Township will adopt a \$300,000 budget on Dec. 31 which is based on the same 11-mill property tax now in effect. It includes eight mills for general purposes, one mill for fire protection and two mills for new machinery. The township also levies a \$5 occupation privilege tax

and shares with the Jefferson-Morgan School District revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Morris — There will be no change in the present 5.4-mill property tax when the Morris Township supervisors adopt their \$142,000 budget on Dec. 28. The township also levies a \$5 per capita tax. It and the West Greene School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Perry — Perry Township will adopt a budget of \$400,263 on Dec. 31, with the property tax being raised from six to seven mills, but with no change in the allocation of five mills to the general fund. The increase will double financial support for the fire company, which currently is receiving the revenue from one mill of tax. The township also collects a \$3 per capita tax and \$10 occupation privilege tax. It shares revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax with the Central Greene School District.

Richhill — Richhill Township will adopt a \$220,200 budget on Dec. 31 and will reduce the property tax from four mills to three mills, of which one mill is earmarked for fire protection. The township also collects a \$2 per capita tax and a \$10 occupation privilege tax. It and the West Greene School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Springhill — There will be no change in the 5½-mill property tax when the Springhill Township supervisors adopt a \$110,000 budget on Dec. 31. The township also levies a \$1 per capita tax and shares revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax with the West Greene School District.

Washington — The Washington Township supervisors will adopt their \$140,000 budget on Dec. 31, continuing the present 6½-mill property tax, \$5 per capita tax and \$10 occupation privilege tax. The township and Central Greene School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax.

Wayne — The Wayne Township will cut the property tax levy from 17 mills to 15 mills when they adopt a \$504,463 budget on Dec. 31. Included in the budget is an allocation of \$75,000 for double sealing of roads. The township also collects a \$5 per capita tax and shares revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax with the Central Greene School District.

Whiteley Township — Whiteley Township will adopt a \$263,000 budget on Dec. 31, with no change in the two-mill property tax. Much of the operation costs will come from investments revenues from a \$750,000 capital improvement fund set up in 1981 with revenues from a realty transfer tax payment when U.S. Steel sold coal reserves in the township. Because of the size of the fund, the township is barred by state legislation from levying an earned income tax or realty transfer tax.

BOROUGHS

Carmichaels — Carmichaels Borough is scheduled to adopt an \$82,067 budget on Dec. 28, with no change in the 14-mill property tax, which includes one mill for fire protection. The borough also collects a \$5 per capita tax, \$5 occupation privilege tax and \$50 business privilege tax.

Clarksville — Clarksville Borough's \$19,400 budget for 1985 was adopted on Dec. 14 with no change in the 11-mill property tax, \$5 occupation privilege tax and \$25 tax on game machines. The borough and Jefferson-Morgan School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax.

Greensboro — Greensboro Borough Council adopted its \$43,000 budget on Dec. 22, with no change in the 14-mill property tax or the occupation tax. The borough and Southeastern Greene School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax.

Jefferson — A budget of \$69,500 was adopted by Jefferson Borough Council on Dec. 3 with no change in the \$5 occupation privilege tax or \$15 game machine levy. It and the Jefferson-Morgan School District share revenues from a one percent earned

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Board Agrees On Settlement With Former Football Coach

WAYNESBURG — The Central Greene School District has reached a settlement in a grievance filed by former teacher and high school football coach Thomas Vent.

Superintendent Nancy Davis confirmed Wednesday that the school board has agreed to pay the teaching salary Vent would have earned during the 1984-85 school year, less any unemployment compensation he has received. It also agreed to continue him in the district's medical insurance coverage until he gets another job or until August 1985, whichever comes first.

Mrs. Davis said it would be difficult at this time to give a settlement figure since the district has no information as yet on the amount of unemployment compensation he has received. She estimated, however, that it would cost the equivalent of one semester of salary.

Township Vacating Highway

By Marcia M. Biddle, Staff Writer

CARMICHAELS — The Cumberland Township supervisors held a public hearing Thursday in preparation for vacating a portion of township route 567.

The road is unpaved and there is no bridge at the point where it crosses Muddy Creek making it impassable when the water is high. A portion of the road slid into the creek last spring, and the township engineer said since the road is about 20 feet above the creek at that point it would be too costly to rebuild.

Since the home of Joseph Lapkowitz is the only one beyond the slip, the supervisors shifted a portion of the road to the left and Lapkowitz agreed to maintain it in the future. The road will be vacated between township route 684, or Johnson's Hill, and the property line of Homer Headlee, which is about 100 feet from the creek.

The supervisors also announced they are making preparations to accept Rinehart Avenue in Carmichaels into the township road system. Part of the street has been in the township system for many years and the supervisors explained that by adding the remainder the state will reimburse the township for maintaining it.

The township audit of liquid fuels tax funds for 1982 and 1983 was received from the Auditor General's office. The report commended the township's fiscal management, citing in particular the investment policies which resulted in the township receiving \$9,575 in interest.

The supervisors reappointed Zigmund Bokot to a three-year term on the township's zoning hearing board. He is currently the secretary of the board.

Both sides were confident of their positions, but there would have been a lot of expense involved if the case had gone through a full hearing with the possibility of further appeals," she said. "This way the case is over and done with."

The school district had contended that Vent did not have the right to arbitration of a grievance under the teachers' contract because he was not a permanent professional employee. Vent came to Waynesburg from Grantsville, Md., when he was hired as head varsity football coach in 1982. He also joined the faculty as a substitute for a high school health teacher who was on sabbatical leave. When the health teacher returned for the 1983-84 school year, he was assigned to newly created positions as a part-time computer program teacher for fifth and sixth graders at the middle school and as a part-time instructor for a weight program at the high school.

In December 1983, the district decided to expand the middle school computer program and informed Vent that his job would no longer exist at the end of the 1983-84 school year since he did not have the qualifications to fill the new position. A few months later the school board took action to terminate Vent as football coach.

The action drew considerable attention because of an intensive campaign by the Waynesburg Quarterback Club, members of the football team and others interested in the football program to have him re-

tained in his coaching position. Vent, with the support of the Education Association, filed his grievance on the basis that the district was not justified in giving him an unsatisfactory rating as a teacher and had no grounds to deny him the tenure he claimed he should have had after two years as a teacher in the district.

Vent, who moved to Waynesburg with his family when he was hired in 1982, has since moved back to Grantsville. Prior to coming to Waynesburg he was an assistant coach at Potomac State Junior College in Keyser, W. Va.

Six Defendants Assigned To ARD Program

WAYNESBURG — Defendants in six criminal cases were accepted into the Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) program as first offenders following hearings Thursday in Greene County Court.

Joseph M. Stevulak of Dilliner R.D.1, who was charged with possession of drugs, was ordered to pay court costs and administrative costs of \$300 and was placed on probation for six months.

Jack and Linda Foster of 601 Mountainview Drive, Waynesburg, who were charged separately with theft by unlawful taking, were ordered jointly to make restitution of \$300 and to pay court costs and administrative costs of \$100. They were placed on probation for six months.

The other three defendants, all charged with driving while intoxicated, were placed on probation for 12 months, were ordered to attend driver improvement school, and had their licenses suspended for 30 days. They were also ordered to pay court costs and \$250 in administrative costs.

The three defendants were Abdullahif A. Al-Ghanim of Waynesburg, Charles A. Shuckhart Jr. of Clarksville and David L. Keener of Dilliner.

