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ARNIE AT IREM--Arnie Palmer impresses the spectators at Irem Temple Country Club on Saturday. See P.1, Sec. III. (Photo by Mark Moran)

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Harveys Lake picks CPA to audit '79 books

by Tom Mooney

Harveys Lake Borough will pay \$600 to a local accounting firm to straighten out the community's 1979 books.

In a raucous special meeting Monday night, borough council voted unanimously to hire the Kingston CPA firm of Joseph H. Williams and Co., the same organization that presently audits the borough municipal authority's books.

The appointment was attended by sharp exchanges between borough resident "Buddy" Hoblak and council member Becky Casterline over the question of why the appointment was necessary and why the borough's elected auditors had been unable to balance and certify the books in January as intended.

After council member Atty. Gifford Cappellini announced that "The books are not in the best of shape" and that "Our predecessors, the council that sat before us, have a lot of explaining to do," the argument that led to the adjourning of the meeting began.

Casterline, who had attended the unsuccessful attempt to balance the books in January, said that the difficulty apparently lay in a sum of slightly more than \$12,000 that had not been properly worked into the accounts during the process of maintaining the books last year.

Council member Margaret Purcell described the resulting difficulty as being merely an "impasse" that forced the elected auditors to give up the task of balancing, while solicitor Atty. Joseph Kasper said simply that "They were unable to get it to balance out."

The difficulty, according to Casterline, was compounded by the auditors being presented with a mass of improperly organized records which she described as "a dog's breakfast" that she and new borough secretary Edward Dubil had been unable to straighten out sufficiently for the auditors to work on.

Hoblak, however, rejected all statements that the problem was simply one of record keeping, leading Casterline to call out, "I think you're deliberately doing this."

Cappellini cautioned against drawing any premature conclusions about the source of the difficulty, saying, "We will not know if there is anything wrong or missing until they complete the audit."

The ordinance hiring the Williams firm will now go to Mayor Alvin Zim for signing. The books, when balanced, will be forwarded to Harrisburg.

In other business council accepted a bid from the Moutoursville

firm of Spitzer S. and S., Inc., of \$28,505 for a new ambulance for the fire company and voted to appoint

Margaret Purcell to the borough planning commission. Edward Dubil was appointed planning

commission secretary.

Council also voted to join the Luzerne County Police Records

System at a cost of \$237.02 per year and to donate \$200 to the borough Little League.

Fire crews save victim of fiery crash

A fiery crash on Route 415 near the center of Dallas occurred May 15, at 1:25 a.m., trapping the driver within the raging inferno of the car. Nineteen-year-old Michael Daley



Michael Daley

of Powderhorn Drive, Dallas, driver of the car, lies in critical condition in Crozier Burn Center, Chester. The 1977 Datsun, operated by Daley, burst into flames on impact with the bridge wing wall in front of the Dallas Post Office. The vehicle flipped over and landed on its roof in the creek, crushing the roof to the car body.

On arrival of Dallas fire equipment, flames engulfed the entire automobile shooting upwards 20 feet into the air.

Members of the Dallas Fire Company and Wesley's Wrecking Service are credited with a spectacular rescue. Fire equipment was on the scene within seconds after the crash applying large fog streams to the interior of the vehicle.

Fortunately, Fire Chief Don Shaffer, Assistant Fire Chief Bob Besecker, and Captain Mike Burns were still at the fire house, following a meeting, less than 500 yards away.

Also credited with a quick response in the life-saving effort was Harry Wesley of Wesley's

Wrecking Service, who arrived at the scene with his wrecker. Within seconds his expertise aided firemen in accomplishing the rescue by lifting the vehicle on its side to free the occupant.

Dallas firemen, under the direction of Chief Shaffer, utilized their newly-fabricated foam system to accomplish extinguishing the fire which took six to eight minutes

Daley Fund started

Friends and former neighbors of the Elmer Daley family of Dallas have opened a Michael Daley Fund at the Shavertown Branch of Wyoming National Bank, Memorial Highway, Shavertown.

Annette Sheldon and Mrs. Allan (Sally) Ridal reported that the fund was initiated to aid the Daley family in paying expenses incurred at Crozier Burn Center, Chester, where their oldest son, Michael, is in critical condition from fourth degree burns incurred in a motor vehicle accident, May 15, 1:25 a.m., on Route 415, Dallas. Daley was traveling north

because of a gas tank rupture.

The accident occurred at approximately 1:25 a.m. and the Daley youth was admitted to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital less than 30 minutes later and then transported to the burn center.

The fast life-saving effort is credited to the cooperation of police, firemen, ambulance attendants and the wrecking service.

Daley attended Dallas Schools and graduated from West Side Vot-Tech School in June, 1979. Contributions may be mailed to Michael Daley Fund, Wyoming National Bank, Shavertown, Pa 18708.