

THE DALLAS POST

EDITORIALS

A new perspective for Dallas zoners

The Dallas Borough Council has taken a wise and constructive move in voting to appoint Anees Barakat to the borough's zoning board. It shows that both the council and its opponents are able to bury the hatchet of disagreement and move on to new challenges.

Mr. Barakat has been one of the sometimes vocal opponents of the council and zoning board's approval of rezoning land to make way for the Deer Meadow development off Machell Avenue. In the course of his opposition, he spent many hours researching questions that related to the development and its impact on the surrounding area.

Now, the board will have the benefit of Mr. Barakat's knowledge and concern in issues important to many residents of Dallas Borough. His perspective is likely to be different from that of the incumbent members, and it will give voice to those who want to see the borough's growth handled differently, but may have felt ignored in the past.

On the other hand, becoming privy to all the forces that bear on the decisions of the zoning board may serve to broaden Mr. Barakat's views.

Only time will tell if this attempt to breach the gap that has existed between borough officials and some of its citizens will succeed. We hope it does, and that it is a sign of a new enlightenment in local government.

Printer's growth a tribute to area, people

The construction of Payne Printery's new facility along Route 415 in Dallas Township is a tribute to some Back Mountain businesspeople and their employees. And it promises more good, new jobs for the area.

Begun in 1940 by John R. and Grace Moore, Payne Printery has grown from a home-based business employing three persons to a modern, competitive employer of 104. Along the way, it has added on and expanded several times, but now needs a completely new building to house its operations.

Payne Printery is still a family business, managed by the late Robert Moore's son-in-law, Tom Gauntlett; his wife, Susan; and brother-in-law Gary Ide. It is known for its high quality production, so much so that it is able to draw work successfully from the highly competitive markets of New York, New Jersey and New England.

The new building will contain 40,000 square feet of production and storage area, and the company expects to add another 30,000 square feet of office space in the next few years. At that point, employment is expected to grow 50 per cent from its present level.

The Back Mountain can take justifiable pride in the growth of this important local business, and the character of the people who have made it possible.

Congratulations to DeLeur's Back to Basics

Another local business has expanded recently, and moved into a new facility.

DeLeur's Back to Basics has been installing wood and coal burning stoves in the region since 1982, and recently moved its operations from Route 415 in Dallas to a new building in Kunkle.

The DeLeur's have seen their business expand steadily, and now employ a half-dozen people who perform work throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania.

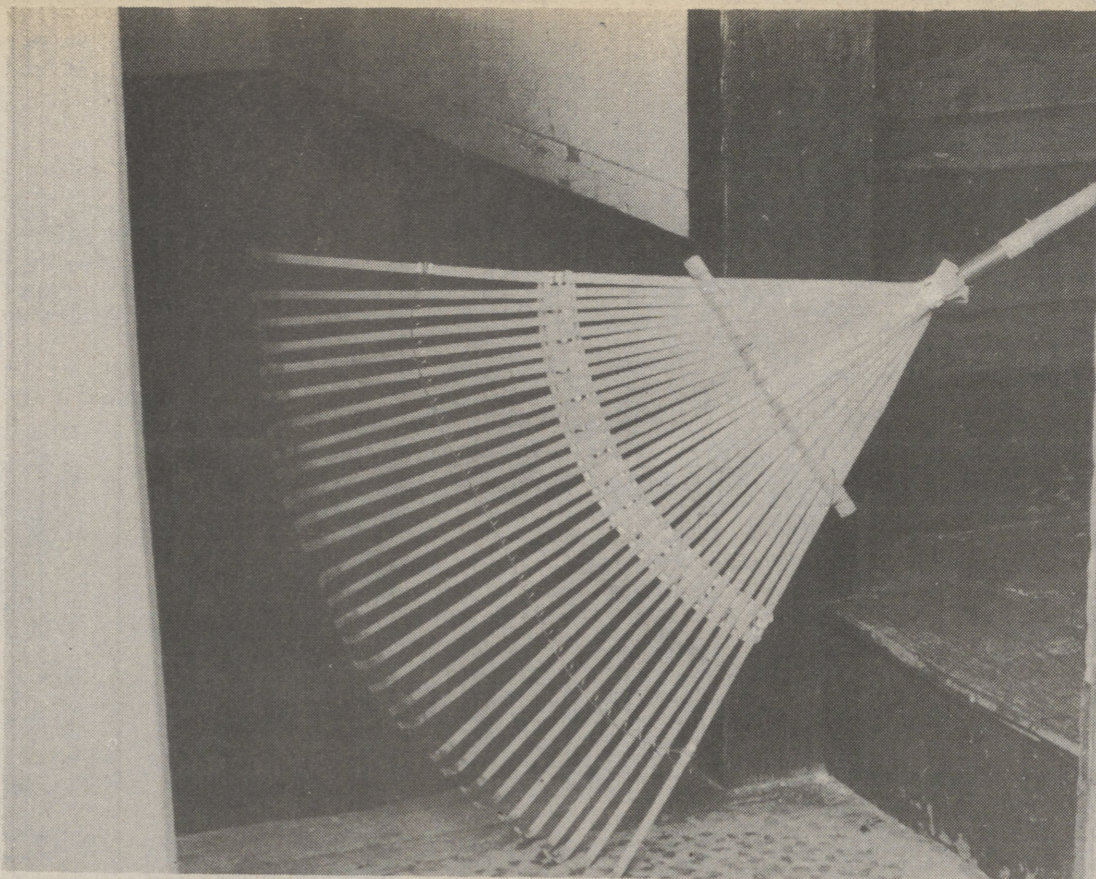
Congratulations to Leonard and Nancy DeLeur on their latest expansion; we wish them the best of luck in their new location.

