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Dallas is still looking into rumble strips

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
Staff Writer

Dallas Borough Council is still negotiating with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to settle the problem of the rumble strips on Route 309. Since the strips were cut in by PennDOT, the Borough has had numerous complaints from the residents in the area about the noise caused when cars pass over them. They have also had complaints about the damage the deeply cut strips do to their vehicles.

"Our engineer Leo Corbett did a survey drawing and we sent it in," said Borough Manager Milton Lutsey. "PennDOT wrote to our

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Lake-Lehman band going to annual Parade

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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Lake-Lehman's Atlantic Coast Championship Band will be one of the high school bands marching in the annual Mummer's Parade Thanksgiving morning in Philadelphia. Local viewers will be able to watch the parade on Channel 6, the Lifetime station.

The parade which begins at 9 a.m. will continue until noon. The band will then leave for home arriving at the high school at approximately 5 p.m.

"We were invited to march in the parade," said Drum Major Tami Trescavage. "Then we had to send a tape to the parade committee and after they viewed the tape our invitation was confirmed."

For the fifth consecutive year and for the sixth time in seven years the 75-member band took first place in the Atlantic Coast competition and in the Tournament of Bands Association at Montage Stadium, Saturday, Nov. 10 in Group II.

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Thankful for his food

Larry Moretti, Harveys Lake says a solemn prayer over his Thanksgiving dinner served last week at Little People Day Care Center, Dallas. (Post Photo/C. Bartizek)

Food Bank provides cheer for the holidays

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
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A number of Back Mountain families will be offering "Thanks" to the Back Mountain Food Bank this Thanksgiving as they sit down to eat their holiday dinner. In the spirit of the season, they will not know who has made the dinners possible.

"For years, more than five I know," said Rev. James Shillabeer, pastor of Trucksville United Methodist Church. "The Back Mountain Food Bank has been in existence.

"The Kingston Township supervisors have generously given us the use of a room on the lower level of the Kingston Township Municipal Building where the food is stored throughout the year. We don't give perishable items since we have no way of keeping them fresh," Rev. Shillabeer explained.

George Gaylord and Walter Meade of Trucksville volunteer their services to store and to hand out the food to those families who are

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Kingston Twp. tax rate stays the same for '91

By RICH JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Despite large increases in funding for emergency crews and highway and maintenance, Kingston Township residents will not pay higher taxes next year, according to the township's 1991 preliminary budget.

The township supervisors approved the budget and corresponding tax rates on first reading at their regular meeting last week.

The general fund budget totals \$1.07 million, the first time that the township's general fund topped the million dollar count.

The proposed budget shows an increase of more than \$107,000 in both revenues and expenditures over last year. Despite the increase, tax rates all stay the same; real estate taxes remain at 5 mills, earned income tax holds at one percent and the real estate transfer tax stays at one-half of one percent.

The largest part of the budget, 23 percent, deals with the police department.

The budget appropriates \$252,388 for the police force, an increase of more than \$12,000 over last year. Most of the appropriations will go to paying salaries of officers.

Kingston Twp. 1991 tax rates

Real estate.....5 mills

Earned income....1.0 %

Real estate transfer.....1/2 of 1.0 %

The other emergency crews in the township also received increased funding in the budget. The two township fire companies will receive an increase of \$1,500 each over last year, according to the budget.

Township manager Jeffrey Box said that this year's budget will appropriate \$4,000 each to both the Trucksville and Shavertown Fire Companies for equipment and \$1,500 each for fuel.

In addition the fire companies will be receiving a total of \$16,558 from the state fire relief aid fund for next year. This money is given to the township by the state for the fire companies, according to Box. The township is required to appropriate these funds to the fire companies.

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CENTURY FARMS

Hard work and family pride help keep the Braces on the farm

By RICH JOHNSON
Staff Writer

There are many of things to take notice of when visiting Brace's Apple Orchard in Franklin Township; a lot of apples, plenty of work being done and loads of family

INSPECTING THE WORK - Lawrence Brace looks on as his son Paul sorts apples at their farm. The farm, in Franklin Township, has been in the family for more than 100 years. (Post Photo/Rich Johnson)



pride.

The Brace Farm is one of four farms in the Back Mountain that are in the state's Century Farm Program. For a farm to be considered part of the program, the owners must be a descendant of the original owners of the land. Also, the owner must be living on the farm and at least 10 acres of the original land must still be owned by the family.

The Brace family meets all these requirements with 60-70 acres of fruit trees growing on the land that was first purchased in 1828 by Daniel Bodle. Bodle's great-great-grandson, Lawrence Brace, now runs the farm and is very proud of it.

"It is the only life I know," he said last week. "I started doing this more than 40 years ago and I still enjoy it."

Brace works year-round growing a wide variety of fruits. The farm grows 20 varieties of apples, peaches, pears, prunes and grapes.

Brace grew up on the farm and learned the business from his father. The family tradition of growing fruit continues on and that is part of the pride that Brace has in the farm.

"There is a lot of history here," he said. "When the farm was first bought they didn't think of growing fruit they just wanted to be self-dependant."

Brace said that in the early days of the farm there were orchards but also animals and vegetables for the family's consumption. Today farms can't be like that, according to Brace. "You can't be as diversified; today you have to specialize," he said.

Specialized is something that the Brace Farm has certainly become. It is a family run business that keeps everyone hopping all year around. Brace said that when he is not picking in the orchards he is out pruning the trees for the next year.

His wife Nancy and son, Paul, work at the barn where the apples are separated and sold. The two also take the fruit to a farmer's cooperative market in Scranton three days a week.

"It is a lot of work but we enjoy it," said Brace. "We have to enjoy it to put in the hours that we do."

His wife aged and said, "It's a rewarding lifestyle if you don't mind a lot of work." Nancy did not grow up on a farm, in fact she calls herself a "city girl" from Forty-Fort. The couple laughs when explaining how she got used to life on the farm. "It was quite a change of life," said Nancy. "It took me awhile to get going but now I wouldn't give it up."

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CORRECTION

A Kingston Township police report which stated that a 1990 Chevrolet truck driven by Thomas Bullaro and a 1990 Ford Sedan driven by William Conyngham, Shavertown, collided, should have clarified that "Witnesses behind the Conyngham car said Bullaro went through the red light as the truck came down the highway and struck the Conyngham car."

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Community Events

Fall Play - Tues. and Wed. Nov. 20 and 21 the comedy "All Because of Agatha" will be presented at the Dallas High School Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. each night. Tickets \$2.00.
Thanksgiving Eve Services - Dallas United Methodist Church will hold communion service Wed. Nov. 21 at 7:30 p.m.
Dallas Baptist Church will hold communion services Wed. Nov. 21 at 7:30 p.m.
Hunter's Breakfast - Bloomingdale United Methodist Church will hold its annual hunter's breakfast Mon. Nov. 26 from 5:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.