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Traffic light in operation

By JOHN HOINSKI
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Motorists traveling through the Dallas business district near the Dallas Shopping Center will no longer have to deal with the hazardous driving conditions that previously existed there.

Last Friday at 10:13 a.m., the flashing lights located at the Rt. 309-415 intersection near Franklin's Restaurant were put into operation and will now undergo a 30-day testing period to correct any flaws that may occur. The probationary time, however, will coincide with the lights being in operation.

The traffic light project was initiated nearly two months ago, and, for the last week and a half, flashing signals have been on.

"We usually turn the blinking lights on for a week or two before they go into operation," Angelo Boezi, assistant district traffic engi-

neer for PennDOT, said. "If the light is located where there had been no previous signal before, we like to give the people a warning that something is going to happen there soon. It gives them an opportunity to become familiar with it."

"Then, there will be a testing period of 30 days which will start from the time the lights are turned on and controlling traffic. So, if any problems develop during that time we will be able to correct them."

The \$30,000 project, done by Kuharchik Construction of Exeter, is expected to alleviate a potentially dangerous hazardous traffic spot that had existed over the years.

Motorists attempting to exit the Dallas Shopping Center and the 309-415 Plaza across the highway have been experiencing problems driving into the flow of traffic. The lights will also aid people driving in from Tunkhannock attempting to make the left hand turn onto RT. 415 heading into Wilkes-Barre.

Lehman board tables motion to appoint Bearde

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
Staff Correspondent

A resolution to appoint Rodger Bearde as athletic director and Michael Sharok as golf coach for the 1986-87 school year as recommended by senior high school principal John Zaleskas at the June 30 meeting of the Lake-Lehman School Board was first tabled until a future meeting on a motion by school director Martin Noon then, following an eight-minute recess, brought back for reconsideration by the board.

In an unprecedented move, athletic-activities chairman Joseph "Red" Jones' resolution to appoint Bearde, seconded by Gilbert Tough and Donald Jones, was questioned by director Noon, who objected to appointing Bearde because he also

coaches basketball. When Director Red Jones stated that Bearde and Sharok were the only two professional staff members who applied for the two positions, Noon recommended that the district advertise the position outside of the school district. He made a motion, seconded by Ed Mark, that the motion to appoint Bearde and Sharok be tabled until a future meeting.

The motion to table passed by a 5-4 vote with Noon, Mark, Bing Wolfe, Robert Emory and Charles Nafus voting in favor; Gilbert Tough, Allen Keiper, Donald Jones and Joseph "Red" Jones voting against.

In an eight-minute recess of the board declared by Board President Keiper, Wolfe moved to bring the motion before the directors for reconsideration with the motion seconded by Noon. This motion to

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Riding bridal party

Shown here are members of the "Run for Fun" motorcycle gang as they appeared Saturday as members of a wedding party. From left, Howard and Debra Jones, the bride and

groom; Bob and Dee Caverly, best man and matron of honor; John Payavise and Patty Tolli, Gary and Sandy Whitesell, Tony and Wanda Kowalski, Skip and Chris Davis, and Tom Challenger.

Bridal motorcade travels through Dallas

By JEAN HILLARD
Staff correspondent

Happy is the bride that the sun shines on — an old cliché, had a double meaning for Saturday's bride, Debra Roper.

Howard Jones of Edwardsville, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Jones and Debra Roper of Edwardsville, daughter of Patricia Beaufia and the late William Messing were united in marriage Saturday, June 28, at the Wyoming Avenue Christian Church, Kingston, by Rev. Swartz.

The couple's attendants were all members of "The Run for Fun" motorcycle club and, upon

leaving the church, instead of the normal bridal ride in decorated cars the wedding party was escorted to motorcycles.

The bride and groom, best man, Bob Caverly and matron of honor Delores Caverly, were lined up followed by the other attendants Gary and Sandy Whitesell, John Pavalis and Patti Tolly, Tony and Wanda Kowalski, Skip and Chris Davis. All the attendants are residents of the Back Mountain Area.

