

DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS

# Teen lived life of abuse, neglect, court record says

A criminal complaint was filed against Harveys Lake resident Bonnie A. Goble, 50, on Jan. 30 by Harveys Lake patrolman Jeffrey S. Butler after police responded to a call from the Luzerne County Community Center to come to Lake View Terrace at Harveys Lake and take a statement from the defendant's 16-year-old daughter.

Goble was arrested on charges of endangering the welfare of a child and recklessly endangering another person.

Goble's daughter told police that her mother and father, Floyd Goble, are divorced and that she lives with her mother at Lake View Terrace. The girl told the police of conditions of their home. She stated that she has been without running water all of her life and that the only means of cooking and heat is a kerosene heater. The 16 year old said that both the refrigerator and stove were not hooked up because the receptacles do not work.

The daughter said she must sleep on the couch because the bedrooms are full of Goble's trinkets and that they lived without electricity for a while and there was no food in the home. She stated that she and her mother would take a shower once a week at her grandmother's house, but after her grandmother died and Goble had a falling out with an uncle who was letting them use his shower, they couldn't do that anymore.

The 16 year old described how she would eat cake mix and how she heated food over the kerosene heater.

Goble's daughter said that she was left alone for great lengths of time without supervision. Goble has two sons who left home at age 16. Goble was said to have locked her daughter out of the house for hours at a time and the only way she could get back in was to break through the screen door of the home.

When police came to Goble's home to interview her, she agreed that the conditions of the home were deplorable but said she could not afford much because she just had \$800 worth of electricity work done.

glass and the two men turned back to the Jeep. He saw the men get into the Jeep and then heard and saw the defendant shoot at the house, only a few inches from where he was standing.

Just prior to the incident, Barbara Miller stated that the defendant's sister called and told Miller that her son, Joe Dixon, who was living with Fuller, took the defendant's car and did not come back with it. Fuller's sister also told Miller that Lee was planning to shoot up the house.

Buckler spoke with Officer Matello of Plymouth Borough, who stated that Lee came into the station earlier that day to report his car, a white Ford Escort, had been stolen by Dixon. Fuller was also charged with recklessly endangering another person.

### DRUG CHARGE

Plains resident Joseph Savitsky, 20, was arrested on Oct. 19 by Lehman Township patrolman Jack Haley after police observed him driving erratically on Route 118.

The defendant parked in the Back Mountain Medical Center lot. Police approached Savitsky's car to obtain the driver's license and registration. Haley and Officer Scott Davis could smell an odor like that of marijuana coming from inside the truck.

When Davis asked the defendant to exit the vehicle, he observed a wooden side-handled baton lying on the floor. After a search of the passenger compartment for additional weapons, Haley found a plastic bag con-

taining a marijuana-like substance and a metal scale.

Savitsky was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital for blood and urine tests. He tested positive for marijuana use. Related charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and intent to sell were dismissed.

### D.U.I. CHARGES

The following people waived their right to a preliminary hearing before Judge James Tupper on Jan. 16:

- Dallas resident Lisa Scott, 31, who was arrested on Nov. 22 by Dallas Township patrolman Wayman Miers after police observed her driving erratically on Route 309. Miers observed Scott cross over into the opposite lane. After failing field tests, Scott took a breath test which showed her blood alcohol level to be .173.

- Wilkes-Barre resident Theodore Ebert Jr., 32, who was arrested on Nov. 17 by Lehman Township patrolman Scott Davis after police observed him driving erratically on Route 118. Scott observed Ebert driving eastbound in the westbound lane. After failing field tests, Ebert took a blood test, which showed his blood alcohol level to be .194.

- Sweet Valley resident Roger Jay Whitesell, 49, who was arrested on Nov. 15 by Kingston Township patrolman Martin C. Maransky after police observed him driving erratically on Pioneer Ave. Maransky observed Whitesell driving into the oncoming traffic lane. Tests determined that his blood alcohol level was above the legal limit of .10.

- Wilkes-Barre resident Walter F. Williams Jr., 34, who was arrested on Oct. 6 by Dallas Township patrolman Jeffrey J. Dennis after police observed him driving erratically. Tests determined his blood alcohol level was above the legal limit of .10. He was also charged with improper registration data, disregard for traffic lane, careless driving, failing to carry license and giving false information.