Fire Destroys Barn; Cause Is Investigated

Frank Denny, assistant chief of the Nemaocolin Volunteer Fire Co., said the state police fire marshal has been asked to investigate the cause of a fire late Saturday night that destroyed a large barn off Route 88 near Paisley.

Denny said the barn was located on the former Ross farm located about two miles from Nemaocolin. According to Denny, the farm is currently vacant although the barn was

being used to store hay which was also lost in the blaze.

The property is currently owned by the L&J Equipment Co. The fire was noticed by adjacent property owners. The barn was completely is flames when firefighters arrived.

Nemaocolin firefighters called for assistance with water tankers from fire companies at Carmichaels, Crucible, and Jefferson. No estimated of loss was made.



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Christmas Concert

The West Greene High School Chorus and Dance Team presented a Christmas concert Friday in the West Greene High School auditorium. The public was invited to the morning concert. The chorus is directed by Rita Sinko, and Jesse Meighen is the dance instructor. Seated are Jim Maxwell, a sixth-grade soloist, and Becky Hildreth, an eleventh-grade soloist. Standing are Sherry Amos, left, an eleventh-grade soloist, instrumentalist and dancer, and Mary Ross, a senior soloist.

Teachers To Talk

WAYNESBURG — Contract negotiations with teacher organizations in four of Greene County's five school districts are expected to get underway next month.

Current contracts will expire on Aug. 31, 1985, in the Carmichaels Area, Jefferson-Morgan, Southeastern Greene and West Greene districts. The contract in the Central Greene District runs until Aug. 31, 1986.

Donald Peroni, PSEA field representative assigned to Greene County, said that negotiations can officially

begin on Jan. 10. "We are already into the process of preparing proposals," he said.

Peroni said he will be chief spokesman for the West Greene Professional Association, where Denise Blackhurst is association president. In the other three districts, he will be serving as an advisor to local teacher negotiating teams. Their presidents are Bob Lutes in the Jefferson-Morgan District, Pete Busti in the Carmichaels Area District and James Koleck in the Southeastern Greene District.





Food Donated

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Debbie Babko, left, a Home Health Service worker for Greene County Memorial Hospital who was laid off this year, receives a food donation from Kathy Parker, president of the Pennsylvania Nurses Association (PNA), Friday afternoon as part of the hospital's donation to its unemployed staff this Christmas. Union members with the PNA and the Service Employees' International Union (SEIU) at the hospital, administrative staff and doctors, all contributed to the "bakeless bakesale" for unemployed staff members. Turkeys, fruit, cheese and bread were distributed.

Coal Show Profits Are Distributed

CARMICHAELS — Profits from the 1984 Pennsylvania Bituminous Coal Show were distributed Thursday evening at a regular meeting of the King Coal Association.

The \$4,000 was divided equally among the five organizations that make up the association — The Carmichaels and Nemaquin volunteer

fire companies, Carmichaels Chamber of Commerce, Carmichaels Jaycees and District 4, United Mine Workers of America.

A proposal was presented to the executive committee by Horstman Amusements for the 1985 show. The committee will hear other proposals and possibly sign a contract in January.

The executive committee voted to table the nomination of officers until the January meeting, when they will be elected and take office.

Mike Bialko, representative from the Nemaquin Fire Company, announced his resignation. Judy Sokol was named to replace him. President Sara Ruth thanked Bialko for his service to the organization.

The next regular meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, at the Carmichaels fire hall.

UMWA Office Moved

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — The UMWA Health and Retirement Funds office in Morgantown has moved from its present location to an office several blocks away at 3461 University Avenue. There will be no change in the telephone number, 304-599-3321.

The office serves applicants for funds benefits and funds beneficiaries who reside in 27 counties, including Greene and Fayette counties in Pennsylvania.

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One Greene Municipality Anticipates Tax Increase

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Rices Landing — Rices Landing Borough Council adopted a budget of \$82,510 on Dec. 18, with the general fund allocation including \$15,000 for erection of an equipment shed behind the borough building. There are no changes in the seven-mill property tax, of which two mills goes for fire protection, or in the \$5 occupation privilege tax. The borough and Jefferson-Morgan School District share revenues from a one percent earned income tax and one percent realty transfer tax with the Central Greene School District.

mills for fire protection. The borough also levies a \$5 per capita tax, \$10 occupation privilege tax, \$125 business privilege tax and \$75 tax on coin-operated amusement devices. It splits revenues from a one percent earned income tax and a one percent realty transfer tax with the Central Greene School District.

School Reports Safe Crack Try

WAYNESBURG — State police are investigating an attempted safe cracking at East Franklin Elementary School which occurred sometime between 11 p.m. Thursday and 5 a.m. Friday.

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IN WEST GERMANY
Army Pfc. William E. Efav, son of Elsie J. Efav of Waynesburg R.D.1, has arrived for duty in Boeblingen, West Germany.

He is an armored-vehicle mechanic in the 1st Infantry Division and was previously assigned to Fort Stewart, Ga. His wife, Molly, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodewin of 230 Oak Street, Waynesburg.

He is a 1981 graduate of Jefferson-Morgan Senior High School.

USAF GRADUATE
Airman Edward G. Pozsgal, son of Patricia and Joseph F. Pozsgal of Richeyville, was graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

He is a 1984 graduate of Beth Center High School.

AT CLARK AFB
Air Force Staff Sgt. Phillip W. Hart, son of Frances E. Hart of Waynesburg R.D.1, has arrived for duty at Clark Air Force Base, Philippines.

Hart, a passenger and household goods specialist in the 3rd Tactical Fighter Wing, was previously assigned to Taegu Air Base, South Korea.

He is a 1973 graduate of Jefferson-Morgan High School.

AT USAF SCHOOL
Airman Alan H. Renner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Chambers of Waynesburg R.D.6, was graduated from the U.S. Air Force aircraft armament course at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo.

Renner is scheduled to serve with the 3207th Munitions Maintenance Squadron at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. He is a 1984 graduate of Waynesburg Central High School.

GETS PROMOTION
Richard S. Schaefer, grandson of Richard L. Schaefer of Cameron, W.Va., and son of Judy A. Pyles of Moundsville, W.Va., has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of specialist four.

He is an artillery fire direction specialist at Fort Campbell, Ky., in the 101st Airborne Division. He is a 1983 graduate of Cameron High School.

ENGAGED
Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Conley of Merchantville, N.J., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Leesa Jane Conley, to Mitchell Paul Harding, son of Mrs. Genevieve Harding of Waynesburg. A fall wedding is planned.

Miss Conley was graduated from Drexel University and has her own interior design firm in Philadelphia. Her fiancé attended Rutgers University and was graduated from Northwestern University. He is associated with Helmsley Greenfield Real Estate, Inc., in Philadelphia and is a member of the First Troop Philadelphia City Cavalry.

L&J Pickets Receiving Holiday Aid

CARMICHAELS — Twelve pickets at L&J Equipment Co. in Monongahela Township will be receiving special Christmas aid this year from a number of sources.

The aid, in form of cash and food certificates, was presented to the men at the Nemaquin Union Hall Friday.

Workers have been on the picket line for the past 17 months, having been idled since July 25, 1983. After voting to join the United Mine Workers of America, the employees and L&J have failed to reach an agreement on a labor contract.

