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## HL assistant police chief resigns to take new job

By Scott A. Davis  
Post Staff

The Harveys Lake Police Department experienced several changes including the resignation of the assistant chief at the Borough Council meeting last Wednesday.

Assistant Chief John R. Lerch resigned effective May 12 to pursue employment elsewhere. Lerch served the community for 17 years.

"This is in no way a political move," explained Council President Edward Kelly. He said Lerch accepted a position with the security division of First Eastern Bank.

The council also appointed two new police officers. Full time patrolman Mark Karlonias will fill the eight hour schedule vacated by Lerch. He will be on a six month probation. Part time patrolman William Alaimo will work on a 24 hour work schedule.

The council also voted to purchase a new, unmarked police cruiser through the state's Municipal Vehicle Purchase program. The council claims the cost of the new cruiser will be less than one purchased earlier this year.

The new cruiser would be used in place of the police Ram truck during the summer months. The Ram cannot be used during the summer because "in a chase, it has a tendency to flip on its side," according to Harveys Lake Patrolman Ronald Spock.

In other council business, American Asphalt's bid for the Keefer Plot project was accepted. The bid of \$41,974.76 was the lowest submitted for the road chipping and drainage work.

Council also appointed Carol Samson as borough secretary and approved the Irish Heritage Run set for June 24 at the lake. Also approved was the annual Triathlon at the lake. No date was given.



### Memorial Day

Flags will be flying all over the Back Mountain this weekend as the Memorial Day holiday is celebrated. There will be ceremonies

to mark the day, and a fair and bazaar for fun. (Photo by Charlotte Bartizek)

## Memorial Day parades, services set

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Memorial Day weekend has long been recognized as the official beginning of summer, heralded by parades, fire company bazaars, Legion Memorial Services, picnics and outdoor barbecues.

While many of the traditional ceremonies have disappeared in recent years, there are still a few scheduled for the upcoming weekend.

### DALLAS PARADE AND SERVICES

Members of the Dallas American Legion will again hold their traditional Memorial Day Parade and Services at the

Honor Roll and the cemeteries. Gus Shuleski will be Grand Marshal of the parade which will begin at 9 a.m. from the Daddow-Isaacs Legion Home on Memorial Highway and proceed to the Honor Roll at the center of Dallas where memorial services will be conducted paying tribute to the men and women who died serving their country.

Marching in the parade will be the Legionnaires, the Legion Auxiliary members, Dallas Fire and Ambulance members, the Dallas Band, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Little League members, the color guard and other dignitaries.

Participants in the memorial services at the honor roll and at

Woodlawn Cemetery will be Legion Commander Stuart Oakley, Rev. William Cusick, Gate of Heaven Church, Rev. Michael Bealla, Dallas United Methodist Church, Gerald Stinson, athletic director, Dallas Senior High School, guest speaker, and the Color Guard. The wreath will be laid on the Honor Roll by a Little League member and a Girl Scout.

Following the services at Woodlawn Cemetery, the Legionnaires will proceed to Chapel Lawn to honor the veterans.

### 3-DAY FAIR, PARADE IN SWEET VALLEY

The Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Company will hold their

Annual Memorial Day Weekend Parade and Fair May 26, 27 and 29 at the fairgrounds located near the Ross Elementary School, just off the Main Road, Sweet Valley.

The fairgrounds will open Friday night at 5:30 with entertainment by Take Four with Shawn Klush beginning at 7 p.m. The grounds will open again Saturday night at 5:30 with entertainment being provided by Chick Reeves and EZ Ride Band at 7 p.m.

The fair is closed Sunday but will reopen Monday morning at 10:30. Entertainment will continue throughout the day Monday beginning with the Al See MEMORIAL, pg 2

## Budgets for schools short on options

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

During the past two weeks the Dallas and Lake-Lehman school directors have approved their tentative 1989-1990 budgets, Lake-Lehman's proposed budget increasing taxes by five mills and Dallas' proposed budget increasing taxes by four mills.

The proposed Lake-Lehman budget of \$10,610,338 represents 133 mills tax in Luzerne County areas of the district and remains at 158 mills in Noxen Township of Wyoming County. The proposed Dallas budget of \$12,392,313 requires 132.5 mills property tax in the district.

The combined total of both districts' budgets amounts to \$23,002,651, which is without a doubt 'big business', a fact that representatives of either district will not deny.

Generous as the budgets appear to be, however, neither district claims to have an overflow of surplus monies to use. Both say they have cut corners as closely as they can. The fact is that most items within the school budgets are either mandated by the State Department of Education, contracted support services, transportation services and operational or maintenance services.

The Dallas School District budget is \$1,781,975 larger than Lake-Lehman's \$10,610,338 since the Dallas District has a larger student population. But the percentages allocated to various expenses in the two districts are not far apart.

