



Science fair

Gate of Heaven School held its annual science fair last week, and hundreds of students made projects. In the top photo, Connie Kane showed how her model volcano worked (with a little baking soda). Bottom left, Chelsey Ostrowski demonstrated the different speeds of two objects, while, bottom right, Leon Stevans worked some magnet magic. (Post photos/Ron Bartizek)

Tax collectors

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DALLAS TOWNSHIP

• **Leonard "Pooch" Kozick**, 57, the Republican incumbent, has been tax collector for the past 16 years. He and his wife, Linda, have lived in the township since 1940; their three daughters also live at home.

A 1957 graduate of Bloomsburg University, Kozick's training in municipal taxes actually began when he was a boy. While working as a milk delivery boy for Wilson Ryman, who was then the tax collector, Kozick accepted and recorded residents' tax payments while delivering milk.

Later he learned more of the position from former tax collector Danny Richards.

Kozick served two years in the military, taught junior high social studies at Dallas for five years and was part owner of the Brothers IV restaurant in Dallas for 11 years.

He has been zoning officer since 1972 and sewage enforcement officer since 1974.

• **Clarence J. Michael**, 57, also seeking the Republican nomination, has lived in Dallas Township for the past 22 years. A former Fulbright scholar, Michael studied in England, where he met his wife, Morag. They have three children.

Michael has worked for the past 20 years as a guidance counselor in the Wyoming Valley West school district; previously he taught social studies, reading and English in New Jersey for eight years. He has served on the Dallas school board for six years and the West Side Tech board for five years.

"People at the Luzerne County courthouse have told me that they can collect local taxes more cheaply and efficiently than the local tax collectors," he said. "I

support this concept, although it could put me out of a job if I were elected."

JACKSON TOWNSHIP

• **Jacqueline Latosek**, 41, the Democratic incumbent, is seeking her third term. She and her six children have lived in Jackson Township for the past 12 years.

Ms. Latosek works part-time as a full-charge bookkeeper for Design Systems in Wilkes-Barre and is a College Misericordia graduate, majoring in business administration with a concentration in accounting.

She is a member and on the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Association of Tax Collectors and secretary of the Luzerne County Tax Collectors' Association.

Although Ms. Latosek currently doesn't use a computer in her tax office at home, she has considered investing in one.

• **Joann M. Wright**, 42, seeking the Republican nomination, has lived with her husband, Donald and one child in Jackson Township for 11 years.

She has studied business at Luzerne County Community College and uses her accounting and math skills in her part time job as an office clerk.

Ms. Wright has been active in Jackson Township affairs for several years and is a member and past treasurer of the Jackson Township Fire Company Ladies' Auxiliary.

If permitted by the township, Wright says she would like to have her office in the new municipal building, as well as at home, where she would keep regularly scheduled hours.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

• **Joy L. Daubert**, 49, the

Republican incumbent, is seeking her third term as township tax collector. She has lived with her husband, Jim, in Franklin Township for 30 years; they have three grown children living away from home.

Ms. Daubert has taken several college-level accounting courses and worked for 13 years with H&R Block as an income tax preparer and instructor for new tax preparers.

She is also an enrolled agent for the Internal Revenue Service. Enrolled agents, who have the equivalent training of a CPA in income taxes, appear in court to represent people whom the IRS is auditing.

Before becoming tax collector, Ms. Daubert was Franklin Township secretary-treasurer.

"I supply my own computer, programs, telephone, office supplies and all other equipment," she said. "This year Franklin Township sent me a 'stamp allotment' - a book of 16 first-class postage stamps," she said.

• **Susan D. Vodzak**, 39, also seeking the Republican nomination, has lived with her husband, Joseph and five children in Franklin Township for the past 16 years.

A 1974 graduate of Bloomsburg University with a major in secondary math, she taught high school for a year in New Jersey before moving to the area. She taught locally for a year in a private Christian academy and was head of sales at Pomeroy's for two years.

Ms. Vodzak believes that her home, located in the center of the township, is a good location for a tax office. She said the job is also appealing because she can work at home and still be available for her children.

HARVEYS LAKE

• **Terry G. Jones**, 44, on the Democratic ballot, has lived in the borough for 38 years and is seeking his third term as tax collector. He and his wife, JoAnn, have two children.

The owner of Jones' Pancakes at the lake, Jones attended King's College in Wilkes-Barre, majoring in education. He served on the Harveys Lake Municipal Authority as an appointed member from 1981 to 1991.

In addition to collecting taxes, Jones also collects street light fees and 1,200 garbage bills for the borough, for which he is paid five percent of the amount which he collects.

• **William F. Purcell**, 67, seeking the Republican nomination, has lived at Harveys Lake since 1958, and is also running in the primary for borough council. He and his wife, Margaret, have four children, all living away from home.

A 1950 graduate of Wilkes University, Purcell worked for 25 years in the petroleum business and is now a full-time Lehman Township patrolman. He was previously a Harveys Lake patrolman and Harveys Lake constable.

"Local tax collectors are becoming obsolete," he said. "The job doesn't involve a lot of work. I expect Luzerne County to eventually abolish the position."

Republican incumbents Peggy D. Moyer, Louise Evans, Ruth Orloski and Thomas E. Reese are running unopposed in Lehman, Ross and Lake townships and Dallas Borough, respectively.

Kingston Township, a home rule community, uses a tax collector employed and paid a set salary by the township, rather than electing one.

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We have probably laughed at times when people have made the above statements. Yet it is true that many people can predict changes in the weather, sometimes as accurately as the television forecasters who have modern sophisticated equipment.

The key to health is the ability to adapt. Those whose bodies are adapting well can handle drastic changes in the weather. Those whose bodies are not adapting well cannot. That is why when the weather suddenly changes, particularly in the early spring and late fall months, there are many more people with colds and flu. Some people have a difficult time adapting to the extreme changes in temperature which are more common during those times of the year.

Individuals with arthritis, joint dysfunction, and even old sports injuries have tissues that are not as healthy as they should be. Consequently, when the barometric pressure changes, indicating that bad weather is on the way, they know it. The healthy tissues adapt to that change in the atmospheric pressure, the unhealthy tissues do not. This causes pain and discomfort in those areas.

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