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Jackson supers want info on guard towers

By ANN POEPPERLING
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JACKSON TWP. - Township supervisor John Wilkes Jr. will be sending letters to state prison commissioner Martin Horn, legislators, and state correctional institution in Dallas (SCID) supervisor David Larkins to request a public meeting to discuss the possibility of SCID guard towers closing by July 1.

"We're looking for confirmation of the possibility of the guard towers closing and for a public meeting to be held to get communications between the township residents, supervisors, and the prison system," Wilkes said later.

Chairman Walter Glogowski also said he will look into the matter personally to determine validity of claims that the prison guard towers may close.

The supervisors passed a motion authorizing the board to get a second opinion on the alleged American Asphalt mining operations being conducted outside the M-1 district. At a previous meeting, the board passed a motion to proceed with legal action against the paving company which was believed to be mining in excess of 800 feet outside the mining district in the Hillside Rd and Fieldcrest areas of Jackson Twp.

Glogowski said, "We're getting a second opinion to make sure what we're doing is appropriate. We want to get a concurring opinion."

Evans added, "We're getting planning assistance. Planning for the case is needed before filing."

Sections of four roads in Jack-

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LITTLE CHAMP

POST PHOTO:CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK

Jessie Conyngham, who won mini-stirrup at last weekend's Lehman horse show, on her mount, Benley Playboy, trained by Katarina D'Anca. Cindy Ross held the reins on Sadie, a family pal. More photos, including Jessie's mom, on page 12.

Gambling rampant at Dallas Legion, investigators say

By GRACE R. DOVE
Post Staff

DALLAS - The Daddow-Isaacs American Legion Post 672 Home Association has received an administrative citation for possession and operation of illegal gambling devices on a licensed premises.

According to Sgt. Robert Scott of the Pennsylvania State Police Liquor Control Enforcement division, the citation will be permanently noted on the Home Association's liquor license.

"The citation is a civil action, which can result in a fine or suspension of the license for a spe-

"This is big business and we're making every effort to stamp it out."

Sgt. Robert Scott
Liquor Control Enforcement officer

cific time, which an administrative law judge determines," Scott said. "The defendant may either plead guilty or contest the citation."

Citations can decrease the resale value of a liquor license, he

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Bids opened for repair of flood-damaged roads

By GRACE R. DOVE
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FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP - The supervisors opened sealed bids for repairs on Village, Brace, Coon and the lower part of Lewis Road near the Exeter Township line, made necessary by the January flooding.

Apparent low bidder was Wyoming Sand and Gravel of Tunkhannock, at \$70,674.80. Other bids were submitted by Kaminsky Brothers of Pittston for \$77,457.74, Vincent Construction of Benton for \$85,490.50, and American Asphalt of Shavertown for \$91,568.20.

The bids were tabled for further study and are valid for 90 days.

To date the township has received a total of \$41,806 in state

and federal emergency funds for flood repairs, according to chairman William Miller.

The supervisors also approved and signed an agreement with Exeter Township regarding the Bella Mundana Estates subdivision, which overlaps the townships' lines. The agreement will protect both municipalities in case the developer goes bankrupt or the sewer treatment plant discharging into Sutton Creek breaks down and the homeowner's association and the developer don't have the money for repairs.

Miller announced that a county grant for \$84,220 to upgrade the upper section of Lewis Road not covered by state and federal emergency funding has been approved. This section of road is located between Eighth Street and Bodle Road.

Bob Perks turned career disappointment to success

By JACK HILSHER
Post Correspondent

SHAVERTOWN - Attention all program chairmen! Also directors of human resources (the ones that used to be called personnel managers) listen up! Have you ever wished you could afford a dynamite speaker? One you didn't have to pay expenses to fly in?

Now your wish can be granted. You could cruise WILK radio and catch "Thought For The Day" or "Success Line" but the quickest way to preview your next speaker is to call 696-2581 and listen. The voice you will hear will be that of

Robert C. Perks of Pioneer Avenue in Shavertown.

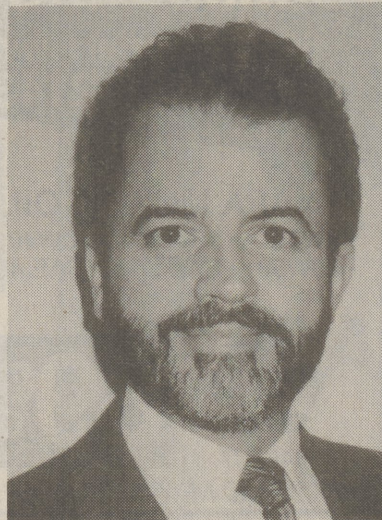
Chances are you'll hear a tape since he is on the road a lot. It's one of many and they change constantly. This partial sample will whet your appetite for more: "Thanks for calling on this GLO-RIOUS day. The strongest of all warriors are TIME and PATIENCE. Leo Tolstoy said that. Take time and have patience and you'll get what you need and want in life. I can't answer your call right now ... etc."

To explain, Mr Perks (call me Bob) is one of that breed called "motivational speakers." He calls

his calling "Creative Motivation" and he has been plying his trade since 1990 when he lost his job as Development Director and fundraiser for Sisters of Mercy.

In his mid-40s, born in Pittston, raised in Kingston, settled in Shavertown, Perks looks every inch his part ... straightforward and sincere, along with a voice that spells trust me. In the flesh there is a slight resemblance to a recently-groomed George Carlin, perhaps because of the grey-tinged beard and a few active Carlin-style mannerisms.

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BOB PERKS

Super Bowl leads to pen pals for Dallas mayor

Editor's Note: This article contains quotes of material written by children. Their spelling and punctuation have been retained.

By GRACE R. DOVE
Post Staff

DALLAS - What began as a class project to convince Mayor Paul LaBar to change his town's name for Super Bowl week has grown into a heartwarming friendship between his family and a class of second-graders.

The 13 students of Debbie Soles in the Chartiers Valley Primary School in Bridgeville, PA, sent

LaBar a packet of letters in January after hearing on the "Good Morning America" television show that he didn't want to change the borough's name for the Super Bowl.

"The people from 'Good Morning America' called me the Wednesday before the Super Bowl at around 6 a.m. and asked me about changing the borough's name to Steeler," LaBar said. "I said I would want to check with the council before doing something like that, but we were very busy. We were all tied up in the

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By GRACE R. DOVE
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BACK MOUNTAIN - The Fresh Air Fund, which has provided free summer vacations for more than 1.6 million inner city kids since 1877, needs host families for children who will arrive for a two-week visit June 28.

Wilkes-Barre and the Wyoming Valley are one of 315 towns in 13 northeastern states and Canada which host the children.

"It's a chance to feel safe and run and play outside without the pressures of city life," said Lisa Robbins, who is coordinating host families in the Back Mountain.

Fresh Air children are ages six to 12 who live in New York City and may never have never seen grassy fields, farms, the stars and safe towns. They have never heard the music of birds or crickets, picked fresh vegetables from a backyard garden or caught lightning bugs.

First-time visitors stay for two weeks, while those invited by host families to return the next summer may stay longer and continue to visit until they turn 18. Nearly 60 percent of all children return to the same hosts every year, according to information supplied

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Saluting school stars

Our annual Top of the Class section presents academic achievers from Dallas High School and Dallas Middle School. Special section inside.

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Sean Trombetta, a second grader, sent this rendition of downtown Pittsburgh.