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7 youths charged in pair of Kunkle burglaries

By GRACE R. DOVE
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DALLAS TOWNSHIP - Burglary charges have been filed against Dallas Township resident Charles Sabulski, 18, and Shavertown resident Steven Tomasura, 18, in connection with burglaries September 6 and 12 in Kunkle, which netted about \$13,000 in cash, jewelry and electronics.

Five male juveniles — a 14-year-old from Shavertown, a 16-year-old from Dallas Township, a 15-year-old from

Shavertown and two 15-year-olds from Trucksville — have been petitioned to Luzerne County juvenile court in connection with the crimes.

According to investigating officer Jeff Dennis, Tomasura and the 16-year-old and 14-year-old entered the Bittner residence through an unlocked entry door leading into an open garage bay September 9 between 9 a.m. and noon. Sabulski later picked them up in a car.

The suspects had called the home first from a pay phone to make sure no one was there, Dennis said. The trio allegedly

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Dallas Twp. patrolman

took approximately \$12,000 in jewelry and electronic equipment, including a six-disc CD player, a cordless telephone and two VCR's.

"The juveniles skipped school to commit the crime," Dennis said. "They spent the rest of the day selling the stolen items in Wyoming, Edwardsville and Wilkes-Barre."

Police recovered the electronic equipment and one necklace, a gold-tone V-chain set with cubic zirconia, which ironically turned out to be costume jewelry. Dennis said he had received an anonymous tip that a female Dallas High School student was wearing a piece of the stolen jewelry. She gave it to police and said she had received it from another student who

had purchased it from one of the suspects.

The investigation of the September 6 burglary led police to the second, which occurred September 12 at the Kosak residence in Kunkle.

Sabulski, the 16-year-old Dallas Township juvenile, the two 15-year-olds from Trucksville and the 15-year-old from Shavertown are accused of entering the home through a set of French doors leading to a patio at the back of the home.

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911 will require new names for some roads

By GRACE R. DOVE
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BACK MOUNTAIN - With the county 911 emergency dispatch system expected to go on line next year, municipal officials are faced with many duplicate and similar street names which could confuse police and emergency personnel.

The entire system will be based on addresses, which can be confusing for responders in areas having duplicate street names. Each municipality must decide if it wants to change any street names. House numbers are assigned by the post office.

The Harveys Lake Borough council has taken the bull by the horns and approved the renaming of 18 streets, many of which were duplicated throughout the area, at its September 17 meeting.

According to Dallas Township secretary Glenn Howell, the supervisors may consider renaming

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Dallas fire chief

several roads, especially those with rural route addresses, if it becomes necessary. A few streets in the township and Dallas Borough share the same name.

"It could be quite a job getting things straightened out," said borough manager Milt Lutsey.

"Duplicate names could be a problem unless the county enters the correct information into its system," said Dallas fire chief Brett Slocum, who is working on a list

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Bus driver, motorist cited in Shavertown accident

By GRACE R. DOVE
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KINGSTON TOWNSHIP - Charles Bellas, 69, a school bus driver with Emanuel Bus Lines, has been charged with failure to stop and give information after being involved in an accident and leaving the scene of an accident in connection with a September 10 accident on Lehigh St.

Both charges are third-degree misdemeanors, the lowest level, punishable by a fine of no more than \$2,500 or up to a year in prison. Emanuel Bus Lines is the transportation contractor for the Dallas School District.

The school bus which Bellas was driving was hit in the rear end on Lehigh Street September 10 by

a 1988 Oldsmobile sedan driven by Linda Ann Myslinski, 34, of Shavertown. Her car went underneath the back of the bus after the impact. She was cited for following too closely.

Bellas later told police he had stopped on Lehigh St. because a car ahead of him had stopped to make a left turn onto Stang St.

Neither Myslinski nor her two children, passengers in the car, were injured.

After the accident Bellas drove the bus and its 56 passengers to the Westmoreland School, where the children attend classes, after telling Myslinski he had to "get the children to school on time," according to investigating officer

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Kim Wall played the spoons for the Dallas band's performance last weekend. In right photo, Christian Brow gave Lake-Lehman



percussionist Drew Baer a few tips on the timpani. Lehman hosted the tournament. More photos on page 10.

Local bands show well in Lehman tournament

By MICHAEL TWICHELL
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LEHMAN - The Lake-Lehman and Dallas high school marching bands both turned in crowd pleasing performances at Lehman's annual Tournament of Bands (T.O.B.) competition September 29.

Dallas, under the direction of Todd L. Hunter, finished second in Group I, only one-fourth of a point behind first place winner Nanticoke. Their show, "A Musical Tour of American Cities," was a hit with the audi-

ence. "The kids did a very good job today, but there is still a lot of room to improve," said Hunter. "We received a lot of good criticism from the judges, and with that we'll be able to improve things, because there's still room for growth," he added.

Lake-Lehman performed in exhibition only, as they were the host band. Lehman director Edward A. Richards was pleased with his group's performance. "Everybody really likes the show, because there are some off the wall things happening," said Richards.

This year's show is entitled "Traditionally the Twist," and features such familiar pieces as "Sabre Dance," "Morning," "Dance of the Tumblers," and "Hungarian Rhapsody." Richards added, "We went off on some different tangents with these selections, because they're so familiar to everybody, and the response has been very positive," Richards said.

Sunday was the second competition this year for both bands. Lehman and Dallas traveled to Vestal, NY Sept. 21, where Lehman took first place in Group

II competition, and Dallas took first in Group I.

The Lake-Lehman Band Boosters also took an opportunity to recognize this year's senior members. Band jackets were presented to: Brian Marsh, Terry Newell, Danielle Paul, Melanie Yakus, Matt Link, Kathryn Martin, Darryll Hogan, Rebecca Scott, Theresa Doty, Mike Ide, Michael Smith, and Chris Higgins.

Both bands have several more competitions scheduled, with the next at Montrose High School on October 6.

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Youthful singers will join pros on the stage

By GRACE R. DOVE
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BACK MOUNTAIN - Anyone attending next week's performances of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* at the Scranton Cultural Center will see a few familiar faces — seven area young people who have been selected to sing in the chorus of the famous Andrew Lloyd Webber

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Back Mountain young singers rehearsing their parts for the upcoming production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* are Jennifer Mullins, Leslie Dewees, Katie Mullins, Meghan Davis, Craig Thomas and at the piano Deirdre McLaughlin and Joanna Smith. Absent from photo: Courtney Dombroski.

■ **Learning lesson** Gate of Heaven 5th graders demonstrate the principles of learning in a skit. Pg 3.

■ **Knights roll** Lake-Lehman blanked Meyers Saturday to stay unbeaten in conference play. Pg 9.

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