

## Rebate deadline Dec. 31

Representative Frank Coslett reminds senior citizens and disabled persons that the deadline to file property tax and rent rebate applications based on 1983 tax information is December 31.

Representative Coslett said those eligible for the rebates are individuals age 65 or over, widows and widowers age 50 or over, and permanently disabled persons over age 18, who meet the income eligibility requirements.

The Luzerne County legislator said the maximum eligible income for claimant and spouse is \$11,999. Only one person per household may file an application. The maximum rebate is \$500.00. Those who receive rebates also automatically qualify

for inflation dividends of up to \$125.00.

Representative Coslett further said that eligibility is based on total annual income. Income which must be reported includes salaries, wages, self-employment and rental income, veterans' disability payments, interest, dividends, Social Security (except Medicare), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), alimony and support payments, cash public assistance and railroad retirement benefits.

Applications are available at Representative Coslett's district office located at 1265 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort, Pa. 18704. The telephone number is 717-288-3990.



### Pass exams

Elizabeth Cooper, left, and her mother, Sandra, are shown here in their home on Newhard Road in Shavertown. The two women were recently notified of their successful completion of the October State Boards for Cosmetology.

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## Mother, daughter pass state boards

Sandra Cooper and her daughter, Elizabeth Cooper, both of 63 Newhard Road, Shavertown, were recently notified of their successful completion of the October state boards for cosmetology. Both are now licensed cosmetologists.

Mrs. Sandra Cooper is currently employed as a cosmetologist for Major Hair Designs, Market Street, Kingston. Her husband, Grant, is employed at American Asphalt, Chase.

Elizabeth, who plans to wed

Robert Zack of Hanover Green in May, is employed as a medical secretary at Wyoming Valley Family Practice in Kingston.

Other members of the Cooper family include a son, Grant Jr., also employed at American Asphalt, Chase; and a daughter, Alice, employed at Stapsinski's Drug Store, Dallas.

Both mother and daughter studied cosmetology by attending evening classes at the Bradford Beauty Academy in Wilkes-Barre.

## Watch out for frozen pipes

Before bitterly cold weather catches up with us, Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company offers the following self-help tips to avoid frozen water pipes.

Pipes in cellars and other areas where they are exposed to sub-freezing temperatures should be wrapped to prevent freezing. Commercial pipe wrapping material prominently advertised by lumber and home improvement centers this time of year will usually yield the best results when insulating pipes.

Cellars should be inspected for drafts. Close and lock cellar windows and make sure the windows are covered with plastic to further cut down on heat loss from around the window and sill.

According to Frank J. Loch, PG&W's vice president Consumer Affairs, many of the frozen water services reported to the company each winter season could be avoided by following these simple recommendations.

Loch further cautions that if a water customer finds a frozen pipe in the basement, NEVER use an open flame such as a blow-torch to

thaw the pipe. The line can be thawed just as quickly and without threat of causing a flame generated fire by a hand-held hair dryer at the point of freezing.

These tips, if followed, can be practiced in an emergency and at a considerable savings to customers who would otherwise have the cost of repairing the service should it freeze, Loch adds.

### DAMA customers can save money

The Dallas Area Municipal Authority is pleased to announce that their customers who wish to save money on their sewer rental bill can do so by paying for the year in advance on or before January 31, 1985.

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Young people working on animal projects learn that animals are more than just "things". Young people interested in 4-H animal projects may choose from the following beef, dairy, horse, sheep, swine, dog and pets which may include cats, goldfish, parakeets, turtles and snakes.

With a beef project a member may select a 300-pound animal, and grow it to approximately 1,000 pounds, making choice beef. The member learns how to fit his or her animal and to exhibit it properly at livestock auctions, fairs and sometimes even the Pennsylvania Farm

Show in Harrisburg.

In dairy, many young people enjoy taking care of a goat, calf or cow, the objective being the milk given by the animal as a result of good management and care. They also have the opportunity to participate in competitions at all levels.

Horse and pony are popular animal science projects. Participants learn the parts of the horse; how to select, care for, and exhibit their horse or pony; and proper feeding and housing. They also become acquainted with both Western and English riding style and tack.

Pet projects are popular with boys and girls living in urban, rural or suburban environments. 4-H'ers learn about the history, management, and care of the pet or pets of their choice.

For more information on an animal science project, contact Donna Skog, Cooperative Extension Service, Courthouse Annex, 5 Walter St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18711; phone 825-1704 or 459-0736, ext. 704.

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