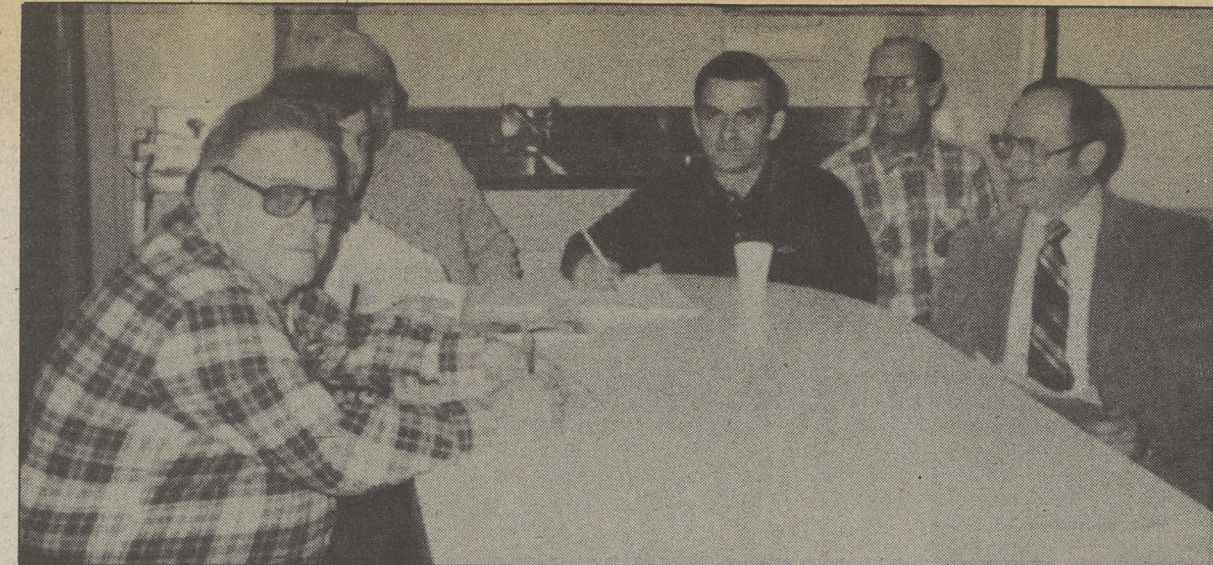




Concert planned

Sounds of barbershop harmony will be featured in the 32nd annual "Parade of Quartets" Concerts scheduled for March 30 and 31 at Meyers High School, Wilkes-Barre. Curtain time each evening will be 8 p.m. The Wilkes-Barre Barbershop Singing Society Chapter will sponsor the Concert and featured will be two visiting quartets, four local quartets, plus the chapter's 59-member chorus. Shown above are the "Four On A Beat" quartet from the Wilkes-Barre SPEBSQSA Chapter. From left, Joseph Dettmore, Wilkes-Barre (Baritone); Charlie Davenport, Shavertown (Bass); Jerry Cookus, Wilkes-Barre (Lead); and Ray Guilbeault, Wyoming, near Slocum Park, (Tenor). Davenport is president of the Wilkes-Barre SPEBSQSA Chapter and Guilbeault, newly-elected membership vice president of the chapter. Tickets currently are available from members of the Wilkes-Barre SPEBSQSA Chapter and or by writing in care of the chapter's rehearsal site, St. Mary's Greek Rite Catholic Church Hall, 321 Chestnut Ave., Kingston. Concert Chairman is Anthony R. D'Angelo, West Pittston; Ticket Chairman, Robert Carey, Dallas; Sponsor Chairman, Wally Durand, Wilkes-Barre; and Patron Chairman, Wayne Wallace, Wilkes-Barre.



Supper planned

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown will hold a Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, April 7. Serving and takeouts begin at 4:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$4.75 for adults and \$2 for children. Tickets may be obtained by calling 675-1006, 675-3859 or at the door. Shown here are members of the committee. From left, Elwood Dungey, Marty Everhart, Obed Hontz, Donald Carey, Wally Gosart and Joe Hardisky.

