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**WATER LINE TO NOWHERE** - Area legislators have voiced their objections to Chase Prison officials' decision to use this newly constructed water line only for emergencies. The water line has been temporarily disconnected and capped until the bridge on Mizdall Road, which it runs underneath, is replaced.

## Legislators want prison to use new water line

By GRACE R. DOVE  
Post Staff

Area legislators who helped obtain funding for the \$663,000 water line from Ceasetown Reservoir to Chase Prison aren't happy with the Department of Corrections' decision to use it as a backup, continuing to depend on the prison's three wells for its water.

Despite the recommendations of a \$43,000 study that the prison should use the pipeline and one well to supply the facility's needs, Department of Corrections officials stated last month that they intended to use it only if prison wells go dry or in case of a severe drought emergency.

According to a letter to corrections commissioner Joseph D. Lehman from Senator Charles Lemmond and Representatives Phyllis Mundy, George Hasay and Stanley Jarolin, the legislators obtained the funding for the pipeline with the understanding that it was supposed to be a permanent water supply.

"We want to help persuade the commissioner of our continuing interest in the pipeline project," said Lisa Baker of Senator Lemmond's office.

The pipeline was finished and tested earlier this year, but has been temporarily disconnected until the new bridge on Mizdall Road over Harveys Creek is completed.



### Jaycees' blood drive

Members of the Back Mountain Jaycees will give donor support to the American Red Cross Blood Drive being sponsored by the Meadows Nursing Center, 55 W. Center Hill Road, Dallas, on Tuesday, Aug. 10 from 1-6 p.m. in the center's Multi-Purpose Room, first floor. All community members are invited to participate. The donor area is air conditioned, and convenient parking will be available. For more information, or if an appointment is desired, call 675-8600, Ext. 138.

Shown are Jaycees, from left, Michael Zdan, Pennsylvania Jaycees District Director; Neal A. Forlenza, Community Development Vice President; and Lisa Bealla, President.

### LCCC to offer data communications course

Luzerne County Community College will offer a data communications course during its Fall 1993 semester.

The course, IST 252, "Introduction to Data Communications," will be held on Mondays, from 6:15 to 9:25 p.m., beginning September 13, at the college's main campus in Nanticoke.

The course will present a general background of data E-mail, FAX machines, and others which may be encountered in a business or industrial environment.

Registration will be held at LCCC's main campus on Tuesday, Aug. 24 and Wednesday, Aug. 25, from 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

For more information, or to register, call LCCC at 829-7300 or 829-7337.

## Anti-prejudice youth group plans D.C. trip

With the nucleus of the Ecumenical movement rooted in Wyoming Valley, a new group has been organized to approach another facet in an effort to overcome bigotry in all its phases by targeting an age group where biases and prejudices can be explained and rectified.

The recent graffiti defacing, targeting Blacks and Jews at Miner Park substantiated the fact that unbridled prejudice leads to destruction, and violence.

Y.A.P. (Youth Against Prejudice) was formed through a concerted effort by the Jewish Community Center, The Wyoming Valley Council of Churches and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Scranton; with input from Dr. Mahmoud Fahmy, and others. The group specifically targets young persons in the eighth through 12th grades with the hope that raising their awareness of prejudice. The committee has elected to sponsor an interfaith bus trip to Washington, D.C., so that the children may visit the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

The first two buses of students will tour the Museum Wednesday, August 11. Arrangements are being made to keep the cost at a minimum as well as providing fi-

ancial assistance to those who need it. No interested student will be denied the opportunity to join the trip.

A special orientation on August 4, at both 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. has been arranged for the group taking the August 11 tour.

The group is requesting both individuals and businesses to assist with the sponsorship of these tours.

Members of the Y.A.P. group who have been meeting periodically, include: Rev. Louis Grippe, Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake; Ms. Ann L. Lipton, J.C.C., Wilkes-Barre; Ms. Vivian Greenberg, Selling Strategies, Wilkes-Barre; Rev. Joseph Bambara, Diocese of Scranton, 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton; Ms. Barbara Felder, J.C.C., Wilkes-Barre; Rev. Lynn Lampman, W.V.C.C., 35 S. Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre; Vera Kornish of The Martin Luther King Jr. Committee for Social Justice. Dr. Edward Lyons has also joined the group in support and assistance.

"Our effort will be continuous in exposing to the youth man's inhumanity to man in all religions, ethnic groups and races. We ask the community's support."

