

DUI checkpoint set for Route 309 this weekend

Dallas Township Police Chief Carl Miers has announced that there will be a DUI checkpoint on Route 309 in the township sometime during the weekend of August 17.

The program is meant to deter the operation of motor vehicles by drivers impaired by alcohol or drugs. Statistics kept by the Dallas Township Police and the state Department of Transportation show that Route 309 has a high rate of alcohol-related accidents.

Officers will also check for equipment violations, registration and inspection and seat belt use.

Miers said that every vehicle entering the checkpoint will be stopped and checked.

DUI checkpoints are funded through the Highway Safety Grant of Luzerne County and administered by Catholic Social Services.

Accident injures two drivers

The operators of two cars involved in an accident August 13 on Old Lake Road near College Misericordia were transported to Nesbitt Hospital for treatment.

Dallas Township police said Joseph W. Wanusheski of Park Street, Wilkes-Barre was driving north in a 1988 Chevrolet when he turned into in front of a 1990 Eagle driven by Karen Boonin of Dallas.



Huntsville Nursery wins top award

Huntsville Nursery has received the Award for Excellence in Landscaping that is presented by the Pennsylvania Nurserymen Association. This is the top award presented in the residential category.

Projects were submitted by member firms throughout the state of Pennsylvania and were judged on overall design, plant material selection, and the use of color. The home that Huntsville Nursery won this award for was that of Mr. and Mrs. Hanford Eckman of Bulford Farms, Shavertown. The award was presented earlier this year at the Pennsylvania Nurserymen Conference that was held at Hershey, Pa.

Shown in the photo above from left are Ralph Edwards, owner of Huntsville Nursery, and Mr. and Mrs. Hanford Eckman.

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The sale of the approximately 12.6 acre parcel is contingent upon approval of the Orphan's Court of Common Pleas, Dallas Township zoning authorities and the contract of sale by directors of Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

The action of the school board brings to an end General Hospital's year-long search for sufficient acreage in the Back Mountain on which to build a proposed medical and physical fitness center.

The original plans for the center called for a joint operation with the Wilkes-Barre YMCA. But YMCA director Bernie Hargadon has said his group now intends to focus on its main facility in Wilkes-Barre and will not be a partner in a Back Mountain location.

That doesn't necessarily mean fitness equipment and a swimming pool are out of the picture, though. While making no commitments, Ledwin said if enough interest in those facilities exists, they may become part of the plan.

"We are not in the recreation business," Ledwin said. "Our hope is that a group of people interested in recreation come forward." If that happens, "We're prepared to work with them to develop recreation facilities."

As for a swimming pool, Ledwin said he would wait and see how a pool that is to be built at College Misericordia will be used. Ledwin said he has talked with both the Dallas and Lake-Lehman school districts about the potential of using a pool for swimming and diving programs in the schools.

Ledwin praised the action of Dallas school board members and administration personnel. "It was a real pleasure to deal with them," he said. "They were focused on what was best for the entire Back Mountain community." He also said that he hoped upcoming meetings with Dallas Township officials would go well. "I hope to sit down with them in the next day or two to brief them. They seem to be supportive."

At its meeting, the school board also honored Dallas graduate Steve Oliver with a plaque citing his achievement in the 1991 Field and Track State Competition where he won the 3200 meter run and a gold medal. Oliver is the first athlete from the Dallas District to win two gold medals in the period of one year, his other gold medal was won in cross country.

Superintendent Gerald Wycalis reported that state education secretary Carroll told him that the district is not to reopen the 1991-1992 budget until the district hears from the secretary.

The board approved the option of taking one of the elementary school teachers for four days a week for one period at the Middle School and for the choral program at the Middle School and the High School. That teacher will have classes at the elementary school with 10 periods of instrumental instruction with six or seven students in each period which will insure continuing the fifth grade musical instruction.

In other business the directors approved:

- Applying for a PennFree grant for continued police instruction and for the Title II grant individually instead of using the consortium approach as in the past several years.

- Approved an increase in school lunches for the 1991-92 year as follows: Class A Lunch, elementary \$1.10; Class A Lunch Middle School \$1.25; Senior High Ala Carte; Adult Lunch \$1.75; Reduced Price Lunch 40¢; Ala Carte 1/2 pint milk 40¢; Monthly Lunch ticket Optional, Elementary \$1.05; Middle School Optional \$1.20; Senior High-Bi-weekly Coupon Book Optional \$20.00.

- Approved payment to Wolanski Construction of \$2,000, final payment for general construction at the high school and payment of \$2,100 to contractors as final payment for work on the Maintenance Central Supply Building.