Approve

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Pawlush explained the township will be reimbursed by the Department of Environmental Resources for half the cost of the study, but he is not at all worried that the supervisors will not approve payment.

McFadden explained the Jackson Township Sewer Authority had top priority for the funding of sewers approximately six or seven years and, following a feasibility study by an engineering firm, DER would not approve the contract.

Because of the lack of DER approval, the engineer did not go back to the township and the township lost its grant money. McFadden, who could not remember who the engineer was, reported the reason for DER's disapproval of the contract was never known by any member of the Jackson Township Sewer Authority.

Having lost its top priority status after that, Jackson Township was forced to work an agreement with the Dallas Area Municipal Authority (DAMA) which currently has top priority status, to obtain possible grant money this year.

When Pasonick's \$47,000 contract was presented to DER for approval, DER found no problems and felt the contract was fair, thus making available a grant of 50% of the cost of the contract.

McFadden reported the Municipal

Authority informed the township supervisors of DER's approval of the contract, but that the authority had no funding for half of the engineer's cost. As the engineering firm for the township, Pasonick began to conduct the feasibility study and members of the authority were optimistic of obtaining the supervisors' approval to fund half the cost of the study.

According to the solicitor, the township supervisors did not discuss the approval of Pasonick's contract at their December, 1983 meeting as members of the Municipal Authority had expected and, to date, no firm decision has been made as to how the engineering firm will be paid.

McFadden reported he is in the process of obtaining bids from area banks for loans and that when he has all the necessary information compiled, he will submit documents to the township solicitor, Attorney Blythe Evans.

McFadden went on to explain that when the feasibility study is completed, the engineering firm will make recommendations to the supervisors as to whether or not sewers are necessary in the township. Grant money is also available for a portion of a sewer project, should it be necessary, but must be applied for by Oct. 1, 1984.

If sewers are installed in the township, McFadden reported, the

Municipal Authority will compute a rate schedule for users of the sewer system and the authority will pay back the township's cost of both the feasibility study and the cost of the sewer installation. However, the township does run a slight risk since there will be no fees collected if sewers are not necessary. In that case, the township would be responsible for any loans taken to conduct the feasibility study.

Pawlush, however, reported that even though the feasibility study is not yet complete, the engineering firm has found a definite need for correcting problems.

The engineering spokesman said there seem to be some problems with on-lot septic tanks within the township and there is a possibility these septic tanks are discharging untreated water.

McFadden said he doesn't think the township will have any problems, regardless of whether or not the installation of sewers is necessary.

"If there are no problems, people will continue to buy land (in Jackson Township)," he said. "And if there is a problem and it is attacked, the (township's) tax base will be greater."

"The bad news," McFadden continued, "would be that if there is a problem and nothing is done about it. That would be the bad news."



Workshop set

Making plans for the special workshop on mental retardation are; from left: Nick Moranski, M.S.W., mental retardation coordinator, Luzerne-Wyoming County Mental Health Retardation Program; Ellen Campbell, president of the Association for Retarded Citizens of Luzerne County; Ina Lubin, Penn State health-care programming coordinator; and Pete Rubel, director of the Mental Retardation Unit, Children's Service Center. Also on the planning committee is Martha Baranowski, program coordinator, ARC of Luzerne County.

Noted author to speak at workshop

A workshop entitled "A Journalist's View of Persons with Mental Retardation" will be presented on Wednesday, April 4 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Genetti's Best Western, Wilkes-Barre. This program marks the culminating activity for March's observance of Mental Retardation Month.

Noted author Robert Perske will present his views on persons with mental retardation drawn from his experience as a journalist and author on assignment in the United States, Canada and Europe. He will contrast past and present attitudes on retardation and their impact on

the intergration of individuals with mental retardation into community life.

The three local campuses of the Pennsylvania State University, at Wilkes-Barre, Hazleton and Scranton, are co-sponsoring the program along with the Luzerne-Wyoming County Mental Health Mental Retardation Administrator's Office, the Association of Retarded Citizens of Luzerne County and the Children's Service Center of Wyoming Valley.

