

Companies disagree on asbestos danger in Dallas Junior High school

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Representatives of two consulting companies, ECRI, Inc. and Environmental Abatement Associates (EAA), agree that the ceiling tiles in the Dallas Junior High School are made with asbestos material, but their opinions differ on what should be done with them at the present time.

The ECRI report indicated that the tiles have less than one percent asbestos, which is below the legal limit and if the Dallas School District desires the tiles could be encapsulated, in order to protect students from danger.

But Wayne Thomas, representative of EAA, Inc., appeared at the May 8 meeting of the Dallas School Board and said that his opinion was contrary to the ECRI report.

Thomas referred to an incident that occurred over the weekend prior to the board meeting in the remedial gym of the junior high school. Sometime between Friday

night and Monday morning, the ceiling tiles in that area were disturbed, but Thomas said due to prompt precautions taken by the administration the problem was resolved for the present.

Thomas said in answer to questions from the board members, that air samples were taken in the remedial gym and six samples were taken in other areas outside the gym and all tested well below the action level. He also said he could see no evidence of ceiling tiles destroyed in other areas.

Despite this report Thomas told the board he believed the remedial gym should be dealt with because in his opinion, the Environmental Protection Agency has let a lot of loose ends.

"I believe the tiles should be removed in the entire building," Thomas said. "When any air testing is done all we are doing is determining the quality of air at the time of testing."

To remove the tiles in the entire

building as recommended by Thomas, at his estimate of \$10 per square foot, would cost approximately \$500,000. Thomas recommended that the Board have specifications written up for removal of all the tiles and put them out for bid in order to cut the costs of individual specifications done over a period of intervals.

"The asbestos in the tiles are well below action level," District superintendent Gerald Wycallis said. "So there is no danger at the present time. We know that eventually something will have to be done but it is up to the board."

"Sometime in the future they will have to decide whether to encapsulate the ceiling tiles or to remove them. It is something for them to decide after more review and evaluation. The board will have to study the reports of both ECRI and EEA carefully before coming to any decision. In the meantime, there is no need for alarm because the tiles are well below the legal limit."



WINNERS ON WALL STREET - Dallas Elementary fifth grade winners in the stock market game sponsored by Widener University were, left to right; Jared Dukas, Connor Ennis, Lisa Lynch and Zack Welch. Absent from photo was Sarah Wysocki. Fred Templin, assistant superintendent, and Miss Bobbie Shurnicki, teacher, are in the background. (C.M. Denmon photo)

Need investment advice? Try these 5th graders

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If you're thinking of investing in the stock market, you might want to talk to some students at the Dallas and Westmoreland Elementary schools.

Fifth grade students in the gifted program at Dallas Elementary place first out of 120 schools in a game sponsored by Widener University. The Westmoreland School team came in fifth in the same contest.

Both teams have been participating in the Widener University of Philadelphia stock market game for the past 10 weeks. They competed against 118 other elemen-

tary teams throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania.

The game is designed to teach children the world of business economics (supply and demand), profit and loss and also allows them to research products and purchase stocks with \$100,000 worth of play money. The stocks are tallied with a computer system at Widener University.

Miss Bobbie Shurnicki, teacher, explained that the game plants the seeds of business world knowledge at an early age and it is hoped these skills will germinate into lifelong knowledge.

The students used some imaginative and clever strategies in mapping out their buying power.

Disney, with the opening of its new theme park was a favorite of the students as well as Reebok, Kellogg, Hershey, Nabisco, CBS and a few others.

The team of Dallas Elementary students placed first in the 10-week project while the Westmoreland Elementary team also did very well by placing fifth among the 120 teams.

Fifth grade students at Dallas placing first were Jared Dukas, Connor Ennis, Lisa Lynch, Jack Welch and Sarah Wysocki. The fifth place team at Westmoreland included Holly Baseski, Shannon Newell, Dean Evans, Bobby Lorah, Kevin Rogers and Chad Williams.