Donations have been received from Local 102M, Utility Workers Union; UMWA Local 6290 in Nemaquin; Local 6310 at Warwick Mine; Local 6159 at Shannopin Mine; Local 2258 at Emerald Mine, and Burns' Pepsi Cola Distributing Co.

50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Bissett of New Freeport will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Dec. 22. They were married Dec. 22, 1934, in Sistersville, W.Va., by Evangelist Wellington Gallagher. Bissett is a son of the late William and Etta Bissett. Mrs. Bissett is the former Amy Lemley, daughter of the late Burns and Lucy Lemley. They have three daughters, Mrs. D. Gene (Shirley) West of Fairmont, W.Va., and Kay and Fay Bissett of Moundsville, W.Va., and three grandchildren, Kandi Davis, Mary Amy West and Todd West of Fairmont.

Battery Stolen

MAPLETOWN — State police investigated the theft of a battery which occurred sometime Dec. 13 or 14 along LR 30016 in Monongahela Township.

Police said the battery, valued at \$37, was taken from a roller machine owned by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

Items Stolen

HOLBROOK — Undisclosed household items were stolen from the Ricky Bissett home in Holbrook R.D.1 sometime between 6 and 10 p.m. Sunday, according to state police.



Mabel Pollock is the first subscriber to Lifeline.

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County Officially Hooks Up Lifeline

WAYNESBURG — Lifeline, a new home care service provided by Greene County Memorial Hospital, officially began Friday morning when Mabel Pollock of 441 North Richhill Street was connected to the special response center via telephone hookup.

Lifeline is designed to put the frail elderly or disabled individuals in 24-hour contact with hospital personnel. The service enables subscribers to get help even when they can't use the phone.

Ms. Pollock is the first subscriber to the new Lifeline system installed at Greene County Memorial Hospital. By pushing the wireless "call" button hanging around her neck, she can receive immediate response to an emergency. The call button, which only weighs two ounces, can be worn as a necklace or on the wrist.

The Lifeline communicator, which is leased for \$20 per month and is installed by a hospital volunteer, is placed next to the telephone. The subscriber can roam within 200 feet of the communicator. With a touch of the call button, the communicator captures the phone line and sends a digital message to the 24-hour emergency response centers, where it is automatically displayed and printed.

At the response center, the coordinator reads the subscriber code from the display or printed tape and retrieves the subscriber's information card which has the name, address, phone number, a brief statement of medical or physical problems and list of responders.

These responders are selected by the subscriber when Lifeline is installed. Included are people with whom the subscriber is comfortable and who have indicated their willingness to respond in the event of an emergency. Also on the list are municipal response agencies, such as police and ambulance service which could come in the event the volunteers are not available.

Such service is available to all of

Greene County and even West Virginia or neighboring counties.

Lifeline was first suggested by the Greene County Nurses Association. The group has offered to bear the expense of installing the response center at the hospital at a cost of some \$8,000. Although several donations have been received, the nurses' group has realized only about half the necessary financing.

Lifeline Systems, Inc., was founded in 1974 by Dr. Andrew S. Dibner, a professor of psychology at Boston University and an expert in the problems of the elderly. Lifeline now has 56,000 subscribers throughout the United States.

Not only does the service provide immediate contact with the hospital, it allows users to be more comfortable about living alone and more confident about continuing to live independently. The service can postpone nursing home care also.

Rudolph T. Rodkey has been named Lifeline coordinator at Greene County Memorial Hospital and may be contacted at 852-2129. Betty Long, of the Community and Patient Relations Department, also will answer questions about the service by calling 627-3101, extension 532.

Hospital officials have ordered five of the units and will keep one as a spare in case of an emergency. Although the units are leased, they may be purchased for \$495. When the units are no longer necessary, hospital officials hope they would be donated to the hospital for use by others in the future.

Lifeline representatives praised Alltel for their cooperation in establishing the system here and said the local utility was probably the most cooperative of any they have dealt with in the region.

Retired Alltel employee Kenneth Tharp has volunteered his services to install the units.

Mrs. Long said the hospital has a slide presentation available to provide clubs or organizations with additional information.

Bible Honor Roll Listed

MATHER — Reba Miller of Mather, director of the Greene County Released Time Bible Program, has announced the latest honor roll for the Released Time program and the Mailbox Club Bible Correspondence Lesson program.

Sara Hanley, Jared Orndoff, Tonia Phillips, Christopher Ralston and Melinda Riley of Graysville and Janice Tsai of Waynesburg are on the honor roll for Bible memory work in Released Time classes.

The Correspondence Lesson program honor roll:

Storytime One — Julie Ankrom, Sunny Arbogast, Amy Bedilion, Valerie Bebout, Terry Clutter, Daniel Conneybeer, Joshua Cowell, Teresa Conner, Jarret Downer, Joseph Eddy III, Sabrina Kesner, Melissa King, Michelle Manteau, Rachel Morris, Janet McCartney, Jared Orndoff, Melinda Riley, William Ross III, Machel Stacker, Joseph StClair, Jason Wade, Chad Walker, Amber Koratich, Tommy Tennant.

Storytime Two — Lisa Tustin, Bonnie Toupe, Ann Krier.

Course A — Brenda Lee Thompson, Leroy Wright, Heidi Conard, Carl Wright, Tina StClair, Emily Dorean, Donna Rogers, Tammy Mathews.

Course B — Jenny Cumberland, Daniel Leo.

Course One — Michael Basinger, Scott Blake, Jennifer Brown, Amy Lynn Frank, Deborah Hawkinberry, Heidi Lee Hoyle, Christy McMaster, Misty Phillips, Charles

Robert Shultz, Marjorie Ann Smith, Troy Smith, Mary Statler, Renee Bennant, Connie Jean Thompson.

Course Two and Three — Charles Brown, Leona Brown, Tracey Dial, Lathleen Frankberry, Dedria Hart, Jeff Grimes, Deborah Hawkinberry, Jennifer Jones, Aaron Ketchem, Kimberly Ketchem, Christine Koval, Cynthia Koval, Amy Kramer, Judith O'Neil, Marjorie Orndoff, Brenda Patterson, Pennie Phillips, Georgina Rush, Denise Rutan, Becky Stafford, Tracy Lynn Sten, Candi Lynn Thomas, Janice Tsai, Sherri Lynn Tucker, Amy Wolfe, Loretta Yeager.

Advanced — Susan Ammon, Gloria Brightwell, Ruby Casseday, Sharon Chadderton, Vivian Chadderton, Lynn Hartman, Karen Hennen, Dianna Jenkins, Marsha Kiger, Janet Riley.

Waynesburg Area Man Arrested

WAYNESBURG — State police said Friday that Thomas M. Metro, 23, of Waynesburg R.D.4, was arrested on charges of burglary and theft.

Police said Metro's arrest stems from an investigation into a burglary and theft which occurred at an East View residence. Police did not name the home where the incident occurred or the date.

