

Filter plant fencing leveled by speeders

Drivers involved in accidents along the Hillside Road in Kingston Township have caused almost \$10,000 in damages to Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company property

in the last two months. Fencing, bordering the water company's property, has been torn down by out-of-control automobiles on two separate occasions. The first in-

cident resulted in the destruction of almost 60 feet of fence surrounding the Hillside Filter Plant. A total of 84 feet was ripped out in the second mishap, which occurred on

Christmas Eve.

Richard James Reese, RD 1, Shavertown, was traveling north on the roadway when he lost control of his automobile. Kingston Township police report he was driving at about 45 mph, rounding the hazardous turn near the filter plant.

On Christmas Eve, the vehicle was a 1971 Ford utility truck driven by Brian Thorek, 776 North St., Luzerne. Robert Mulcavage, also of Luzerne, a passenger was injured when the truck slid on the wet roadway and went out of control and into the fence.

Kingston Township Police Chief Paul Sabol said the section of road has always been a problem area, from Church Road to Route 309. A wide curve lined with pine trees begins to ice up with the slightest rain or snow in the winter months. More to the point, however, is the fact that drivers attempt to negotiate the curve at excessive speeds. Aside from damage to the water

company, each time a mishap occurs along that stretch of road, the Truckville Fire Company is immediately called out. This is done as a precaution due to the proximity of the fresh water supply.

PG&W Water Quality and Purification Facilitator, Dr. Joseph Calabro explained the possibility of a vehicle entering the clearwell on the property and contaminating the water supply is very remote, however. The contamination danger stems from oil and gas, which he said floats to the top and can be skimmed off. The company also has the capability of spilling the well to clear it of unsafe elements.

Since the filter plant is manned around the clock, any vehicle which might enter the well would be immediately pulled out. There is a likelihood, however, that a person could drown under the circumstances.

Jim Evans, chief filter plant operator at Hillside, said accidents in the area are frequent and

damage to the water company's property occurs on the average of once a year. He attributes the high accident rate to a combination of speed and conditions. Although police reports indicate many drivers say they were forced off the road by an oncoming vehicle, Evans said employees at the filter plant have been witness to a number of mishaps there and that some drivers use it as an excuse for their own negligence.

Although absence of the fencing is an inconvenience, and certainly an eyesore replacement will not cost PG&W. Automobile insurance will cover repairs and replacement in both instances.

In the meantime, water company personnel have made inquiries into the feasibility of guardrails in the area. Dave Smith of PG&W's Real Estate Division said the company would not be opposed to the installation of guardrails and conversations in that direction have been initiated.



Close to 150 feet of fencing has been ripped down by motorists involved in mishaps near the PG&W Hillside Filter Plant in Kingston Township. The resulting damage is an eyesore, and costly to all drives, since automobile insurance pays for the damage.

Grandeur and quality describe 'Walnut Woods' homes

Black-topped roads have been laid according to plan, fieldstone-faced 10 feet high concrete culvers have been constructed as mandated by Lehman Township's zoning regulations and one man's dream will soon become reality. Blue prints are completed, the site cleared and construction is underway for an original Tudor Manor House envisioned by John C. Thomas.

Located high on the crest of the 28-acre property named "Walnut Woods", the front of the 4,300 square foot home will overlook Huntsville Dam, while from the rear will be a view of the Lehman Golf Course.

The English Tudor, first of 10 homes to be designed by Sterling Construction personnel, will be erected on a 2.4 acre site. Originally intended by Thomas as his own home, it has now been committed to a discerning purchaser seeking quality before considering cost, as will be the case with all of the homes.

Walnut Woods, property once owned by Paul J. Schalm, Jr., who planned to build a home of his own on the site, was purchased recently by John C. Thomas. Thomas was looking for quality property in just

the right location.

Advised by Dick Morgan, his professional consultant and Ted Gregory of M.E. Moore Realtors, Thomas found the property to be just what he envisioned for the type homes he planned to build—10 homes to be designed and constructed for those special persons placing quality construction before costs. Each home will be designed for the discerning purchaser with an eye for originality and beauty.

The elegant three-story Grand Tudor House will be cloaked in granite and fieldstone. Its three inch solid teak door, imported from Africa, will open into an interior which has a room for everything. This large house has 28 feet high cathedral ceilings in the livingroom and diningroom and the dual-glazed Pella windows afford subtle lighting. Adding warmth to the room is the 28-foot high fireplace, one of three in the house. Custom-designed teakwood floors in both rooms complement the grandeur. Wall-to-wall carpeting is kept to a minimum throughout.