Horse clubs to hold clinic Saturday

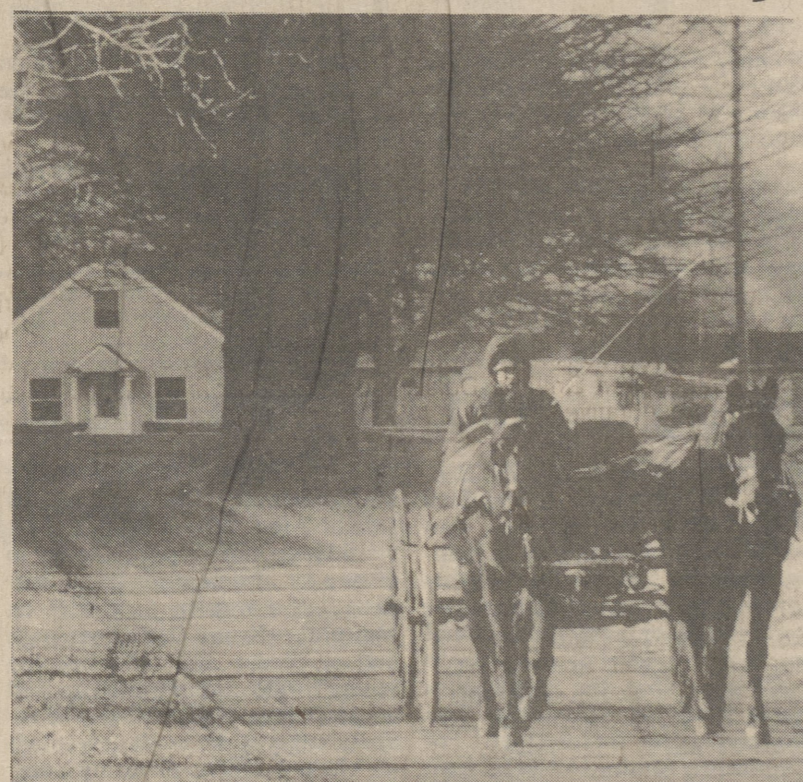
Three Back Mountain 4-H Horse Clubs, Showin' Blue, Riding Ho and The Tail Ends, will co-sponsor a clinic and exchange day. The event, to be held Saturday, May 20, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds, will feature a wide variety of attractions to interest the horseman and the general public.

A new tack auction will begin at 11:00 a.m. Videos will be shown all day, and will give those in attendance valuable knowledge of reining horses, Arabians, the elegant Lippizan Stallions of the Spanish Riding School, barrel racing, the use of ultra-sound and more.

Some of the state's top horsemen will demonstrate their art. There will be dressage, jumping, side saddle barrel racing, and more. An excellent exhibition of the art of driving a pair of horses is sure to be a crowd pleaser.

Crafts, baked goods, "horsey" gifts, and used-track and riding apparel will be featured and food will be available on the grounds all day.

For additional information address your inquiries to 4-H Exchange, c/o R.D. #1, Box 153-B, Dallas, PA 18612.



OUT FOR A RIDE - Dr. Clarence Parks of Noxen drives his 'Dyeberry Morgans in the photo above. Three horse clubs will sponsor a clinic and exchange day Saturday at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds. (Photo contributed)

Visgilio to head King's honors program

Thomas Visgilio, associate professor of philosophy and director of the gerontology program at King's College, was recently appointed to be the new director of the college's Honors Program.

As director, Visgilio, a Shavertown resident, will serve as academic advisor for all freshman honors candidates and will assist each student in choosing appropriate honors courses as well as courses within the regular curriculum. He will also review the progress of the students at mid-semester and mid-year points, assessing their major strengths and weaknesses and the degree to which the students are developing analytical and critical abilities and oral and written expression skills.

Designed to meet the needs of the academically strong and well-motivated student, the Honors Program provides opportunities for and interdisciplinary approach to learning, emphasizes lively interaction between students and fac-



Thomas Visgilio

ulty on intellectual issues, and fosters a cooperative atmosphere

among students. Courses in the program offer a participatory approach to learning so that students may develop intellectually and grow to appreciate the ways in which academic disciplines relate to one another. The Honors Program at King's has been featured in "The Forum for Liberal Education", published by the Association of American Colleges.

Visgilio, past chairman of King's philosophy department, has taught at King's since 1964. For the past three years, he has served on the National Standards Committee for the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education. He earned an A.B. from Georgetown University, an M.A. from Fordham University, and is a Ph.D. candidate at Catholic University.

K.T. announces Zoning Office hours for the summer

Kingston Township Zoning Officer Ralph R. Anthony, Jr., announces a change in Zoning Office Hours during the months of May

through August. The Zoning Office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday through Friday.

Hicks get Mother's Day grandson

Mr. and Mrs. Al Hicks, Main Street, Dallas, announce the birth of their grandson, Joshua Mark Wood on Mothers Day.

The proud parents are Louise and Mark Wood of Dimock. Joshua is their first child and he made his

debut at 9 p.m. on Mothers Day, weighing in at 8 lbs. 9-1/2 ounces and 22 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wood of Dimock. Joshua is their first grandchild.

Road repairs scheduled

Matthew R. Collura, Luzerne County Maintenance Manager, has announced the following work schedule for Department forces for the week of May 15.

Brush Cutting - SR 4011 in Fairmount Twp.; Upper Demunds Road and Overbrook Avenue in Dallas Twp.

Ditch Cleaning - Manor Drive in Kingston Twp.; TR 92 and Mt. Zion Road in Exeter Twp.

Pothole Patching - TR 29 in Lehman Twp.; TR 118 in Lake and Lehman Twps.

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