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## 'Night shooter' cripples deer, mother of two fawns

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There are hunters and there are killers, according to Game Commission Agent William Wasserman. Hunters are those individuals who purchase a license and go deer hunting during season obeying the law as specified in the book received with a license. Killers are those individuals who go spotting deer illegally in order to know where they are, then come back at night and shoot illegally. They are night shooters and they are dangerous, according to game commission agents.

Game commission officials say it was a night shooter who shot a large doe, the mother of twin fawns, approximately two weeks ago on the grounds of a registered wildlife habitat of about 48 acres.

The shooter, later apprehended and prosecuted, shot the doe, then left the scene thinking the doe was dead and planning to come back later and take it. He did come back, but he couldn't find the doe and nearby neighbors got a description of his vehicle and its license number.

The wildlife habitat, which is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Donald

Smith, is well posted but that night they didn't see anyone nor did they hear the shot. The next morning, however, when Mrs. Smith was leaving the property to go to work she saw a large circle with grass torn up all around it.

She realized at once that the torn grass must have been caused by the thrashing of an animal and started to look around the area. Not far from the circle she found the doe, still alive but shot through the spine and the spinal cord damaged so the animal could not get up.

The Smiths called the Game

Commission and when the game commission's agent arrived he had to shoot the deer. He also told the Smiths he would continue the investigation.

In the meantime, the twin fawns kept coming to the area where their mother was shot every day and stood around as though waiting for her to come back.

This past week the Smiths received good news. The agent had located the individual who shot the doe. Since he is a juvenile, his name cannot be published but his parents were informed of what he had done, the boy was fined \$800

and his rifle and spotlight confiscated and he will be unable to obtain a license for a specified period of time.

This is not the first incident that occurred on the Smith property. The Smiths have often seen hunters walking on their property and have had to tell them to leave. Since the wild habitat consists of 48 acres, people can come in from the other side and quite often, the members of the family have heard shots from the highway.

Agent Wasserman said another incident occurred in the same area just recently. A resident saw a deer

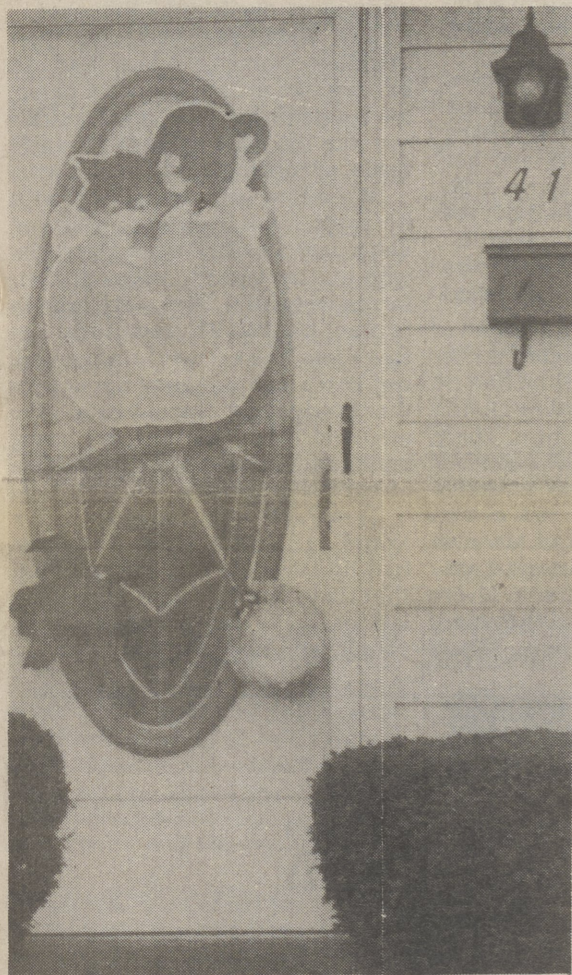
that had been crippled by a car. He shot the deer, then called the Game Commission and expected them to give him the meat but he had cut up the meat before the agent even arrived at his home.

Wasserman warns all those with rifles who want to shoot a deer to get a permit, otherwise they are liable to be prosecuted.

"Night killers are dangerous," said Wasserman. "It is dark and even if they are spotlighting for deer when they fire their rifle, they have no idea where the bullet might

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## Halloween in the Back Mountain



41 Sterling Ave., Dallas



15 So. Lehigh St., Shavertown



15 Jackson St., Dallas

## Former residents tell of earthquake horror

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Mrs. Steven Pavlik, her daughters, Rose Radzinski, Alice Summa and Carol Llewellyn, all of the Back Mountain spent many worried hours from last Tuesday evening until Wednesday morning after they had seen the news of the earthquake in San Francisco and the Oakland area of California.

