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Brown new Dallas basketball coach

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Paul Brown, a teacher at Dallas High School and currently an assistant football coach, has been named head coach of the Dallas High boys varsity basketball team. Dallas School Board members unanimously approved the appointment at their meeting Monday night. Brown replaces Clarence Ozgo, who had resigned.

Brown, who teaches physical education, health and driver training, has been a faculty member for eight years. He has resigned his position as assistant coach for football.

The board also appointed Gerald Stinson, athletic director; Sheila Bonawitz, cheerleading; William

Kvashay, cross country; Robyn Jones, field hockey; Ted Jackson, football; Paul Brown, first assistant football coach; Anthony Chiarucci, second assistant and William Silvi, third assistant; Sara Jane Griffin, volleyball; Thomas Kilduff, golf; John McCafferty, soccer.

Todd Hunter was appointed marching band director; John Turner, senior class advisor; Helen K. Hughes, asst. senior class advisor; William Wagner, yearbook advisor; Michael Shevock, student council advisor; Donald Hopkins, drama advisor and Audrey J. Ide, asst. drama advisor.

In the Dallas Middle School, Robert Cicon was appointed boys

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Shaffer says thanks for support of friends

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
 Staff Writer

"It was a rough 28 days until District Attorney Stevens announced his decision," said Al Shaffer, 50-year Dallas fire company volunteer and driver of the fire truck involved in a June 3 fatal accident. The driver of the car, Ruth Dunaj of Wilkes-Barre, was killed and her son, John, Jr., critically injured in the tragic accident at the five-way intersection in the center of Dallas.

"It's a relief that the investigation is over and no criminal charges filed, but it's something you don't forget," Shaffer went on. "Thanks to the support of the other firemen, who stopped in numerous times to visit with me, as well as many others, it made life a little easier."

"The many telephone calls and the cards and letters my wife, Edie and I received gave me a lot of consolation. I knew it was an accident but it was the assurance of others that made me feel

better. People we knew called or stopped in often but we received calls, letters and visits from persons we had never known before. We want to express our deepest appreciation to all those who gave us their support," Shaffer said.

"Few people realize how much the firemen and ambulance crews appreciate the thank you's and 'You do a great job' given them by the people to whom they give service. That's the only reward these volunteers get," Shaffer concluded.

Auction-goers may have cut spending

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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It's too early to provide an accurate total, but early estimates indicate that this year's Back Mountain Library Auction fell short of 1989's sales.

"It will be at least another week or 10 days before we have a definite idea of the amount grossed in the 1990 Auction," said Ken Breznay, auction finance chairman.

Breznay said not all of the returns from the various booths are in and some of the buyers have not picked up their items.

"The money from the craft booths opening day has not yet been

counted and turned over and I have yet to do a specific tabulation of everything. Roughly, I would say we might gross \$55,000, but that's just a rough estimate.

Breznay would not hazard a guess at the expense total or the net made available to the auction from the event.

General chairperson Connie Scott is pleased with the auction and its results to date.

"Everything ran smoothly," she said. "Opening on July 4 proved to be successful. The barbecue was great; they sold out of chicken and the people came back for more ribs and the shish-ka-bob."

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C'mon, just \$5 more

Dave Spurlin, right, took his turn on the auction stage Sunday at the annual library auction. He was assisted by Monty Evans, vice

chairman of this year's event. Volunteers manned booths and the auction block to raise funds. (Post Photo/Ron Bartizek)

Harveys Lake moves to demolish eyesores

By RICH JOHNSON
 Staff Writer

Some areas of Harveys Lake will take on a new look if money is found to take down dilapidated buildings in the borough. The borough council is currently applying for funding for the demolition and clean up of a dozen run down buildings.

Councilman Joe Sgarlat, who is in charge of grants, said that the borough is looking for two grants in an effort to clean up the borough.

"Things look pretty good so far," said Sgarlat last week. "I have just sent in the application for one grant and am working on the second." Sgarlat said that the borough is applying for approximately \$99,000 in grant money.