- Approved a list of professional substitute employees for the 1991-92 school year.

- Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Esther Scutt as Housekeeper No. 4 at the senior high school.

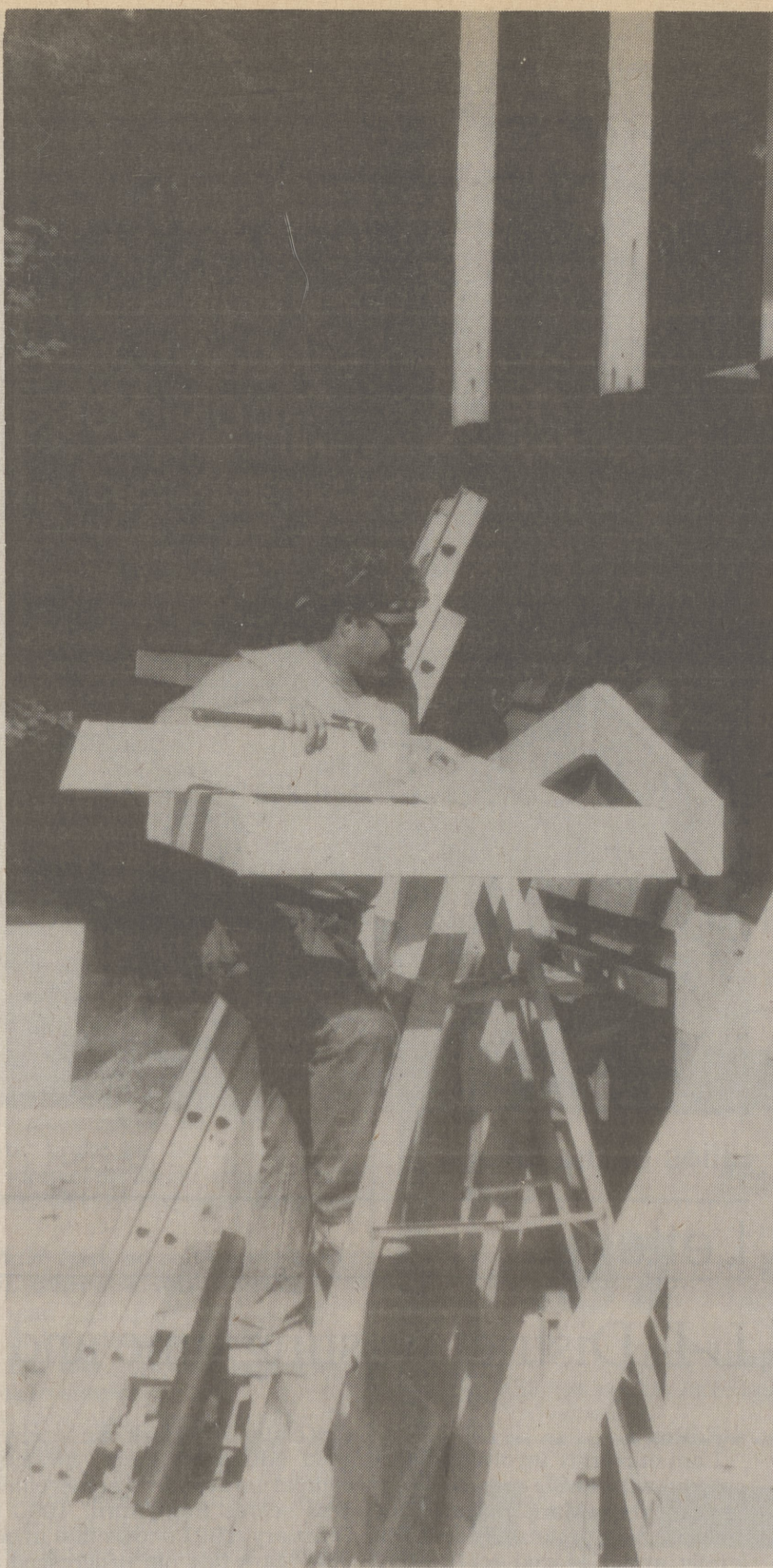
- Appointed Mrs. Agnes Clark, RRI, Sweet Valley as a long-term substitute Housekeeper No. 2 at the Dallas Elementary School.

- Named Nancy Ferko as a part time teacher instead of fulltime.

- Approved sabbatical leaves for the 1991-1992 year for John Johnson and Nancy Ferko.

- Appointed Donna Trebilcock as fulltime reading specialist.

