

Races

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edge of the subject by attending a workshop sponsored by the League of Women Voters on ground water which was held recently in Hazleton.

Glogowski, 55, of Mountain Road, is a Uniserv Representative for the Pennsylvania State Education Association.

"I would definitely like to thank the voters for supporting me," said Glogowski.

In Lehman Township, Democrat Raymond Iwanowski beat Republican Ignatius Hozempa by an even narrower margin, 434 to 412. Of the township's 1,312 voters, 69 percent are registered Republican.

"I'm sort of surprised, being in a predominantly Republican area and being on the Democratic

ticket," said Iwanowski of his victory. "I was pleasantly surprised."

Iwanowski, 49, of Oak Hill, is a self-employed salesman. Though this is his first experience in government, he graduated from college with a degree in History and Government, and later wrote history for the Navy Department of History for three years.

"It's going to be a learning experience at first," said Iwanowski.

The oddball

If the Back Mountain has a political oddball, it's Harveys Lake.

Half of Harveys Lake's 1,220 voters are registered Democrats, 608 people. The Republican party has 591 registered voters in the borough, while 21 voters are regis-

tered as "other."

Not surprisingly, Democratic candidates swept the Harveys Lake election for four four-year terms on council.

Incumbent David Abod was the top vote-getter, with 453 votes, followed by party mates Joseph Miscavage (also an incumbent) with 423; and Martin Noon and Thomas F. Kehler with 417 votes each.

Jeffrey Austin was the Republican's top candidate with 380 votes, followed by William Wagner with 318 and John Morris with 315. Despite the fact that she no longer lives in the borough, Republican Georgine Petroskas got 277 votes.

Write-ins run out of lead

In Kingston and Dallas townships, write-in candidacies sparked

by discontent over the Dallas Area Municipal Authority's garbage collection program came far short of beating the incumbent supervisors who were on the ballot.

In Kingston Township, incumbent Republican supervisors Daniel Wisneski, William Tippet and Herbert Hill won with 1,190, 873, and 841 votes respectively.

The write-in candidates endorsed by the Back Mountain Taxpayers Association, George Tucker, Robb Henderson, and John Manganiello received 380, 337, and 356 votes respectively.

In Dallas Township, write-in candidate David Hontz received 157 votes, while incumbent supervisor Phil Walter racked up 1101 votes to win another six-year term.

McCoog

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tradition," says Todd, who talks about folk artist Arlo Guthrie and bluesman Leadbelly in the same breath.

"To me, folk players and blues players are out of the same mold, because its native American music," says Todd. "You have these folk traditions coming into here and becoming superimposed."

McCoog also plays with Southbound, a bluegrass/country rock band. Todd plays with Little Rock, which plays classic rock and country music.

While Todd may have caught the folk music fire, McCoog says that increasingly people are unaware of it.

"We have to scatter what we do. It's not all folk anymore. The natural folk artist is dying, especially locally," says McCoog. "Competing for jobs is very difficult; you have solo artists who use a drum machine and tape player and they sound like an entire band."

I am a purist. I go out with one guitar, a harmonica, and a harmonica brace."

McCoog has also seen a change in the number of clubs that feature folk music.

"There aren't as many clubs as there used to be," says McCoog, who's lived in the Back Mountain since 1955 when his family moved to the area from Camden, N.J. He attended Dallas High School and has played before the public since he was a teenager.

Clubs featuring folk artists include the Marina at Harveys Lake, especially during the summer, says McCoog, and Panama's in Luzerne. "Its even harder now than it was ten years ago," says McCoog. "But I'll keep plugging away because I love the music."

"Folk music has become more of a cult kind of music that it ever was," he adds. "When I play out now I get an audience that I see all the time. They come out to see me because they know I'm going to play a certain style of music."

