

Route 309 traffic lanes switch again

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More new traffic patterns are ahead for Back Mountain motor-

Traffic on the four-lane highway between Pioneer Ave/Harris Road and Center Street in Kingston Township has been narrowed to one lane in each direction since road construction started in early April.

Starting this week, the northbound driving lane will be closed, with large orange barrels guiding all northbound vehicles into the passing lane, according to construction supervisor Jeff Miller.

Southbound traffic will be confined to the southbound driving lane, with the passing lane used as a left-turn lane for both directions, Miller said.

When construction is finished around the end of August, the highway will be widened to five

very cooperative in merging lanes and keeping traffic moving," Miller said. "It makes our work easier."

Miller expects work in the northbound driving lane to be finished within a month.

Upgrading the concrete center islands, paving and paint striping

should be completed by the end of August, depending on weather conditions, he said

When the \$2.5 million highway improvement project is finished, Routes 309 between Hillside and Upper Demunds/Hildebrant roads and Route 415 between routes 309 and 118 will have an entirely "So far the drivers have been new look, with upgraded intersections and new traffic signals

> Until construction in Kingston Township is finished, police recommend that drivers use Eighth Street, Bunker Hill Road and Plymouth Mountain as alternate routes to Wyoming Valley.



Getting organized

The Idetown United Methodist Couples' Club will hold its annual auction June 11 at the Luzerne County Fair Grounds, starting at 11 a.m. The indoor auction will feature many new and used items, including lamps, stained glass, furniture and a corner cupboard

Planning the event are, from left: Bob Van Gorder, Bill St Clair, Claire Kleinfelder and J. Elaine St

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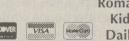
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