DAMA clarifies recycling pickup schedule, says bills will be late

By CHARLOT M. DENMON Staff Writer

Despite vocal protests from some residents, the recycling and trash collection program instituted by the Dallas Area Municipal Authority (DAMA) is off to a good start according to officials of DAMA and Danella Environmental Technologies, the company contracted to pick up the material.

During the past two weeks, most of the calls received by the personnel in the DAMA office have been from residents seeking information not protesting, said Vicki Griffiths, secretary to plant manager Tom Bagley.

"We have received many calls about which recyclables will be collected on which days," Griffiths

"In the beginning it was announced that all recyclable items but paper and cardboard would be collected on the first and third

had a fifth day in the month weren't sure what to put out. We had

ferent areas.'

New pickup schedule pickup now will alternate every other week, with everything but paper and cardboard taken one week then the next week the paper, cardboard, and newspapers. (See new recycling schedule, page

week of the month, and the paper

and cardboard on the second and

fourth week. This routine was set

to get the program off the ground.

month which caused a lot of con-

fusion for many of the residents,"

Griffiths continued. "Those who

many calls from residents in dif-

"July had five weeks in the

The week of August 5-9, newspapers are being picked up. From that time on the other recyclables

will alternate every other week. A spokesperson at Danella said RECYCLING INFORMATION

For service information, call 1-800-552-8118 For billing information, call 696-1134. Stickers for extra bags available at Insalaco's Market, Dallas Centre Hardware or DAMA office.

the program is running well, with paid by August 31 and residents only a few minor mistakes, mostly regarding what to put out on which

Residents who are concerned Griffiths said that the recyclables that their material isn't being picked up up on time are advised to call Danella at 1-800-552-8118. "If residents call early, the trucks may still be in the area and Danella's office can get in touch with the driver and have him pick up the missed container," Griffiths

confusion arose because, at the

would have an option of deducting a five percent discount if the full annual amount of \$135 was paid by July 31.

"The bills never went out so we had a number of calls about them, Griffiths explained. "The bills will be deferred for 30 days from the time they are sent out and residents will still have the option of paying in full for the five percent

Griffiths said another point of Extra bag stickers available

Each household is allowed two beginning of the program, a notice bags of garbage weekly at the basic was sent out that bills should be rate of \$11.25 per month. Addi-

stickers that cost \$1.50 each. Stickers are now available at Insalaco's Market in the Country Club Shopping Center; Dallas Centre Hardware on Main Street in Dallas; and from the DAMA office. Stickers can be picked up personally or purchased by mail from DAMA.

Anyone who has not received a container for recyclables can pick one up at DAMA's office off Route 309 in Trucksville. If there are people who can't get there, DAMA personnel will try to deliver them.

"We have also had a lot of calls asking about adjustments for senior citizens, but we have no information about these. This is a subject which will have to be settled by the hauler, solicitors and the municipalities," said Griffiths.

Businesses must begin recycling in September

Businesses are not required to recycle until September, at which DAMA.

tional bags must be identified with time they will make arrangements with individual haulers, Griffiths explained. They will be required to file statements listing the type and amount of recyclable material they

have disposed of. "Small businesses near residential areas may select DAMA if they desire," Griffiths said. "We service a church which is in a residential area and has only a small amount

of garbage and recyclables." She also said some residents with businesses in other areas have called saying they take their garbage from home to their business and dispose of it in their dumpsters. "They aren't supposed to do that, Griffiths explained. "They will be billed for collection regardless.'

Residents are advised to read the recycling brochure thoroughly in order to determine what items can and cannot be recycled. Additional brochures are available from

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the street from his tavern which hadn't had its steps replaced 20 gears after they'd fallen down.

When Francis Kopko, the chairman of the hearing board, asked for a motion to vote on Arnone's request, Zimniski abstained, and there it died. As chairman, Kopko cannot make motions.

The third member of the hearing board, Bruce Baker, was absent from the meeting because of a recent auto accident, Kopko said.

"I thought this was going to be a formality," said Arnone after the meeting.

Arnone said that he's hired a lawyer to investigate the way the hearing was conducted. He said that he's already put a deposit on the modular home, which he stands to lose if he can't have it delivered.

Earlier at the meeting, the two members of the board approved yard set-back variances for Joseph and Ann Marie Mager to build swimming pool and deck at their Center Street home near Warden

During that meeting, the board heard testimony from neighbors who were mainly concerned with what would happen if the pool



BRIDGING HISTORICAL GAPS - Richard Thornton of Lincoln, England, and Judy Dawe of Lehman, stand with a chart of their family tree at the Major family reunion held at Dawe's home Sunday Thornton is a descendant of the Major family in England. He and Judy Dawe learned of one another while researching their family histories. Over 100 descedants of Thomas Major, an English farmer who settled in Lehman Township in 1820, gathered for the reunion at the homes of William Dawe and his mother Judy Dawe. Thomas Major has seven sons, Thomas III, John, Robert, William Henry, Frank, David, and George, who all settled in the Lehman area, and four daughters, Mary Major Fuller, Rebecca Major Jayne, Ellen Major Lamoreux, and Elizabeth Major Wardell. (Post Photo/Eric Foster)

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Jackson Township rules out open burning

By ERIC FOSTER

The Jackson Township supervisors passed a resolution banning open burning at their meeting August 5.

Supervisor Joseph Stager, Jr. proposed the ordinance because of the drought conditions in the

The supervisors also changed the September meeting from Sept. 2, to Sept. 9 at the regular 7:30 p.m. meeting time because of the abor Day holiday on Sept. 2.

At the September meeting, the supervisors will discuss cable television service with representatives from Cable TV, based in Hazleton, which has the franchise to pro- \$200 a year. vide service in the township.

the supervisors, said that they are residents who are interested in Back Mountain's 911 system. trying to get the company to restore channel 29 to basic service because channel 29 carries Phillies baseball games. Currently, to get channel 29, residents must pay for the Prism premium sta-

The supervisors will also talk about why the company has not paid the township the 3 percent franchise fee on its gross sales since it purchased the system two

or three years ago. Adams said that the supervisors have estimated that the fee would bring the township \$150 or

hooking up to the system should call the company at 1-800-633-

Ambulance personnel Carl Schmitt and John J. Wilkes Jr. are currently taking a petition to residents living on Larksville Mountain in Jackson Township who are

served by the 779 telephone ex-Cable TV has been expanding change instead of the 696 ex-Thomas Adams, chairman of its service in the township, and change, and are not part of the

The petition asks residents if they would be willing to switch exchanges in order to become part of the 911 system.

Wilkes said a quarter to half of the 36 homes on Huntsville Road, Jesse Road, Steel Road and Weaver Township Road half been asked.

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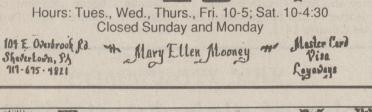
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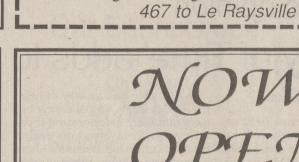
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