The ladies were all donned in formal gowns and guys all dressed in black leather vests, black dress pants. Helmets, of course, were the main topic of passerby as gowns flew in the breeze and their smiling faces brought smiles to all who observed along the route from Kingston to Dallas, out Huntsville Road, then

up to the Caverly residence in Chase where photos were taken.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Chris Yankovich, is employed at Corner Fashions. Mr. Jones owns his own business where he is employed as a Sanitary Engineer.

An evening reception was held at the Russian Club in Edwardsville.

Following a wedding rip, via motorcycle of course, to Niagara Falls, New York, the couple will reside in Edwardsville.

Interesting as it was, the cloudy skies and intermittent rains on Saturday never touched the bride as the sun shone on her at all the right times and the downpour came only after the wedding party reached its destination.

Bicentennial Park is 10 years old

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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The Dallas Borough mini-park located on Huntsville Road, bordered on one side by Pinecrest Avenue and on the other side by Water Street, celebrates its 10th anniversary this year. The park, which features modern appointments among a rustic setting, was made possible by a group of interested civic-minded borough residents directed by Mrs. Robert (Sylvia) Hughes, Stone Hedge, Dallas, chairman of the borough's 1976 Bicentennial Commission.

The land on which the park was constructed was owned by the Borough of Dallas and officials donated it for the purpose of developing the mini-park for residents of the bor-

ough. In commemoration of the Bicentennial, Rev. Douglas N. Akers, former pastor of Dallas United Methodist Church, suggested the development of a memorial park at one of the first meetings of the committee. Mrs. Hughes, assisted by Co-chairmen Mrs. Leo (Rose) Mohen, lost no time in getting started on the park project. Donald Smith of Smith, Miller & Associates agreed to design the park as his company's contribution to the Bicentennial.

The plan was presented to the America the Beautiful Fund, Inc. and was selected by the corporation to be registered as one of its approved projects. When approval for the park was final, the chairmen invited all residents, businesses and organizations, who wished to partic-

ipate in the project, to do so. The first work day scheduled was June 12, 1976, at the park site. Persons turned out with trash bags, rakes and sickles to clear away brush to make room for walking paths and benches. Members of Boy Scout Troop 281 also helped with the park and Ray Hillman of Dallas Kiwanis agreed to supply a suitable sign for the mini-park.

The committee had a budget of \$1,000 for the mini-park. In August, 1976, Mrs. Mohen obtained the services of David Wojciechowski and David Hurst of Dallas, who volunteered their services. The two men were very talented and were able to build all of the playground facilities.

Floyd Milbrodt was paid to do the necessary excavating and clearing that could not be done by hand, and

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Clownin' around

This guy is really "clowning around" as is apparent in this photo. "Coco," as he is known to those who love him, will be featured during the Great American Circus this Monday, July 7, when the circus performs at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Fall Fairgrounds, Route 118. The circus is being presented as a community service project of the Dallas Kiwanis Club. Children's tickets are \$4 and adult's tickets are \$6. There are no reserved seats inside the big top and the midway opens an hour before show time. The circus is rated "G" for family entertainment.

'Coco' wants to meet you

Sixty-two-year-old Michael Polakovs is a real clown. No kidding! Polakovs, born in Russia and raised in England, comes from a family of clowns and will be bringing his clown act to the Back Mountain this Monday, July 7, when he performs with the Great American Circus at the Fall Fairgrounds on Route 118. Show times are 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Polakovs is a third generation performer and his grandfather was the original Coco, his father the second and himself the third. Following in his footsteps are his son, Coco IV and his grandson Coco V while his youngest son has come to be known as "Coconut."

While Coco II was awarded the Order of the British Empire and eulogized during rites in St. Paul's Cathedral at the time of his death, the current Coco, who has been clowning around for 55 years, is the first of the Coco line to perform in the United States.

Having travelled with the Ringling Brothers from 1960 through 1971, Coco entered the Ronald McDonald character during that time, acting in the first Ronald McDonald commercials prior to moving on to the Great American Circus.

Coco invites all Back Mountain residents to visit the Great American Circus this Monday and to introduce themselves to him as he would be just thrilled to meet those who live here.

