

No smoking sign going on at Dallas

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If the Dallas school board gets its way, Joe Camel won't be welcome, either on a pack of cigarettes or on a T-shirt, on school property during school hours.

The board discussed banning smoking on school property between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:40 p.m. at its November 14 committee-of-the-whole meeting and directed superintendent Gerald Wycallis to draft a policy for the next meeting.

Presently, students aren't allowed to smoke on school property, but teachers and staff may use designated smoking areas,

such as the teachers' rooms.

Students caught smoking are issued a non-traffic citation with a fine of \$50 plus \$37.50 costs through the district magistrate, according to high school principal Frank Galicki.

The new smoking ban would be implemented gradually for the staff, with the district making available programs to stop smoking.

The board also discussed amending the student dress code, which forbids extremely short shorts, tops showing a bare midriff, "low-rider" jeans which expose a person's extreme lower back and any T-shirts sporting inap-

propriate slogans or ads for tobacco or alcohol.

At the regular board meeting, the board voted to:

- Accept the resignations of business clerk Nancy Miller and custodian Robert Moore.
- Appoint business clerk Catherine Fauerback at an annual salary of \$12,370 and custodian Richard Schooley at an annual salary of \$13,021.
- Approve a list of senior high and middle school basketball and wrestling coaches.
- Appoint forensics team advisor Duane Hyland at an annual salary of \$1,000.

KT taxes stay same

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Kingston Township's preliminary 1995 budget has set two new records, according to township manager Jeff Box.

For the first time in its history, earned income tax collections have passed the \$1 million mark.

"With one quarter left in the year, we have collected \$1,000,924 in earned income tax revenues," Box said in his budget message. "It happened earlier than I had anticipated."

And for the second consecutive year, its budget doesn't include a real estate tax.

Abolished last year, the five-mill tax had been levied since 1982 and would have generated approximately \$74,000 in 1994.

Total revenues and expenditures have increased to \$1,251,678, seven percent or \$77,372 more than last year, according to the preliminary budget passed at the regular November 9 supervisors' meeting.

The largest increase is in expenditures for the police department, expected to spend \$340,291 in 1995 - \$35,482 or 12 percent more than in 1994.

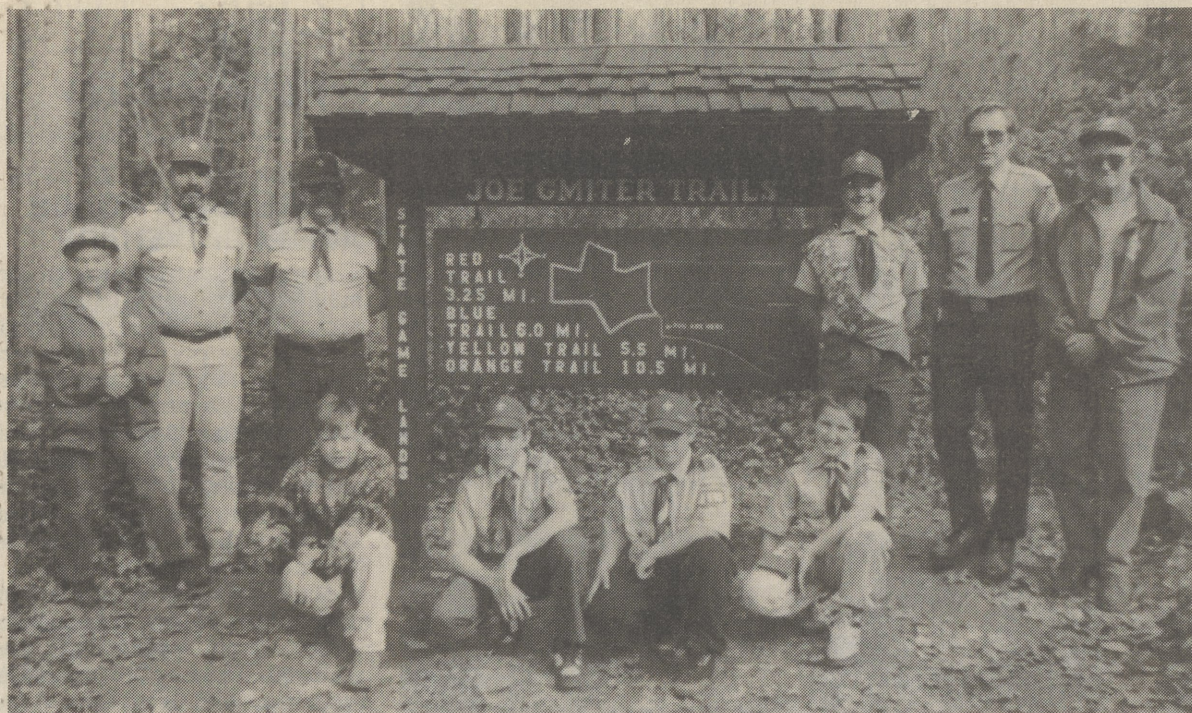
The increases include raises for officers and crossing guards and the addition of another officer to the department, which has operated with eight men since 1989, while handling an increasing number of calls, Box said.

