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## Man's wet friend

Jay, a trusty Chesapeake Retriever owned by Brad Eckert of Dallas, shakes out some water after a round of practice last week at Harveys Lake. (Post Photo/Charlotte Bartizek)

## Dallas Borough 1991 budget holds line on taxes

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Property owners will see no increase in Dallas Borough taxes under the tentative budget adopted November 20. The borough's council unanimously approved a 14-mill budget for 1991 as council members Jerry Machell and Donald Shaffer were absent.

The \$436,310 budget spends \$16,388 more than the 1990 budget. The tentative budget will be on file in the borough office for

30 days.

Council President Tim Carroll recommended that council consider increasing the council treasurer William Baker's salary from \$360 to \$460.

"I know it isn't a lot, but our treasurer saves us a lot of work and money during the course of a year and I think we should recognize him. We give our other employees salary increases annually and I think Baker deserves it," Carroll said.

The members of council agreed

with him and the budget was passed with the understanding that the treasurer's salary would be increased to \$460.

Borough manager Milton Lutsey reported that a total of \$1,512 was received from fines and accident reports during the month of October.

Chief of Police John Fowler and Borough part-time officer Don Gavigan were presented plaques commending them for their brav-

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## Lake to go after trash scofflaws

By RICH JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The Harveys Lake Council is going to put pressure on more than 125 homeowners in the borough who are more than two years behind in paying garbage collection fees.

At last week's meeting of the board, councilman George Gwilliam announced that residents who owe more than two years of garbage fees will be receiving a letter from the borough asking them to make payment or to at least contact the borough about setting up payment plans.

**More than \$31,000  
in trash collection  
fees are past due**

If, after receiving the letter, the fees are still not paid the borough may take the homeowners to court to collect the money. Gwilliam, who serves as the garbage complaint officer, said that the borough is owed more than \$31,200 in past due garbage collection fees.

Harveys Lake is the only borough in the Back Mountain which utilizes a municipal hauler. The

borough's hauler is J.P. Miscaro Inc. and the borough pays the hauler and then charges residents a fee. The current fee is \$85 per home annually.

Because the fee is relatively low, Gwilliam said that the borough can't take those persons who do not pay the fee to court until they get a couple years behind in payments. "The costs of going to court are expensive and it doesn't make sense to go after someone who owes \$85 when we have to pay more than that to go to court."

Gwilliam said that now that

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## Finishes 6th in regionals

## Oliver will run in national meet

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
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Dallas Cross-Country runner Steve Oliver just doesn't stop running, that is. The Dallas senior placed sixth last Saturday in the Kinney Northeast Regional Championships at Van Cortland Park, New York, to qualify for the National Cross-Country Championship in San Diego, California, Dec. 2.

After winning meets all season long, Oliver won the District 2 and PIAA State Cross Country Championships, then with Gretchen Schuler qualified for the Mid-East Cross Country Championships where he led the Pennsylvania team to victory.

The San Diego meet is in its 12th year and is the only national championship in high school sports that is actually played out.

In Saturday's run Oliver finished in 16:01 on the 5,000 meter course, just nine seconds behind Brian Spoonire of Asbury Park High School, who outran Kevin Hogan of East Moriches, New York, to take the overall win. The course was hilly and muddy and Oliver said he got off to a bad start. He was given an unseeded position at the beginning of the race because a mandatory red sticker was missing from his race number.

"It was a great race but the beginning was tough," said Oliver. "I didn't get a good start and there were people everywhere. I was about 20th about one mile into the race but by the end of the second



STEVE OLIVER

will compete in national cross country meet

mile I was in the top five," Oliver said.

"Steve had a great performance," said his coach William Kvashay. "He pulled through at the end, it's a real honor," Kvashay continued. "It's the first time anyone from this area has ever done it. Steve did and we are all still sort of stunned." Oliver said he is looking forward

to the meet in San Diego. "I understand it's a great trip."

At the nationals, the United States will be divided into four regions and the top eight runners from each region qualify, so Oliver will face only 31 runners. That should eliminate the problem of runners crowding each other out at the start.

## Dallas fifth graders have Mideast pen pal

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Fifth grade students at the Dallas Elementary School have been learning a lot about the Mideast crisis and the service personnel there since they first started writing to Lt. Commander Dan Withers, USN, stationed on the USS O'Brien in the Persian Gulf.

Lt. Cmdr. Withers is the uncle of fifth grade student Joel Withers whose teacher is Miss Reiss. Joel's dad is Steven Withers, who graduated from Dallas as did his brother Dan.

When Joel came to school and told the students that his uncle had been sent to the Mideast, the students, aided by Miss Reiss, wrote letters to Lt. Cmdr. Withers.

When he received the letters,

Withers wrote a long letter to the students telling them how much he appreciated hearing from them and also sent them a large photo of the U.S.S. O'Brien, which the students have hanging on the wall in their classroom.

Since their first letters to the Lt. Cmdr., the students have written several times and Withers has answered them.

In order for the students to learn more about the American flag and their country, Miss Reiss helped them plan a Veterans Day program. Last week Lt. William Murtagh of the U.S. Navy came to the school and brought with him Petty Officers Gavin and Karkack, who served as color guard with him. Master Gunnery Sgt. Jack

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LT. COMM. DAN WITHERS, U.S.N.

## Lehman board plans reorganization Dec. 4

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

The Lake-Lehman School Board approved a change order requested by Interco Construction Company Inc. in the amount of \$1,392.10 at their monthly meeting Nov. 20. The additional excavation work was a result of clay which was found at the time the company was doing footing work for the addition to the senior high school. The board also appointed Asbestos Management Inc., RD 1, Athens, Pa. as the district's designated representative in asbestos matters and related services as outlined in their proposal at an annual fee of \$1,400, effective Nov. 21, 1990.

The reorganization meeting of the board of directors will be held Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m., in the library of the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School with a committee-of-the-whole meeting to follow in the board room. The next regular monthly meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 8 p.m. in the library of the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School.

School superintendent Nancy Davis reported that since assuming her position November 5, she had attended the Luzerne Intermediate Unit meeting, the West Side Vo-Tech School meeting and the Wilkes-Barre Partnership meeting. She also expressed her appreciation for the open house

held in her honor on her arrival in the district.

Secretary and business manager Raymond Bowersox was also authorized to notify tax collectors that final reports for the 1990 real estate and per capita taxes were due in his office by Jan. 8, 1991. Summary of the local returns to the county are to be included with the real estate reports and the secretary is to inform the tax collectors that he will be unable to sign the certificates of authority levying taxes until an internal audit of each final report is completed.

A proposal to approve a gas reimbursement formula for 1990-

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Red Cross Blood Drive, Wed, Dec. 5, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Dallas United Methodist Church, Church Street. Appts: 823-7161

## Community Events

Stargazing - Fri, Nov. 30 and Sun., Dec. 2 at 8 p.m., Friedman Astronomy Dome, Penn State campus, Lehman. Free, weather permitting.  
Christmas Bazaar - Bloomingdale United Methodist Church, Sat., Dec. 1, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. E.ike sale, refreshments.  
Christmas Concert - Presented by the Orpheus Choral Society, Dec. 8, 7 p.m. Alderson United Methodist Church, Harveys Lake.

## Lake taxes stay same

By RICH JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Tax rates in Harveys Lake Borough will stay the same next year despite an expected \$27,000 deficit in this year's budget.

The Harveys Lake Borough council approved the proposed 1991 budget on first reading at the board's regular meeting last week. The \$544,000 general budget shows increases in both revenues and expenditures over the current year.

The proposed budget calls for  
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