Meeting change could slow public discussion

It's only a small change, but the decision by the Harveys Lake Borough Council to move the public forum portion of its meetings to the beginning from the end of them seems destined to limit public comment.

We know the argument that if one wants to speak at the meeting they just have to show up on time. But, suppose no one is there to speak as the clock strikes 7:30? That means the public session is closed, and anyone who shows up at 7:35 won't be heard.

We hope the council will reconsider this change, in the interest of making access to public meetings as easy as possible. If the end of the meeting is inconvenient, perhaps there is a time during the sessions that will accommodate public discussion.



Ready the rakes

Appliances like this bamboo one are making their debut in the Back Mountain. (Charlotte Bartizek Photo)

Letters

State reps ask for more security at Chase prison

The following is the text of a letter sent to the Commissioner of the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections by area state representatives.

Honorable David S. Owens
Commissioner
Department of Corrections
P.O. 598
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Dear Commissioner Owens:

We are writing to you on behalf of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) of the State Correctional Institution at Dallas relative to a number of prison guards at the Institution.

The Department recently completed the new lighting and fence project at the prison which resulted in a reclassification of SCID to a medium/maximum security facility. The Citizens Advisory Committee and the local state legislators were recently informed that the facility is currently operating with 334 guards and more than 1,900 inmates. However, since the lighting and fence project were completed, we have been advised that there are no plans to hire additional correctional guards.

The local citizens are deeply concerned about this situation, given the number of inmates at this facility. We join the CAC in

requesting that the Department of Corrections provide additional correctional officers to ensure the continued safety of our area citizens as well as the SCID employees.

As always, we appreciate your cooperation and assistance. Thank you.

Charles D. Lemmond, Jr.
20th District
George C. Hasay
117th District
Scott Dietterick
120th District
Stanley Jarolin
119th District

Says Boice is working hard on water problem

Editor:

Re: articles last week about tainted water wells at Harveys Lake. I would like to come to the defense of Richard Boice. His water at his

private residence is affected also, and I know he has done everything in his power to find the problem. I stake my life on the fact that he won't give up until he locates and corrects the problem. I hope the

Post devotes as much space at that time as they did last week to the problem.

Lloyd Jennings, Jr.

Library news

Back Mountain Library Book Club breaks membership record with 227

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK

The Book Club of the Back Mountain Memorial Library held its first meeting for the Fall season at the library recently. A highlight of the meeting was the announcement that the club has 227 members, the most members ever recorded. This membership represents \$2,035.00 in dues; which money is spent for new and current books for the Book Club shelf in the library. One hundred twelve books have been purchased so far this year for the shelf with a balance of \$795.00 to be spent by the end of 1989. Membership is \$10.00 for a single and \$15.00 for a double membership for the year. Each member is entitled to borrow two books from the special shelf each time they are in the library. When the book is six months old, it is shelved in the main reading room with the library's regular collection. The program consisted of

members relating reports on books they have read and enjoyed and stories on summer experiences. Frances Linskill talked about Mary Higgins Clark and the marvelous intriguing novels she writes. She had a feature article printed recently in Modern Maturity magazine which Frances referred to. June McCloskey told about her upcoming trip to Vermont with her sister, Blanche Thompson; and how much they enjoyed that area. This year will be their 54th trip to Vermont. Irene Davies kept us enthralled with her stories of her recent trip to Alaska. She reported on Catchacan and Juno; the Minden Hall glacier, which is mesmerizing in blue ice; the beautiful flowers; the Yukon territory. She groaned about the seven meals a day and how tough it is on a diet and of the Roman dress dinner, when they all had to wear togas or they would not be served. This was an interesting book club meeting

and the women related some exciting stories. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 16 in the reference room at the library.