Livestock Auction

WAYNESBURG — Prices paid for livestock at the weekly auction held in West Waynesburg Thursday were:

- Feeder bulls and steers: \$48 to \$60 per cwt.
- Feeder steers: 41.50 to 51.50.
- Feeder bulls: 40 to 53.
- Feeder heifers: 40 to 46.50.
- Slaughter steers: good to choice, none available; medium to good, 52 to 57.50 and common to medium, 41.50 to 51.
- Holstein steers: 37.50 to 44.
- Slaughter heifers: good to choice, none available; medium to good, 44.50 to 51.50 and common to medium, 38 to 44.
- Bulls: heavy, 38 to 45 and light, 35 to 41.50.
- Cows: stock cows, none available; utility, 35 to 40; canners, 30 to 35; commercial to good, 30 to 35 and cull cows, 30 cwt and down.
- Veals: good to choice, 75 to 97; medium to good, 67 to 74; common to medium, 55 to 65 and cull veal, 54 cwt and down.
- Calves: return to farm, 20 to 60.
- Hogs: top quality, 47 to 52.50; heavy, 45 to 51 and light, 35 to 44.
- Sows: 37 to 44.
- Male hogs: 32 to 35.
- Lambs: 65 to 68.50; feeder lambs, 57 to 68 and cull lambs, 55 cwt and down.
- Sheep: 18 to 23.50.

State Schedules Highway Repairs

WAYNESBURG — The state road maintenance schedule for Greene County for the coming week has been announced by Merle G. Bolen, PennDOT maintenance manager for Greene and Fayette County, as follows:

Shoulder grading is scheduled for LR 30035 in the Kirby Mine area, LR 30054 in the Fairview Church area, LR 30053 in the Rutan to Wind Ridge area, LR 30117 in the Rutan area, LR 30122 in the Dodge Ridge area, LR 30017 in the Mr. Morris area, and LR 30046 in the South Branch area.

Sealing of road surface cracks is planned for LR 256 in the Rogersville area, base repair for LR 30073 in the Bobtown area, road drainage work for LR 30050 in the Clarksville area, and side grading for LR 616 in the Davistown area, LR 30022 in the Taylortown area, and LR 30042 in the Holbrook area.

Bolen said all work is tentative on weather conditions permitting it being done.

Yule Lights Repaired

WAYNESBURG — The community Christmas tree on the patio in front of the courthouse was lighted Thursday after county maintenance personnel repaired the strand of lights.

Maintenance Superintendent John Higgins said he discovered Tuesday that vandals had cut the light wire and had removed a number of bulbs. The lights are new this year. They were furnished by the Waynesburg Moose Lodge which each year provides the large tree, which is erected by the county.

Higgins also said that the county had to find another source of electricity for the tree since the former receptacle was removed when utility poles in front of the courthouse were taken down.

"I've connected it to an outlet in the prothonotary's office and the lights will be left on day and night until after New Year's," Higgins said.

More Students Ask About College

WAYNESBURG — The number of students making application for the 1985 fall term at Waynesburg College is up 28 percent from a year ago, according to figures released Thursday by the college Office of Admissions.

Timothy Threen, dean of admissions, said the number of inquiries concerning the college "has grown dramatically" and that the number of applications is running ahead of the pace set over the past several years.

"We are encouraged by the number and the quality of students making application for the coming year," Threen said. "Among those seeking admission next fall are many outstanding students."

Threen added that the increase in applications follows two consecutive years of enrollment increases.

Woman Injured

WAYNESBURG — Polly K. Davin, 23, of Waynesburg was treated for minor injuries at Greene County Memorial Hospital following a one-car accident at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday on Route 21 near East View, west of Waynesburg.

State police said she lost control of her car on the wet roadway and skidded into a steel pole in front of the Columbia Gas Co. office.

Police said the 1985 model car was badly damaged.

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New Lifeline Program Provides Needed Service

The Greene County Nurses Club and Greene County Memorial Hospital are to be congratulated for implementing "Lifeline," a home care service to aid the frail elderly or disabled individuals in the community.

The Lifeline Personal Emergency Response System is designed to put these vulnerable individuals in 24 hour contact with hospital personnel should there be an emergency. The service enables subscribers to get help even when they can't use the phone or if they are unconscious.

Developed in 1974, the program provides the subscriber with a two-ounce, wireless call button that can be worn around the neck or the wrist for quick access. When the button is pressed, an alarm rings at the Emergency Response Center at the hospital and the subscriber's medical and personal data is automatically displayed and printed on a special terminal.

Also available immediately are the names of responders furnished by the subscriber. Efforts are made to call the responders to immediately check on the subscriber to see what, if any, emergency services are required. If none of the responders are available, the police or ambulance service will be sent to the residence.

Already in use across the country, the "Lifeline" program has 57,000 subscribers at this time. The first subscriber in the Greene County Memorial Hospital program was connected last Friday morning in Waynesburg.

The hospital was approached by the nurses club several months ago about the possibility of adopting the program. Members of the club agreed to finance the installation of the Emergency Response Center at the hospital switchboard.

Mary Parkinson, speaking for the nurses organization, said about half of the \$8,000 expense has been pledged by individuals or organizations. Hospital officials have appointed a staff member to act as coordinator for the program.

All agree the new program meets a psychological need as well as an emergency need citing Lifeline users feel more comfortable about living alone.



between the bookends

by marcia mckenna biddle



The Rev. William Hanna's "History of Greene County, Pa." is filled with hunting stories, or tall tales. Well, he just recorded what our folks told him, back in 1882, about how they or their ancestors wrestled with bears, outwitted panthers, and shot hundreds of deer in a single day.

With all that going on, the hunters of 1800 or earlier had a lot more to contend with than they do today. Of course, they were hunting for survival, not for sport; when a man's family ran out of meat, he went out to a salt lick to find deer. Since the deer usually came at night, Hanna wrote "The usual method was to get the exact range of the spot where the animals drank during the daylight, then stake the gun in that position and await the arrival of the expected game, when the hunter had nothing to do but draw back the hammer of his old flint-lock gun, pull the trigger, and away went the ball, bringing down the denizen of the forest (providing the ball hit)."

This time, as our sharp-eared man was "staking his gun," he heard a piece of bark falling from a tree. And lucky for him that he did, since, casting his eye upwards he was horrified at the sight of a large panther, within easy springing distance of him.

Not to keep you in suspense, he shot the panther. One shot. Hanna's reaction was that the hunter was lucky that he was now able to get to the deer before the panther did. I think he was lucky not to be the panther's dinner.

Ah, there were hunters in those days. "There were a few Nimrods whose daily avocation was scouring the woods in search of deer, elk, bear, wolves, panthers, etc., and who were to luckless animals that came within range of their deadly rifles, which discharged a ball, 45 of which made a pound avoirdupoise."

These "regular hunters" were "not by any means backward in ridiculing their less fortunate neigh-

bors," who couldn't hit the barn door for trying. These incompetents "meet such game in woods, but that strange disease known as 'buck fever' at once attacks them, and trembling similar to Bellshazar unstrings their nerves; the gun refuses to remain in one position; they fire, but the untouched deer bounds away, showing them his heels in a way that seemed to say, 'I guess you didn't.' Or whatever.

Oh, well, there were always wolves to trap, and anybody could do that. In 1815, Hanna wrote, there was still evidence "in the glades near Carmichaels, on Muddy Creek," of wolf pits. "Pits ten to twelve feet in depth were dug in the ground and covered with rotten poles and rubbish, upon which were spread a layer of leaves and moss. Over this from a pole was suspended a piece of meat." When the wolves tried to get the meat, they fell in.

"Another method of which I saw traces, was to erect two scaffolds 12 or 14 feet high and from one half to three quarters of a mile apart. The wolf hunter would rub the soles of his shoes with asafetida and tramp from one scaffold to the other. The wolves having scented the drug would speedily follow the trail and tree the hunter, often to their sorrow, as many wolf scalps were secured by these means. One poor fellow, whose name I now have forgotten, was overtaken by the hungry animals before he reached the other end of his path through the woods, and was torn to pieces."

