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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING—Stephanie and Tracy Roushey did their Christmas Shopping last Saturday at the Dallas Junior Woman's Club's Christmas Store, sponsored annually for the children. (Photo by Mark Moran)

No tax hike for Lake Twp.

Lake Township supervisors announced their proposed 1980 budget of \$125,106 at a meeting on Wednesday night. The proposed 1980 budget is approximately \$25,000 more than 1979's budget of \$101,000 with no increase in millage.

The proposed budget is based on anticipated revenues which include a nine mill real estate tax, \$5 per capita tax, one half percent earned income tax and one half percent real estate transfer tax. Also included in anticipated revenue are federal funds for two and one half CETA workers.

Based on the United States Census Bureau projected population of 1,619 residents in Lake Township for 1977, this budget includes expenditures of approximately 21 cents per day for each resident. Approximately 10 cents of that amount per day per local resident comes from local taxes.

A summary of the 1980 budget shows \$86,750 for the general fund, \$27,823 for state aid, \$10,533 for revenue sharing or a total projected budget of \$125,106 for 1980.

Although not included in the proposed budget, the board expressed hope that funds could be found to purchase a new truck to replace the 1967 model used for sanding the township's 25.46 miles of road during the winter months.

Dec. 28 at 7:30 p.m. has been set for a special meeting to pass the tentative budget. The next regular meeting, which will follow the reorganization meeting, is set for Jan. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Loyalville United Methodist Church.

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Volunteer aides approved for Dallas schools

The Dallas School Board approved a list of 55 volunteer aides for the 1979-1980 school year at their meeting on Monday night. These aides will work in Dallas Elementary School, Trucksville Elementary School and Westmoreland Elementary School. The aides will perform clerical duties

and assist in the elementary libraries.

Approved as aides for Dallas Elementary School were Mary Chappell, Sandra Cooper, Catherine Davis, Judith Donlin, Joan Evans, Noreen Gochet, JoAnn Hall, Sally Handley, Janis Jones, Katherine Kavanagh, Joyce Krivenko, Helen

Newberry, Carolyn Stine, Carol Tabor, Carol Turner, Cynthia Ursiak, Suzanne Artman, Karen Cox, Margaret Dwinchick, Karen Hunter and Vicki Weidemoyer.

Carol Bullock, Cheryl Cavalari, Carol Isaacs, Deborah Kaleta and Judith Price were named volunteer aides for Trucksville Elementary School.

Aides for Westmoreland Elementary School are Janet Griffiths, Patricia Hite, Marlene Matosky, Lonnie Stella, Eileen Tamanini, Dianne Tamolyn, Rita Balberchak, June Burcak, Beverly Connolly, Gerry Conrad, Marianne Conroy, Cynthia Das, Sally Davenport, Nancy Deeble, Janet Griffith, Betty Hilstolsky, Donna Kachmar, Marsha Margis, Dianne Medura, Gwen Moran, Beth Nardone, Charlene Purduski, Rose Ann Pilecki, Mary Therese Pitcavage, Wilma Richards, Ernestine Schray, Betsy Snyder, Marianne Williams.

The board appointed John Farkas, Wayne Hughes, John McCarthy, Barbara Price, Fred Templin, John Turner and Bettie Sullivan to serve on the Leadership Team under the federally-funded DIGS Project.

Abby A. Campbell was granted an extension on her maternity leave to include the remainder of the 1979-1980 school year.

Louis Bobeck was appointed to the maintenance staff and David Richards was appointed groundskeeper. These employees will be paid at the rate specified in the agreement between the Dallas School District and the Dallas School Service Personnel Association.

The following persons were added to the list of substitute employees for the 1979-1980 school year: Beverly A. Connolly, Trucksville, nurse; Patricia Marie Luzetsky, Edwardsville, health and physical education; Lorraine King, Dallas, cafeteria aide; Edward Hogrebe, Harveys Lake, housekeeper-custodian.

They're not talking!

Mum's the word on follow-up

Either they don't know or they're not talking!

Law enforcement officials this week once again provided no real information on the question of whether or not any investigation is underway into possible tie-ins among incidents this year involving Back Mountain "porno kings." (Last week, the Post published a comment by an assistant attorney general for Pennsylvania stating that further investigative followup is the responsibility of the district attorney.)

Chief Luzerne County Detective James Zardecki said "I would not comment" when asked if the county was performing any investigation, suggesting that the Pennsylvania State Police would be the agency handling any such matters.

A spokesman for the State Police criminal section, Wyoming Barracks, however, said Tuesday

that he knew of no such investigation.

District Attorney Chester Muroski was reported unavailable for comment, being out of the area.

February of this year saw the shooting death of Harveys Lake resident and self-proclaimed "prince of porn" John Krasner in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In June, Krasner's widow, Lillian Krasner, was kidnapped at gunpoint by a Jim Thorpe man and held unsuccessfully for ransom.

Earlier in the week, former Krasner employee and long-time competitor Allen Morrow, also a resident of Harveys Lake, was shot while in a borough cafe.

A Fort Lauderdale resident, Solomon Webb, was convicted of the Krasner killing. John Farrell, a Jim Thorpe building contractor, was acquitted of the Lillian Krasner

kidnapping, despite his confession to state police, when a jury accepted his attorney's plea that he acted only out of fear for his life and the lives of his family after having been order to perform the kidnapping by a man he would not name.

Paul Allunis, a resident of Harveys Lake, was charged with the Morrow shooting, which was reportedly the outgrowth of a complaint by Allunis that Morrow had failed to provide a promised lawyer for him for use in a hearing on drug charges. Only recently the Morrow family offered to post \$25,000 bail for Harveys Lake resident George Nichols, arrested by State Police on three counts of drug law violations.

At the time of Krasner's death in Florida, he was appealing a conviction on earlier charges that he had tried to kill Morrow.