Jean Warneka of Dallas is a faithful and loyal volunteer of our library and has been for a number of years. We want to congratulate Lori now as she is playing field hockey for Temple University and was a star in their victory over LaSalle with a score of 10-1. Lori, a graduate of Dallas High, scored three goals and chipped in three assists in her best offensive showing as a collegiate player.

A beautiful memory book recently added to the library is "Cooking From The Garden" by Rosalind Creasy which includes creative gardening and contemporary cuisine. The book was given by Neighbors of College Manor in memory of W. Charles Maxwell.

The Post asks: Do you plan any home improvements before winter sets in?



Cindy Dunsmuir
Plains

"Yes. We are putting in new siding and windows."



Joan Croman
Harveys Lake

"We are remodeling right now. We have expanded the the bathroom and put new paneling in our son's room."



Rita Galletti
Pringle

"No. I finished what I have to do."

Letters

Junior football coaches earn parents' support

Editor:

We should salute all the Jr. Football coaches who help parents help their children. Not only do they keep them off the streets, and out of trouble, but, they teach them good sportsmanship.

Let's not forget the coaches in cheerleading. They are also an asset to parents.

Linda M. Sabulski

Only yesterday

50 Years Ago - Sept. 29, 1939 FIREMEN GRADUATE FROM FIRE SCHOOL

Dallas American Legion sponsored an essay contest for students of Dallas Borough and Dallas Township.

Fifty-one firemen of Dallas, Trucksville and Nanticoke received diplomas at the close of classes at the borough high school.

Radio telephone is to be the new weapon used to battle forest fires in the Back Mountain area.

Sweet Valley Fish and Game Commission removed 37,000 catfish from Bloomingdale Pond which is going dry and distributed them to five other ponds.

Wed - Minnie Crispell and Edward Sidorek, Martha Nicol and Raymond Elston.

Coach Walter Hicks Kingston Township gridders will go against the Clarks Summit team Saturday afternoon.

40 Years Ago - Sept. 30, 1949 BACK MOUNTAIN EXHIBIT WINS FIRST

Mrs. Dale Parry captains the Shavertown team of the Red Feather Drive.

The exhibit of the Back Mountain was judged the Best of Show at the Parade of Progress in Kingston last Tuesday night.

Sheldon Evans Drug Store won the Rexall Drug Company Certificate for outstanding merchandising ability and exceptional service to the community.

Crosswell Drilling Company starts drilling for a new well on the Gansel property this week for Dallas-Shavertown Water Company.

Wed - Edith May Phillips and Harold A. Shupp; L'Nore Elizabeth Carey and Lt. Harry D. Katimer.

Engaged - Dorothy Ann Mitchell and Edwin A. Wright.

30 Years Ago - Oct. 1, 1959 LEHMAN WINS 37-0

Citizens in the Back Mountain are in general indifferent to the name of the new prison.

Dallas School District welcomed four new teachers, Patricia A. Fox, Robert Meeker, Katherine B. Scott and Alys Joseph Woolbert.

The Westmoreland Key Club will march at the Bloomsburg Fair Friday.

Lake-Lehman powerhouse crushes Westmoreland 37-0.

Wed - Bernadine Lysiak and Leon Kern.

Mr. and Mrs. Zel Garinger visited the fabled land of Paul Bunyan in Minnesota.

20 Years Ago - Oct. 2, 1969 BOMB THREATS AT NATONA MILLS

Bomb threats evacuate Natona Mills twice during the past week.

The big movie screen at the Sandy Beach Drive-In is still down since it was wrecked last year in a storm.

Wed - Vera Beth Cave and Walter Arden Sorber; Molly Ann Messersmith and Anthony John Schifano.

Dallas loses game 32-7 to Wyoming Valley West.

Dallas American Legion Auxiliary installed officers at the Sept. 16 meeting. They were Fran Desiderio, president; Laura Carey, first vice president; Marion Oplinger, second vice president; Millie Bozek, secretary; Fran Yankoski, treasurer; Mary Engle, historian; Rosemary Engle, chaplain and Ann Crake, Sgt. at arms.

10 Years Ago - Oct. 4, 1979 SHARI SUTTON IS HOMECOMING QUEEN

Congressman Daniel Flood announced the approval of a \$33,000 grant for College Misericordia from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Investigation of local adult book store operations is needed in the Back Mountain.

Shari Sutton was elected Lake-Lehman's Homecoming Queen at the high school's homecoming day last weekend.

Lake-Lehman girls defeated Dallas 3-2 in field hockey.

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