# Police report

# **Dallas Township**

### **DRIVER CITED IN TWO-VEHICLE ACCIDENT**

According to Dallas Township police, a 1979 buick LeSabre operated by Jerry P. Davies, 22, of RR 4 Dallas was involved in a broadside accident with a 1985 Chevrolet S-10 Blazer owned by the Pennsylvania State Game Commission and operated by Richard P. Larnerd, 29, of Warrren Center. PA, Sunday, February 22, shortly after noon. Police said that the Davies vehicle was leaving Irem Temple Country Club when it struck the side of the Larnerd vehicle, which rolled over, coming to rest upright alongside the roadway. Dallas Fire Company, Medic

302 and the ambualnce and rescue truck from Kunkle Fire Company assisted at the scene. Davies was cited for failure to stop at a stop sign, police said. Both vehicles were towed from the scene. Dallas Township Patrolman Douglas Lamoreux investigated the accident.

### CAR GOES OVER BANK

According to Dallas Township police, a 1990 Chevrolet Lumina operated by Dolores Desormo, 63, of Dallas, was involved in a onevehicle accident Tuesday, February 18, on a private road near the Mercy Center. Police said that the Desormo vehicle apparently skidded on mud which had washed onto the road from a nearby con-

struction site and went over an embankment, coming to rest against a large oak tree. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

Dallas Township Patrolman Wayman Miers investigated the accident.

### **BURGLARY AT VALLEY VIEW TRAILER PARK**

According to Dallas Township police, Sally Keithline reported that a .38-caliber revolver and two diamond rings were removed from a residence where she is staying at Valley View Trailer Park Monday, February 17.

Dallas Township Patrolman Douglas Lamoreux is investigating the incident.

# **Dallas Borough**

### **D.U.I. ARREST**

According to Dallas Borough police, Lynn Alan Wagner, 41, of RR 2 Dallas, was arrested for driving while under the influence. The charges stemmed from a one-vehicle accident February 13, in which Wagner's vehicle hit a utility pole on Huntsville Road.

Dallas Borough Patrolman James Drury investigated the incident.

### **DRIVER CITED IN REAR-END ACCIDENT**

According to Dallas Borough police, a 1978 Toyota Corolla operated by Rebecca Ann Osolnick, 19, of Luzerne, was involved in a rearend accident with a 1977 Chevrolet El Camino owned by Scott Protheroe of Bunker Hill Road, Wyoming and operated by Willie R. Peyatt, 44, of Harvey's Lake, Sun- 415 at Dallas Corners when the dent.

the Osolnick vehicle was stopped in traffic at the traffic light on Route 415 at Dallas Corners when the Peyatt vehicle struck its rear end. Peyatt was cited for careless driving, police said.

Dallas Borough Patrolman Michael Krzywicki investigated the accident.

### **REAR-END ACCIDENT** AT DALLAS CORNERS

According to Dallas Borough police, a 1986 Mercedes Benz owned by Wasserott's Medicare Service, Luzerne and operated by Henry R. Pietraccini, 42, of Dallas was involved in a rear-end accident with a 1986 Oldsmobile sedan operated by Doris Harrison, 76, of RR 1 Dallas, Friday, February 21. Police said that the Pietraccinivehicle was stopped in a line of traffic at the traffic light on Route James Drury investigated the inci-

day, February 16. Police said that Harrison vehicle struck its rear end Dallas Borough Patrolman Brian

Feeney investigated the accident.

### MAN ARRESTED FOR PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS, **PUBLIC LEWDNESS**

According to Dallas Borough police, Donald Carl Hushelpeck, 25, of Decatur, Arkansas, was arrested Thursday, February 20, and charged with public drunkneness and public lewdness. Police said that the charges stemmed from an incident in which police observed Hushelpeck urinating in full public view in the parking lot of an area business. Hushelpeck is also wanted by the Luzerne County Sherriff's Office for failure to appear in court, according to the report.

Dallas Borough Patrolman

Kingston Twp.

### THEFT FROM HOME **ON CLIFFSIDE AVENUE**

Maryann Strohl reported on February 16 that approximately \$625 of items were taken from her home on Cliffside Avenue, police said.

The items included: 15 Kennedy half dollars, 17 Susan B. Anthony dollars, a 25 karat gold ring with a diamond, and a mother's ring with several stones in it. Investigating officer was Ptl. Michael Moravec.

## **TWO INJURED IN** MANOR DRIVE CRASH

Two people were injured in a one-car accident on Manor Drive February 17, police said.

Robert Gene Mahoney Jr, 19, of

Mahoney and a passenger, Erica Bullock, of RR 3 Wyoming, were taken to Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center for treatment by Kingston Township Ambulance and Medic I, police said.

Police said Mahoney was cited for not driving at a safe speed.

### MAN DIES OF HEART ATTACK BEFORE **ONE-VEHICLE CRASH**

A Trucksville man suffered a fatal cardiac arrest while driving on Shaver Avenue, Saturday, February 22, police said.

Joseph James Obyrne, 68, of South Lehigh Street, Trucksville, was driving north on Shaver Avenue when at about 1:56 p.m. his vehicle crossed the southbound lanes and hit a utility pole.

Investigating officer Frank Zeigler arrived at the scene, and finddead at 2:45 p.m. by Dr. Melita Konecke, police said. Chief Deputy Coroner Joseph Shaver determined that Obyrne suffered a fatal cardiac arrest before the accident occurred.

### **CAR REPORTED** STOLEN

A 1974 Plymouth Valiant was reported stolen from Jerrico's Restaurant parking lot February 23, police said.

Stasia Newberry, of East Center Street, Shavertown, told police that she was in the bar of Jerrico's Restaurant and went out to start her car at about 10:15 p.m. She left the car running and went back into the restaurant for a few minutes. When she came out, the car was gone.

