

Area residents urged to aid in gnat control

Gnats (or Black Flies) are common insects to the Susquehanna River Basin, especially in areas adjacent to the river itself. To some residents, the Black Flies are only a nuisance, while to others they are a serious problem, interfering with recreation and business activities.

Recently, a committee was formed to develop a Northeastern Susquehanna Watershed Black Fly Policy Statement. It is the committee's responsibility to gather information on the impact of the Black Fly problem and to determine the impact these insects have on various regions and to make recommendations on what steps, if any, should be taken to alleviate it. The following survey has been developed to determine public opinion on this issue in order that the public's needs be served most effectively.

Your cooperation in this endeavor is deeply appreciated.

Please complete the enclosed survey and send to Damon A. Young, Executive Director, Susquehanna River Tri-State Association, 165 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18703.

Blackflies, also known as Gnats, thrive in the Northeastern Susquehanna Watershed.

Adult Blackflies (Gnats) can travel at least 10-20 miles from the streams and rivers from which they emerge.

Adult Gnats live three to four weeks. The female's sole purpose in nature is to get a blood meal so they can lay more eggs. Controlling the adult is not economically feasible.

Answer yes or no to the following questions:

1. Are you concerned about the Gnat (Blackfly) problem in Northeast Pa? Yes ___ No ___
2. Do you feel the Gnats are a deterrent to outdoor activity? Yes ___ No ___

3. Are the Gnats creating economic problems for outdoor recreation, such as miniature golf courses, golf courses, beaches, sporting events, amusement parks, campgrounds, etc.? Yes ___ No ___
4. How do the Gnats affect you?

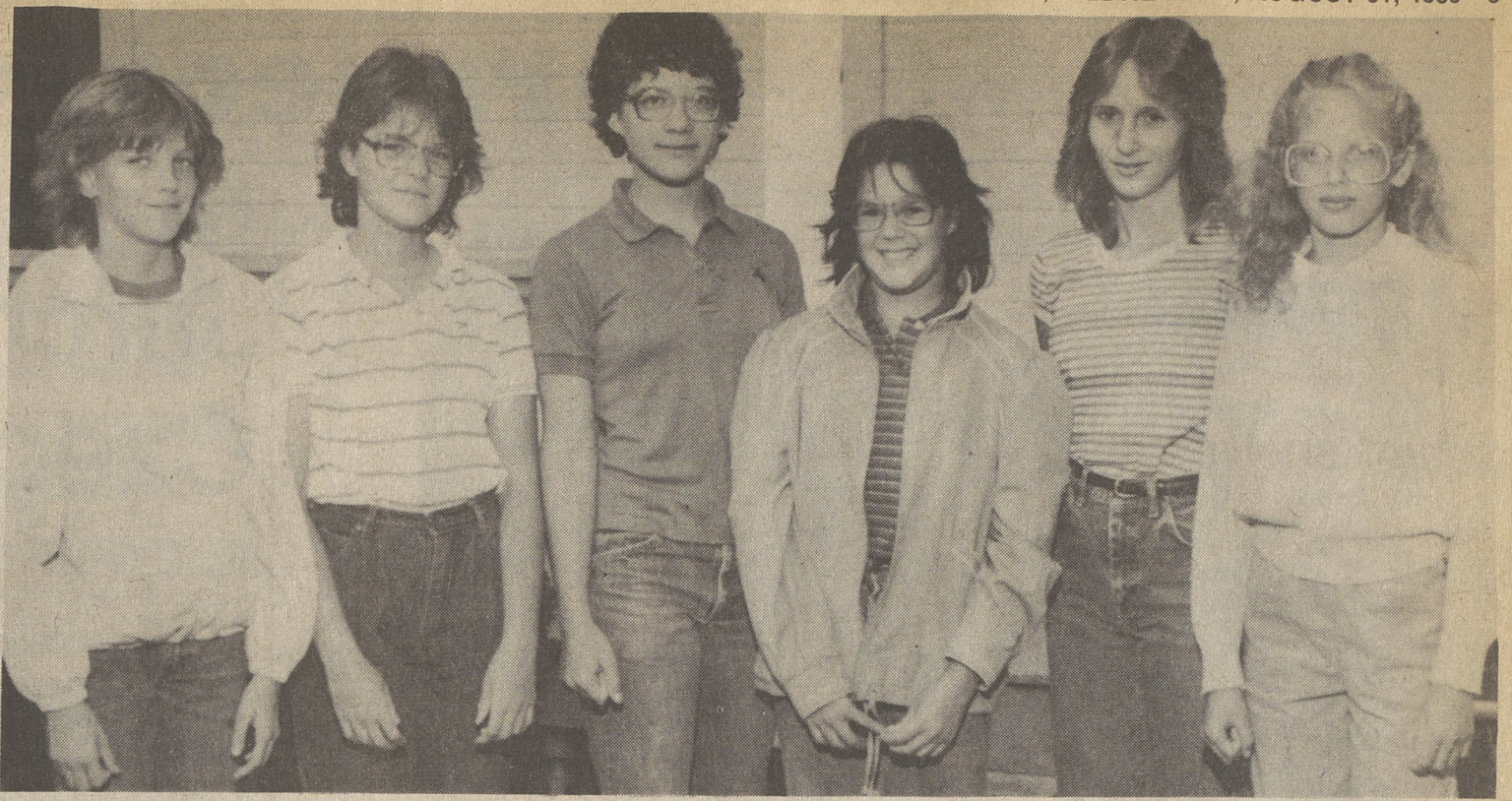
The DER recommended method of control is directed at the larvae. A special bacteria has been developed which kills only the Blackfly species. This bacteria is applied by helicopter or boat. The larvae feed on the bacteria. The bacteria disrupts the digestive process, which leads to the death of the Blackfly. This bacteria is harmless to humans, animals and non-target aquatic life. The EPA and the Department of Agriculture has approved the product for use in Penna. according to specific state guidelines.

