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Top bananas

The National League Pirates took the championship in their division in the Little League Major Division. Receiving their trophies at the Little League picnic held last weekend at the

Luzerne County Fairgrounds are, from left, first row, Mike Neal, Brad Kozick, Steve Buckley. Second row, Joseph Kristan, Chuck Finn, Matt Bogdan and Coach Frank Paczewski. (Photo by Charlot M. Denmon)

Efficiency

Townships eye better communication base

By JOHN HOINSKI
Staff Writer

The Dallas Township communications center may soon revamp its setup to become a cooperative operation with three other Back Mountain governments.

At a meeting in early August between supervisors from Kingston and Dallas townships, plans were discussed that would allow Dallas Borough, Harveys Lake Boro and Kingston Township to combine with Dallas Township to form a better, more cohesive communication base.

Under the new setup, the center, located at the Dallas Township Municipal building, would essentially be run the same as before, except the additional governments would also have a say in the manner in which the center is run. Officials hope to have the format completed by Jan. 1.

"What we are doing is taking what we have and making it better," Kingston Township manager Fred Potzer, said. "The system is good now, but like the saying goes, any system can be improved. We are expanding so fast back here that eventually there is going to have to be some changes. Maybe it won't be for ten years down the road, but it's going to happen. Even now there are some nights that it gets so busy that they (Dallas township) could use two dispatchers."

The setup, which would also be run on a separate budget, will consist of an advisory board made up of the chief of police and one councilman from each of the towns being represented, with Dallas Township police chief Carl Miers overseeing the daily activities.

Currently each town pays \$14,500 annually to belong to the center, but that figure may rise somewhat when the project goes into effect. As of now, Dallas Township alone pays the salaries of two part-time dispatchers as well as some other costs. Under the new format, the four communities will share all expenses equally. In addition, other townships and boroughs interested in the idea could also be admitted for a proportionate fee.

"Say, for example, places like Jackson Township or Lehman Township may want to become a member," Potzer explained. "Well, we wouldn't charge them the same rate as each of the four main members. Their rates would be probably be based on a per capita basis."

Potzer said that because the four towns would be acting as a single unit, it might possibly be easier to obtain grants to better improve the system.

School board stands firm: no post-practice bus

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
For The Dallas Post

Lake-Lehman students who participate in after-school activities are still going to have to find their own transportation home, despite arguments presented to the board by taxpayers, teachers and students at its August meeting.

The board stood firm by its recent decision to eliminate the post-practice bus run in order to save approximately \$18,800.

The post-practice bus run has been in existence in the district over a period of many years. The run has allowed students participating in extra-curricular

activities to have a means of transportation home at night.

Many of the taxpayers and coaches recommended that the board reconsider their decision, stating their concern was the students safety. They also said that the elimination of the bus run, would also prevent students whose parents were unable to drive them to and from practice from taking part in extra-curricular activities. They (taxpayers and coaches) stated that this was particularly the case with junior high students and freshmen.

The amount of \$18,800, some members of the board claimed would be saved, was disputed at the August board meeting when it brought to their attention that the school district advances the \$18,800 for the cost of

the bus run but is later reimbursed by the state for about 80 percent of the cost, or slightly more than \$15,000, making the cost to the taxpayers \$3,800.

Despite the taxpayers objection to elimination of the bus run, board president Allen Keiper said that there was positively nothing that could be done about it. He denied the charge by some members in the audience that the elimination of the bus run was the first step in an overall plan to eliminate some of, if not all, athletic programs at Lake-Lehman.

A resolution to increase the salaries of the district's high school and elementary school principals was approved as follows, John Zaleskas, high school principal, \$38,100 to \$39,600, an increase of \$1,500; John Oliver, junior high school principal, \$36,300 to \$38,400,

increase of \$2,100; Charles James, elementary school principal, \$34,000 to \$36,000, increase of \$2,000; and Robert Kunkle, elementary school principal, \$34,000 to \$35,500, increase of \$1,500. Carol Aston, head of the cafeteria, received an annual increase of \$1,200, to \$15,500.

Robert Roberts was named administrative assistant to John Zaleskas, senior high school principal. Joseph Martini was appointed coach of the tennis team; Jean Zaleskas was named assistant girls field hockey coach to replace Cheryl Travis, who resigned; Rosemary Zbiek was appointed senior high school yearbook advisor and Barbara Schulde was appointed junior high school yearbook advisor.

Residents criticize road maintenance

By KATHY SUDA
For The Dallas Post

David Forester, head of roads committee for the Harveys Lake Borough council heard several road maintenance complaints at the council's meeting last Tuesday.

Several residents of Ridge Street came before council to air problems with distracted water run off. Rhoda Scofield told council that the drainage pipes under driveways are blocked and drainage ditches are clogged with debris on the road and it is causing water runoff to be directed to the opposite side of the road. Scofield told council that there is a two-foot gutter cut from the runoff and it is also causing wash-outs.

Scofield also told council unattended weeds is causing poor visibility to vehicles entering Ridge Street.

Other residents told council they are concerned that oil similar to that placed on Ridge Street last fall which ruined cars will be used again this year. Councilman Forester told residents that residents must sign a petition to have their road excluded from the spread of oil

and that road maintenance is due to begin on the street soon.