- Approved the services of the Fall coaches to continue at the 1990-91 rate since they are working without a contract with the understanding when negotiations are completed they will be compensated according to terms of the contract.
- Approved school bus drivers for the 1991-92 school year.
- Scheduled the September work session for August 26, 7 p.m., to be held at the Middle School as the administration building will be in use that date.



Jackson Township building near completion

Work on the new Jackson Township Municipal Building on Hunstville Road is progressing smoothly, with the building expected to be ready for occupation in early October. The building will house the township police department and other offices. Renovations to the building, which the township bought two years ago, began in early June. Currently the township rents space at the fire hall for the township offices, and only the road department uses the new building. The cost of the renovations will be \$197,800, with the work being performed by Tri-State Construction of Scranton. Above, Jeff Robbins of Scranton works on renovations to the municipal building. (Post Photo/Eric Foster)

Back Mountain briefs

Rec Center will take trip to Knoebels Grove

The Dallas Rec Center will be making a trip to Knoebels Grove Friday, Aug. 16. There are several openings. For details call the Rec Center at 675-4736.

Sweet Valley Fire Co. to hold flea market

On September 7 the Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will hold a flea market at the fire hall, Main Rd., Sweet Valley. For table reservations call Connie Doty 477-3417 or Alice Walsh 477-5239. The doors will open at 9 a.m. Refreshments will be available.

Faith Tabernacle to hold camp meeting

Apostolic Faith Tabernacle, Village Rd., Orange, will hold an old-fashion camp meeting Aug. 23, 24, and 25, 2 and 6 p.m. daily. Host Pastor Frank J. Chorba.

Bulford reunion set for August 18

The 70th annual Bulford reunion of the descendants of John and Rachel Bulford, early pioneers of the Back Mt. area will be held on Sunday, August 18, in the Bloomingdale Grange Hall, Bloomingdale. A covered dish picnic lunch at 12:30 P.M. Mrs. Nettie Miers, President, will preside at the meeting following the lunch.

Misericordia to present plans for new gym

College Misericordia will host a community informational session concerning the College's new \$5 million Health and Recreation Complex August 14 at 7:30 p.m. in McHale Lounge, McHale Hall. The session is open to the public.

Members of Misericordia's Board of Trustees and administration will invite the public to examine a model and drawings of the 78,000 square foot complex. Representatives of High Construction, Inc., Lancaster, who designed the complex and will build it, will detail the building's features while college officials will describe how the complex may benefit the community.

Construction of the complex will begin this October and is scheduled to be completed by November, 1992. The building will contain classroom and office space for Misericordia's new physical therapy and current occupational therapy programs. Other features include a gymnasium/field house, racquetball courts, weight/fitness rooms, indoor jogging track, dance and aerobic rooms and a six-lane NCAA regulation swimming pool, the only indoor pool of its kind in the Back Mountain.

For more information on the community informational session at College Misericordia, call College Relations at 674-6285.

Lake-Lehman District expected to hire coaches

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
Staff Writer

In a work session August 6, the Lake-Lehman School Board discussed a variety of items expected to be on the agenda for the regular board meeting August 13.

At that meeting, board members were expected to appoint William Tooley as varsity high school soccer coach to replace Paul Reinert who submitted his resignation for the coming year.

High School principal John Oliver recommended Tooley highly after interviewing candidates for the position. Tooley played soccer at the University of Scranton where he spent a year in college admissions and was an assistant varsity coach at Florida University where he received his MBA degree. He was also an assistant coach in southern New Jersey, according to Oliver. Tooley was highly recommended by the University of Scranton and was being considered as soccer coach at Northwest School District until that district dropped the program.

In other business the directors will approve a 1991-1992 daily substitute teachers list.

It is also expected that they will approve the appointment of Ron Swingle, Jr., as junior high school wrestling assistant, and Clarence

Ozgo, former head basketball coach at Dallas High School, as junior high assistant basketball coach.

James Spencer and Joseph DeCesaris, graduates of Lake-Lehman, are being considered as basketball co-coaches for the seventh and eighth grade teams.

It was also recommended that the board require each prime contractor for the high school to complete the contractor's Affidavit of Release of Liens as required by Article 9 of the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction together with signed release from subcontractors and material and equipment suppliers.

The board was expected to congratulate Barbara Simms who was named Volunteer of the Month by the American Red Cross, for her service on the Back Mountain Blood Services Committee and Diana Emery of Huntsville as one of the

1991 recipients of the Governor's School for the Arts scholarship at Mercyhurst College, Erie. She was one of 200 students in the state to be selected.

The board was also expected to report on the 1991-92 school year budget and its cash flow status with the state and discuss the reopening of the budget and tax rebate proposal as required by the state.

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