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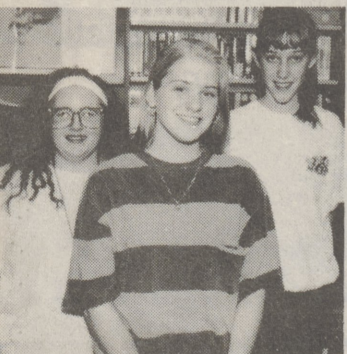
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# Lehman budget hikes taxes 2.2%

By GRACE R. DOVE  
Post Staff

The Lake-Lehman school board passed a tentative \$15,008,276 budget for the 1993-94 school year, including a four-mill tax increase over last year, at its regular meeting Tuesday, May 13.

The four mills represent a 2.2 percent increase in taxes for residents of the district in Luzerne County.

According to the district's financial manager Ray Bowersox, federal funding for special reading and math programs for children of low-income families has

been reduced by 15 percent because the 1990 census, which is now being used to determine federal education subsidies, indicates that the state and Lake-Lehman school district have fewer low-income families.

The district expects to receive \$410,000 from the federal government.

State funding for special education is expected to increase by \$129,693, to an estimated \$739,192, Bowersox said.

"Because the state hasn't released all of its 1992-93 special education funding, we're not sure what we'll have to finish up the

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year with. We're conservatively estimating a total of \$609,499 to cover the 1992-93 school year," he said.

Special state funding for low-income districts, called an equity subsidy, will add an additional \$349,419, or an additional 10.49 mills, to the district's budget, Bowersox said. The equity subsidy must be used for instructional programs.

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\$7,006,597 from the state.

A four-mill Luzerne County tax increase will generate an additional \$3,288, part of which Bowersox said is earmarked for replacement of the roof at the 20-year-old Lehman-Jackson school.

The district expects to receive \$7,337,400 from all local sources.

Although the district will save money by not replacing six teachers, four of whom have taken advantage of the district's early retirement incentive, Bowersox said that teachers' salaries will increase by an average of eight percent, administrators' salaries

up to eight percent and nonprofessional staff, five percent.

Delta Dental has increased its insurance premiums by about \$25,000, Bowersox said. "The board had been warned that this could happen when they signed on with Delta, but it's still lower than what we would have paid Blue Shield," he said.

Bowersox also expects Blue Cross/Blue Shield/Major Medical premiums to increase, but could not provide any exact figures.

The school board has until June 30 to adopt its 1993-94 budget.

## Parents want new stop sign

By GRACE R. DOVE  
Post Staff

The Dallas Borough Council voted to request that Mayor Paul LaBar issue an emergency proclamation to install a three-way stop sign at the intersection of Franklin and Ridge Streets, after Sharon Austin and Nannette Hogue complained about traffic speeding through that neighborhood.

"I'm here because my 2-1/2 year-old son, Lane, was nearly hit by a car today while running away from my husband," Mrs. Hogue said. "Within five homes there are 14 children. Franklin Street is a quick shortcut between Huntsville Road and Main Street. We need a three-way stop sign and police to enforce the speed limit."

If Mayor LaBar agrees to sign the emergency proclamation, it will be in effect for 90 days, during

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## Little charmers

Back Mountain Dance Studio held its annual recital last Saturday at Lake-Lehman High School. Among the young performers who held dress rehearsal Friday evening were, from left, Amanda Touey, Beth Ryan, Laura Morgan and Jennifer Walp. More photos on page 9.

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## Slocum Park to mark silver anniversary

By GRACE R. DOVE  
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Memorial Day weekend will kick off a summer filled with activities commemorating a very special event in the Back Mountain's history: Frances Slocum State Park's 25th anniversary.

Frances Slocum State Park is named for the heroine of a popular local legend of a five-year-old Quaker girl reportedly abducted from her settler family's home in Wyoming Valley by a band of Native Americans in 1778.

On their way back to their village, the band stopped for the night beneath a rock outcropping which is now part of the state park, according to the legend.

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Young Frances was adopted by a Lenni-Lenape chief and lived happily ever after as Mocanaquah, "Little Bear," the wife of a Miami chief and mother of four children, the legend says.

Although her birth family eventually found her living among her people in Indiana, she steadfastly refused to leave her Native village, where she had become a respected woman, and died there in 1838.

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## Green Road complaints heard again in Kingston Twp.

By GRACE R. DOVE  
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Two residents of Green Road again complained to the Kingston Township supervisors at their May 12 meeting about the condition of Green Road, which has 20 homes on it.

