Taxpayers Ass'n. seeks school board candidates

The Lake-Lehman Taxpayers' Association is looking for candidates to run in this year's election for School Board in three regions comprising the Lake-Lehman School District.

The Lake-Lehman Taxpayers' Association is a non-partisan organization founded four years ago to promote balance between the needs of education and the financial concerns of overburdened taxpayers in the district.

It serves as a citizen watchdog group which has contributed significantly to reducing school district budgets and advancing educational and taxpayers concerns. Anyone interested in running

for school board in the May Primary Election should write immediately to: Lake-Lehman Taxpayers' Association, P.O. Box 178, Harveys Lake, PA 18618.

The first day for candidates to circulate nomination petitions is February 14.

Obituaries

WARREN STANTON

Warren M. Stanton, 71, of Roushey Street, Dallas, died Jan. 28, 1995, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Julian, Centre County, he was a son of the late Leslie and Pearl Stanton Stanton.

He was a graduate of Dallas Township High School and resided in Dallas most of his life.

Prior to retirement, he was owner and operator of Stanton's TV and Appliance Repair Service.

He was a member of East Dallas United Methodist Church and served with the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II.

He was a member of Daddow Isaacs American Legion Post 672, Dallas; George M. Dallas Lodge 531 Free and Accepted Masons and Caldwell Consistory, Bloomsburg.

He also was a past member of Dallas Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, the former Marilla Martin; sons, Robert A., Sweet Valley; Carl J., at home; sisters, Geraldine Kline, Pine Grove Mills; Shirley Schaffer, Naples, Fla.; one grandson.

Interment, Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.

VERONICA WEAVER

Veronica L. Weaver, 79, of Hoover Road, Outlet Section, Lake Township, died Jan. 26, 1995 at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston, shortly after admission.

Born in Swoyersville, she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Ann Sitar Zosh.

She had been a resident of Lake Township for the past 50 years.

DANIEL SPENCER

Daniel W. Spencer, 79, of Claude Street, Dallas, died Jan. 28, 1995, at Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Born in East Dallas, he was a son of the late David and Faye Thomas Spencer.

He attended the Cragle Hill School, Muhlenburg.

He resided in Dallas for the past 36 years and previously resided in Lehman.

Prior to retiring, he was employed as a heavy equipment operator by Sordoni Construction Co., Forty Fort.

He was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas, and its Holy Name Society.

He was also a member of South Mountain Land Association, Jackson Sportsman Club and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1319, Wilkes-Barre.

He was preceded in death by daughter, Rose Mary Spencer.

Surviving are his wife, the former Stella Tylutki; sons, Daniel W., Jr., Noxen; Michael J., Sweet Valley; daughters, Joan Jones, Dallas; Jean Sipper, New Hartford, Conn.; brothers, David, Lehman; James, Chase; sisters, Anna McMichael, Muhlenburg; Doris Sorber, Reyburn; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

JOHN YALICK

John Yalick, 80, of Yalick Road, Dallas, died Jan. 29, 1995, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. Born in Luzerne, he was the son of the late John and Mary

Stelmack Yalick. He attended Pringle schools and

Dallas Fire & Ambulance elects officers

Dallas Fire & Ambulance recently elected officers for 1995: president Robert Richardson; vice president, Timothy Carroll, secretary, Lynn Sheehan Sr., treasurer, Paul Labar and newly elected directors John Wega and Edwin Roth.

Fire Department officers are: fire chief, Brett Slocum and asst. fire chief, Tom Doughton.

Ambulance officers are: ambulance chief, Francis Barry, Jr., and asst. ambulance chief, Dennis Garvey.

Police report

Dallas Borough VAN HITS MANY THINGS IN ONE-CAR ACCIDENT

According to Dallas police, a driver has been cited in a one-car accident on Route 415 at Dallas Corners January 29, shortly after 10 a.m.

Police said that a 1992 Ford Aerostar van operated by Michael J. Curran, 41, of Trucksville, traveling south on the highway, failed to negotiate the left-hand curve before Machell Ave.

The van left the roadway, traveled 92 feet, hit a state-owned "Do not block intersection" sign, went another 72 feet, hit and rolled over a curb, traveled another 15 feet, hit a fire hydrant and went another nine feet before coming to rest in a group of shrubs on the edge of the Mellon Bank parking lot, police said.

Curran told police that he had tried to slow down when approaching the intersection, heard a bang and lost control of his car, which had shifted to the right.

Police cited him for driving at an unsafe speed and careless driving.

Divorces sought

The following complaints for wardsville; Kerry A. Walters, RR divorce were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse between Jan. 13 and Jan. 19,. 1995. Donald Thomas, 80 Norton

Ave., Dallas against Amy Thomas, 17 Beverly Street, Ed- 37 Lasalle Ave., Lehman Twp.

