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## Lake Twp. family loses home in fire

A Lake Township family is homeless after a fire ripped through their home on May 6.

More than 75 firemen from three fire companies arrived at the home of Fred and Betty Spencer on Sorber Mountain Road and found the home fully engulfed, according to Harveys Lake Fire Chief Chris DeLeur.

The fire, which started as a result of a faulty electrical outlet in the kitchen, was discovered by Betty Spencer at around 8:30 Monday morning.

The couple tried to put out the fire but was unable to do so. By the time fire crews arrived at the scene the blaze had spread throughout the home.

Harveys Lake, Kunkle and Noxen firemen were at the scene for nearly five hours as tanker trucks were used to haul water to the scene.

The Spencers and their two daughters lost everything in the blaze.

## 4-H horse show set for this weekend

The Yellow Rose 4-H Club will sponsor its Sixth Annual Spring Classic Open Horse Show on May 11 and May 12 at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds, Route 118, Dallas.

The show will begin on Saturday at 8 a.m. featuring a variety of Western Classes. Events including Western Pleasure, Reining, Trail and Gymkhana for all ages from youth through adult will be held.

On Sunday the show begins at 8 a.m. featuring English Classes for all ages including youth through adult. A wide variety of Hunter Classes including Pleasure and Over Fence Classes will

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## Dallas Prom Queen and Her Court



The 1991 Dallas Junior/Senior Prom was held on Friday, April 26, at the "New" Genetti Hotel and Convention Center in Wilkes-Barre. A Mocktail Hour was held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with a buffet dinner immediately following. Music was provided by the Electric Wire DJ's. Shown in the photo are the 1991 Prom Queen and her Court: Kelly Cleary, 4th runner-up; Sue Richardson, 3rd runner-up; Jamie Maniskas, 1991 Prom Queen; Megan Moran, 1st runner-up; and Amy Shelley, 2nd runner-up.

## Lake-Lehman candidates find little to disagree on

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
 Staff Writer

There was little to disagree about at the Candidate's Night for Lake-Lehman School District hopefuls May 6, as each candidate answered questions posed by the public.

Sponsored by the Lehman-Jackson PTA, the event drew about 100 district residents from the three regions.

Eight of the nine candidates running for seats on the school board were present with only Edward H. Kern III, one of the four candidates from Region I, unable to attend due to his employment. Francis J. Kopko, Richard C. Kovach and incumbent Liz A. Sichel, the other candidates from

### MEET THE CANDIDATES

Wed., May 8, 7:30 PM  
 Room 105, Hayfield House,  
 Penn State Wilkes-Barre  
 campus, Lehman.  
 Candidates for county  
 commissioner and judge  
 will be present

Region I, which covers Harveys Lake Borough, Lake and Noxen Townships attended as did incumbents John H. Presper, and Thomas Williams; Moderno Rossi and William Samuel from Region II

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## Child struck by car at site of new traffic light

By RICH JOHNSON  
 Staff Writer

A Harveys Lake child was injured after he was hit by a car near the Lake-Noxen Elementary School May 6. The accident occurred near the spot where blinking safety lights have been installed by the borough, but had not yet been turned on.

The lights were purchased recently by the Harveys Lake Borough Council in an effort to warn motorists of the school zone and a playground that is nearby, according to Councilman Joseph Sgarlat, who was instrumental in obtaining the lights.

"This is why we wanted to have the lights installed," Sgarlat said of the accident. "We have said that someone is going to get hurt and sure enough an accident happens."

Harveys Lake police say that a nine-year-old boy rode his bicycle from School Street onto West Point Avenue and into the path of a car driven by Joseph Shonis of Harveys Lake.

The youth was taken to Geisinger Hospital where he was treated for minor injuries and released.

"That area is a hazardous spot," said Sgarlat. "There are always

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**RED CROSS BLOOD**  
 Thurs., May 9, 11 AM-5 PM, Dallas United Methodist Church,, Parsonage St. Appts. 823-7161

### Community Events

**CHICKEN SUPPER** - Sat., May 11, 4-7 PM, Kunkle Community Hall. All you can eat and home made pie. Adults \$6.00, Children 10 and under \$3.00. Benefits Kunkle Fire Co.

**ROAST BEEF DINNER** - Sat., May 11, 4:30-6:30 PM, Ruggles United Methodist Church, Harveys Lake. Adults \$6.00, Children \$3.00. Takeouts available.

**CHICKEN & BISCUIT SUPPER** - Sat., May 11, 4:30-7 PM, Loyalville United Methodist Church. \$4.75.

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL** - Sat., May 11, starting at 4:00 PM, Bloomingdale United Methodist Church.

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## The big ones didn't get away: State to stock Harveys Lake

By RICH JOHNSON  
 Staff Writer

Harveys Lake fishermen are getting the best of both worlds as both legal-sized and fingerling sized trout are now being stocked in the lake.