5. Would you like to know more about the control methods and techniques? Yes ___ No ___

6. Would you support State Funding to establish a control program? Yes ___ No ___

7. Do you think your local municipality should consider funding to match state or federal dollars to correct the Blackfly problems? Yes ___ No ___

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
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PHONE _____
AFFILIATION _____



Library volunteers

A group of young volunteers gave many hours of service this summer at the children's annex of the Back Mountain Memorial Library. The children acted as desk clerks and assisted Mrs. Richard Rudolph, children's librarian, in

operating the "Book Buck Fair" and party, honoring the participants of the "Reading Game" on Aug. 12. Shown above are the young volunteers. From left, Allison Berlew, Joanne Zuba, Colleen Jordan, Cathy Zuba, Melissa Baldo and Allyson Lukasavage.

Back country briefs

SUPERVISORS OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP will meet Tuesday evening in the basement of the Orange United Methodist Church.

MEMBERS OF DYMOND HOLLOW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH are completing plans for a family hot dog and corn roast to be held Sunday, Sept. 11 starting at 1:30 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OF CENTER-MORELAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH will meet tomorrow evening at 7:30 at the church.

MRS. MARGARET SHUMWAY, wife of Rev. Thurston Shumway, pastor of the Plains-Parsons UM Charge, was the guest speaker at the morning worship service on Sunday, Aug. 21, in Centermoreland United Methodist Church.

SUPERVISORS OF NORTHMORELAND TOWNSHIP will meet Tuesday evening at 7 at the home of the board's secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Bea Beatty, Route 292, Centermoreland.

MR. AND MRS. RALPH LACEY of Vienna, Va., have returned after a week with the latter's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Polk of Orange.

EMPLOYEES OF PENNDOT completed patching of Old Mill Road from its juncture with Orange Road near the home of Jeff Townsend to the county line near James Nursery.

DONALD FAUX of Centermoreland is home after a four day stay at Tyler Memorial Hospital in Tunkhannock.

THE 28TH ANNUAL BENEFIT BARBECUE AND AUCTION of Centermoreland United Methodist Church was a complete success and Rev. Donald Walter, pastor, has expressed thanks and appreciation to all those who attended. One of the highlights of this year's

affair was the appearance of the Jacobs Brothers group in concert the opening night. Unusual also was a rehearsal dinner for Rose Dougherty of Plymouth and Joseph Phillips of Orange, which was held the opening night of the two-night benefit. The couple were married on Saturday, Aug. 13, in St. Vincent's Church, Plymouth, and are residing in Orange. Success note: A total of 1,437 dinners were served at the two-night barbecue.

GREGG KRAVITSKY, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kravitsky, Sutton Creek Road, Orange, left Sunday to enroll as a freshman at Shippensburg State College where he will pursue studies for a bachelor of science degree in business administration. Gregg is a 1983 graduate of Dallas Area High School where he played fullback on the school's grid team. He also participated in weightlifting while at Dallas. His sister, Michelle, will enter her senior year at King's College in Wilkes-Barre next week where she will further studies for a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice. Michelle spent her first two years of college at Lock Haven State College, then transferred to King's. A 1978 graduate of Dallas Area High School, she has coached basketball at West Side Vo-Tech School in Pringle.

CONDOLENCES ARE EXTENDED to the family of the late Mrs. Mary Chukinas of Upper Demunds Road, East Dallas, who passed away at her home on Aug. 20. A native of Yugoslavia, she had resided in the East Dallas

area for 35 years. Funeral services were held Wednesday with Mass of Christian Burial in Gate of Heaven Church and interment was in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

Relatives in attendance at the funeral, all of whom were from out-of-town, included the following: sons, Joseph, Orlando, Fla.; Michael, Virginia Beach, Va.; daughters, Mrs. Rosemary Pensyl, Santa Barbara, Calif.; Mrs. Theresa Pavlick, Dublin, Calif.; Mrs. Dolores Schwartz, Miami, Fla.; sisters, Mrs. Anna Martin, Forty Fort and Mrs. Catherine Evans, Wyoming, and Rev. Fedlis of Rensselaer, N.Y. and Peter Kalec, Asbury Park, N.J.