Steve Pavlik, son and brother of the Pavlik's, lived in an apartment house within a short distance of the Marina area which was hard hit by the earthquake.

"We spent many frantic hours and my mother was in panic until we finally heard from Steve Wednesday and learned that he was all right," said Rose Radzinski.

"The apartment house shook a lot and some of the people were knocked down but no one was seriously injured. The greatest damage was broken dishes and things like that," Steve said. "I had

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Steve Pavlik  
Former Back Mountain resident

a lot of friends living in the Marina area so I decided to take a walk through that area and offer my services to help.

"When I got there it was so bad the tears rolled down my face and an officer came up to me and asked what was wrong. You can't imagine what it's like."

Pavlik is a retired American Red Cross official and was with the Red Cross for many years. Although retired, he has now offered his services to assist.

Steve Pavlik's brother, Frank,

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## Dallas manager still on job after resigning

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
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Katherine Strosnider, Dallas Borough manager, surprised borough council members at last Tuesday's meeting when she submitted her resignation after the members present voted that in the future only her agreed upon salary would be paid.

The borough manager is paid \$5000 annually, ostensibly for three hours daily.

Strosnider submitted her resignation after she questioned the motion made by councilman Dan Cooper that council pay her for additional hours she worked in order to train two new clerks and act as manager and borough clerk in the interim, but from that point on only the agreed upon manager's salary would be paid.

Strosnider questioned the motion and Cooper explained that the motion which denied her extra compensation was approved because the duties were part of the position of the borough manager.

Mrs. Strosnider explained that she has had to train two new clerks in addition to performing her regular duties as manager, both of whom had no experience when they assumed the position. She

told council that former manager Robert Brown did not request extra compensation when she became borough clerk because she had come into the position with 20 years prior experience and Brown did not have to teach her very much.

"He handed the clerk's job over to me," Strosnider said. "And since that time the work load has at least doubled."

Council president Don Shaffer immediately asked Strosnider when her resignation was effective and she answered "Now." Shaffer quickly responded, "That's fine."

But Councilman Jerry Machell discussed the subject with Strosnider and asked her to give the council an opportunity to evaluate the problem. "We have all had problems this year," he said. Strosnider said she would think about her decision. She has reported to the office each working day since the meeting.

Councilman Tim Carroll reported that he and the borough manager met with Thomas Reese, Sen. Lemmond's representative, and Rep. Scott Diatterick and a PennDOT official about the problem at the intersection of Rotues

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## Fire victim upset about trash dumped on lawn

By SCOTT A. DAVIS  
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When Helen Bennett's Harveys Lake home went up in flames on Labor Day, she thought she had all the trouble she would need. Now, she is trying to rebuild the home that was literally gutted by the flames, and someone has dumped garbage in her front lawn.

"I am mad because people are lying to me," Bennett said from amidst her burned out home located at Pole 189, right next to the Old Sandy Bottom Beach. Bennett said she knows who dumped the trash on her property and she plans to have a detective come in to dust for fingerprints. She admitted the fingerprint scheme is a long shot because of the rain that has fallen since the garbage was dumped Friday night, but she said it is worth a try.

Bennett claims that a local gas station was responsible for the dumping, but the station denied the accusations. She explained that an 18-year-old boy who works for her was blamed by the gas station for dumping trash from the house clean-up in their dumpster.

"He is a good kid. He has been in my home for two years and there is money in there. Never once has he taken anything," Bennett said.

She explained that she asked the boy if he did dump garbage in the station's dumpster, and the boy said he did not. "That is good enough for me. If he said 'no', then he did not do it."

Then, on Saturday morning, Bennett discovered a pile of old lamps, paint cans, and other garbage dumped on her front lawn. She said the gas station denied

dumping the garbage there and told her to consider other neighbors, but she said she was convinced it was them.

She lowered herself slowly to the pile of garbage and displayed some of the items in the pile. Included in the pile was anti-rust enamel, automotive paint and primer cans. She pointed to her car and said she did not paint it.