In other business, the supervisors voted to:

- Award a bid of \$1,739 to Liberty Motors, Jersey City, NJ, for the sale of the 1988 police cruiser. Liberty Motors buys used vehicles to be used in stunts and chase scenes in movies.

- Table bids for the demolition of a vacant, dilapidated, partially collapsed building at 63 Stafford St. until the township learns how large a grant the county will pay for demolition.

Brdaric Excavating of Kingston Township was the apparent low bidder, at \$11,200



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EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT - This covered sign, showing four color-coded trails on Gamelands 57 on Sorber Mountain, was dedicated by Loyalville resident Eric Pimm, 13, as part of his Eagle Scout project. Attending the dedication were, kneeling: Troop 693 members Matt Hinton, Rick Blaine, James Yozwiak and Bob Brown; standing: Susquehanna Trailers member Betty Smith, scoutmaster John Pimm, assistant scoutmaster Joseph R. Banos, Eric Pimm, Pennsylvania Game Commission land manager Eugene R. Weiner, Jr. and Susquehanna Trailers member Harry West.

He's an Eagle Scout at age 13

Eric Pimm adds to the family Scouting legacy

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When it comes to Scouting, Eric Pimm of Loyalville doesn't believe in wasting time.

He's the first boy in Troop 693, Harveys Lake, to attain the rank of Eagle Scout - and at age 13 one of the area's youngest candidates for the coveted Eagle pin and sapphire blue scarf.

Eric finished his project Nov. 6 at Gamelands 57 on Sorber Mountain, when his troop dedicated a roofed sign showing a map of the gameland's four Joe Gmitter Trails and four markers for the color-coded trails.

The covered sign showing the trail maps also features specially-built nesting places for bats and small birds.

With the help of his fellow Scouts, he also cleared deadfalls and brush from the 27 miles of trails and planted wild grapes and wildflowers for hikers and wildlife to enjoy.

The troop plans to add log benches and scenic areas to the trails.

While filling his sash with several dozen merit badges, the Lake-Lehman eighth-grader didn't realize how quickly he was advancing in Scouting - he was too busy having fun.

"We're a Scouting family," Eric said. "My dad, John, is the scoutmaster and my mom, Joyce, is our unit commissioner. She organizes our troop's fundraising activities and does other work. My brothers, Jeff and Greg, are Cub Scouts."

Eric attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree at Fort Athey Hill, VA, in 1993 and plans to attend the World Boy Scout Jamboree in Holland next year.

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Eric Pimm
Loyalville Eagle Scout

In addition to working on many Scout service projects, helping at Camp Acahela and "doing everything I can to help promote Scouting," he was also recently selected to become a member of the Order of the Arrow, an elite Boy Scout organization teaching Native American culture, in which he is the third youngest member of his clan.

"I take real pride in being a member of the Order of the Arrow," he said. "It's a great honor."

Eric's Eagle Scout project, marking the 27 miles of the Joe Gmitter Trails at Sorber Mountain's Gamelands 57, is the area's first map of game lands-trails.

The Joe Gmitter Trails were laid out and named for deceased club president Gmitter four years ago by Susquehanna Trailers members Ed Smith, Harry West, Luther Kocher and Pennsylvania Game Commission land manager Eugene R. Weiner, Jr.

At age 13, Eric's accomplishments are unusual, according to the Northeastern Pennsylvania Boy Scout Council. The youngest age for an Eagle Scout is 13, with most candidates finishing their work between the ages of 16 and 18.

"Being an Eagle Scout will be important for me in the future," said Eric, who plans to join the service after high school. "A friend who is a Marine drill sergeant told me it would be a big help. I figured that what I learned while earning my Eagle Scout rank will be better than saying that I played football for a couple of years."

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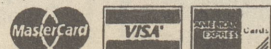


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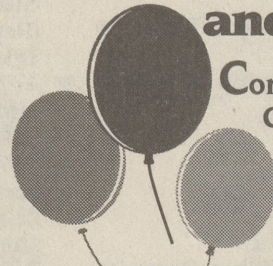
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