Another Carmichaels man, luckier or smarter, was chased by the wolves and forced to climb a tree. "Unfortunately he ascended rather a small one and the ravenous beasts began to gnaw the trunk. He remained till he felt the sapling begin to give when, by great effort, he swung it against a larger tree and got into it." The wolves were so annoyed by this feat that they ran away.

And if you believe that, you probably believe in Tarzan, too.

Faces From The Past-Do You Recognize Them?



This winter scene was taken in downtown Waynesburg many years ago. No one knows the exact date but the movie poster on the left features Clara Bow if that's any indication. The picture is the property of Mrs. Wayne L. McCoy of Catonsville, Md.



Fact and Folklore

John O'Hara

EDITOR'S NOTE—The following Fact and Folklore column was first published in October 1971.

Most history has been written in the flowing style of early day scribes or the serried lines of perfectly formed typescript of contemporary chroniclers of mankind's existence.

But some three decades ago in the depths of one of the nation's worst depressions a group of dedicated Greene County women created a bit of symbolic history as their nimble fingers plied old-time quilting frames in an expression of love and affection for their church.

The church was the historic Morrisville Methodist.

Its sturdy brick structure stands at the east end of the village, almost surrounded now by its ancient burying ground dating back to the Revolutionary era but within a stone's throw of the ultra-modern spur off the Waynesburg Interchange of Interstate 79 to Route 21.

These contrasting externals are mentioned only to underline the deep sense of history which permeates the village of Morrisville, more affectionately known to its oldtimers as "Dotysburg."

Back in the early 1930's, when the depression was still stifling most progress and time seemed to be standing still, members of the Ladies Aid society of the church faced up to the challenge of keeping the church a going thing in the community. They

South Named Provost At Penn State

MIDDLETOWN — Dr. James D. South II, son of James D. South of Greensboro, has been named assistant provost for student affairs at the Penn State Capitol campus in Middletown.

His appointment was one of three key administrative leadership changes made under a campus reorganization plan being instituted by Dr. Ruth Leventhal, Capitol's new provost and dean.

South is now responsible for the administration and management aspects of all student activities, health and safety services, counseling, recreation and athletics, dining and residence operations and student academic services, which include admissions, academic records, career planning and financial aid.

South previously had been director of student affairs at the campus. He was named to that post in 1973 after serving four years as assistant dean of student affairs.

South is a graduate of Dickinson College. He received his master's degree from New York University and his doctor of education degree from Penn State.

revived the old-time "quilting parties" of pioneer days for the dual purpose of raising money for the church and enjoying each other's company while doing so.

The quilts found a ready sale among residents of the entire Waynesburg area, both because of the fine skill with which they were fashioned and the high purpose for which they were made.

The quilting bees were held in the homes of Ellen Rinehart, Frank Ganear (more familiarly known as Birdie), Launa Allison and some of the more regular participants reads like a census roll of the womenfolk of the community.

They included Elizabeth Flowers, whom everyone called Lizzie, Fannie Whitlatch, Alice Guthrie, Lana Stewart, Laura Inghram, Pearl Robinson, Margaret Dunlop, Evelyn Worley, Elizabeth Anderson and the youngest of the entire group, Katie Ganear.

Eventually someone came up with the idea of a sort of "roll call" quilt on which residents could have their name permanently embroidered for a donation of one dollar. It caught on quickly and more than 100 persons, including many public officials, are among those whose names adorn this highly authentic treasurer of Greene County folk history.

For those who lives in the decades before America and most of the world was caught up in the contemporary swirl of personal, community and nationalistic intensities, when residents of villages such as Dotysburg had more time to "sit a spell" and

when the general attitude was that of concern, this quilt revives many of the most pleasant memories of their lives.

Fortunately for them and all of Greene County generally, it was saved for future generations when purchased by the late Miss Laura Inghram, a lifelong member of the church, and handed down by her to her niece, Mrs. Carolyn Allison Milliron. Now in turn it has been donated by Mrs. Milliron to the Greene County Historical Society to honor Miss Inghram, familiarly known to members of the Allison family as "Aurio," and Mrs. Milliron's mother, Mrs. Laura K. Allison.

Mrs. Allison and her husband, George, were the parents of two daughters, Mrs. Milliron and Mrs. William (Virginia) Bryan, and two sons, Raymond and Arthur.

Miss Inghram's own family dates back to the very earliest days of the county and even prior to its existence as a separate county.

She, like many of her kinfolk, were noted for their scholarly attainments, some in law, some in medicine, theology, education, engineering, etc. The late Judge James Inghram of the Greene County Courts was among its outstanding members.

And now the quilt which both she and Mrs. Allison were among the many who joined the Depression-era labor of love is on permanent display in the Historical Society museum in a setting appropriate to the inspirational qualities it will give to generations yet unborn.



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Greenway Donation

To support the Greene County Unit of the American Cancer Society, Greenway Manufacturing Co. has purchased 230 tins of Christmas cookies to be distributed to Greenway employees. Pictured here loading the cookies are Sam Cooper, left, and attorney Terry Grimes and Dolores Troicke.

Ivan Modrick,
President of
Tri-County Leathernecks

AROUND TOWN

By THE STAFF

Russell Caldwell, son of James and Peggy Caldwell of Waynesburg, has been admitted to the Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh. His stay is expected to extend through the holiday season. Friends may send cards to 4 Medical, Children's Hospital, 125 DeSota Street, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213.

Wendy Richards, daughter of Barbara C. Richards of 545 Huffman Street, Waynesburg, has been selected to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. She is a 1983 graduate of Waynesburg Central High School and is a member of Lambda Sigma.

Temperatures were in the 50s for Christmas this year in marked contrast to last year when the mercury failed to go over 0, and with the wind chill factor registered 20 below. It was bad news for those getting a new sled or skates for Christmas.

Despite the usual exodus to the large shopping malls, local merchants reported brisk holiday sales especially during the final few days of the shopping season. Traffic was backed-up on Greene and High Streets for a week prior to Christmas.

Surprisingly, state police at the Waynesburg barracks reported Christmas night there had not been one driver arrested for driving under the influence and not one vehicle accident. Perhaps motorists are getting smarter. There has also been a major media campaign against drunken driving in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Penalty Funds To Be Distributed

HARRISBURG — State Treasurer R. Budd Dwyer has announced that Greene County municipalities will receive \$39,557 through a distribution of \$4.7 million from fines and penalties collected by the state police under provisions of the Motor Vehicle Code.

Dwyer said that more than 2,500 municipalities in all 67 counties will receive the funds, which are distributed twice a year, in June and December. The current distribution will bring Greene County's share for 1984 to \$82,891.

Dwyer explained that under provisions of Section 4 of the Act of June 1, 1956, one-half of the revenue from fines, penalties and forfeited bail resulting from state police action is allocated to municipalities throughout the state.

letterbox

KIDS Clinic Needs Help

I am writing this letter to the community of Waynesburg and to the larger area of Greene County.

There is a desperate need to help provide quality medical care for the children of our area whose family resources are limited because of the poor economic conditions which exist today.

As many as 700 to 900 children walk through the doors of the Greene County Memorial Hospital emergency room each month because they have nowhere else to turn for medical care. Because of the structure of an emergency room, seeing different physicians each time, these children do not receive the continuity of care which is so necessary for the maintenance of good health.

