

Firemen's funds distributed

More than \$21 million in volunteer firemen's relief association and paid fire fighters' pension fund allocations are now being

distributed by the Department of the Auditor General to 2,519 Pennsylvania municipalities for the 1981 tax year, state Auditor General Al

Benedict reported today. Benedict said this year's total allocation of \$21,447,263 exceeds last year's allocation by almost \$900,000.

Volunteer firemen's relief associations use the state funds to provide financial help to fire fighters if they are injured during fire service, purchase safety equipment and pay for fire service training, among other benefits.

The state contribution to the firemen's relief associations and pension funds come from a 2 percent gross premiums tax on out of state incorporated fire insurance companies and from surplus money in the Fire Insurance Tax Fund. Each community's payment is based on the amount of premiums written by foreign fire insurance companies for that community's residents and businesses.

Local municipalities receiving allocations are Harveys Lake Borough, \$1,092.34; Hunlock Twp., \$2,421.24; Lehman Twp., \$1,756.08; Dallas Twp., \$2,862.50; Kingston Twp., \$7,170.34; Ross Twp., \$2,268.02; Dallas Borough, \$10,317.96; Fairmont Twp., \$199.74; Franklin Twp., \$767.04; Jackson Twp., \$991.50 and Lake Twp., \$3,141.20



Members of the Dallas Area Federated Women's Club third Annual Scholarship Fashion Show committee are seen above. From left to right, Mrs. Charles Puckey, Mrs. Gerald Taylor, Mrs. John Lyons and Mrs. Frank Rollman.

Fall and winter fashions featured

Mrs. Charles Puckey, chairman of this year's Dallas Area Federated Women's Club's Annual Scholarship Fashion Show, announced the program will be presented Thursday, Oct. 28, 8 p.m., at the Dallas Junior High School.

Fall and winter fashions from Boscov's will be shown and the narration will be given by Jean Fainberg from their store. A gift certificate also will be awarded. Coffee and dessert, catered by Coscia's, will be served immediately following the show.

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Women of Rotary service the community

In the Back Mountain, community service groups provide much of what makes the region special. The caring attitude within various organizations adds a particular flavor to life. Knowing your neighbors are concerned and have the capabilities to help is a unique plus-feature. Many of the service

clubs are large, others are not so large but all lend a hand to improving the quality of life for each of us.

One particular group manages to do its part on a rather small annual budget. The Women of Rotary provide at least two much appreciated services to the general community. Each year,

the women raise money to help needy youngsters purchase winter jackets and boots. Certificates in the amount of \$25 each are given to the children. These are used in conjunction with the Rotary's annual shopping day for underprivileged children, held during the Christmas season. The school nurses at Dallas and Lake-Lehman recommend eligible recipients for the certificates.

Women of Rotary also keep wheelchairs, walkers and crutches for use by community residents. These are stored at the home of Maryann Strom on Lake Street, Dallas, and are available to whomever needs them. Recipients are often recommended by area physicians or learn of the service through word of mouth. There is no time limit on usage and donations of such equipment, for use by others, are always welcome.

Women of Rotary do not hold major fundraising events throughout the year. They earn money through two annual gourmet dinner meetings. While most of their gatherings are held at Irem Temple Country Club, twice each year

members host at-home meals for which the other women pay. The proceeds are then used for the winter clothing certificates.

Women of Rotary president Marsha Landis explained the club's purpose is to aid the Rotary in its many projects. Its 43 members are always available to work Rotary's Fall Fair booths. They often sponsor bake sales when Rotary holds its annual turkey dinner. At one time, they took charge of baked goods at the Library Auction but this year, members worked a variety of booths.

Not all Rotary Clubs have all corresponding women's group, particularly in surrounding communities. As do most area service clubs, the Women of Rotary take their semi-monthly turn at delivering Meals on Wheels in the area.

Other officers for 1982 include Pat Baird, first vice-president; Maryann Dowey, second vice-president; Sally Connor, recording secretary; Nancy Slocum, corresponding secretary; Pauline Roth, treasurer; and Jean Alexander, clothing chairperson.

Window breaking spree ends in criminal charges

Preliminary hearings for the three persons accused of criminal conspiracy in connection with a window breaking spree in Trucksville last week are scheduled for Oct. 22 and Nov. 3 before District Justice Earl Gregory.

Police from Luzerne and Kingston Township have charged the three following an Oct. 12 incident where windows in Duke Isaacs showroom on Memorial Highway and Luzerne Motors Ford Dealership were smashed. The three are also suspected in connection with damage done to the Back Mountain Music Company and Penn Fern Oil Company. A plastic sign in front of the

Music Company was damaged after being struck by a rock or tire iron. Glass panes in a door and window at the service station were reported broken during the same time period.

Edith Hayner, 32, Harveys Lake is charged with criminal mischief and criminal conspiracy. She was seen smashing windows at Luzerne Motors at 2:55 a.m. by Kingston Township patrolman Walter Davis and Dallas Township patrolman, Daniel Lucas. Accompanying Hayner were William Robert Holly, 19, Edwardsville and John R. Reilly, Jr., 18, Courtdale. The two men are charged with criminal conspiracy.

Free flu shots to clinic patients

As a preventive measure against the "bug," Wilkes-Barre General Hospital is currently offering free flu vaccines to patients of its Chest Clinic. According to Irene Swartwood, Chest Clinic supervisor, people with a chronic chest ailment are more susceptible to the flu and should be immunized against it. She encourages chest clinic patients to receive the vaccine before the

height of the flu season, which usually begins in late October or early November.

Any chest clinic patient of Wilkes-Barre General Hospital who wishes to make an appointment for flu vaccine should call the Chest Clinic at 829-8111, extension 3048, for an appointment. Clinic hours are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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