

Harveys Lake group needs public support

The Harveys Lake Environmental Advisory Council is a small group of concerned persons with a big mission - preserving and improving the quality of Harveys Lake. They deserve our support.

A lake, like other ecosystems, is easily affected by activities that go on around it. For Harveys Lake, the largest influence is the continually growing year-round population and the possibility of pollution that comes with it. Automobiles, motorboats and people bring with them substances that aren't found in nature, and many of them do harm to the lake's delicate balance of ingredients.

As the largest natural lake in Pennsylvania, Harveys Lake is a resource to be treasured, not just used. Properly managed, it can bring pleasure in many ways to many people. But if it is to survive, it must be treated with respect and care.

Everyone who uses the lake can help. Ice fishermen and walkers can make sure they don't leave any waste behind. Boaters can be careful to see that their craft are in good condition and do not leak gas or oil. Everyone can pick up any trash they see and remove it. Businesses and households near the lake can take care that their garbage is properly disposed of so it isn't blown in the lake.

They may not seem like much, but those small actions will help greatly in the battle to clean up and maintain Harveys Lake. If all who use the lake share the responsibility to care for it, keeping it clean will become a much easier task.

Beyond that, Harveys Lake may need some larger and more complicated help. The Environmental Council is now looking into some options for a complete study of the lake's status. We hope they are successful in funding that project, and then in taking action based on it.

Best of luck, Lady Knights...

The Lake-Lehman girls' basketball team plays its first-round playoff game Friday, and we wish them well. The game is scheduled for 9 p.m. at Bishop Hoban High School.

The Lady Knights No. 2 ranking in the Wyoming Valley Conference is testimony to the skill and dedication they have shown all season long. We are sure that those qualities will come through for them in the playoffs.

...and our high school wrestlers

Dallas and Lake-Lehman High Schools will both be sending outstanding wrestlers into the District II meets. Both teams have had up and down seasons, but the experience has matured them, and we expect to see several local names in the win column at the conclusion of the competition.

Wrestling is one of the oldest sports practiced by man. The sport's durability through the ages - it was one of the ancient Greek's most popular games - proves that it teaches lasting values to its participants.

We wish our local wrestlers success as they compete in the district meets.



Norwegian pines

(Photo by Charlotte Bartizek)

Library news

Back Mountain Library is stocked up for "Year of the Young Reader"

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK

The new section of videocassette tapes in the Back Mountain Library is receiving a lot of attention. Adding to the collection this week are some special children's videos, which have been in the children's room and used for the story hours. These tapes include: "Harold and the Purple Crayon", "Morris's Disappearing Bag", "The Little Drummer Boy", "Charlie Needs a Cloak", "The Story About Ping", "Zlata the Goat", "Corduroy", and "The Snow Man". These videos are now included in the office area with the other videos and can be borrowed for a one week period with a limit of two videos each time.

Under the subject heading, "CARD POWER", 1989 has been declared the "Year of the Young Reader" by the Library of Congress. There is no better time to have your child get a library card. A child in the first grade is eligible

to register for his/her own library card. This enables the holder to check out any book, magazine, record, or cassette from the children's room. Pre-school children may also have library cards with their parent signing and responsible for the books. Our children's room is overflowing with books, magazines and cassettes suitable for young readers up to and including the sixth grade student.

Federal and State income tax forms are available at the library. The forms are set up on a table in the reference room. The forms that are not on the table can probably be found in our complete book of reproducible forms at the circulation desk. The library can supply the forms for tax purposes but does not have the answers to your tax questions.

The library circulated 88,160 books during the year 1988; 51,676 adult and 36,484 juvenile titles. Book Club members borrowed 2,908 books from their special book

shelf and reference questions totaled 5,431. The library total book inventory at the end of 1988 stands at 56,388 and interlibrary loan transactions totaled 422. We have an estimated 11,182 active borrowers and volunteers donated 2,379 hours to the work at the library. There were 1,171 new borrowers joining the library in 1988 and 2,835 re-registrations.

One of the really important features of our new library on Huntsville Road is the fact that a baby carriage or a wheel chair can be wheeled right in the front door and travel all through the library without any trouble. One day last week two little boys accompanied by their mother and a baby sister in a carriage rolled right up to my desk to say hello. Thanks to Scott and Kevin for bringing their baby sister in for a visit. Also, our current work study student from College Misericordia, Becky Hughes, sails right in in her wheel chair and rolls up to the desk or the typewriter to do the typing and paper work she does for us.

Report from Harrisburg

HARRISBURG-Here is a summary of important events that occurred on Capitol Hill recently from Rep. Scott DiTterick, 120th Legislative District.

ETHICS BILL APPROVED - Following eight hours of debate over a two-day period, the House overwhelmingly approved legislation which would strengthen the state's ethics code and extend the life of the Ethics Commission. The bill would restrict the fees public officials can accept for outside speaking engagements and revamp the financial disclosure portion of the law. Under the measure, the state Ethics Commission, scheduled to expire on June 30, would remain in operation until Dec. 31, 1994. Legislators on both sides of the aisle found fault with certain sections of the legislation, but were willing to pass the bill in order to re-establish an ethics code for public officials. The measure was sent to the Senate for consideration.

