

# DER says Lehman Twp. dumps are cleaned up

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Two illegal dumps in Lehman Township have been cleaned up, according to Mark Carmon of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (DER).

One was located behind St. Stephen's cemetery on Jackson Road; the other was on land owned by Ignatius Hozempa on Outlet Road.

Carmon said problems with the landfills have been satisfactorily resolved, although some work remains to be done on Hozempa's land.

In a letter dated April 22, DER instructed St. Stephen's parish in Plymouth to stop dumping burned construction materials behind the cemetery, to bury everything, to backfill the site and to plant a ground cover.

Two underground fires broke out there, on Friday, May 1 and Wednesday, May 6, according to Lehman Fire Chief Harold Coolbaugh. Firefighters had difficulty extinguishing the first blaze until a backhoe was brought in to

unearth the burning material. Coolbaugh said that the same material caught fire again May 6. The cause of both fires was unknown, Coolbaugh said.

Carmon said that his staff inspected the cemetery June 29 and found that everything had been cleaned up to DER's satisfaction. Only an old washing machine was left at the site.

DER also has inspected Hozempa's site several times since August, 1991. After Hozempa removes recyclable materials and buries several stumps, DER will be satisfied, Carmon said.

Due to Hozempa's health problems, DER has given him an extension on his cleanup until August. Carmon said that unless further dumping is found, he considers the case to be closed.

But not everyone is satisfied with DER's action in the matter.

"I think that DER should have responded faster to our complaint on the Hozempa case, which took nearly two years to resolve," commented township supervisor David Sutton.



**PACKING PREMIUM GUIDES** — Shown from left preparing Premium Guides to be mailed are fair volunteers: Ron Fitch, Walter Roberts, Ayleen Landon, co-chairperson of the arts and crafts show at the fair.

# Luzerne County Fair Premium Guides are out

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Premium Guides for the Luzerne County Fall Fair are ready to be picked up at area businesses.

What is the Premium Guide? It's a combination of an events guide, a catalogue of contests, and a "Who's Who" listing of the volunteers who spend a year preparing for each fair.

Last year's Luzerne County Fair Premium Guide was judged the best in the state, and this year's looks even sharper.

Inside, you'll find a complete schedule for fair events. Fair committee chairpersons are listed so you know who to contact if you're interested in participating in one of the events, or helping out. Hundreds of craft and livestock contests are also catalogued, with rules and the prizes listed.

At a recent meeting, about 20 fair volunteers spent three hours taping shut 500 of the Premium Guides with entry forms to be sent to regular exhibitors. Entry forms were placed in the remaining 1,500 Premium Guides to be distributed at businesses throughout the county.

This year's fair will run from September 9 to 13.

According to Clem Norman, exhibitor chairman for the fair, exhibitor space is nearly sold out. There are only five outdoor spaces,

40 feet of space under the tent, and 45 feet of space in buildings left to rent.

The Fair is still accepting applications for the Fair Queen Contest. The contest is open to women between 16 and 20 years old. The 1992 Fair Queen will receive a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond.

For more information on the fair, exhibitor space, or the fair queen contest, call 675-FAIR, or fair chairman Ed Kelly at 639-1398.

Entertainment for this year's fair will feature Southbound, a country-rock band featuring the Back Mountain's own Gary McCoog; rock bands Nu Attitude and Twice Shy; the Poets; Joe Stanky and his Cadets, a polka band; and the Jacobs Brothers Gospel Singers.

## Where to get a Premium Guide

Premium Guides for the Fair are available at The Dallas Post, The Back Mountain Memorial Library, Sue Hand's Imagery, Back Mountain Lumber Company, The Tractor Store, Cheshire Cat, Damien's Restaurant, Grotto Pizza, Marina Cafe, Drury's Restaurant, Cook's Store, Pike's Creek Beverage, and Sheldon's Lunch.

# Penn State Wilkes-Barre will hold conferences for women considering college

"With the latest labor reports, and unemployment at a new high, Americans are realizing that a college degree is more necessary than ever. Women in particular, who have been locked into low-paying dead-end jobs, are giving new thought to a business or technology degree as a step to a career," Dr. Paul J. Schwartz commented in announcing a new program at the Wilkes-Barre Campus of Penn State.