The Pennsylvania Fish commission announced last week that nearly 3,000 legal-sized brook trout will be put in the lake this week while more than 75,000 fingerling trout were stocked on May 2.

The fish commission said that it is delaying the full implementation of the fingerling-only program while surveys are being done to reassess the situation.

The commission had announced earlier this year that no more legal-sized trout will be stocked because of a low return rate of fish from the lake. Instead, the commission said that it has been putting in smaller fish for the past five years with the idea that they would grow to the size of

the fish that would have been stocked.

That program was sharply criticized by area political representatives and fishermen alike. During the opening day of trout season the turnout at the lake was one of the smallest in recent years and many people feel it was because the state did not stock the lake.

The protests of anglers and state representatives was one reason

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## Brokenshire to graduate... 25 years later

By RICH JOHNSON  
 Staff Writer

In 1966, Judith Brokenshire of Harveys Lake took her first college class. On May 18, some 25 years and one grown family later, she will graduate as the Marshall of the 1991 class at Penn State University.

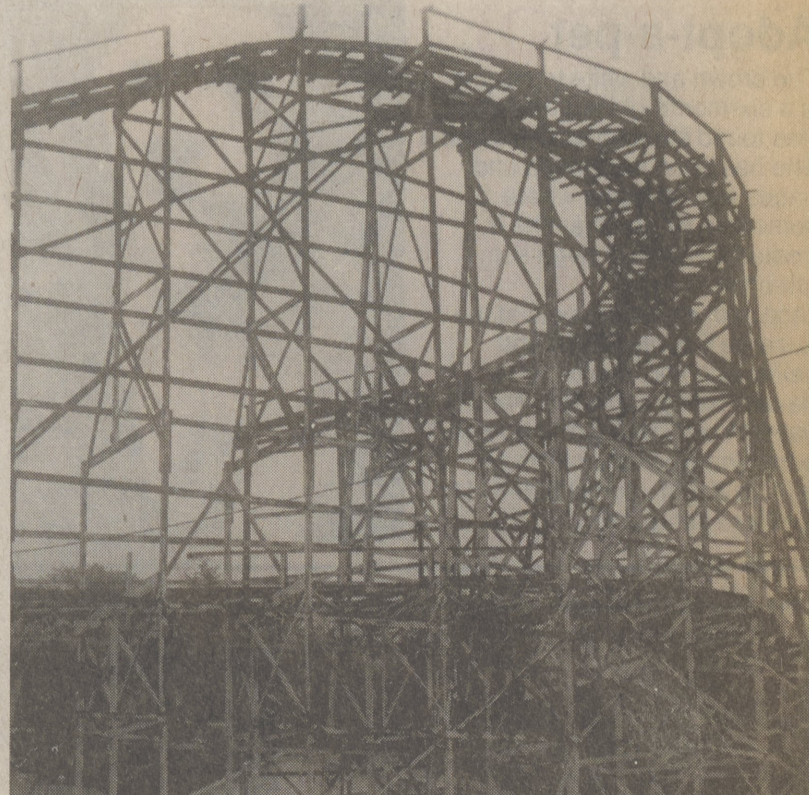
"I'm excited about it," said Brokenshire during an interview before her final examinations. "Although I must admit I hate the thought of graduating because this has all been a big part of my life."

The wife and mother of two has devoted a lot of time trying to earn her Bachelor's degree and it looks as though she will finally achieve that goal.



**ENJOYING THE WORK** - Judith Brokenshire of Harveys Lake is shown ironing the coat from the show "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat" that was performed at Penn State University. Brokenshire spent 50 hours making the coat for the show.

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**FROM ROLLER COASTER TO TOWNHOUSE** - The remains of the once popular roller coaster at the former Hanson's Amusement Park stands on part of the property which may be rezoned so that a townhouse complex can be built. (Post Photo/Rich Johnson)

## Report raps plan for Harveys Lake condos

By RICH JOHNSON  
 Staff Writer

The findings of an ad hoc committee established in 1990 raised concerns about the impact of a plan to turn the former Hanson's Amusement Park at Harveys Lake into a 175 unit townhouse complex. The committee's work came to light after an article about the project appeared in last week's Dallas Post. The article reported that Shirley Hanson said she would resubmit the plan, which was originally presented last year.

The Harveys Lake Borough Council will hear from residents at

a public hearing May 29 on the proposal to rezone 29 acres of land from C-3 (Commercial) to R-2 (multi-family residential).

No formal action was taken when the plan was originally submitted, but the borough's Environmental Advisory Committee (EVAC) did look into the possible effects of the plan and came back with a negative report.

EVAC chairman David Abod said a special Ad Hoc committee looked at the possible effects on the water, roads, sewage and schools in the

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