1, Box 336 Harveys Lake against James M. Walters, P.O. Box 91, Wise River, Montana; John M. Tasco, 37 Lasalle Ave., Lehman Twp., against Catherine M. Tasco,



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Property transfers

The following deeds were recorded at the Luzerne County assessor's office between Jan. 13 and Jan. 19, 1995.

Dallas Township:

Bruce Saidman et ux to Paul J. Gitlin, 1.146 acres Ancient Oakes, \$240,000; Henry C. Barbero to James D. Semyon et ux, \$135,000; Rev. Joseph Brozena to Raymond T. Woronowicz et ux, 36 Old Grandview Ave., \$105,000; J.R.H. Inc. to Gregg M. Gittens et ux, 1.60 acres Northwoods, \$38,500.

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Lehman Corners resident reported that her well water smelled like gasoline. After extensive testing of wells around the area, the state Department of Environmental Resources (DER) concluded that two wells had been contaminated with benzene, a cancer-causing volatile gasoline component, and 17 wells had been contaminated with MTBE, an octane-boosting unleaded gasoline additive less dangerous than benzene.

Water supplies for the Lake-Lehman Middle School and Bryant's Trailer Park had also been affected.

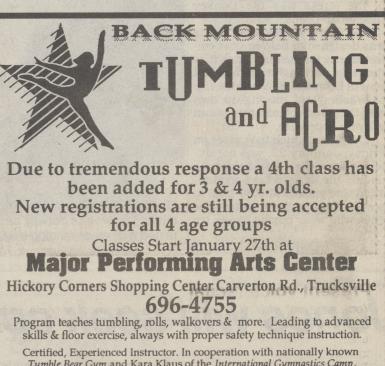
Because MTBE dissolves so easily in water, it tends to stay in a water supply for a long time, Fetzer said. When water seeps through cracks in underground rock layers, it carries and spreads the MTBE with it.

At the time, the contamination was blamed on the Lehman Sunoco station, whose owner, George Maculloch, began supplying bottled water and water filters to all the affected homes and the Lake-Lehman Middle School and paid for a new well at Bryant's Trailer Park.

DER officials called in the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a year ago to help clean up the contamination. Since then, the EPA has continued to test residents' wells for MTBE, drilled four more wells around Lehman Corners to monitor the extent of the contamination and has picked up the cost of bottled water and water filters for the affected homes and the school.

The cleanup and related expenses have been funded by a \$1.9 million federal Superfund grant.

Fetzer said he plans to report to the Lehman Township supervisors on the progress of the cleanup at their May meeting.



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Sweet Valley

CLOSE CALL FOR DIESEL SHOP WORKER

saved a worker at Casterline's Diesel on Route 118 in Sweet Valley from more serious injury.

According to Sweet Valley Fire Chief Bob Walsh, Benton resident Daniel Morgan, 23, sustained cuts on his hands and burns on his right hand after being hit by the end of a metal barrel which he was cutting apart with a torch.

The barrel had contained used motor oil, which had been removed, Walsh said.

"It shouldn't have exploded," Walsh said. "Possibly a small amount of gasoline was in the barrel. It exploded as soon has he touched it with the torch. His heavy winter clothes probably saved him."

Morgan was taken by helicopter to Geisinger Hospital in Danville, where he was treated and discharged over the weekend, according to a hospital spokerperson.

No injuries were reported. Heavy winter clothes may have

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Jackson Twp. Allyn R. Griffith et ux to Tony S.

Pietrowski et ux, 8.01 acres \$310,000. Ross Twp.

Dana W. Sutliff to Timothy T. Leahey et ux, 1.52 acres, \$9,000; Donald A. Wesley et al to Edmund Castellani et ux, 2.79 acres Lot 9 Buck Run, \$8.000; Wesley & Long et al to Edmund Castellani et ux, 2.44 acres Lot 5 Buck Run, \$8,000; Raymond T. Woronowicz et ux to Eric S. Mitchell, 1.03 acres .56 acres Main Road, \$99.00.

Prior to retirement, she had been employed by Luzerne Products, Plains.

She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake. She was preceded in death by her husband, John.

Surviving are son, John, Woodbridge, VA; sisters, Helen Wilkes, Nanticoke; Mary Brown, Lake Township; Anna Crawford, Lake Township; two grandchildren.

Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

lived in Dallas most of his life. In association with his brother, Stephen, he operated Yalick's

Farm. Dallas. He was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas and the Pennsylvania Farmers Association.

Surviving are his wife, the former Ethel Dominick; daughters, Shirley Kishbaugh and Sharon Nulton, both of Dallas. Interment will be in Chapel

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