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PENNAPRINT FAMILY--Merry Christmas from members of the Pennaprint Family to our readers. First row, left to right, Sherry Wright, Blaze Carlsen, Maryann Trynowski, Virginia Evans, Gary Evans, Tom Mooney, Frank Calautti, Pat Calautti, Marty Reddington, Marita Lowman; second row, Kay Whitehead, Peggy

Poynton, Estella Parker, Virginia Hoover, Bea LaBar, Ann Marie Shannon, Leona Konopczyk, Charlot Denmon, Betty Meeker; standing, Joe Wright, Duncan Whitehead, George Poynton, Lester Hoover, Don LaBar, Rick Shannon, Ray Carlsen, John Konopczyk, Andy Denmon, Dan Meeker, Ted Kostrobala, Terri Stahler and By Phillips. (Photo by Terri Stahler)

## Lemmond appointed judge



Charles D. Lemmond, Jr.

Dallas resident Charles D. Lemmond, Jr. was named by Gov. Dick Thornburgh to the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas Tuesday afternoon. Atty. Lemmond will fill the unexpired term of Judge Richard Bigelow, who resigned in March.

The appointment of Lemmond to the judgeship caps a lengthy selection process which began several months ago and which involved both representatives of the legal community and lay persons. A graduate of Forty Fort High

School, Lemmond received his bachelors degree in government from Harvard University and his law degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

The Dallas attorney is associated with the law firm of Silverblatt and Townend, Wilkes-Barre. He has served for the past decade as solicitor of the Lake-Lehman School District and Dallas Borough.

In years past, Lemmond has also served as solicitor for the Institution District and as First Assistant District Attorney.

The new judge is the Potentate of Irem Temple and has served in a number of other positions of leadership in Masonic and Shrine organizations. He has long been active in affairs of The First United Methodist Church of Wilkes-Barre.

The son of Ruth and Charles Lemmond, Sr., Atty. Lemmond is married to the former Barbara Northrup. The couple has four children: Charles N., a resident of Miami, Florida; Judy, a sophomore at the Wilkes-Barre Campus of Penn State; John and David, at home.

## Church claims PennDOT made drive hazardous

by Joan Kingsbury

Kingston Township manager Mark Kunkle read a letter from the Truckville Free Methodist Church at last week's supervisors meeting. The letter was in regard to what church officials believe is a very hazardous condition at the entrance to the church driveway on Carverton Road.

According to church officials, the driveway entrance has been a problem ever since the church had to be moved to its present location when Carverton Road was reconstructed by PennDOT. Reportedly, State Sen. Frank O'Connell is attempting to have PennDOT correct the very narrow and steep entrance to the church caused by the new road construction.

In his letter to the board, Rev. Minor, pastor of the church, requested the installation of a safety light near the driveway entrance. Supervisor Willard Piatt made a motion to provide a light for the Truckville Free Methodist Church since it has been the practice of the board to provide

each church in Kingston Township with one light. The board approved Piatt's motion.

Complaints also were heard concerning the board's decision to remove two street lights. One complaint was in the form of a letter from Mrs. Dell Luke concerning the removal of the light on old Carverton Road near Brown Manor. The other light in question is located at Hellers Grove.

The supervisors agreed to a compromise concerning the light near the Luke residence by installing a light near the new section of Carverton Road if UGI will provide the pole. The board agreed to inspect the reported problem at Heller's Grove and relocate one of the two remaining lights if necessary.

According to the supervisors, it costs Kingston Township \$25,000 per year for operation of the approximate 312 street lights in the township.

Considerable discussion again was held concerning problems of residents who are serviced by the

Shavertown Water Company. It was reported that expenses from their suit against the water company are mounting. Township water company consumers reminded the board of their agreement to purchase the hearing transcripts.

Atty. Ben Jones III, township solicitor, reported that purchase of the transcript is unnecessary unless the judge rules against the residents, and the residents decide to appeal the judges decision. In view of Jones explanation, the supervisors decided to withhold any action until the results of the hearing are known.

The Luzerne County Road and Bridge Department reported in a letter to the township that federal funds to replace the bridge on Main Street in Shavertown are no longer available. This bridge has been the cause of occasional flooding in that area.

However, the letter did state that the county recognizes the need for a new bridge and that they will try to establish high priority for the project.

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## No rate hike for DAMA's customers

Despite the fact that the board accepted a budget of \$955,600 at Thursday night's meeting, there will be no rate increase for customers of the Dallas Area Municipal Authority in 1980.

This year's budget is an increase of \$261,000 over the 1979 budget of \$694,000. This increase is due to the anticipated capital additions costs for 1980.

Monthly meetings for 1980 will be held on the second Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Dallas Area Municipal Authority Building. The board's reorganization meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 10 at 8 p.m.