Those who go to see McCoog play will be treated to a performance by a powerful singer and

The Hardware Store Blues

I have those hardware store blues
People drive me nuts
and screw me down
through the floor

I want a what-ya-ma-call-it
a thing-a-ma-jig
It's five feet long and looks
like a fig
I know you've got it
because I bought it here
before

by Gary McCoog

guitarist. For McCoog, folk music is not timid as he belts out tunes like Dylan's "All Along the Watchtower" or an extended version of Crosby, Stills and Nash's "Find the Cost of Freedom." You might say his interpretations have a lot of guts.

"I wouldn't say there has really been a change in the style of the music," McCoog says, but "today, they have to be more creative to draw an audience."

McCoog interprets that change in audience as a general change in today's culture.

"Things have changed, people's thinking of what's important," says McCoog. "It's art; are people really interested in that? I would probably blame it on technology. It's so much easier to pick up a Nintendo than sit down and practice a piano or practice a guitar or get into poetry - the arts - literature."

And he feels that there are also political ramifications in the change he's seeing. "How many voters really study what they're voting for. It's work."

And when he goes out to see a band, who does McCoog like to see?

"As far as folk rock groups, a group I like to see is Cutter Strangebrew," says McCoog.

That will be another story.

Dems

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wasn't enough to carry the day in either the Luzerne County District Attorney or Commissioner races. In the DA contest, Peter Paul Olsewski, with close Back Mountain ties and a familiar name in public service, topped Tom Marsilio by about 500 votes.

Perhaps most surprising, Democrat Rose Tucker, the political

Teachers

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for school teachers and for teachers to be hired, promoted and paid by merit.

Arbogast said that a group of 15 people started circulating the petition just before the general election on November 5. Though no formal organization has been formed yet, Arbogast said that eventually, she'd like to see one formed.

"After all that discussion they really didn't answer our questions," said Arbogast of the meeting. "We're looking for more interested taxpayers to join us. Maybe we can give them another 960 (signatures) next time."

To help resolve the negotiating differences between the school board and the teachers, a fact finder from the Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board was requested by the school district in September. The fact finder is expected to make his report later this month.

Superintendent Gerald Wycallis said that when the fact finder's report is received each side has 10 days to respond. If they both accept it then the report is made public. If either side rejects it, there is a five-day cooling off period before negotiations resume.

Some concerns over seven-class days

Also at the meeting, a parent and several teachers expressed concern over the districts proposed move from eight class-period days to seven class-period days.

At its meeting on November 4, the board approved a motion to have Middle School Principal Dr. Gilbert Griffiths draw up a plan to have a 3-2 schedule at the Middle School in the spring. The schedule would have 3 days with eight-class periods, and two days with seven.

Griffiths said that the change was a preparation to have seven-class-period days in grades six through twelve next fall.

"I'm concerned that a decision

would effect my daughter next year without enough study," said Gary Mathers of Trucksville. "Will she have to cut back an advanced math class, will she have to cut back an advanced science class, will she have to cut back a foreign language if we cut back one period?"

Math teacher Charles Preece said that many students come back to the school to say how well-prepared they are and "one of the reasons they are so well prepared is that they've had the opportunity to take courses some people think can wait until college."

Griffiths said that in the Middle School, classes will go from 43 minutes to 49 minutes on the seven-period days. Dropped on the seven-period days will be the activity period at the end of the day. That period is used for band, chorus, remedial programs, and student clubs.

"To go from eight to seven, you're cutting back one more option," said Preece. "The extra time is wasted if they could have spent it in a higher level course."

William Wagner repeated a suggestion he said he made to the district last year; to prepare a test schedule for the students with a seven-period day, and ask them if they like it.

At the board's regular meeting, the winter track program was approved with the stipulation that it not cost more than last year. Candice Pike was appointed Forensic Advisor at a \$1,000 salary. Forensics is a debating program for students.

The following coaches were also reappointed: Anthony Chiarucci as assistant coach for girls basketball in the Senior High; Steve Kaschenbach as head coach for wrestling; Donald Scott Francis as assistant football coach in the Middle School; Thomas Kilduff, as head coach for girls basketball in the Middle School, and Robert Mitkus as assistant coach for girls basketball in the Middle School.