More importantly, because of the small number of pediatricians and other qualified physicians capable of caring for the needs of these young people, there is inadequate follow-up of medical problems, many of which are chronic and need continuing medical involvement.

Our State Health Clinic does an excellent job in attempting to provide physical examinations and nutritional information for parents of both infants and older children but, because of existing laws, are unable to diagnose or treat even minor medical problems.

In the near future I would like our community to help me establish a pediatric clinical center which will provide high quality medical care for children who do not have the back-up resources necessary for a private physician.

Our office will be sending out letters around Greene County asking for donations for the establishment of the KIDS Clinic. With your generous help, we can show that we care for our children regardless of their finances.

The rich and poor today, more than ever before, are growing further apart and this impact is being felt by Greene County's future — our children. The KIDS Clinic can in a small way change that.

Eric D. Stacher, M.D.,
Waynesburg

letterbox

Toy Drive A Success

I wish to publicly thank and express my deepest gratitude to the people and organizations who made the Tri-County Leatherneck "Toys for Tots" drive so successful.

Over 2,700 toys were distributed in Greene County alone. The Leathernecks who served this project above and beyond the call of duty include Mike and Julie Cvetan, Margie McKinley, Max and Mary Devecka, Jim and Alice Caputo, Rich and Pauline Hroblak, Dick Morgan, Al Howard, Rennie and Janet Matteucci, Jim Ryan, Pete Largent, Jack Darby, Dewey Litten, Rip Collins, Major Wayne Collins, Bob Costa and Bud and Clare McClain.

We also would like to thank our dear friends, the

men of Company C, 110th Infantry in Waynesburg, Tom and Carol Russell, Margareta Koratich, the Carmichaels Jaycees, St. Hugh's Rosary Society, the women of St. Paul Lutheran Church, employees of Emerald Mine, the Curry Crafters, the students and staff of Nemaconin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKinley, Leo Wolfe, Democrat Messenger, Observer-Reporter, Brownsville Telegraph and Masontown Sentinel.

My wife, Gail, and our children, Carl and Lisa who worked, took messages and put up with me.

May God bless you all with the merriest of Christmases and the happiest of new years.

Ivan Modrick,
President of
Tri-County Leathernecks

Greene Hospital Adjusts To New Billing System

WAYNESBURG — Greene County Memorial Hospital is adjusting well to the new federal Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement system which the federal government put into effect on July 1.

Hospital Administrator Michael Flinn, in a "Report to the Community" news conference held Tuesday, said the hospital "had a few tough months" after the change was made, but has made the adjustments which were necessary to meet the reduced revenues it produced without sacrificing patient services.

The new system, referred to as DRGs (diagnosis related groups), establishes a fixed payment which pays

the hospital a predetermined amount for specific types of care. Until July, Flinn explained, hospitals were reimbursed in full for the audited cost of care they provided.

The change was particularly important to Greene County Memorial Hospital, the administrator said, because Medicaid patients average about 50 percent of its admissions, while Medical Assistance patients account for between 10 and 11 percent of admissions.

Flinn said the change is expected to further reduce the average length of stay for inpatients, which currently is averaging 6.4 days as compared with 8.7 days as recently as two years ago. This, in turn, has reduced the hospital occupancy rate, which is currently averaging about 57 percent, and has increased still further the emphasis on outpatient care.

The major adjustment to the cost came on Aug. 7 when the hospital furloughed the equivalent of 60 full-time employees to reduce its staff to the equivalent of 310 full-time employees. At the same time, the hospital decreased the number of beds that were staffed by closing 22 beds on the fourth floor, reducing the number of patient beds to 94, plus four beds in the short-term procedure unit and 11 bassinets.

"We are constantly monitoring all phases of our operations to make sure that the cut didn't go too deep," Flinn said. "There is no doubt that it has increased the work load in some departments, particularly on the clerical staff."

Due in large part to the August layoffs, which saved the hospital approximately \$40,000 in costs every two weeks, operating costs for the first four months of fiscal 1984-85 have risen just 1 percent over the previous year. Inpatient spending, which increased by 7.3 percent for the first quarter of FY 83, has been reduced to the point where it increased by just 5.4 percent for the first quarter of FY 84.

Flinn also reported on the hospital's construction and renovation project, noting that it is designed to improve the hospital's response to the

exterior brick work will be completed within the next two weeks, and the new building should all be enclosed by mid-January.

Administrative offices will be relocated to the fifth floor by the end of December; dietary will move into new space by mid-January, and the laboratory will relocate to new space by April 1.

Among new services to be provided will be facilities for mobile CAT scanning, which will be made available two mornings a week as a diagnostic tool. In addition, the hospital will be concentrating on mammography and has purchased state-of-the-art equipment for that purpose.

"We are particularly proud of our premenstrual syndrome program, which was the first hospital-based program of its kind in the United States," Flinn said. "We are one of the leaders in this area in the region, and hope to do the same with the mammography program."

He also noticed that Greene County Memorial's home health care program is the only hospital-based program of its kind in the area, and is "probably the third largest such program in southwestern Pennsylvania."

public records

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

Center Township

Estate of Dorsey O. Phillips Jr., Center Township, to Ruth M. McAndrews, undivided interest in 17 acres, \$200.

Cumberland Township

Junior E. and Esther Mae Gency, Nemaacolin, and others, to John W. and Pamela J. Rugg, Nemaacolin, lot, Nemaacolin, \$6,000.

Dunkard Township

Helen M. Gugliotta, Dilliner R.D.1,



Observer-Reporter

The management and sales staff of Kiwi Fencing Systems Inc. includes Vonda Wall and, standing, from left, John McCall, John Wall and Bret Eisiminger.

Kiwi Fencing Is Cited As One Of 500 Fastest-Growing Firms

WAYNESBURG — Kiwi Fencing Systems Inc. of Waynesburg has been cited by a national business magazine as one of the 500 fastest-growing firms in the United States.

Inc. magazine, published in Boston, listed the top 500 privately-controlled companies which have shown exceptional increases in sales and production.

Kiwi was founded by John and Vonda Wall, formerly of New Zealand, who first came to Greene County to manage a sheep operation. The family eventually purchased its own farm and then decided to go into fence and trellis construction full time.

quality, maintenance-free fencing.

"We meet the need by providing high tensile technology and the system to make it work. We have just begun to penetrate the market. Check us out in 10 years."

Kiwi, located in the Greene County Industrial Park across from the

county airport, occupies a building formerly owned by Dataflow.

The rapid growth is also attributable in part to the appointment of John W. McCall as marketing manager a year ago. Kiwi has been active in building special fences from coast to coast and from Canada to Texas.

all around greene

STUDENT CITED

Wendy L. Richards, daughter of Mrs. Barbara C. Richards of 545 Huffman Street, Waynesburg, has been selected to appear in the 1984 edition of Who's Who Among Students in

Student Government Association.

ROTARY PARTY

The annual Waynesburg Rotary Club Christmas party was held Monday at the Club Internationale in

Bowling Scores

BOWLING RESULTS

Shirley Kerr rolled a 226 high game and a 527 high series as Ruff Creek Store took three out of four games from Barna's Furniture in Thursday Night Classic Bowling League action last week at the Arbor Terrace Lanes, Waynesburg. Barna's was led by Chris Kerr with 188-470.

Ruth Ann Blair turned in a 204-543 for Waynesburg Milling as it divided its series with Cole Plumbing and Heating, which got a 214 high game from Brenda Baysinter and a 483 high series from Jan Irvin.

