

Look-alike

(continued from page 1) to drugs only available by prescription.

Locata pointed out that it is unlawful to copy illegal or controlled substances, but these companies often find a way around the law. "They make changes so the pills are not exactly the same," he explained.

Also on the advertisement, were capsules. "It is hard to say what is in a capsule," Locata said. "Just about anything could be in them."

Dallas Borough Police Chief John R. Fowler explained that companies advertise duplicates of illegal narcotics simply to sell their product. "These companies do not care about the individual," he said. "They just want to make money."

Fowler explained that youths will purchase these drugs because they look like illegal narcotics. "Kids think it is nice to be seen with them. They let their friends see them with the pills," Fowler said, describing a popularity scale built around illegal narcotics.

Noxen Police Chief Joseph Bren said people will buy the simulated narcotics because of curiosity. He pointed out what he said he feels is the greatest danger associated with the simulated narcotics: "If the pills look like real drugs, the person may see other pills laying around and take them. Those drugs may turn out to be real drugs."

Dallas Borough Patrolman James Martin said companies advertise depicting copies of illegal narcotics because illegal narcotics mean money in today's society. "There is such a big abuse problem with drugs in the United States that illegal drugs are in demand," he explained. "People will make money making look-alike drugs."

Martin also sees a danger with this business practice. "The individual buys (simulated narcotics). Sometime someone might run into the real thing. Thinking the drugs are fake, they may take four or five. The drug may turn out to be the real thing."

Emergency Medical Technician Chris Davis, Kingston Township, recalled an old episode of Quincy (A television show based on a coroner/investigator). In the episode, fake drugs were being sold to youths. The kids then started dying. It turned out later in the show that the fake drugs were laced.

"It is a lure to get kids to come thinking they are going to buy real drugs," Davis said.

"They should be shut down," said Emergency Medical Technician Margaret Davis, "because they are going after the kids to make money. They just cash in on the fad of taking drugs."



Double the fun

The Gallagher twins, Peter and Christian, 3, of Dallas, enjoyed riding the flying elephants at this year's Luzerne County Fair. (Photo by Ron Bartzek)

Encampment reenacts times of Frances Slocum

By SCOTT A. DAVIS Post Staff

Frances Slocum State Park was pushed back in time this past weekend, when a colonial encampment was reenacted to commemorate the kidnapping of Frances Slocum in 1778.

The second annual celebration of the life and times of Frances Slocum was held at the park this past weekend. To commemorate the "Lost Sister of the Wyoming Valley," the 24th Connecticut Regiment Militia 1st Independent Company reenacted the encampment of the same regiment, which would have been located in the same area on November 2, 1778.

That was the date that a colonial girl named Frances Slocum, then five years old, was kidnapped by Delaware Indians. Her mother, brother, and two sisters were home with her when the Indians attacked. The two sisters and the mother escaped and hid from the Indians. Frances and her brother, however were captured.

Frances' mother came out of hiding to plead for her children's lives, and the Indians released Frances' ailing brother. Frances, however, was taken away by the Indians.

It is believed she was raised and lived as an Indian for the remainder of her life.

The camp was made up of men, women, and children. Tents lined the site, which was located along the shore of the reservoir. Food was cooked over an open fire; Saturday's supper was chicken. Muskets stood ready on a rack, just in case Indians might attack.

Mock battles, skirmishes, musket firing, and other activities highlighted the event.

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**'Look-alikes'**  
Many of the pills and capsules shown on this business card look identical to prescription drugs often used illicitly. The card was one of many left on car windshields in Dallas recently.

Crack

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Noxen Police Chief Joseph Bren agrees that 'crack' is a growing problem in the Back Mountain.

"Certainly it is here," Bren said. Although he has not made any arrests personally, Bren said he has talked with kids and found 'crack' does exist in the Back Mountain.

Bren said that if 'crack' is appearing everywhere else in the country, there is no reason the Back Mountain should be any different.

Dallas Borough Police Chief John R. Fowler, however, is not so ready to say 'crack' has invaded the region.

"It is possible that 'crack' is in the Back Mountain," Fowler said, "but I have not run across it yet." Fowler said he has spoken to known drug users and has found

Citizens' committee asks for more guards at prison

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Writer

Jackson Township Citizens Committee headed by Pat Rusilowski met Friday with officials of the State Correctional Institution at Dallas to discuss their concerns about the number of inmates in ratio to correctional officers and the progress of the water connection with Ceasetown Dam.

Superintendent Joseph Ryan stated that there are currently 1,953 inmates at the facility and 334 correctional officers. Members of the committee, Representatives Stanley Jarolin, George Hasay and Thomas Reese, aide to Senator Charles Lemmond expressed concern that there was not a sufficient number of officers. Ryan said that a letter would be drafted and sent

to the Commission requesting an additional number of correction officers.

Ryan told the persons at the meeting that the new fence and the siren were now complete and that the water connection via Pennsylvania Gas & Water was approved and a letter requesting approval to tie it into Ceasetown Dam has been sent to the E.G.S. Ryan's plan to use the tie-in as a backup was not satisfactory to the committee. Members told him they believed it should be used year-round to relieve the pull on local wells. This will be taken under advisement by officials.

Ryan also stated that a second bid has been put out for an additional tower for lighting due to the first one being drawn up in error.

Muffler shop plan gets approval

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Writer

A new muffler shop to be located on Route 309 in Dallas moved a step closer to reality last week.

At a special meeting of the Dallas Township Zoning Board, Tuesday, September 5, the members approved a preliminary plan submitted by architect Murray Miller for the shop which is to be built on property adjacent to Mark II Restaurant by owner Anthony Pizzo of Staten Island, New York. Pizzo plans to build a Meineke Muffler Shop similar to two others he now owns in the area.

The zoning board, however, did not approve the entire proposed development and will not until such time as the owner has made a definite decision what type of

business complex he plans to build. Presently, Pizzo plans to build a small business park or shopping complex, but he is not certain until he receives some definite feedback from people in this area.

Following the special meeting, the Dallas Township supervisors met to approve payment of current bills.

They also appointed Township Police Chief Carl Miers, and Fire Ambulance and Rescue Chiefs Jack Dodson and Ted Wright as deputy coordinators to the township emergency management team in order to meet the Sept. 30 state deadline for submitting a final plan.

The supervisors also approved taking over the maintenance of Rice Drive, Rice Court, Woodside Drive and Trout Brook Road.

Suit

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range from \$9.62 per hour for the top custodial/maintenance employee to \$4.90 for the lowest paid secretarial-clerical employee.

Appointed Ann Marie Gries as library department chairperson for the 1989-1990 school year replacing Ann Camp who resigned from the position Aug. 12.

Approved an unpaid leave of absence for personal reasons for Rita Lyons for the 1989-1990 school year. Ms. Lyons is a part time clerical employee in the senior high guidance department.

Approved Nancy Nelen as sophomore class advisor and M. Jay Pope as junior class advisor, and

Approved contracts for transporting special education and private school students out of the district.

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