VOTER REGISTRATION IN THE BACK MOUNTAIN

MUNICIPALITY	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN	OTHER	TOTAL
Dallas Borough	298 (24%)	919 (73%)	51	1268
Dallas Township	876 (31%)	1834 (64%)	147	2857
Franklin Township	140 (24%)	418 (72%)	21	579
Harveys Lake	608 (50%)	591 (48%)	21	1220
Jackson Township	563 (42%)	742 (55%)	43	1348
Kingston Township	996 (34%)	1829 (62%)	140	2965
Lake Township	219 (35%)	387 (62%)	21	627
Lehman Township	376 (29%)	909 (69%)	27	1312
TOTALS	4076 (34%)	7629 (63%)	471	12176

Pope

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the Dallas summer recreation program and the potential problems which the completion of the Cross Valley Expressway could cause the borough.

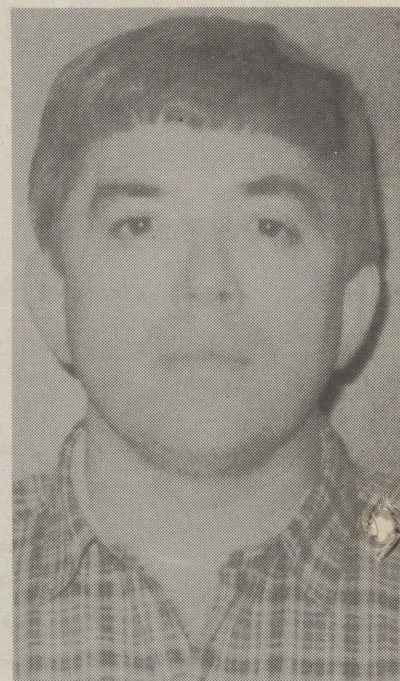
"I was recreation director for eleven years and know the great amount of time and effort which Jack Wolensky put into the program," Pope commented. He added that he feels that the Dallas recreation program is one of the best in the area, voicing his disquiet with the growing number of people who feel that the program needs revisions or cuts.

Pope is also disturbed with the potential impact which the newly-completed Cross Valley Expressway could have on Dallas Borough. "Our police are doing an exemplary job. But I feel that the flood of traffic, especially heavy trucks, will become a tidal wave," he added. Pope also worries that the increase in truck traffic could also bring hazardous materials haulers through the Back Mountain.

Complimenting the close working relationship which Dallas Borough enjoys with Dallas Township and Kingston Township, Pope envisions extending this cooperation to Jackson Township, Harveys Lake and Franklin Township. "All areas of government and municipal services in the Back Mountain need to work even more closely together," he explained.

Four out of seven members of Dallas Borough Council are political rookies, Pope noted, citing his own political inexperience. He feels that to comment on important issues immediately is unwise. "I want to study major issues, such as the DAMA contract, very thoroughly before voicing a public opinion," he continued.

Vowing to do anything that he



JAY POPE Wins on write-in votes

can to improve Dallas Borough, Pope hopes to be prudent enough to listen to the concerns of the people and promises to always vote according to the dictates of his conscience. "I hope that the citizens give me the opportunity to prove myself. I have a lot of faith in the people serving on the borough council. I feel that they are good, honest, hard-working people who will put the needs of the borough first," he concluded.

Others who received write-in votes included Jim Davis with 16 votes; Hugh King, Harold Brobst and William Berti who each received four votes; David Hontz and Chris Purcell who received two votes each; and Joan Hiller, who received one vote.

Property transfers

Property transfers recorded at the Luzerne County Court House from October 31, 1991 to November 4, 1991. Prices are extrapolated from transfer taxes paid. Many transfers, such as those between family members, are exempt from tax, so no amounts are shown.