Patterson Realty, with a 170 high game from Louise Gapen and a 495 high series from Bug Weaver, split its series with 77 Market, led by Marilyn Whiting with 183-501.

BOWLING SCORES

Three of the four matches in the Afternoon Tea League last week ended in ties, only the Spiders gained ground by taking three points from the Fleas.

Mary Evosirch rolled a 148 single and 412 series to lead the Spiders while Nancy Simmons rolled a 162 single and Louise Cooley rolled a 438 series.

In the Bees-Hornets tie, Edith Haines rolled a 146 single and 407 series for the Bees while Erma Short paced the Hornets with a 155 single

Greene County Obituaries

Joseph E. Long Sr.

Joseph E. Long Sr., 68, of Lake Arrowhead Trail, Sarasota, Fla., formerly of Mt. Morris, died at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 18, 1984, in Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, following a long illness.

He was born June 18, 1916, in Cumberland, Md., a son of the Rev. Walter C. and Fannie Beck Long.

He had spent his early life in Mt. Morris and was a graduate of Mt. Morris High School. Since 1950 he had resided in Africa, the Near East and Europe.

Mr. Long was a retired petroleum inspector and quality assurance representative for the Western European sector of the United States Government.

He was a 32nd Degree Mason, a member of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Memphis, Tennessee, and a Past Master of the Masonic Lodge in Madrid, Spain.

Surviving are his wife, Annette Baranes Long; four sons, Joseph E. Long II of Honeoye Falls, N.Y., Daniel Long of Kennewick, Wash., Samuel Long of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Jonathan Long of Paris, France; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Dana Lou) Rowe of Columbus, Ohio, and Ruth Ann Long of Paris, France; nine grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. William (Ruth) Lucas of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. Irving (Mary Lou) Howard of Winchester, Va.; and seven brothers, James Long of Manila, the Philippines, John Long of Kennewick, Wash., David and Phillip Long, both of Mt. Morris, Paul Long of New Hope, Va., Mark Long of Roseburg, Ore., and Daniel Long of Orange Springs, Fla.

Ruth Johnson Romesburg
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Minnie Kiger Cole

Minnie Kiger Cole, 95, of 811 Sherman Avenue, Waynesburg, and formerly of Kutztown, died at 9 p.m., Thursday, December 20, 1984, in Greene County Memorial Hospital, following a short illness.

She was born November 22, 1889, in Kirby, a daughter of Birdbridge and Elizabeth Phillips Kiger.

Mrs. Cole had spent her early life in the Kirby and Bluff areas and had lived in Kutztown for 53 years. She had resided in Waynesburg for the last 20 years.

While in Kutztown, she was an active member of the Kutztown United Methodist Church. At the time of her death, she was a member of the Spraggs United Methodist Church.

Her husband, William H. Cole, died January 23, 1965.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Hilda Lindberg and Mrs. Paul (Carmen) McNay, both of Waynesburg; two sons, Earl Cole of Brave, Ernest Cole of Harrisburg; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one sister, Olive Vandruff of Waynesburg.

Deceased are one son, one grandson, one great-granddaughter, two sisters and three brothers.

Saloma (Sally) Dean

Saloma (Sally) Dean, 75, of 718 1/2 Peer Street, Smithton, formerly of Waynesburg, died at 5:20 p.m. Friday, December 21, 1984, in H.C. Frick Community Hospital, Mt. Pleasant, of a heart attack.

She was born February 24, 1909, at Pittsburgh, a daughter of John H. and Sarah Schuster Hill. Her husband, Gerald M. Dean, survives.

Mrs. Dean had lived most of her life in the North Hills area of Pittsburgh and had resided at Waynesburg for 12 years. She retired in 1971 as a secretary for the Pepsi Cola Co. at Pittsburgh.

Surviving in addition to her husband, Gerald M. Dean, are one brother, Ray Hill, of Bellevue; and several nieces and nephews.

Robert G. Smith

Robert G. Smith, 65, of Waynesburg R.D.5, died Friday, December 21, 1984, at 12:30 a.m. in his home after a long illness.

He was born August 8, 1919, in Pittsburgh, a son of Ambrose and Mary Rebel Smith.

On October 29, 1960, he married Catherine Scarpaci, who survives.

Mr. Smith was a veteran of World War II, having served with the U.S. Navy.

For the past 21 years he had resided in Waynesburg and in 1980, he retired from the Equitable Gas Co. after 41 years of service.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by six sons, Robert A. Smith of Butler, Kenneth Smith of Atlanta, Ga., David Smith of Waynesburg, Fred Menz of West Mifflin, Walter Menz of Seattle, Wash., William Menz of Evans City; two daughters, Gloria Menz Smith and Mary Smith Edgar, both of Waynesburg; 15 grandchildren; one great-grandson; two brothers, James Smith of North Hills and William Smith of Freeport.

A sister, Bernice Smith, is deceased.

Iona Bonar

Iona Bonar, 86, of 175 State Street, Cameron, W.Va., died at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 18, 1984, in the McCaughy Guest Home, Cameron.

She was born May 5, 1899, in Lewisville, Ohio, a daughter of Isaac and Mattie Craig Truax. Her husband, Raymond Bonar, died in 1981.

Mrs. Bonar was a member of the First Christian Church of Cameron and of the Cameron Lodge, Order of Eastern Star.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Wanda Lee Sewell of Fort Worth, Texas, Mrs. Ada Evans of Buckhannon, W.Va., and Mrs. Lois Tarbett of Waynesburg; five sons, Donald and Delbert Bonar of Cameron, Larry Bonar of Carrollton, Ohio, Paul Bonar of Uniontown and Robert Bonar of Morgantown, W.Va.; 10 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

police report
Pickup, Car Collide
WAYNESBURG — Waynesburg Borough police reported there were no injuries and moderate damage in a two-vehicle accident Friday afternoon at the intersection of High and Richhill streets.
Police said Douglas W. Giles, 27, Waynesburg R.D.4, will be cited with failure to stop for a red light. His pickup truck collided with a car operated by Darla M. Yanachak, 39, Waynesburg.

Mischief Probed
JEFFERSON - State police are investigating criminal mischief at West Penn Power Co. headquarters near Jefferson which occurred early Tuesday morning. Two vehicles were observed driving on the lawn, causing damage to the grass.

Preston A. McMillen

Preston Alexander McMillen, 94, of Loysville R.D.1, died at 9:45 a.m. Monday, December 24, 1984, in Perry Village, New Bloomfield.

He was born November 28, 1890, in Northeast Madison Township to Albon and Martha Jane Milligan.

He was a member of the Centre Presbyterian Church and Sunday School and served as an elder and president of the Board of Trustees.

He was a life-long farmer and livestock dealer and was also a silo agent with Marietta Concrete Corp. for some 40 years. He was a charter member of the New Bloomfield Lions Club, Blain Ambulance Club and served as president of the Centre Cemetery Association.

His wife, Eva Lesh McMillen died in 1979.

Surviving are four sons, Perry McMillen of Ickesburg R.D.1; Max McMillen of Holbrook and Clyde and Clair McMillen, both of Loysville R.D.1; a daughter, Mrs. George A. (Lois) Leukel Jr. of Ocean City, Md.; a sister, Mrs. Mary Stambaugh; 19 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

A son Meade died in 1975 and a son Cleo died in infancy. Also deceased are two brothers, three sisters, a grandchild and a great-grandchild.