CHILD PROTECTION LAWS - Rep. Lois S. Hagarty (R-Montgom-

ery) introduced a legislative package to combat child abuse in Pennsylvania. Hagarty's proposals are based on recommendations of the Attorney General's Task Force on Violence Against Children. The task force concluded that Pennsylvania has the least protective child abuse laws in the nation. "The General Assembly must provide our protective services agencies and criminal justice agencies the tools and the money to end this abuse," Hagarty said.

ELECTION REFORM BILL - Legislation which would ensure that vacant seats in the Pennsylvania General Assembly are filled without delay was unveiled by Reps. David G. Argall and Bob Allen (both R-Schuylkill). The measure, which would amend the state Constitution, would mandate that the presiding officer of the legislative body affected by the vacancy authorize an election to fill the post within 14 days. Allen noted that last session, 10 vacancies occurred in the House and seven were never filled by special election. Argall said the

Constitution provides for the filling of vacancies, but that the intent has not been followed. "If the law of our land is failing the very people it is designed to protect, then it is time we changed the Constitution to safeguard those protections," Argall said.

Local road repairs scheduled this week

Matthew R. Collura, Luzerne County Maintenance Manager, has announced the following work schedule for Department forces for the week of February 27, 1989:

Bridge Wing Stabilization - Hartman Road in Hunlock Twp.; TR 118 in Ross Twp.

Brush Cutting - Various routes in Lake and Lehman Twps.; Huntsville Road in Jackson Twp.

Ditch Cleaning - Carpenter Road and TR 415 in Harveys Lake Boro; TR 11 in Hunlock Twp.

Snow removal operations will take precedence over all other scheduled work activities.

Only yesterday

50 Years Ago - March 3, 1939 Gwilliam gets state appointment

George E. Gwilliam was named manager of the State Workmen's Insurance Fund in the Department of Labor.

Dallas Junior Woman's Club's proposal for a community center makes no headway at joint session of Dallas Borough and Dallas Township.

1939 assessment shows rise in real estate in Back Mountain despite drop throughout the county.

Dallas Township defeats Kingston Township 47-27 in a rough and tumble game.

Jane Case, Fernbrook receives Girl Scout Golden Eaglet Award.

40 Years Ago - March 4, 1949 Bowman's Restaurant enlarges dining room

Bowman's Restaurant has announced that it will open its new enlarged dining room with a full course turkey dinner Sunday.

Dr. Richard Crompton moves his office to the Loveland Building, Main Road, Trucksville.

The Dallas Post will sponsor the selection of an all star team for the Back Mountain League. Coaches and players will cast ballots this week for two complete boys and girls teams.

Dr. G.B. McDonald and Jay A. Young, both King's College educators, are residents of the Back Mountain.

Wed - Mary Drumm and Donald C. Smith; Elsie Williams and Arthur Parrish.

30 Years Ago - Feb. 26, 1959 Westmoreland meets Ashley in playoff

Volunteer workers kick off Back Mountain Heart Drive.

Dallas Ambulance will conduct a combined fund drive with the Henry Laing Fire Company.

Westmoreland and Ashley meet in championship playoff tomorrow and winner will represent Class B at Wilkes College March 7 against winner of Hazleton League.

Wed - Marian J. Shea and Joseph Cigarski; Barbara Ann Evan-chyk and Thomas King.

20 Years Ago - Feb. 27, 1969 Sewer Authority seeks \$1.2 million

Back Mountain Sewer Authority seeks grant of \$1,189,000 to begin work on sewers.

Sunset Beach Association members acquired two properties in the Project 70 area at the lake.

Engaged - Barbara F. Honeywell and Hugh Allan Hall.

Lake-Lehman's Ron Sorber, Tim Woodling and Donnie Rae Spencer advanced to regionals following the Districts last weekend. Ray Yagloski and John Pickett also advanced for Dallas.

10 Years Ago - March 1, 1979 Dallas to spend \$2 million on schools

Three men are charged in Lake Elementary School fire and related incidents. They are James Daubert, 18, Dallas; William Clivik, 20, Harveys Lake; and Keith K. Kosak, 18, Dallas.

Terms of an \$8 1/2 million insurance policy carried by the Lake-Lehman School District will provide full replacement value at current costs of the recently destroyed Lake Elementary School.

Engaged - Marjorie McCarty and George E. Buckhault.

Wed - Susan Snyder and Steven Gove.

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The Post asks: Do you feel safer driving on 309 since the changes?



Andrea Molski
Dallas
Medical receptionist

"I think it's more dangerous now. It's awful, especially around Center Hill Road."



John Hodle
West Pittston
Truck Driver

"The lanes are too narrow; the barriers crowd you."



Marilyn Pitcavage
Shavertown
Housewife

"It needs more lights and barriers around Franklin Street."



Sandi Adleson
Forty Fort
Salesperson

"It's not easier to get in and out, but better and safer in the long run."