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# New zoning rules ok' cluster housing

By GRACE R. DOVE and ERIC FOSTER Post Staff

Some Dallas Borough residents are worried that the borough's new proposed zoning ordinances will pave the way for large developments in areas zoned conservation, and that the water quality at the Huntsville Reservoir may suffer as a result.

The borough council accepted the first reading of the new ordinances at their meeting April 21, with Jay Pope casting the lone dissenting vote. Pope would not comment on his reasons for voting against it.

While finding no problem with most of the 118 pages of new zoning codes, borough residents Hugh King and Joan Hiller object to a change in the ordinances pertaining to areas zoned for conservation.

Under the present code, conservation zoning allows people to build homes on two-acre lots. Other construction is classified as a "special exception," needing approval from the borough council.

classify planned residential developments in conservation districts as a "conditional use." Provided a developer met the conditions spelled out in the ordinance, a planned development would be permitted. That makes King wonder if a development is on the way. King and Hiller aren't newcom-

ers to controversy over zoning regulations in the borough. Both were involved in protesting the Deer Meadow Estates rezoning from a conservation district to a residential district by the borough council

The proposed new code would in 1988. Ironically, what the pro- opment on the Huntsville water test couldn't stop, a poor economy could slow. Deer Meadows developer Edward Nelen was granted an extension of his plan approval from laden water runoff from people's the county's Planning Commission lawns. last fall because so few homes have been built so far on the 51 lots in the subdivision.

"We are over-developing the new tax revenue, but we are indevelopment on two acres. King and Hiller fear that devel-

shed would cause algae blooms on the reservoir — feed by phosphorus and nitrogen in the fertilizer

"We only have a small area which is conservation," said King, referring primarily to the area near the Huntsville Reservoir. "If it was Back Mountain," said Hiller. "I do aimed specifically at that, someunderstand the borough's need for body has a plan all set. If council goes along with it at the next creasing that now with private meeting, it's a done deal. You can't

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#### Moon rocks land at Lake-Noxen By GRACE R. DOVE Post Staff

When Lolly Larkin saw a collection of rocks from the moon and actually touched one, she knew that she had to share the excitement and wonder of this experience with her first grade students. Mrs. Larkin finally realized her dream when a collection of moon rocks, a national treasure, came to Lake-Noxen Elementary School for a week, beginning Friday, April 24.

"I first saw the moon rocks at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC," Mrs. Larkin said. "This past year I visited Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland with Carol Williams, who teaches at Lehman-Jackson School. We did an in-depth study of the moon rocks there and became certified Lunar Sample Specialists at the conclusion of the course.'

Because the lunar rocks are a national treasure, strict security measures must be observed while they are at the school. Mrs. Larkin said that local police and even the FBI are involved After a review of what they already knew about the moon, Mrs. Larkin's first graders shared their teacher's excitement as they viewed several different lunar rock samples encased in a clear lucite disk under a binocular microscope. Smiles and whispers of "Wow!



# **HL residents: Don't** call 911 after April 30

#### By ERIC FOSTER Post Staff

Harveys Lake residents who have an emergency and need to call for police should not call 911 as of May 1.

Those in need of police should call 675-5259 or 639-1690. If the police are not in, the call will be forwarded to the Luzerne County Communications Center. The telephone number for the Harveys Lake Fire department, which has never participated in the Back Mountain Communications Center, remains at 639-5261

The borough left the Back Mountain Communications Cen ter in favor of the Luzerne County Communications Center in order to save the money which would normally be spent on membership in the Back Mountain center. Th council voted to withdraw from th Back Mountain Communications Center last fall, but because siz months notice was required before leaving, the borough paid \$10,755 for five months of service in 1992 instead of the full \$25,811.

After April 30, emergency calls

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### **Kenny Loggins has first** gig at HL amphitheater

good music.

**By ERIC FOSTER** Post Staff

Tickets for the Kenny Loggins Memorial Day concert at the Harveys Lake amphitheater are set to go on sale Friday, May 1.

food, such as Chinese. Walking on the site recently, Greco said that the concession stands would not only include the typical popcorn, beer, hot dogs, and hamburgers, but also Peking Chef and Little Caesar's Pizza That's in addition to the Chicken Coop, which will set up shop in the first floor of the main building at the former amusement park. Greco plans at least 10 concerts this season with John Denver and

It also promises to offer good



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Cool, man!" greeted the sample of See MOON, pg 13

THEY CAME FROM OUTER SPACE — Dan Whitehead describes his view of a moon rock to his teacher, Lolly Larkin. (Post Photo/Grace R. Dove)

The price of the tickets hasn't been determined yet, according to a spokesman for concert promoter Thom Greco. The telephone number for the ticket office is 825-3333.