Estate Anne Schneider to Sid Paul Halsor, 19 Shaver Ave., Shavertown, property Shaver Ave., Kingston Twp., \$74,000.

Marjorie Nerhone Phillips to Marjorie Nerhone Phillips, Box 509, RR 1, Dallas, property East Cottage, Dallas Twp.

Joseph C. Blazes to Joseph C. Blazes, 61 Atherholt Dr., RD 3, Wyoming, property 2.688 ac., Kingston Twp.

Martin N. Birosak to Thomas W. Hillman, 3124 Paladin Terrace, Onlay, Md., property Walnut Drive, 1.308 ac., Lehman Twp., \$37,000.

Harry C. Sickler to Elton N. Shupp Jr., 3221 Wayne St., Endwell, NY, property Franklin Twp.

Doris Talamelli to Doris Talamelli, RR 1347 Shoemaker Ave., W. Wyoming, property 1 acre, Kingston Twp.

Estate Elizabeth Brago to Gerald J. Harteis, RR 5, Box 399, Shrine View, Dallas, property Highland Dr., Dallas Twp., \$117,000.

Thomas J. Dwyer Jr. to Thomas J. Dwyer Jr., Pole 94, Box 251, Harveys Lake, property 1.73 ac., Harveys Lake.

Paul E. Hodges to Paul E. Hodges, 258 Church St., Dallas, property Church St., Dallas Twp.

Megan G. Delaney to Ed Delaney, 23 Norton Ave., Dallas, property Claude St., Dallas Twp.

Edmund P. Davis to James Powell, 905 Oakridge Rd., Rosemont, Pa., property 1.9 acres, Dallas Twp.

Deer Meadow developer seeks extension of plan

The Luzerne County Planning Commission will hear a request for a one-and-one-half year extension on the preliminary plan approval for the Deer Meadow Estates subdivision on Thursday, November 14, at 2 p.m. in the Commissioner's Meeting Room of the Luzerne County Courthouse.

According to Adrian Merolli, executive director of the Luzerne County Planning Commission, the public may comment at the hearing, but it is unlikely that the request will be denied because the plan specifications have not been changed.

The planning commission, Merolli explains, is responsible for making sure that the technical specifications for things such as sewers and roads are proper.

Preliminary plan approval was

given to Edward Nelen, developer of the subdivision, on November 10, 1988, and expired November 10, 1991.

The approximately 30 acres of land was rezoned from a Conservation District to residential by Dallas Borough Council, sparking what Merolli recalls as a "monster zoning battle." A group of residents protested the change which allows up to 51 single-family homes to be built on lots as small as 7,500 square feet, instead of a minimum of two acres, which would be required for the Conservation District zoning.

Merolli said that the county Planning Commission recommended against the change.

Three homes have been completed in the development, and two are under construction.

Parents invited to seminars at Dallas Middle School Nov. 20

You are cordially invited to take part in our observance of American Education Week on Wednesday, Nov. 20. To observe American Education Week, the Dallas Middle School has scheduled five mini-seminars concerning middle-level students and their parents. The program is geared for parents and students; therefore, we are asking that you have your child accompany you to the middle school.

The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the middle school auditorium with a presentation by the Dallas Middle School. S.T.A.R. Team followed by the mini-seminars starting 7:35 to 8:15 p.m. and 8:20 to 9 p.m.

Conference forms will be available for parents at the middle school

for team conferences during the week of December 9-13.

The mini-seminars are as follows:

Adolescent Addiction, Just Saying "NO" Is Not Enough. Presenter: Ken Dunlap, Room 111.

Eating Disorders-Body Images and Your Child. Presenter, Melissa Lambert, Room 109.

Stress Management-The Art of Taking Care of Yourself. Presenter, Mike Wolfkiel, Room 108.

Satanism & Cults. Presenter, Gary Flanagan, Room 107.

Adolescent Development/Sexuality. Presenter, Mike Youron, Room 104.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of November 20, to help us observe American Education Week.

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