EMPLOYEES OF THE LUZERNE COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT in cooperation with PennDOT work-

ers were installing new drainage pipes from a point near the juncture of Orange Road and West Eighth Street in Orange to Emmanuel's Garage to carry off rain water coming down from Village Road and from the hill at Orange Firehouse. The work, it was announced, should be completed by the weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE EXTENDED to Frank and Rosemarie Thoma of Box 347, RD 3, Bunker Hill, on the birth of their first child, a son, Franklin Lewis IV, who was born Aug. 21 in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. Mrs. Thoma and the baby went home from the hospital on Thursday.

Franklin Lewis IV is the first grandchild for the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Farrell of the North End section of Wilkes-Barre, and the sixth grandchild for the paternal grandparents,

Frank and Patricia Thoma of the Bunker Hill area. The new mother is the former Rosemarie Farrell; the father is associated with Westinghouse Electric in the Hanover Industrial Park.

MR. AND MRS. HAROLD MONTROSS, of Centermoreland were awaiting word from the Ramada Inn at Essington, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia, where their daughter, Kimberly Ann Montross, 17, was a state finalist in the 1983 Miss United Teenager Pageant. The pageant opened Thursday evening at 7:30 and was scheduled to close Saturday evening. The pageant is the official statewide finale for the Miss United Teenager Contest.

Miss Montross is a student at Tunkhannock High School. Her hobbies include dancing, swimming, cooking and working outdoors.

Noxen news notes

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER for Frank and Candace Burnside of Box 142, RD 1, Noxen, who have announced the birth of a son, on Monday, Aug. 22 in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston. Mrs. Burnside and the baby returned from the hospital on Thursday. The Burnside's also have a daughter, Holly, four years old. Mrs. Burnside is the former Miss Candace Morh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archer Mohr of Newberry Estates, Dallas. Mr. Burnside is the son of Frank and Peggy Burnside of Harveys Lake. The new arrival is the second grandchild for the Mohrs; the eighth for the Burnside's, whose first seven grandchildren were granddaughters.

his life. The past two years he resided in Virginia with a son-in-law and daughter.

BELATED BIRTHDAY GREETINGS are extended to the following area residents: Ethel Jones, who celebrated on Aug. 16; Grace Case, who observed her birthday on Aug. 21 and Donna Meade, who celebrated on Aug. 22.

LARRY BELLES remained in serious condition at presstime in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston, with injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

FRIENDS OF MRS. HENRY LANE of Noxen will be glad to learn she returned home on Wednesday from Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where she had undergone eye

surgery earlier in the week.

MORE GOOD NEWS: Two year old Jennifer Moyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Moyer, went home on Aug. 21 from Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where she was a surgical patient. Six month old Ryan Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Spencer, also is home after a stay as a medical patient in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

LISA BUTLER, who has left to pursue studies at the Liberty Baptist College in Lynchburg, Va., was honored at a going away party by friends Sunday evening, Aug. 21.

THE ANNUAL CEF BANQUET will be held Sept. 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Dignitaries aid MDA Telethon

Manny Gordon has been named Greater Northeastern PA Area chairperson of the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association, according to Lawrence Leonard, vice-president of the national health agency's local chapter.

This year marks the second year that Manny has served as MD Telethon Chairman. Manny was formerly District Forester for 44 years, and is very active in public service.

Complimenting his chairmanship are Honorary Chairmen, Samuel J. Lesante, Congressman Frank Harrison, Congressman Joseph M. McDade, and J. Campbell Bryce.

Samuel Lesante, co-owner of Moratto and Lesante Keyboard Centers, is a former Telethon Chairman and is very active in Muscular Dystrophy Association projects. He recently conducted a fundraiser in the Laurel Mall, Hazleton, to benefit MDA which attracted a large crowd and proved to be a great success.

Congressman Harrison is also a former Telethon Chairman and has taken time from his busy schedule to provide his support at WNEP-TV throughout the telethon.

J. Campbell Bryce, Chief Executive Officer of Columbia Bankshares Investment Ltd. of Columbia, Maryland, is a newcomer to the Telethon Committee. Relative to Muscular Dystrophy Association, he is very concerned with progress. Bryce has been involved in the preservation or conversation of many historic buildings.

SUPERVISORS OF NOXEN TOWNSHIP will meet Tuesday evening at 7 in the Noxen Community Building (the former Noxen grade school) with Board Chairman Harold Bennett presiding.

SUPERVISORS OF MONROE TOWNSHIP will meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the home of the board's secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Arlene Traver, Route 29, Bowmans Creek. Board Chairman James Sickler will preside.

MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH of Noxen are completing plans for a strawberry festival to be held Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, from 4 to 8 in the parish hall.

CONDOLENCES ARE EXTENDED to the family of the late Jesse Benjamin, who passed away on Aug. 21. He was a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Noxen, and had resided in Noxen most of

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