Dr. Schwartz, director of academic programs, applied for and received a grant to provide a free 14-week seminar for women considering returning to or entering college. The program is called "Taking the First Step." The program is funded by Penn State University's Committee for Equal Opportunities (EOPC). The first

session will be September 9 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Participants will be accepted on a first come-first serve basis. For each of the 14-sessions, a light meal will be served, and child care costs will be reimbursed for children under 12.

The goal of "Taking the First Step" is a personal and thorough orientation to the opportunities and challenges of college, no matter what college a woman attends or what she majors in.

"We are confident that at the end of the 14 weeks, most of the women will feel positive about their chances for success," Dr. Schwartz said. Interested women may call his office, 675-9252, for a brochure and information about how to register.

## Library auction took in \$58,000

According to Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction chairperson Connie Scott, approximately \$58,000 was raised during the auction's four nights.

"These are preliminary figures only," Scott said. "Since we don't have our expenses tallied yet, we don't have an actual dollar figure of what we actually earned for the library. In light of the present economic conditions, I am very pleased."

Actual dollar figures will be released as soon as all the accounting work is finished, Scott said.

## General Hospital Golf Tournament is Aug. 7

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital will hold its 14th Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, Aug. 7, at the Irem Temple Country Club, Dallas. (Rain date is Friday, Aug. 14.)

Donation is \$125, which includes cart and green fees, lunch, refreshments during the tournament cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a clambake dinner at the Irem Temple Country Club Pavilion.

Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, contact Sam Soltis, Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, 829-8111, extension 2492.



## Dallas Fire adds new breathing equipment

Dallas Fire Co. recently took delivery of four new MSA 4500 SCBA (self contained breathing apparatus) air packs and four extra bottles. This equipment is used to enter smokefilled buildings for rescue and to extinguish fires. These airpaks are latest state-of-the-art design with new high pressure light weight bottles.

Shown in full bunker gear ready to enter a hazardous atmosphere are firefighters Patrick Hozempa and Jim Deremer. Kneeling are from left, 1st Asst. Chief Brett Slocum, firefighter Tim Rismondo and Asst. Engineer Tony Ruggere. Standing on the left is Paul Klecha, MSA sales rep from A. Danckel Fire Equipment Sales in Kingston and on the right, Dallas Fire Captain, Martin Barry.



**POINT OF CONTENTION** — Work continues on this pump house on Old Route 29 near Mizdail Road in Jackson Twp. despite repeated warnings that it violates township setback ordinances.

## Water line

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narrows on the curve going down to the bridge. The stone wall was removed because it is on the right-of-way," he continued.

Culp contends that Mizdail Road is a township-owned road with a 33 foot right-of-way.

Ms. Mizdail complained that Mazzuco Enterprises also altered the drainage patterns of Mizdail Road in front of her farm during construction, forcing her to have a drainage ditch dug in front of her storage shed so that it won't wash away from heavy rains.

"According to our surveys, part of the Mizdail barn is on a right-of-way owned by PG&W, and a section of the storage shed sits on the 50-foot township road's right-of-way," Borton said.

"I know that Jackson Township complained to the state about the setback violations," he continued. "But the state doesn't have to comply with local ordinances. The township never revoked the construction permit. I thought that we had all these matters settled."

A hearing before the Jackson Township Zoning Hearing Board has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 27, according to township zoning officer Robert Culp.

large cement water meter pit originally designed to be installed in front of a barn owned by Ms. Alice Mizdail on Mizdail Road.

Ms. Mizdail said that a crew from Mazzuco Enterprises, the pipeline project's contractor, tore up approximately 100 feet of a century-old hand-build stone wall on her property alongside the roadway to install the meter pit's large cement liner.

# THANK YOU Connie Scott

Chairperson of the 46th Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction

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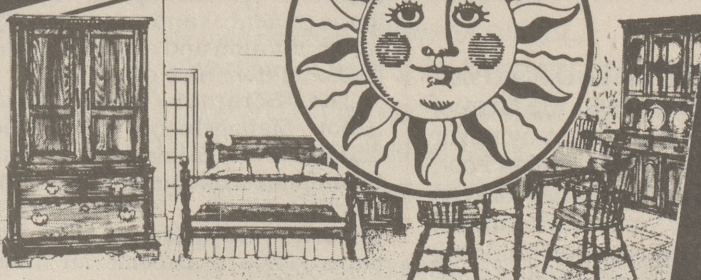
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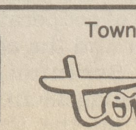
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