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Harveys Lake 'cleaned up'

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The ongoing battle to neutralize the anabaena algae bloom at Harveys Lake reached the treatment level Tuesday morning when officials administered the much discussed 'copper sulfate' solution.

Officials of Ecoscience Co. of Moscow utilized two specially designed air boats to treat the lake with 2,200 pounds of Copper Sulfate. The treatment process took most of the morning.

According to Russell James of Ecoscience, the copper sulfate should kill the algae within a 24-48 hour period. Swimming, water skiing and boating would then be allowed, James said.

Ecoscience was awarded the treatment contract during last Thursday's regularly scheduled closed work session of Harveys Lake Borough. The total cost of treating the lake, including the copper sulfate and the Ecoscience work crew, is \$3,250.

Harveys Lake Borough councilman Ray Jones said that the borough, on Friday, procured a \$2,000 matching grant through state representative George Hasay's office. Harveys Lake Borough will contrib-

ute \$1250 for the clean-up.

The copper sulfate treatment follows a two-week swimming advisory for Harveys Lake, issued by the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) on July 2. The anabaena algae, DER had stated, could cause forms of skin rashes and would induce vomiting if swallowed.

Representative Hasay said Friday that the \$2,000 grant was issued as a one-time funding effort through the Pennsylvania Water and Conservation Fund.

Hasay said that based on a "special recognition" from DER Secretary Nicholas DeBenedictis, Harveys Lake received the funds. The funds, Hasay said, were procured only because DER and other state officials recognized the potential damage to local businesses for the current summer season.

Hasay also said that Harveys Lake Borough should consider setting aside funds in the event the algae problem reoccurs this season or next year.

When asked if Harveys Lake Borough would be prepared to fund a clean-up without state funds on a yearly basis, Jones said, "I'm sure after this problem (anabaena algae), consideration will be given."

Working the crowd

Monty Evans, general chairman of the 39th Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction, works the crowd from the auction block during the four-day event. This year's auction

was held on the grounds of the new library on Huntsville Road, Dallas.

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Among Auction volunteers

Sense of accomplishment felt

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The Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction folded up its tents and packed away the auctioneer's microphones this past Sunday, bringing the 39th annual event to a close and leaving many auction workers with a true sense of accomplishment.

"When it's done you have a real sense of accomplishment," 63-year-old Joe Fry of 25 Davis Street, Trucksville said Sunday. "It is a tremendous amount of work compared to last year, but I really like it."

Fry, the chairman of this year's food stand, said that his two-year involvement with the auction was due to preserving the library for his family as well the entire community.

"I always try to do things for my community," the 30-year resident of the Back Moun-

tain said. "I'm retired and I like to keep busy. This (working the auction) is a great way to keep busy," Fry continued. "It's a community effort."

Fry said that his five children (all grown) have all used the library and continue to use its services today. Said Fry, "My children use the library too, so its important I make this effort."

General chairman Monty Evans of Luzerne said of the event, "It's a community well worth supporting. This is one of a few community projects that really involves the whole community."

Evans called the auction's opening day (Thursday) a "fabulous night with lots of people and lots to do," Evans said the auction did very well across the auction block.

"Today (Sunday) is really serious for the auction," said Evans. "If we do well (selling items), we could hit our goal."

The auction, like most of Northeastern

Pennsylvania, was drenched by Friday night's thunderstorm which put a damper on the event's fund-raising efforts. However, Evans said that with the excellent showing Saturday and Sunday, they could reach this year's \$40,000 fund-raising goal.

Priscilla Liput of Church Street Dallas said her efforts for the library are important because, as a Dallas Area elementary school teacher, she feels she can give something back to the children of the community.

"As a school teacher, I try to get students to read all day long," Liput, this year's co-chairman of the book booth, said. "Working in the book booth gives me a chance to sell books to students," said Liput.

Liput said that upwards of 4,000 books and magazines were sold during the four-day event. Prices ranged from five cents to \$20.

"The auction is fun," said Liput. "It is a nice place to meet friends."

Prison officials, citizens meet

Officials of the State Correctional Institute at Dallas (SCID) and members of the three-year-old SCID Citizen's Committee gathered at the prison Friday afternoon to discuss a variety of security improvements and the construction of two new cell blocks.

The meeting, held in the office of superintendent Joseph M. Ryan, focused on the construction progress of a new 300 inmate cell block scheduled for use in September, 1985 and the current plans to erect three new 'escape' sirens.

The conferees, who included Pat Rusiloski, coordinator of the SCID Citizen's Committee, state representatives George Hasay of Nanticoke and Stanley Jarollin of Plymouth, also discussed the prison's increase of guard personnel as well

as a review of a recent prison yard brawl.

According to Ryan, SCID recently acquired two remote sites for the \$25,000 siren project. A third site will be located on the prison grounds. The two remote sirens will be located along Huntsville Road, near the Huntsville Nursery and Chase Road, near the Banks Stone quarry.

"This siren system is the very latest type," Ryan told the group of approximately 20. "It's a very sophisticated operation."

The siren system is a rotating electrical model which can be tested periodically without actually sounding an alarm. The entire system is radio-controlled. In the event of a prison break, an alarm will sound at

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Couple weds on horseback

The feelings of the participants and the vows recited by the main characters were the same as at any other wedding. The setting, however, was quite different when James Steinruck of Kingston and Virginia Shannon of Harveys Lake said, "I do" Saturday afternoon.

The couple, along with members of the wedding party, sat on horseback as the bride's 75-year-old uncle, Rev. Amandus Huntzinger, performed a marriage ceremony at noon on the grounds of the 41st annual Lehman Horse Show.

A few other things were different, too - like the throwing of horse feed instead of rice and white satin shirts with gold fringe instead of a tuxedo and bridal gown.

Following the ceremony, the newlyweds hosted a soda and cake reception for approximately 200 guests. But, no, the horses did not dance at the reception.



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Kingston Twp. stands to lose federal monies

If current plans designed to cut-back and eventually eliminate the Federal Revenue Sharing Program become a reality in 1986, Kingston Township is scheduled to lose over \$74,000, The Dallas Post has learned.

At their regular monthly meeting, the Kingston Township Board of Supervisors informed residents of a recent letter from the office of the U.S. Treasury, which stated that Federal Revenue Sharing funding levels are uncertain for fiscal 1985-86. The program is slated for termination in 1986.

According to Kingston Township manager, Fred Potzer, the township is "fortunate to have a growing

community and is one of a few municipalities that can weather the storm."

"Many municipalities have reached their maximum tax millage levels," Potzer said. "When this funding (Revenue Sharing) is gone, they will find themselves petitioning Luzerne County Court for higher millage rates."

Kingston Township, Potzer said, will not be seriously affected because "we don't have our Revenue Sharing funds locked into essential areas."

Potzer said Revenue Sharing was intended to be a "rainy day fund" and was not intended to be used as an annual addition to the general operating budget.

"The ideology back in 1973 was for the federal government to subsidize local government," Potzer said. "The federal government had a surplus of funds and it was a time of spending."

Currently Kingston township utilizes the \$74,000 of Revenue Sharing funds as follows:

Repair and maintenance of municipal buildings.
Police education, fire and ambulance equipment, public works (street repairs) including three extra road crew members. Road repair materials and supplies.

Capital construction projects - storm drainage and resurfacing of roads.

Purchase of a new payloador, traffic signs and signals. Recreation summer - hires and transportation and supply costs for recreation programs.

Also, numerous community donations such as the Back Mountain Library, SPCA.

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