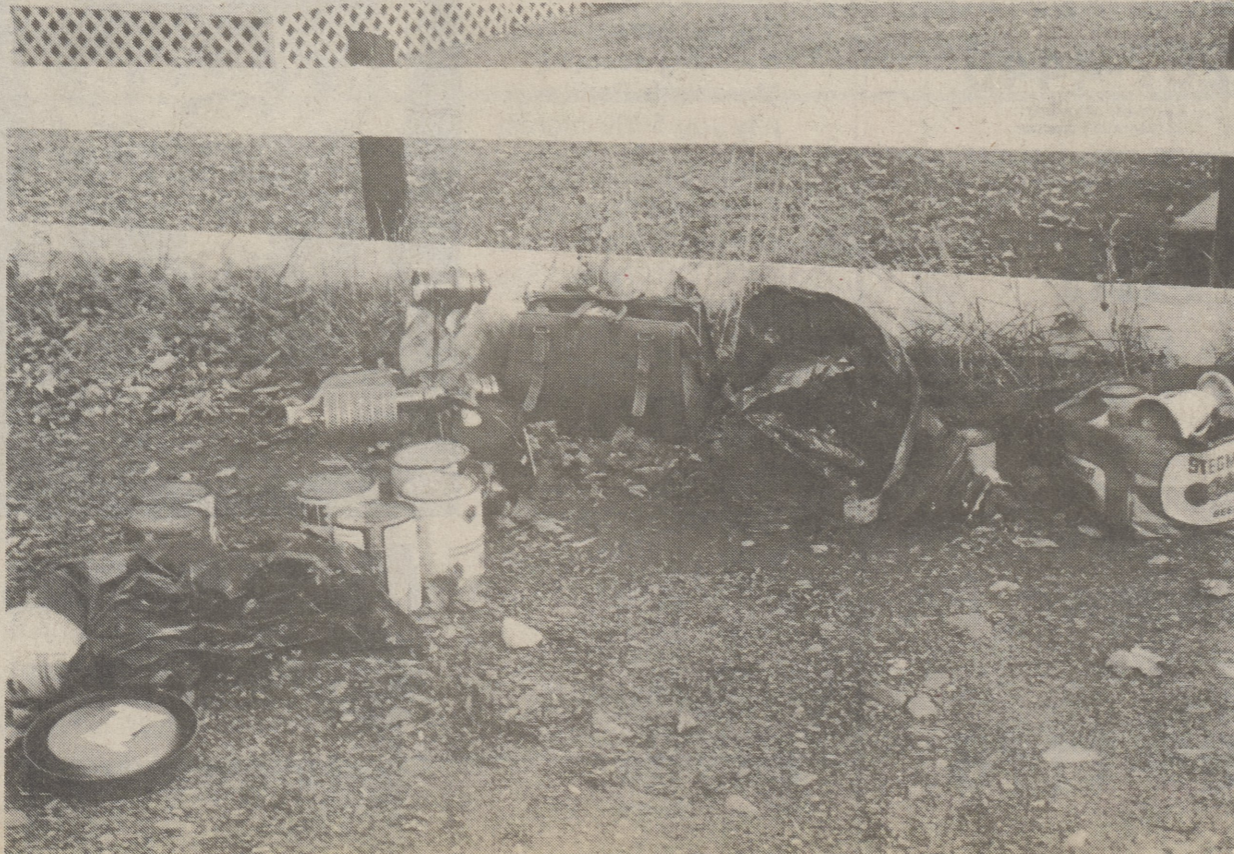
Bennett walked through her house Monday evening pointing

out the damage and work being done on her home.

Most people would have given up on this home a long time ago. There are holes burned through walls. The floors will need extensive repairs or replacement. A lifetime of memories were set aside on shelves in what appeared to have been a kitchen at one time. Under each shelf was a piece of paper listing a price for the damaged trinkets. One read \$1.00 each.

Throughout the house, bags of garbage were piled in corners. Outside was a garbage dumpster filled to the brim with old furniture and other wreckage. Ironically, the garbage dumped on her property was only ten feet away from the dumpster.

Helen Bennett is best explained that the fire itself was not the cause of most damage to her home. "The fire was not so bad, it was the water damage that did the most harm."



DUMP- This trash has an elderly Harveys Lake woman upset. She says someone secretly dumped the garbage on her property one night last week. She said she is hiring a detective to fingerprint the items to try and match them to the person she thinks is responsible. (Photo by Scott A. Davis)

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### Coming up:

RECYCLING DRIVE - Sat., Oct. 28, 9AM, Harveys Lake Borough Building, Rte. 415. Aluminum, glass and newspaper only.  
HALLOWEEN PARADE - Sun., Oct. 29, Assembly at old Dallas Township School, 12:30 PM. Parade begins at 1:00. In the event of rain, event will be held indoors at Dallas Elementary School.