

## Bob Brown leaves as Dallas Borough manager December 30

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Dallas Borough Manager Robert Brown's resignation is effective December 31, 1988, and he recently spent a few minutes talking about his two year tenure and his plans.

Council members were hoping that Brown would withdraw his resignation prior to the end of the year but Brown said he never intended to stay for a long term of office. "Since I have been here my secretary and I have set up a new filing system; we submitted applications for various grants, cleaned out old files and papers that were outdated and purchased necessary office equipment," Brown said.

Brown said he thought he gave the council plenty of time to hire someone else for his position.

"I will come in and help a new person, if necessary," Brown stated. "My wife and I had wanted to go south for a while but there has been a change in our plans."

Brown said he has received resumes from four applicants who



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are L. Robert Spencer, retired from PG&W; Kathryn Strosnider, secretary; Joseph Christopher of Dallas Township and Gary Allabaugh from the western part of Pennsylvania.

Donald Shaffer, chairman of council, said he would appoint a committee to review the applicants resumes at the December 20 meeting of the Dallas Borough Council.

## Police report

### Dallas Borough

Patrolman James Drury said there was nothing to report.

### Dallas Township

#### DUI suspect is out on bail

Richard T. Howard, allegedly the driver of the vehicle involved in a fatal accident on Route 415, Dallas in October was arraigned before District Magistrate Earl Gregory, Thursday, December 16.

Howard, who returned to the area from Mesquite, Texas, where he had fled from Wilkes-Barre General Hospital while a patient, appeared with his attorney John Moses. He was charged with homicide by a vehicle while driving under the influence; involuntary manslaughter; and two summary traffic violations.

Howard was released on \$20,000 bail pending a preliminary hearing December 28, 10:30 a.m., before District Magistrate Gregory.

#### Car phone stolen

Dallas Township Police Chief Carl Miers investigated a report from Harold Ruth, Park Street, Dallas, December 19. Ruth, a contractor told Miers that during the night a window was broken and a car phone was taken from his pickup truck parked on a job site on Overbrook Avenue, Dallas. An investigation is continuing.

#### More Christmas trees taken

Ted Dymond, owner of Dymond's Farm Market and Bakery reported to Patrolman Elliott Ide that sometime during the night, December 15, someone took five Christmas trees from the lot at his business along Memorial Highway, Dallas. Dymond reported it was the second consecutive day, trees were stolen.

#### Eggs thrown at house

Karen Mertz, Westminister Drive, Dallas, reported that December 17, sometime after the junior high dance the night of December 16, person or persons egged her house.

Investigating officer is Patrolman Elliott Ide.

### Kingston Township

#### Leaves scene of accident

Kingston Township Patrolman Robert Weiss was called to the scene of an accident in Meadowcrest on December 18 where he said that Susan E. Murdock, of Meadowcrest, driving a 1987 Ford, struck a parked 1979 Subaru owned by John E. Campbell of West Pittston, then left the scene of the accident. Damage to Campbell's vehicle was extensive and the vehicle had to be towed.

One hour after the accident, police discovered the Ford parked at the operator's place of residence and discovered she was driving without a license. Murdock was cited for

driving without a license and for leaving the scene of an accident.

#### Two car crash on 309

Kingston Township Sergeant J. J. Balavage investigated a collision December 14, on Route 309, in front of Pen Fern Gas Station on Route 309.

Stanley E. Thomas, RD 3, Tunkhannock, driving a 1988 Chevrolet, was exiting the station onto Route 309 and travel north. Margaret R. Scheitrumphf, Hazlet Street, Wilkes-Barre, was driving north on 309 when Thomas turned from the station into the northbound lane of the highway and was struck by the Scheitrumphf vehicle.

Thomas was cited for failure to yield and Scheitrumphf was cited for driving too fast for conditions.

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