Solid mahogany pocket doors may be closed for small, informal groups, opened for formal entertainment of many guests. Cherry custom-made cabinets

and other amenities are built into the personally-designed kitchen.

Expansive sleeping quarters on the second floor include the master suite and three other bedrooms. The master bedroom includes an inviting fieldstone fireplace, dressing room, private bath with a four season climate chamber and all the amenities one could want. Off the

master bedroom, over the garage is a private office also custom designed.

In addition to the powder room on the main floor there are two baths off the second floor bedrooms, and one in the basement.

A sewing room, which can easily be converted into a studio or room of the owner's choice, is on the third floor.

An efficiently designed basement with outside doors has a conveniently located physical fitness room complete with Nautilus equipment, a large game or activity room, space-saving laundry or service area and a furnace room. Glass doors off the diningroom on the first floor open onto a fieldstone terrace.

Central air conditioning, heat and vacuuming are a feature of this

English Tudor. Despite the grandeur and luxurious design of the house, energy costs will average only \$90 to \$125 per month.

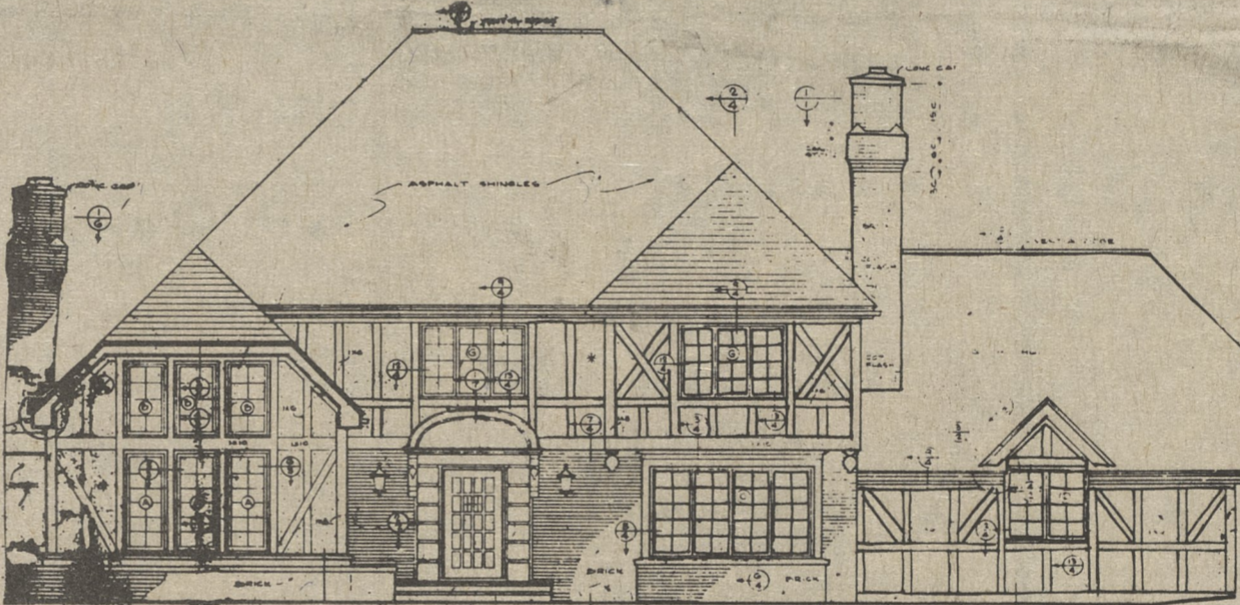
Fieldstone is the highlighting feature of Walnut Woods. Two large fieldstone pillars inset with bronze plaques engraved with the name will flank the entrance. Landscaping will afford privacy to the owners of the homes to be constructed at Walnut Woods.

Each home must be approved and built by Sterling Construction on a minimum 2.2 acre site. Each home must be a minimum of 3800 square feet. No two will be the same.

The former owner had impeccable taste and planned the property for his private estate.

Under the new ownership, plans are to keep it in the same mode. Walnut Woods is the place for the homeowner who wants to reside in a private, isolated area but with the city easily accessible.

Tours of the area are not open to the general public. All information may be obtained by appointment only. This elegant type house with its luxurious dimensions, scenic view and careful details for gracious living is available by contacting Sterling Construction Co., P.O. Box 7, Dallas, Pa. 18612.