The workshop is open to professionals, para-professionals, parents,

legislators, consumers from the public and private sector and any interested members of the general public. The fee of \$20 includes lunch and beverage breaks. For parents and students, there is a reduced fee of \$12. Each participant in the workshop will earn 0.5 CEU, a nationally recognized continuing education unit of credit.

To receive a brochure or more information on the program, contact Ms. Ina Lubin, coordinator of health-care programs at Penn State Wilkes-Barre, Lehman, Pa. 18627, phone (717) 675-2171.

Big

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you must fill out an application and include three references. After the references are checked out, someone will visit your home, and if everything is in order, you will become an official big brother or big sister.

It sounds so simple, and yet, so few people make the commitment. According to Ms. Feeney, for every girl in the program, there are 10 boys who await a phone call telling them they've found a big brother for them.

"We desperately need men to volunteer for the big brother program. When a mother calls to ask us about putting her son on the list of little brothers, the chance is good that it will take about two years to find someone for him. That's primarily because of the lack of men volunteers," she said.

Little sisters take about six months to be matched with a big sister.

One of those lucky little girls is Rachel Toney, of Wilkes-Barre whose big sister is Debbie Levin of

Dallas.

Ms. Levin originally saw the "Wednesday's Child" series on WNEP-TV, Channel 16, which portrayed several of the children in the program, and thought that it would be a good way to volunteer her time. From the program, Debbie says that she receives, "love and a sense of fulfillment."

"Rachel and I do things that we both enjoy together," Debbie said. "Sometimes we go shopping, or to the library or movies. Just simple things."

Ann Marie Hivish, Dallas, is another big sister. Her little sister is Sarah, and is only five and half years old.

"I don't have any children of my own, so I thought this would be a good way to become involved with children," she explained.

Once again, Mrs. Hivish reports of the love and enjoyment that everyone seems to feel once they volunteer for the program.

Mrs. Hivish, who also serves on the Advisory Committee for the program, takes Sarah shopping and

to the outings held every once in a while by the Big Brother/Big Sister Program.

Ms. Feeney points out, however, that recreation is not what the program is about.

"What we're trying to do is get a good role model for these kids. We encourage the volunteers to ask the kids to help them with work around the house," Feeney said. "We want the kids to help wash the car or clean out the garage. Sure there's going to be times to go to Burger King or roller skating, but if that's all there was to it, they could join the YMCA."

"The primary purpose of the program," she added, "is to bring two people together for a friendship. A friendship that could last them the rest of their lives."

If you think you would like to volunteer for the Big Brother/Big Sister Program, or you have a child that you would like to be placed on the Little Brother or Sister list, simply pick up the phone, and call Jane Feeney at 824-5766.

DAMA

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the creek the day the story appeared.

"I inspected that creek myself and saw no raw sewage," he said. "The creek was in good condition."

Responding to an accusation by Luzerne Borough solicitor Arthur Piccone that the DAMA treatment plant may be overloaded, Bagley explained the plant's annual flow for 1983 was 1.9 million gallons per day. According to Bagley, the treatment plant's capacity is in excess of 2.2 million gallons per day.

Bagley said the treatment plant is a major discharge into Toby's Creek.

"We are putting in excess of one million gallons of water a day into Toby's Creek," Bagley said. "And what we put into the creek will affect the creek. But we don't test the creek. It's not our responsibility to test the whole creek, just what comes out of the treatment plant."

Bagley added that the complaint of Luzerne Borough Council may be a legitimate one, but that the raw sewage could be coming from a source other than the DAMA treatment plant.

And, in light of a feasibility study concerning the possible need for a sewer system currently being conducted in Jackson Township, Bagley said, "It could be possible that

Jackson Township could be pointing Toby's Creek."

Daryl Pawlush, the assistant project engineer for Michael J. Pasonick Jr., Inc., the engineering firm conducting the study in Jackson Township, has reported that although the feasibility study is not yet complete, there is a definite need for correcting problems in the township.