In the Dallas district, salaries for the regular elementary and secondary programs and special programs such as tuition to special schools and special I.U. classes including social security, retirement, pension, insurance workers compensation, sick day reimbursement and other related benefits totals approximately \$6,000,000 or 48.4 percent of the budget. Vocational education and related services plus other instructional programs such as homebound and driver's education totals approxi-

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## Incumbents Shaffer, Price ousted in primary election

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Barring any unforeseen challenges, the Dallas Borough Council will have two new faces in November. First time candidates Patricia Peiffer and Donald Cooper won nomination on the Republican ballot, along with incumbent Timothy Carroll. Incumbent Paul LaBar ran unopposed and will be on the ballot in November. Losing candidates were incumbent Donald Shaffer, Joan Hiller and Hugh P. King.

In Kingston Township, incumbent Edward Price lost out to Donald Gavigan, son of the late Ambrose Gavigan, and Ben Franklin, who had been appointed to

fill Gavigan's seat in February. Both men will run unopposed on the Republican ballot in November.

In the county offices, Martha Reese won a third term as jury commissioner for the Republicans, beating back a challenge from Bruce Hanson. Daniel Blaine ran unopposed for the Democrats. Joseph Sgarlat gained the Republican nomination for controller and George Gwilliam won the Republican nomination for prothonotary.

It was a light voter turnout in Dallas Township where the only contest was in the school director race where three incumbents and three newcomers ran for nomination to the November general election ballot.

Incumbent James Richardson received 609 votes on the Republican ticket, 182 on the Democratic; Tom Landon 522 on the Republican ticket, 162 on the Democratic; and John Litz 467 on the Republican ticket for the four-year term and 538 for the two year term. He also received 214 for the two-year term on the Democratic ticket. Newcomers John Cleary received 512 votes on the Republican ticket and Thomas Stitzer received 415 on the Republican ticket and 144 on the Democratic. David Yablonski received 169 votes on the Democratic ticket. Yablonski and Cleary did not cross file as the other candidates did.

Incumbent tax collector Leonard Kozick, unopposed, received 682 votes; incumbent Frank Wagner, also unopposed received 654 votes and incumbent auditor Kenneth Kirk, unopposed received 578 votes. All were Republicans.

In other municipalities of the Dallas School District, the unofficial count showed that the six candidates will meet again in

November, since Yablonski and Cleary did not cross-file.

Unofficial returns showed that Richardson was the top vote getter on the Republican ballot with 1,773 votes. Tom Landon had 1,548 votes, John Cleary was third with 1,508 votes and Thomas Stitzer fourth with 1,264. Incumbent Republican John Litz won nomination for the two year term on both the Republican and Democratic ticket. He ran unopposed.

On the Democratic ticket Landon was tops with 515 votes, David Yablonski registered Democrat had 514 votes, Richardson was third with 513 and Stitzer came in fourth with 458.

In Lake-Lehman the race for school director was a contest in only one of the three regions.

In Region I, Harveys Lake Borough, Lake and Noxen Townships, Mildred Sue Dobash ran unopposed for the one seat and will be on both the Republican and Democratic ballot in November. In Region II middle and southwest district See ELECTION, pg 3



### Rainbow girls

Liza Lettie, Dallas, helps Melinda English pin her flowers on before last week's installation of officers ceremony. (Photo by Charlotte Bartizek)

## Sunset Beach won't open after voters reject funds

By SCOTT A. DAVIS  
Post Staff

Harveys Lake Borough Council announced last week that Sunset Beach will not open this summer after residents refused to allow tax money to support it.

A large majority of residents voted down a referendum question on the primary election ballot which would have allowed the borough council to use tax money to fund the beach.

The beach could only be reopened if it becomes self-supporting, according to Councilman Richard Boice. "People are not against a public beach," he said, "they just do not want tax money to go toward sustaining it."

One of the largest expenses to

sustain the beach is installing public toilets. State law requires that all public swimming areas must have public restrooms. Installation of the toilets would cost between seven and ten thousand dollars, according to Boice.

"Joe's Grotto had bathrooms and changing facilities which we used," Boice said. "But it is no longer there." Fire destroyed the popular restaurant last year.

Boice said people used to come to council meetings asking for a public beach. "They got the beach and kept it up for a few years." He said if people would come to meetings again, maybe they could help the council find a way to fund the beach without using tax money.

The council is looking into a See BEACH, pg 5

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### Coming up:

LAKE-LEHMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING - Wed., May 31, 7:30 PM, Senior High School. For input from citizens on educational facilities study.  
HARVEYS LAKE ZONING BOARD - Tues., May 30, 7 PM, Harveys Lake Municipal Bldg.