The English Tudor, first of 10 homes to be designed by Sterling Construction.

Jackson Township

Daytime police officer sought by community

It appears that Jackson Township may have a day time police officer in the not-too-distant future. Chairman of supervisors, Walter Zincavage said the board has been interviewing applicants for the post in the hope of finding a suitable and capable person.

There are problems however, said Zincavage. The applicants are either very-well trained and not interested in working for the amount of money being offered, or they have no training. "We have to be sure that the person will stay," said Zincavage. "If we invest in sending someone to school, we don't want him to take off for more money or a better position six months down the line."

The board is cautious in their interviewing in light of recent police staffing problems in Benton and Lake Township. "We have to pay our candidate's salary for three months while he or she attends school," said Zincavage. "Then there are clothing allowances and benefits to consider. It's not just the money, but the entire procedure is an investment and we don't want to come out on the losing end."

Salary and benefits for the position are based on present township scales for its part time police officers—who only work nights and weekends. Pay is on a monthly basis with officers working "on call." The number of actual on-the-job hours varies from month to month. Zincavage said it is possible that a female will be the best choice

in this case because of the hours involved.

Hiring another patrol person will not affect the remainder of the present force at this time, Zincavage noted. "But we'll be looking into the long-term effects." Police protection is presently provided by a police chief and two patrolmen on a part time basis.

Zincavage also pointed out that increasing the size of the force will

necessitate providing a building for police use.

The move to provide day time police protection in the township came as a result of pressure from citizens. Dr. Wayne Dombroski expressed his concern after his home was burglarized. The Citizens Committee, overseeing security measures at the Chase Institute, included a request for a day time pro-

tection in its recommendations following a January meeting with prison officials. The committee believes additional police hours will contribute to the general safety of residents, particularly in light of recent breakouts at the prison.

Pat Rusiloski of the Citizens Committee said her group is hoping for some action on the police question in time for the Feb. 7 meeting of supervisors.

'Chuck Dulsky Fund' closed

The "Chuck Dulsky Fund", set up by friends of young Chuck Dulsky of Orange, to aid in financing the costs of treatment for the young boy is being closed out to the boy's continued improvement during the past few months.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dulsky, parents of young Chuckie, wish to thank all those friends, relatives

and neighbors, who donated generously to the fund aiding in paying for the treatment Chuckie needed. The Dulsky's extend their special appreciation to Russell Dymond and Carol Montross, who organized the "Chuck Dulsky Fund", and the scouts, who sponsored the fund to assist their young friend.

"Chuckie is now at home and in

remission," said Mrs. Dulsky. "He undergoes chemotherapy treatment every two weeks but he is attending school most of the time.

"Chuckie is very active and recent tests have proven favorable. The time has come to close out the fund. We are very grateful for all the kindnesses and assistance given us when so sorely needed," said Mrs. Dulsky.

Honor thy mother on May 4

The Dallas Post is planning a special tribute to Mothers for our May 4 edition. Honor your mother in a really distinctive way, through the newspaper.

Simply bring a photo of your mother to the Dallas Post, Gerald Avenue. Attach information in-

cluding her name, address, the names of her children and grandchildren (if applicable). This can be printed on the back of the photo.

A clear black and white photo reproduces best in a newspaper and this is preferable to color shots. For design puposes, a plain background

is also better than a cluttered one.

Deadline for submitting photos for our Mother's Day tribute is Tuesday, March 15. Photos will be published on a first-come served, space available basis. So, get your photo in early to reserve a special spot for your tribute to Mom.

Tax collector sets hours

Janice Castellani, Kingston Township's new tax collector, has set up regular office hours in the Municipal Building. Castellani is available in her office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. While she is presently being trained to handle the various duties associated with the job, she is also preparing to mail out County and Municipal tax bills for 1983. These will be in the mail by Feb. 15.

As one of her first official acts, Castellani explained the process by which persons 65 years of age and older can obtain exonerations for their municipal per capita taxes. Kingston Township adopted the exonerations ordinance on January 3, 1983. Persons who are eligible include those 65 and older and any who might turn 65 during 1983. Anyone wishing to file an application for exonerations must do so at the Township office during Castellani's business hours, which are noted above. Proof of age in the form of a driver's license or birth certificate is required. Those persons who have been previously

exonerated by the school district (meaning anyone 70 years and older), are automatically included in the Township's exonerations and need not reapply at this time.



Janice Castellani

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