Pawlush said there is a possibility that septic tanks in Jackson Township may be leaking pollutants to areas such as Brown's Creek and Huntsville Creek which both empty into Toby's Creek. Pawlush added that, after the Hillside Filtering Plant in Jackson Township, the creek could still be polluted.

When questioned as to whether these pollutants that are leaking from Jackson Township septic tanks could be polluting Toby's Creek in Luzerne, Pawlush replied, "there is a possibility that Luzerne is connected."

Bagley reported he has not been in contact with members of the Luzerne Borough Council concerning their accusations.

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Coming events

Films

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY Wilkes-Barre Campus Film Society is soliciting members for its organization. Membership fees are \$3 for regular membership and \$10 for a sponsorship. Checks should be mailed to PSU Film Society, Penn State University at Wilkes-Barre, Lehman, Pa. 18627.

The Pennsylvania State University-Wilkes-Barre Campus Film Society has announced it will present the following films: "Zabriskie Point" on Thursday, March 29, at 7 p.m.; "Brewster McCloud" on Thursday, April 12, at 7 p.m.; "Seven Samurai" on Thursday, April 19, at 7 p.m.; and "Woyzeck" on Thursday, May 3, at 7 p.m.

All showings are free and open to the general public. Refreshments are available as is child care to those who call in advance.

The films will be shown in Room L-101 of the Laboratory Building on the Lehman campus of PSU.

Anyone wishing to become a member of the Film Society may obtain additional information by calling Dr. Robert Merrill or Dr. Christopher Shipley at 675-2171, Ext. 281.

Classes

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH is offering an eight-week session of Aerobic Dancing Classes to be held in the parish hall on Route 29 in Lake Silkworth.

Classes, which began on March 19, will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. each Monday and Wednesday.

To register or for additional information, contact the rectory at 477-5040 or Barbara Paoletti at 256-3067.

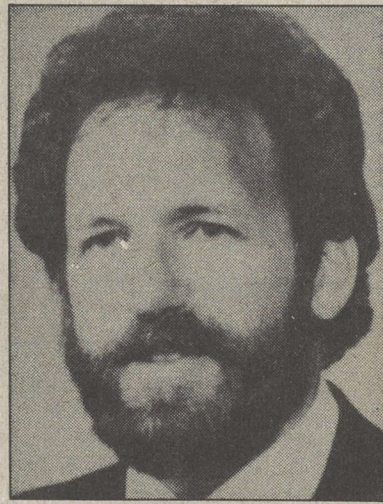
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PAK presents program

Back Mountain Parents and Kids (PAK) is featuring Dr. Jeffrey Sternlieb, a licensed clinical psychologist, as the guest speaker at its meeting scheduled for Monday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. at Walsh Auditorium, College Misericordia, Dallas.

Dr. Sternlieb's topic of discussion will be "Surviving Your Child's Junior High Years." The speaker will touch on such topics as Understanding Your Teenager, Personality Changes, Drugs and Alcohol Among Teenagers and Teenage Sexuality.

Parents and concerned residents are urged to attend this meeting. There will be a question and answer period following Dr. Sternlieb's presentation.



DR. JEFFREY STERNLIEB

Library

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The second floor of the building will initially be used for storage with ultimate plans to open it later for community use.

"All the comments we're hearing are good," said Ashbridge. "People feel the new library will be more accessible and the additional easier parking will make it more available."

The present library buildings are listed for sale at \$78,000 through Besecker Realty also located on Main Street, Dallas. The property has 247 feet frontage on Main Street and extends back to Rice Street where the upper parking lot is located. The buildings are for sale either as a bulk unit or separately.

"The children's annex could be made available as a residential

home more quickly," said Ashbridge. "If a buyer were to purchase that building separately, we could condense the two libraries until the move was made."

"Should we sell both buildings before our moving date," Ashbridge added, "we would hope that we could lease them for a few months until the move takes place."

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