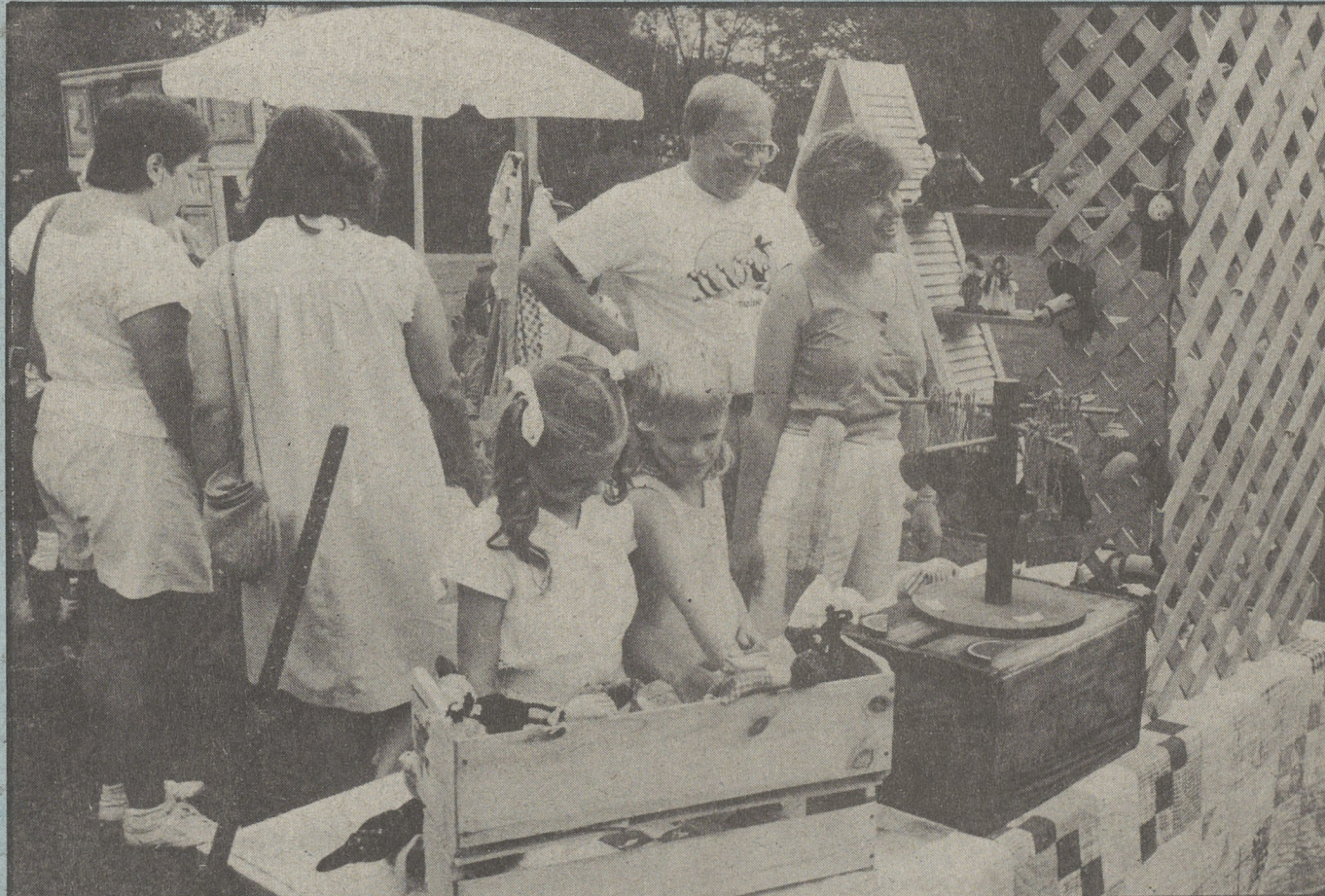
James Barrell, Planning and Zoning board officer gave council written notice of his resignation from the position.

A spokeswoman for the Greater Wilkes-Barre Triathlon to be held on August 31 at the lake is drawing the finest field of athletes. This year's event includes professional as well as amateurs and triathlon competitors are coming from as far as South Africa to compete. The spokeswoman also told council and the large turnout of residents present that a triathlon magazine will be coming to cover the event.

Councilman Forester reported that the council did purchase a new loader and roller and that delayed road maintenance is now continuing.

Councilman Edward Kelly reported that the borough's recreation center has been temporarily closed due to lack of volunteer workers needed to run the center.

Clarence Hogan, fire chief for the Daniel C. Roberts Fire Company asked council to look into the amending of the borough's burning ordinance to require the purchase of burning permits.



Checkin' it out

More than 500 people enjoyed a day at the Arts at Hayfield Summer Festival 11 held on the campus of Penn State Wilkes-Barre this past weekend. With a variety of 20 arts and crafts displays to choose from, and a variety of entertainment including a children's ballet workshop sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre Ballet Theater, the day was termed a success by the coordinators. Viewing the exhibits, from left, are cousins Weston Hinchey, Kingston and Shawna Hinchey, Centermoreland, and Dallas residents Bill Hakkarienen and Marsha Howes.

Labor Day deadlines

Since the Dallas Post will be closed on Monday, Sept. 1, in observance of Labor Day, the deadline for ads and copy for the Sept. 3 issue will be Friday, Aug. 29 at 11 a.m.