Friends may call at the Centre Presbyterian Church after 11 a.m. and until the hour of service at 1 p.m. Saturday, December 29. Burial will follow in the Centre Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the church, Loysville, Pa. 17047.

Edward Burnfield

Word has been received of the death of Edward Lee Burnfield, 59, of 16 Long Meadow Place, South Steauket, N.Y., on Saturday, December 1, 1984, in Long Island (N.Y.) General Hospital.

He was born February 14, 1925, in Fairmont, W.Va., a son of Nettie Burnfield of Fairmont and the late Elias Burnfield.

He was a veteran of World War II and had recently retired from White Westinghouse, New York, where he had been employed for 35 years. He retired as Eastern District manager of sales and service.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Dorothy G. Burnfield; a son, Barry Burnfield of Manorville, N.Y.; two grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Bill (Eleanor) Summers of Virginia Beach, Va., and Mrs. William (Linda) Reeves of Fairmont. Several cousins, nieces and nephews reside in Greene County.

Services were held Tuesday, December 4, with interment in Manorville Veterans Cemetery, Long Island.

Kathleen Yokopovich
Word has been received of the death of Kathleen Yokopovich, 50, of 1411 Schlegel Road, Webster, New York, on Sunday, December 16, 1984, at 3:30 a.m. She died after an illness of three days after suffering a heart attack.

Surviving are her husband, Adam Yokopovich of Webster, a former resident of Mather; her mother, Anna Frawley of Webster; two sons, Stephen Yokopovich of Rochester, N.Y., Andrew Yokopovich of Texas; a daughter, Mrs. Eva Garcia of Texas; two grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Doris Stilla of Gates, N.Y.

The funeral was held December 19 in Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Webster with burial in Holy Trinity Cemetery.

Doyle L. Tedrow

Doyle L. Tedrow, 61, of Struthers, Ohio, formerly of Aleppo, died at 1:25 p.m. Monday, December 24, 1984, in the Veterans Medical Center at Butler after being seriously ill for the past two weeks.

He was born January 10, 1923, in Aleppo to Albert Tedrow of Moundsville, W.Va. and the late Eva Antill Tedrow.

He was employed by Morris Drain Service and was a veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Struthers VFW. His early life was spent in Aleppo but for the past several years, he made his home in Ohio.

Surviving in addition to his father are a daughter, Mrs. Michael (Ruth Ann) Maloney of Cincinnati; two sons, Dennis of Boardman, Ohio and Kenneth of Struthers, Ohio; four grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Frank (Helen) Bungard of Warren, Ohio and Mrs. William (Phyllis) Grob and Mrs. Aldene Wright, both of Wheeling, W.Va. and a brother, Wayne of Aberdeen, Md.

Samuel H. Hewitt
Samuel H. Hewitt, 75, of Catawissa, Columbia County, formerly of Graysville, died Friday, December 7, 1984.

He was born June 2, 1909 in Graysville, a son of Harry and Grace Phillips Hewitt.

Surviving are his wife, Beulah Hewitt, five sisters, Lee Ellen Kennedy of Lebanon, Olive Webb of Graysville, Helen Cumpston of Mapletown, Edna Lohr of Waynesburg, and Doris Mae Hurley of Pittsburgh, and a brother, Boyd Hewitt of Washington.

A brother, Paul Hewitt, and two sisters, Mary Gale Grim and Ruth Aldine, are deceased.

Services were held at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Numidia.



Vo-Tech Helps Food Drive

The Food Service and Health Assistants classes of the Greene County Vo-Tech School have been sponsoring a food drive for the Greene County Food Bank this week. Students and faculty at the school have been donating canned goods and other non-perishable food for the local food bank. Pictured are some members of the Food Service Class who baked several gingerbread houses to raise funds for the food drive. They are, from left, Tracy Friend, Donna Scritchfield, Lisa Rogers, Kim Baker and Trina Eddy. Class instructor is Carol Tanner.

Southeastern Greene Board Fires School Superintendent

By Christie Molzon, Staff Writer

MAPLETOWN — The superintendent of the Southeastern Greene School District was fired by the school board at its meeting Tuesday night.

Gerald Marciniak, who has been superintendent of the district since 1972, was informed that his contract will not be renewed when it expires June 30.

"I knew it was coming," Marciniak said after the meeting, referring to last month's meeting when the board agreed to open both his and Assistant Superintendent Charles Wyda's position. Last night the board made no decisions concerning Wyda's job.

Board members gave no specifics for firing Marciniak and Marciniak cited "differences in educational philosophy."

"I sure hope they get down to the education of kids, they haven't got down to it yet," Marciniak said, noting he felt the board has been more concerned with locks and keys than education. "I had doubts if I would take it (the job) or not even if it was offered. The situation here is a little on the dictatorial side, too many bosses."

Marciniak, a resident of Masontown, was superintendent of the Carmichaels Area School District prior to accepting the post at Southeastern Greene.

The motion to inform Marciniak that his contract would not be renewed was made by Vic Shine. Voting with him were Adam Novak, Joe Spiker, Jack Provance, Gary Mosier and Board President George Billetz. Voting against the motion was Terry Ganocny with Bob Headlee abstaining and Mark Brozik absent from the meeting.

Most of Tuesday night's meeting centered on the district having to curtail spending immediately or face difficult financial problems later in the year.

Business Manager Floyd Geho cautioned the board that the reserve account fund is now down to \$3,000, not enough to cover any non-budgeted items. He noted a new boiler for the high school, an unforeseen expense when the budget was prepared, will cost \$21,335; that transportation costs will probably increase this year; and that there may be a deficit in the votech budget.

"It's not a crisis," he explained later. "But at this point in time I've never seen it that low this early in the year. The reserve has been virtually wiped out six months into the year."

Several board members expressed concern that Geho had not informed them earlier of the situation. "It seems that somewhere along the line

someone didn't listen when we adopted the budget and said nothing would be bought that wasn't budgeted," Billetz said.

Billetz later said the board would hold a meeting after the first of the year to review the budget and try and trim some "fat" from other accounts. The district was granted a loan of over \$100,000 this year which has been invested.

The district's contract with its faculty expires this year and the board set up a preliminary meeting with representatives of the Educational Association for Jan. 8.

The board also spent much time discussing the requests for payment made by the district architect and several contractors involved with the Penn Pitt and Bobtown elementary school renovation projects.

Because the sewer system at Penn Pitt has never worked properly since the building was renovated, the board tabled making the \$129,045 payment on the architect's fees. However, the board agreed to make the \$14,037 final payment to general contractor Walter Mucci and to inform him that his bonding company would be notified if the situation is not corrected.

No one is claiming liability for the faulty system and the district has been paying about \$200 a month to have the septic system cleaned out. The board did authorize Geho to contact the architect and have him draw up plans for a replacement system. Solicitor John Stets said the matter would "come to head when the bids come in, but we don't know what the damage is going to be until we put it up for bid."

The board also tabled a bill from William Garlick, general contractor of the Bobtown project, for \$7,500 for painting at the school because the board said the work was done without prior approval. Garlick's bill had been \$8,015 for the painting but he agreed to drop it by \$515 if the board would pay him.

At the close of the meeting, John Hemple, owner of EEI Geophysical of Morgantown, raised the possibility of the district drilling two gas wells, one by the high school and the other at Penn Pitt. Hemple said if the district owns the gas rights to those properties, the wells could save the district money in heating costs. The board indicated it was interested in pursuing the matter.

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