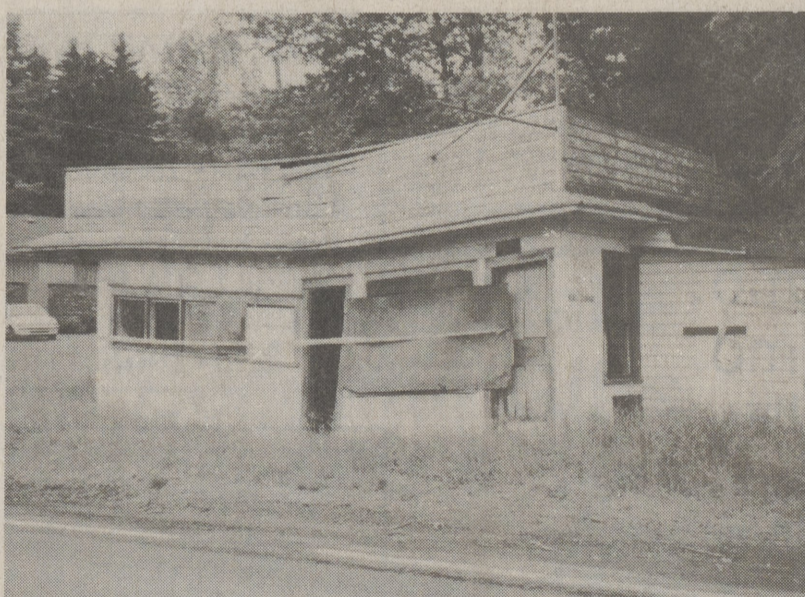
The money would be used for costs associated with the takeover, demolition and clean up of the

properties. Last week the borough received three bids for the demolition work. The apparent low bid of \$60,000 came from KIDD Construction of Wilkes-Barre. One bid also came in for rodent control around the properties. J.C. Ehrlich of Wilkes-Barre submitted a bid for \$125 per house, which totals \$1,500. None of the bids have been accepted and are currently being looked at by the borough.

While the bids are being considered the borough is trying to find the owners of the buildings. Zoning officer Dan Samson said that hasn't always been easy. "Some of the owners live out of state and haven't been up here in years," said Samson.

Despite the work done so far, full demolition is still some time away. Samson said that once the

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DEMOLITION TARGET - The former bait and tackle shop on Lakeside Drive in the Sunset section of Harveys Lake is one of twelve targeted for demolition.

Lake Silkworth suffers same building woes

By RICH JOHNSON
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Dilapidated buildings are causing a stir among residents of another resort area in the Back Mountain. At Monday night's meeting of the Lehman Township Supervisors a group of residents from Lake Silkworth came to voice their concern over the number of run down buildings around the lake.

The residents noted safety concerns and neighborhood problems because of the properties. One resident said that three homes located along Eleanor Drive have been vacant for nearly 15 years and have

become a popular place for young people to spend some time.

The resident, who declined to be identified because he feared retribution from the youngsters, noted that vandalism and littering have become more common since the teenagers started going to the houses.

Another resident said that the homes were fire traps and that persons who are in the homes sometimes smoke or use candles for lighting which could start a fire that could turn into a disaster.

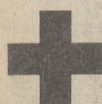
The supervisors agreed that

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Coming up:



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - Tues., July 17, 11 AM to 5 PM, Dallas United Methodist Church, Parsonage St., Dallas

- BACK MOUNTAIN WATER COMMISSION** - Thurs., July 12, 8 PM, Kingston Township Municipal Bldg., Carverton Rd.
- DALLAS BOROUGH COUNCIL** - Tues., July 17, 8 PM, Dallas Borough Bldg., Main Street
- DALLAS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS** - Tues., July 17, 7:30 PM, Dallas Twp. Bldg., Route 309
- HARVEYS LAKE BOROUGH COUNCIL** - Tues., July 17, 7:30 PM, Harveys Lake Municipal Bldg., Route 415
- HARVEYS LAKE PLANNING COMMISSION** - Mon., July 16, 7 PM, Harveys Lake Municipal Bldg., Route 415
- LAKE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS** - Sat., July 14, 9 AM, Lake Twp. Municipal Bldg., Route 29 North

