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PRAYER AT SUNSET--The red sunset sinking into the west was the perfect backdrop for the prayers offered during the World Day of Prayer Week observed in Back Mountain churches this Friday. (Photo by Mark Moran)

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Can the Irish bring harmony to Harveys Lake Council?

It took the Irish to bring harmony to the Harveys Lake council. In a rare unanimous vote Tuesday night, Harveys Lake warmly endorsed the plans of a group of Luzerne County organizations to stage a mini-marathon around the lake as part of the Irish Heritage Games on June 29.

Sponsored by the Donegal Society, the Wyoming Valley Track Officials Assn., and other organizations, the run around the lake will be part of a set of competitions. Other events in wrestling and swimming are also planned and are likely to take place in Wilkes-Barre, according to a spokesman for the planning committee.

The Irish Heritage Games will also feature a gala picnic at the lake and, according to the spokesman, more than 1,000 families are expected to attend.

The spokesman said the run will begin at the amusement park and include one lap around the lake. More than 400 runners are predicted by the planners. The event will be advertised in the

National Track and Field News and the entry of one nationally known runner, Greg Myers, has already been received.

The vote pledging full cooperation to the mini-marathon was actually only one of three rare unanimous decisions at the generally contentious Harveys Lake council.

In another unique decision, council members agreed to disregard the reported dissatisfaction of Pennsylvania Fish Commission officials and permit the Susquehanna Bassmasters to submerge old Christmas trees and tires into selected areas of the lake to provide a refuge for fingerlings and thus enhance fishing.

The resolution, moved by Councilman Gifford Cappellini, specified the installation of trees and tires must take place under council's supervision and utilize stainless steel wires. The Bassmasters had requested council permission to enhance their plans for a club fishing competition during the coming summer.

The third unanimous vote was to pay the borough's monthly bills.

Resident Bill Zimmisky again spoke to the council about his concern for a 91-foot dock under construction by Nicholas Arnone which Zimmisky believes impedes navigation in the Sunset section of the lake.

Councilmembers stood by earlier refusals to challenge Arnone's construction, noting through Solicitor Joseph Kasper that the project appeared to be protected as maintenance of a nonconforming prior use.

Councilman Cappellini also directed comments to the public defending his donation of his council pay toward a borough copy machine acquisition.

Cappellini said that he had declined compensation when first elected because he was an assistant public defender for Luzerne County and state law forbade his accepting pay for his council duties.

He said he was obliged by a council resolution withdrawing his \$50 per month stipend and had

suggested that the money be applied to the copy machine acquisition. He said he was no longer an assistant public defender.

His comments were directed to a letter to the editor which appeared recently in The Dallas Post.

Other active items of decision including a plan to increase the size of the zoning hearing board from three to five members and discuss a council appointment to the borough planning commission were referred to 'work session.'

You might ask-what did the Harveys Lake council disagree on Tuesday night?

Only a couple of minor points. There was a minimum of dialog when Cappellini proposed Councilwoman Margaret Purcell as the council's representative on the planning commission. The idea was voted down 5-2, on Bruce Anderson's motion to table.

There was a potential for disagreement when the sewer bill for the controversial stone house was put before council for payment. Solicitor Kasper advised paying for

the period the borough occupied the structure.

In other business council acknowledged receipt of \$384 in cable television franchise fees and reported that the CTV franchisee hoped to resolve 'problems' by the end of April.

It was also reported that the franchisee planned to collect from patrons using the premium-priced 'Showtime' feature without paying the additional fees. The report also referred to some billing complaints due to finance charges.

Dallas announces kindergarten signup

Kindergarten registration for the 1980-81 school year for the Dallas School District has been announced by Dr. Richard A. Shipe, superintendent.

It will be held the week of March 24 through March 27 in the library of the Dallas Township Elementary School, Church St., Dallas. The hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A birth certificate of other acceptable evidence of age must accompany each registration. A child must be five (5) years of age on or before Sept. 30, 1980 to make him eligible for kindergarten.

As of October, 1974, Act 67, requires the following immunizations by all new enrollees prior to entry into school for the first time.

Diphtheria--three or more properly spaced doses of diphtheria toxoid.

Tetanus--three or more properly spaced doses of tetanus toxoid. These immunizations may have been accomplished by administering tetanus toxoid, diphtheria and tetanus toxoids or diptheria and tetanus toxoids and pertussis vaccine.

Poliomyelitis--three or more properly spaced doses of trivalent oral polio vaccine.

Measles--a single dose of live attenuated measles vaccine or the disease.

Rubella--a single dose of live attenuated rubella vaccine.

Although whooping cough and mumps immunizations are not legally required, the Health Department recommends children get these shots in infancy along with immunizations.

Please bring records on the child's immunizations. If records are unavailable parents will be asked to try to remember all the shots the child has had and the years in which they were given. If there is any medical reason why the child should not be fully immunized please bring a certificate from the child's physician stating the reason. Persons objecting to immunizations for religious reasons, the state requires that a signed form to this effect at school.

Those last names beginning with A,B,C,D,E, & F, will register on Monday, March 24; G,H,I,J,K,L, & M, Tuesday, March 25; N,O,P,Q,R, & S, Wednesday, March 26; T,U,V,W,X,Y, & Z on Thursday, March 27, 1980.

The children who did not attend the kindergarten program this past term may also register on March 27.

Noxen Tannery demolition funds to be sought

Standing room was at a premium last Thursday evening at the public hearing held in the Noxen Township fire hall when the Wyoming County Redevelopment Authority discussed plans for the demolition of the Noxen Tannery. The hearing was the first step toward the securing of a half million dollar grant for the purchase of land and an apartment building.

John Martin, executive director of the Wyoming county Redevelopment Commission, presided at the meeting, which also was attended by Michael Gleason and Richard Remecki, the other two members of the Redevelopment Commission.

Other Wyoming County leaders in attendance at the session were Willard Baker, Harold Grow and Robert Barzilowski, Wyoming

County commissioners; Edgar Engleman of Noxen, a member of the Wyoming County Planning commission, and Noxen Township supervisors Harold Bennett and Joseph Nalbene.

Almost unanimous approval was given by those in attendance to the recommendation to submit a Community Development application for the funds to the Department of Housing and Urban Development by the March 15 deadline. Last Thursday's meeting was mostly an informational session to acquaint Noxen Township residents how the project will develop.

Thursday's session was the fourth public hearing at Noxen concerning the acquiring and proposed demolition of the Noxen Tannery, which closed back around 1953.

Previous meetings, one held last September, and two others were held before the pre-applications were submitted by the Wyoming County Redevelopment Authority, both of which failed to receive funding.

In attendance at Thursday night's session was Edward L. Jones of Noxen, owner of the old Armour Leather Tannery, which was the major employer in Wyoming County in the early years of this century.

Jones met recently with the Wyoming County Commissioners when the acquisition of the tannery was discussed. At that time, the matter of how many acres of tannery land was the main discussion point.

Originally, the first two ap-

plications to HUD called for acquiring 50 acres in addition to the buildings. That was reduced to 14 acres after the Authority learned HUD rated the application lower because it felt the acreage was too large.

Acquisition and demolition of the tannery, it was announced, will take about a year, and it is expected that the authority will make an offer to Jones to purchase the land sometime in late summer.

In the meantime, Surveyor James Walton of Laceyville and the engineering firm of Triad Associates of Scranton have been selected by the Redevelopment Authority to survey and appraise the land and buildings. Once the land is cleared, a low and moderate income family apartment building will be built on the site.