## Text of letter to prison commissioner

Joseph D. Lehman, Commissioner  
Department of Corrections  
2520 Lisburn Road  
P.O. Box 598  
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Dear Commissioner Lehman:

We are writing at the request of the Citizens Advisory Committee of the State Correctional Institution at Dallas concerning the enclosed article from *The Dallas Post*. The article pertains to the new waterline and the Department's plans to utilize it on an emergency basis.

As you know, the members of the Legislative Delegation have worked with the Committee to address concerns about the prison's impact upon the local water aquifer. For many years, the residents have expressed concerns about the prison's water use, and have asked the Institution officials to implement water conservation measures during drought conditions.

In response to the concerns, we obtained funding through the Capitol Budget for the installation of a waterline to ensure that the facility would have a permanent water supply. The waterline is now in place and available to serve the prison; however, we have learned that the Department is not planning to use the waterline on a regular basis. It has been our understanding that this waterline would provide water on a regular basis and as a means to replenish the wells.

We truly feel that the prison should use the waterline, and would appreciate your comments and position on this important matter.

Sincerely,  
Charles D. Lemmond, Jr.  
20th Senatorial District

George C. Hasay  
117th Legislative District

Phyllis Mundy  
120th Legislative District

Stanley Jarolin  
119th Legislative District

## Host families needed for foreign exchange students

American Host families are being sought for high school students from Western and Eastern Europe, Asia, South America and Australia for the 1993-94 school year in a program sponsored by the American Intercultural Student Exchange (AISE).

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## La Leche League to meet Aug. 10

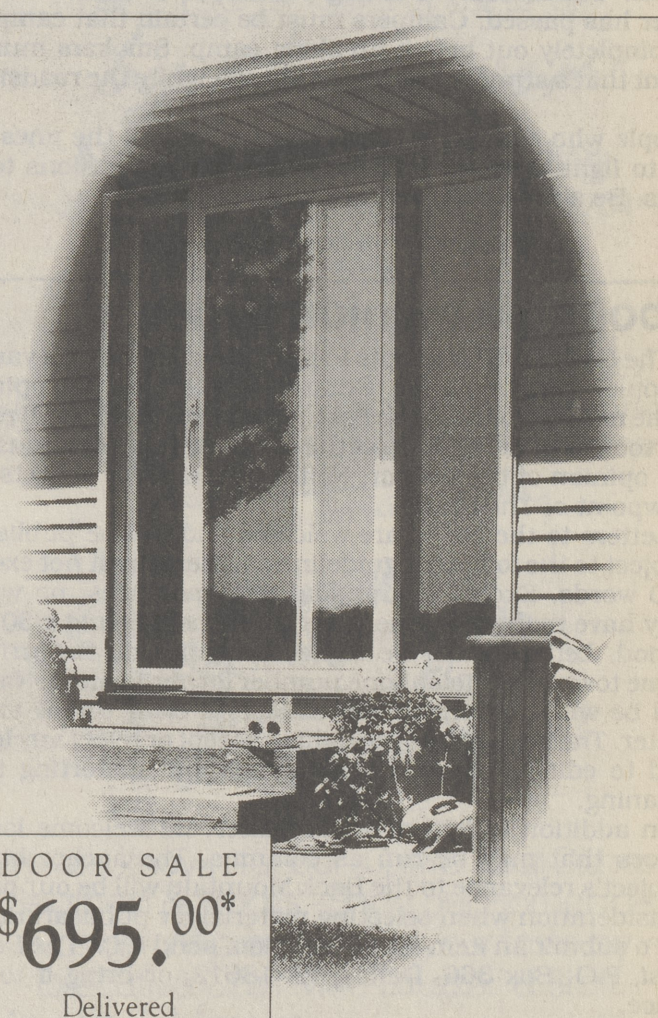
Tuesday, August 10, the Greater Pittston Area La Leche League will hold its regular monthly meeting. The topic will be "Overcoming Difficulties." They will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Institute Building, located behind the Wyoming Presbyterian Church, Wyoming Ave., Wyoming.

La Leche League provides support and encouragement to all breastfeeding mothers and to all pregnant women who wish to breastfeed their babies. Nursing babies are always welcome.

For more information or help with a breastfeeding concern, call Karen Shaw, Harding; Paula Panzitta, Harding; Vicki Prekel, Tunkhannock or the HELP Line at 829-1341.

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