Cindy Delescavage and Mary Ellen Durris asked the supervisors if any state or federal grants were available to pave the road, which they had described in April as being worse than a washboard to drive on.

"Even though it's a dirt road, it's still well-travelled," they said. "We have a petition with 67 names to pave Green Road. We're determined. It's terrible to live on that road."

Chairman Daniel Winsieski said that now that the township is able to cut Manor Drive to work on drainage, workers will be able

to correct the drainage problem which is causing some of Green Road's woes.

"We are looking into installing a drainage pipe and hope to have a definite answer on that within a month," Winsieski said.

Township manager Jeff Box said that installation of a drainage pipe, which isn't covered by any grants, could cost up to \$60,000.

Box added that he is exploring renting equipment at a discount from the regional equipment center or asking the Marine Reserve Detachment if it can lend men and equipment for the job. Unfortunately, both the regional equipment center and the Marine Reserve Detachment have waiting lists, Box said.

Winsieski had said at the April meeting that the road crew had

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**CHANCE ENCOUNTER** - Angela Casey snapped this photo of President and Mrs. Clinton when the First Couple happened into the National Gallery of Art while Angela and four classmates were visiting during their class trip.

## Lake-Lehman seniors bump into President on class trip

By GRACE R. DOVE  
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For many students, senior year and the class trip are the highlights of their school careers.

For five members of the Lake-Lehman High School Class of '93, the senior trip to Washington, DC, will be unforgettable: Having the President of the United States shake your hand is a tough act to follow.

Adrienne Casey, Barbara Campbell, Tanya Karpnich, Christine Conrad and French foreign exchange student Stefane Perinetti had been visiting the Barnes Exhibit at the National Gallery of Art, by a special invitation from Adrienne's sister, Angela Casey, a Lake-Lehman graduate who works at the gallery, when someone shouted, "It's President Clinton!"

"He came out, smiled and shook our hands," Adrienne said. "We were the only group that he shook hands with."

She recalled the President as tall, with a nice smile. "He said that he was glad to meet us," Adrienne continued. "I don't think that he knew that this was our senior class trip or anything."

Stefane, who had been very quiet as Clinton shook his hand, later asked, "Was that really your president?"

Photos of President Clinton and the students taken by Angela Casey will appear in an upcoming issue of *Knight Life*, the school's newspaper.

## Law would slow boats on lake

By GRACE R. DOVE  
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The Harveys Lake Borough Council discussed two new ordinances, which will be up for further consideration next month, at its May 11 meeting.

The first proposed ordinance would prohibit boats from traveling fast enough to create a wake after dusk, while the second would ban sump pump discharges into the borough's sewer system.

In other business, the council unanimously voted:

- To enact a burned building ordinance to protect the borough from absentee or irresponsible homeowners who might be tempted to abandon burned-out buildings rather than repairing or razing them.

- To allow the EVAC (Environmental Action Committee) to use the borough's police boat for the lake study, with the EVAC paying

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## Rev. and Mrs. Shillabeer to be honored on retirement

The congregation of the Trucksville United Methodist Church will hold an open house in honor of Rev. and Mrs. H. James Shillabeer on Sunday, May 23, from 2-5 p.m. in the Educational Building located on Church Road.

As part of the Open House, a program will be presented at 3 p.m. to recognize Rev. Shillabeer's 34 years in the ministry as well as his retirement to become effective June 30, 1993.

A native of Wilkes-Barre, Rev. Shillabeer graduated from Coughlin High School, earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the State University of New York at Rochester and the degree of Master of Divinity from Crozer Theological Seminary. He began his preaching ministry at the First Welsh Baptist Church in Wilkes-Barre in 1959. In 1962 he was ordained in the Baptist church. He served the Taylor Memorial Baptist Church in Paulsboro, NJ and then the Baptist Church in Brewster, NY.

In 1972 Rev. Shillabeer's ordination was recognized by the United Methodist Church and he became an associate member of the Wyoming Conference and in 1974 he became a full conference member. During the past 21 years he has served churches at Mount Vision, NY; New Berlin, NY; Athens, PA; and since 1985 the Trucksville United Methodist Church. In 1992 Rev. Shillabeer and his wife Phyllis celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. They have a daughter, Linda Cholewa of Wapwallopen and a son, Kevin at home. There are six grandchildren.

At the end of June the Shillabeers will move to their new home in Chase Manor, Shavertown.