Loggins's concert will be the first at the amphitheater. Promoter and developer Thom Greco has Dolly Parton among the performsaid that he will try and keep tick- ers. ets under \$20 each.

The Harveys Lake Amphitheater promises to offer more than Greco has offered to pay the

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## **Dallas Peer Helpers** lend an open ear

**By ERIC FOSTER** Post Staff

Part ambassador, part counselor, but mostly just someone you can trust, a Dallas High School Peer Helper wears a lot of hats. Selected in their freshman year

based on a survey of their classmates, Peer Helpers are there to help other students with problems ranging from relationships to drugs and alcohol.

They also help represent the school at functions such as parent nights, and for students new to the district, they become guides.

"They come in as freshmen and they stay with the program until they graduate," said Joan Makowski, home and school visitor for the district. Makowski, along with guidance counselor Pat Russin and

teacher Audrey Ide, is also a Peer Helper advisor

"When you meet our Peer Helpers you realize that they're not all honor students or bound for college," said Makowski. "They're a very nice mix of students to work with.

Based on a questionnaire given to the freshman class - asking among other things, who they feel is most trustworthy, and who they would confide in — the top three boys and three girls are asked to become Peer Helpers.

The job is by no means an empty title. Being a Peer Helper means meeting two nights a month and attending a weekend seminar each year. At this year's seminar, the Peer Helpers played roles in differ-

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**PROUD FAMILY** — The Turchin family shares a bear hug with Eddie Turchin, who overcame serious health problems to become the Back Mountain's newest Eagle Scout. Shown from left are Eddie's mother Bonnie, sister Pam, Eddie, and father Ed Turchin Sr. (Post Photo/Grace R. Dove)

# Eddie Turchin beats the odds to become an Eagle Scout

#### By GRACE R. DOVE Post Staff

Five Eagles gathered at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church at Lake Silkworth Saturday night at a Court of Honor to recognize their newest brother.

In a moving ceremony attended by five fellow Eagle Scouts, friends and family members, Eddie Turchin of Boy Scout Troop 44 was awarded Scouting's highest rank.

When Eddie became a Boy Scout in 1985, Scoutmaster Leonard Farber, Sr., had predicted that he

would earn the right to wear the Eagle Scout's pin and sapphire stopped him from achieving his blue scarf attained by only two out life's dream of becoming an Eagle

of every 100 Scouts. Eddie's greatest challenge was not included in the Boy Scout manual, however. In 1982 doctors discovered a malignant tumor a bit larger than a walnut on the eight-year-old's pituitary gland.

A four-hour operation and 30 heavy doses of radiation stopped the tumor's growth, but Eddie must still take several kinds of medication to prevent seizures and correct a hormonal problem.

But health problems haven't Scout, as well as leading as full life as possible.

In addition to Scouting, the Lake-Lehman High School senio has been manager of the footbal and wrestling teams for four years an altar server at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Lak Silkworth, and a member of the Holy Name Society.

"My Dad and my coaches have

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CALL 675-5211 FOR HOME DELIVERY, NEWS OR ADVERTISING Lehman Twp. Zoning Board to file action against McManus **By ERIC FOSTER** Post Staff

The Lehman Township Zoning Hearing Board voted Monday to file a civil action against John McManus for having three businesses in an area where only two are permitted.

McManus owns the building at Lehman Center which contains Campus Pizza, Carolyn's Ceramics and the Country Horseman.

Zoning Board Solicitor Jack Haley reported to the board that he met with McManus just before the meeting and that McManus's position is that he

has only two businesses at the location.

reported that Haley McManus's position is that The Country Horseman is a department of Campus Pizza. Carolyn's Ceramics, which leases the space in the building, is between the pizza shop and the Country Horseman, but a hallway runs behind the ceramic shop to connect Campus Pizza with the Country Horseman.

In order to have three businesses at the location, McManus would need at least two acres of space, and he has just under half an acre, according zoning board member Fred Valentine.