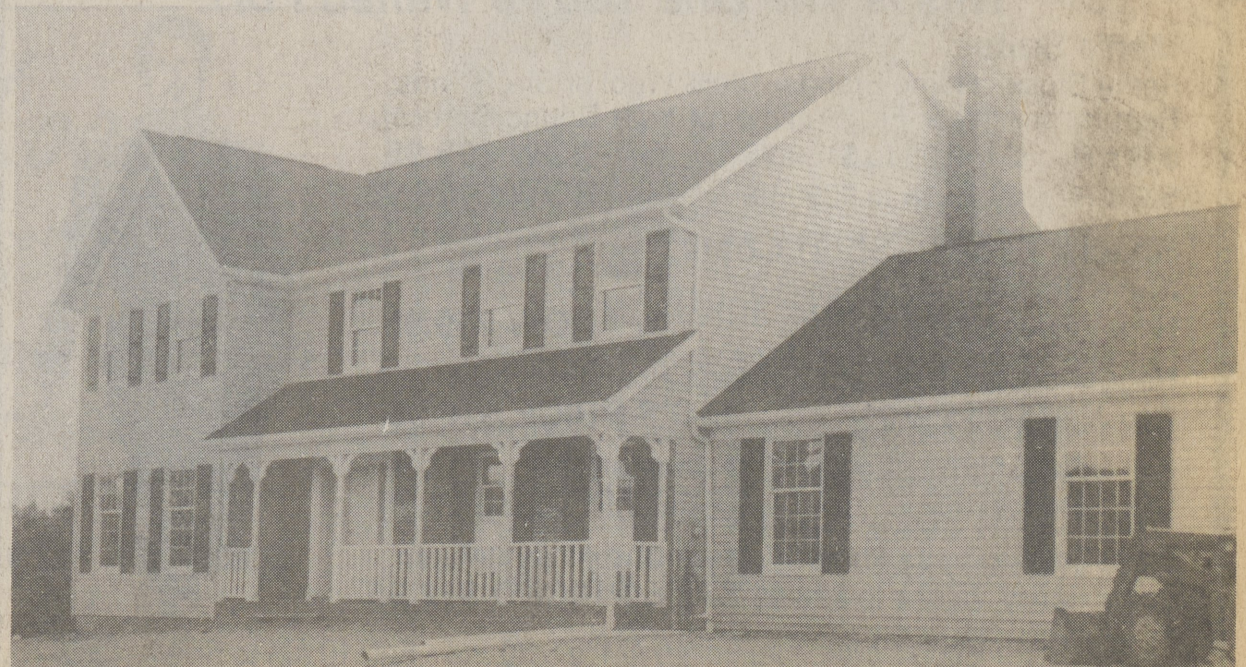
First homes completed in Deer Meadow subdivision

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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Two large, colonial houses stand on the Deer Meadows development at the top of Machell Avenue in Dallas, the site of controversy when zoning was changed to accept the subdivision. There is no sign of the battle over the 1988 decision to rezone the land from conservation, which requires two acre lots, to residential, which mandates a minimum 1/3 acre. That decision drew fire from neighbors and others who felt the change would create excessive traffic and water runoff.

The large signboard at the entrance off Machell Avenue now heralds the fine features of the homes and the entire development, where work is being done by employees of Veras-Nelen Construction Company.

The roads are paved, all the wires, cables, piping and other



DEER MEADOW HOME - One of the tow homes built in the Deer Meadow development in Dallas has been sold. Another is awaiting a buyer. (Post Photo/Charlot M. Denmon)

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