FIREMEN'S GROUP OFFICERS - Newly elected officers of the Back Mountain Firemen's Associa-

tion were installed at a dinner Saturday, February 15, at the Castle Inn. Officers and guests include, front row from left: vice president Rollie Evans and president Jack Dodson; back row from left: secretary Dick Heuer, State Representative George Hasay, master of ceremonies Bob Besecker and State Senator Charles Lemmond. (Post photo/Grace R. Dove)

# Firemen's Ass'n installs officers

By GRACE R. DOVE Post Staff

Seventy-five Back Mountain firefighters and their families gathered Saturday night, February 15, at the Castle Inn for the annual Back Mountain Firemen's Association dinner and installation of 1992 officers.

Newly installed officers included president Jack Dodson, vice president Rollie Evans, secretary Dick Heuer and treasurer Pat Hozempa. Master of ceremonies was Bob Besecker, while Senator Charles B. Lemmond, Jr. and Representative George Hasay were featured as guest speakers.

Organized 44 years ago, the Back Mountain Firemen's Association sponsors firefighter training programs and fire schools so that firefighters know the latest and best firefighting techniques and are prepared for many different types of situations, Dodson said.

"This year we're concentrating on an aggressive training program, including continuing education and refresher courses on safety, essentials of firefighting, recognition and identification of hazardous materials and operations with hazardous materials. We want to provide the public with what they deserve — the best fire protection possible," Dodson explained.

A fire investigation school will



also be open to all members, although it is not sponsored by the association, Dodson said ..

For many years, the organization has operated a mutual aid system, in which fire companies share manpower and equipment with nearby fire stations to assist when needed at one another's fires. And the tanker task force is ready to send Back Mountain tankers to any fire in the Wyoming Valley. "For example, many Back Mountain fire companies sent tankers and other equipment to the tire fire in Duryea last year. A

few of our fire companies didn't go

because they were needed on

standby in case any other fires

broke out here," Dodson said.

communications. Fifteen fire companies from Dallas, Harveys Lake, Kunkle, Jackson Township, Trucksville, Shavertown, Idetown, Sweet Val-

reviews and updates fire and

ambulance company radio proce-

dures, in order to improve radio

ley, Franklin-Northmoreland and Fairmont Township make up the organization. Any firefighter in good standing with these fire companies is welcome to attend association meetings, Dodson said.

The Back Mountain Firemen's Association meets the second Wednesday of every month, al nating in different fire halls. File fighters should contact their respective chief for further informa-

The organization also constantly tion.

Police Chief Sabol will help plan state's Special Olympics Torch Run

Paul Sabol represented the Pennsylvania Police Chief's Association at a conference for the Law Enforcement Run for Special Olympics recently in Tampa, Florida.

Sabol, president of the state's Police Chief's Association, left February 13 and returned February 16.

Kingston Township police chief the Torch Run. The theme of the conference was "Keep the Torch Burning in Your Heart," said Sabol.

Police officers will carry the Torch across the state from June 3 to June 10 to Harrisburg. From Harrisburg, the torch will go State College where the games will be held June 10.

y 16. "We're hoping to have runn One of the projects Sabol picked from the Back Mountain," so up from the conference will be to have a t-shirt sale to go along with out here, or run with Wilkes-Barre."

RR 1 Sweet Valley, was driving north on Manor Drive when he lost control of his Ford Tempo GL. The car left 48 feet of skid marks and hit an embankment, police said.

# **Harveys** Lake

# CHARGED WITH DOG LAW VIOLATION

Edward Layaou, of RR 3 Harveys Lake, was charged with violating the state's dog law after two of his dogs allegedly attacked a neighbor's dog January 26, police said.

A witness told police that Layaou's dogs attacked William Wilson's dog in the area of Greenridge Street, which is near the Lake-Noxen Elementary School. Wilson's dog was severely mauled and had to be killed.

Layaou's two dogs were taken to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and destroyed January 27, police said.

second degree misdemeanor, punishable by up to two years in prison and up to a \$5,000 fine,

ing that Obyrne was not breathing and had no pulse, called for emergency personnel and began CPR.

Obyrne was taken to Nesbitt Hospital where he was pronounced

police said. Investigating officer was assistant police chief Ronald Spock.

### **DRUNK DRIVING** CHARGED

Ronald David Cross Jr., 24, of RR 2 Sweet Valley, was charged with drunk driving after a minor traffic accident February 15, police said.

Assistant police chief Ronald Spock received a call at about 7:08 p.m. of a traffic accident at Lakeside Drive and the Outlet-Lehman Road. Spock was told that the car causing the accident had left the scene and was given a partial description of the car.

section of Outlet and Loyalville proximately \$1,275 worth of items The violation of the dog laws is a roads, with his car matching the description, police said. An alcohol test showed Cross's blood alcohol level to be .18%.

a dark blue roof. The Pennsylvania registration plate read VYK-292

Investigating officer is Robert Weiss.

# **2 BREAK-INS REPORTED ON KITCHEN AVENUE**

Two break-ins were reported to have occurred on Kitchen Avenue in the Worden Place section of the CHURCH - 4 Parsonage St., Dalborough between February 14 and 17, police said.

In both cases entry was made through a back or side window and the actors left through the front door

• Harold Seleski, of Brooklyn, New York, reported that approximately \$4,500 worth of items were stolen from his cottage.

Among the items taken were: 19" Zenith television, radio, train set worth \$1,000, a tool box and many tools.

• June MacCloskey, of New Goss Cross was stopped at the inter- Manor, Dallas, reported that apwere taken from her cottage. Assistant police chief Ronald Spock is investigating both burglaries.

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