Board settles budget

By JOHN HOINSKI
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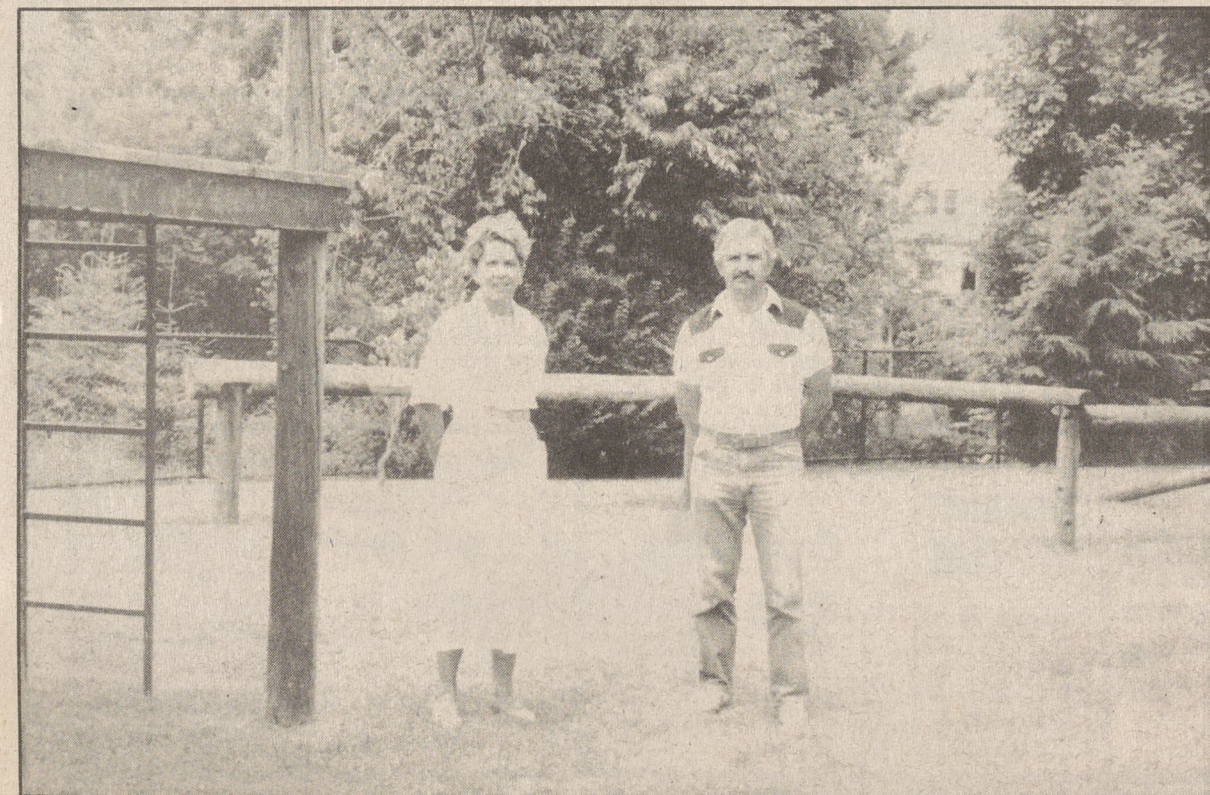
The Dallas School Board, at a special meeting Friday night, finally settled on its 1986-87 budget at \$10,280,801, raising taxes in the district by 2.5 mills to a total of \$16.

Those voting in favor of the measure, which passed by a 5-4 count were Ernest Ashbridge, John George, Albert Pisaneschi, Thomas Landon and Dr. William Camp. Those voting against the move were board president Donald Jones, James Richardson, Tex Wilson and Harry Sickler.

For the past few months, board members had been discussing various methods of cutting costs, including the elimination of certain academic programs and teachers involved in those studies. But, under the adopted budget, those programs will remain intact because of financial assistance in the form of state funds.

Monies will be available for three part-time teachers in business education, chemistry and English as well as funding for a middle school principal which has not yet been

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Park inspected

Mrs. Robert Hughes and Joseph Hudak visited the 10-year old Bicentennial Park at the top of Huntsville Road last Saturday to inspect what might be needed. Mrs. Hughes was the 1976 Dallas Borough Bicentennial Commission Chairman and was instrumental in the construction of the recreation park.

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