### BAD CHECK CHARGE

Pittston resident David Foglietta, 54, was charged on Oct. 1 by Dallas Township patrolman Wayman Miers with theft by deception and writing bad checks. Foglietta allegedly purchased \$468 worth of merchandise from the Radio Shack in the Country Club Shopping Center in Dallas on August 20. He wrote a check for the full amount and presented a PA driver's license for identification.

On August 21, the defendant allegedly returned to the store and bought a \$295 channel scanner. He wrote a check for the full amount and presented a PA driver's license for identification.

Both checks written by Foglietta were returned to the store informing the owner of their closed accounts status. Frank Pegarella sent two certified letters requesting full payment of the checks. After no response from the letters, he reported Foglietta to the police.



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## SLAM DONK!

Middle Level principal Bob Roberts put up a shot during the donkey basketball game at Lake-Lehman last weekend, but Danielle Pall seemed to be having trouble controlling the ball, her mount, or both.

## Supervisors quizzed on soil removal

By JENNIFER JUDGE  
Post Correspondent

**JACKSON TWP.** - Fred Murray accused the township supervisors of "supervisor negligence" at the Feb. 3 meeting of the supervisors.

Murray questioned \$230,000 that was borrowed five years ago to pay for disposal of gasoline contaminated soil around the municipal building. Previously, the grounds had held a gas station. The \$230,000 was used to haul the soil to Pittsburgh and then on barges to Texas, explained chairperson Walter Glogowski.

Murray disagreed with the supervisors' decision to have the dirt hauled away, explaining that he had spoken to the Department of Environmental Protection and found out that the soil could have been aerated on the premises at a cost of \$70 per ton. "I want to know why this money was borrowed," Murray said. "I want to see every check. I want to see where all that money went."

Glogowski responded to the criticism by saying, "DER was involved. We were told we couldn't

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Fred Murray  
Jackson Township

leave the soil in place. We have a stream and wetlands." Glogowski also said that hauling the soil to Texas was one of two proposed solutions. The other option was to haul it to Allentown, but risked township liability if anything became contaminated.

Township solicitor Blythe Evans reported that testimony is still being heard in the township's court case against American Asphalt Paving Company. Evans

said that American Asphalt's motion to dismiss the case was denied.

Murray asked the supervisors why they have allowed American Asphalt to mine outside of the mining zone. Glogowski said that he and his fellow supervisors could not be held accountable for the actions of past supervisors. Glogowski said, "We have a case and that's where it is."

Also during the meeting, the supervisors announced that Hospice St. John will hold their Hospice Hundred Ride for Dignity through the township on Sunday, July 7.

Glogowski announced that Jackson Township is still seeking qualified volunteers for a vacant auditor position. Anyone interested should contact the township secretary.

### Lake Twp. accepts recyclables Feb. 8

The voluntary recycling drop-off center for Lake Township will be accepting recyclables on Feb. 8, from 10 - 12 noon at the township building. The following items may be dropped off: aluminum and bi-metal cans, clear, brown and green glass. Plastic #1 and #2 only. No motor oil containers can be accepted.

### ARSON CASE

Dallas resident Michael Miller, 18, will face charges of conspiracy to commit arson. He was arrested on Jan. 14 by Dallas Township patrolman Jeffrey J. Dennis after police responded to a call to Dallas Senior High School on Jan. 10 regarding an arson incident. High school principal Frank Galicki stated that juveniles Jamie Houseknecht and Brad Miller were caught in an unauthorized bathroom attempting to burn down the school. Further investigation revealed that the defendant met with the two juveniles on the morning of Jan. 6 outside the high school. At the meeting the three discussed plans to light the furniture in the auditorium on fire and essentially burn the building down so they wouldn't have to go to school.

### ASSAULT CHARGES

Plymouth resident, Lee Fuller, 24, was charged with two counts of aggravated assault on Dec. 23 by Kingston Township patrolman Franklin M. Buckler after police received a call of a shooting into a residence.

The owners of the residence, Barbara and James Miller, reported to police that the defendant was seen driving into the cemetery just west of their home. Fuller reportedly got out of his dark colored Jeep with another man and approached the house with a firearm in hand.

The women and children at the residence went upstairs. John Miller stayed downstairs and stated that he saw the defendant and the other man walk into the backyard of the house. Miller said Fuller saw him through the

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