## Hale-Bopp

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snowball. It's a water-ice combination with dirt mixed in. That's what gives it the dirty appearance," he explained.

"It's really neat. It looks like a bright star with a blurry tail." Alex Tasco Dallas

Hale-Bopp accelerates as it gets closer to the sun. It is believed to have reached its maximum speed of 160,000 mph on April 1.

Alex Tasco, 9, of Dallas is no stranger to astronomy. Last summer he went to Rosser's Astronomy camp. Although he had seen Hale-Bopp through his own telescope, Tasco came to the observatory for an even better look. "It's really neat," he said. "It looks like a bright star with a blurry tail."

Rosser said he has heard many an ooh and ahh from observers. "The artistic expression is hard to find words for. It's beautiful," said Rosser.

The observatory will remain open for viewing the comet through April 8. It is also available for group reservations. For more information call 675-9278.

## Square dance -

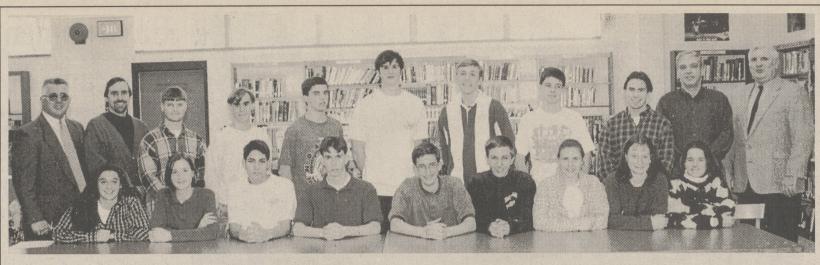
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think about anything else. It takes your mind off everything else," said Smith. "There are many advantageous features to it. One is you get to eat," he added with a chuckle.

"My husband and I always dress up. It's a lot of fun." **Mildred Cook** Noxen

Glowach agrees. "The callers are constantly calling out different calls, so you can't worry if you left the light on because you have to concentrate. Then you find yourself laughing and letting go," he said.

Another important aspect of the dancing is the colorful costumes. For formal dances, the women wear lightweight dresses with full petticoats. The men usually wear a western style long-sleeved shirt and slacks. Couples tend to wear matching colors.



## **Dallas High School Math Team figures it all out**

The Dallas High School Math Team participated in the 49th Annual Math Contest sponsored by the Luzerne County Teachers of Mathmatics held on March 22. Dallas swept the top three places, with Brain Blase and Chad Newell tying for first and winning full 4year scholarships to Wilkes University. Jeff Faneck finished third. From left,seated, Heather Wilt, Amanda Eisenhart, David

Williams, ninth place; Chad Newell, first place; Brian Blase, first place; Jeff Faneck, third place; Sarah Podehl, Heather Deeble, Emily Schweitzer; standing, Mr. Galicki, principal; Mr. Saber, math coach; Devin Michael, Kenny Hoover, Tony Luizza, Kevin Williams, Jason Campbell, Tom Swartwood, John Fagan, Mr. Preece, math dept. chairman.

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health regulated and environmentally sound.

Sal Cinaquegrani, vice president of corporate communications of 360 Communications in Chicago, said, "No cellular company just decides to put a tower anywhere. They are strategically placed.

At an earlier township meeting, Rusnock said the height was necessary to provide clear service to Cellular One customers and others who might use the tower. Asked if two smaller towers was an option, Rusnock simply said, "a smaller tower would not work for us." He did not offer further detail.

A large tower provides the company owning it many opportuni-

"Every area has its own needs, but there are many places to put towers and antennas." **Melvin Spann** 

Staff engineer, Federal **Communications** Commission

ties to lease space for other users, even other cellular phone companies. An employee of Commonwealth Telephone who asked not to be named said any lease between the township and Cellular One should guarantee that the

#### revenue

Cinaquegrani said there are many variables and options for tower placement. "It depends on topography, foliage and people's concerns. It's amazing how you can hide a tower. In Harrisburg, we sandwiched a tower behind a hotel billboard and no one noticed it. Another way is to hide them with foliage," he explained.

Cinaquegrani, who has been in the cellular business for over 10 years said open communication with the public is a necessity in the business. "It's a balancing act. Any cellular company talks with local officials and attends public hearings. They work with the cell site and with the people's township receives a share of that concerns," he said. "Openness and communication are critical. The is not in exclusion.

Rusnock was accused by some residents of playing on emotions when he spoke of safety issues as a reason for the cellular tower, but Cinauegrani supported Rusnock's claims. He believes cellular phones have had an impact on decreasing traffic fatalities. "700,000 emergency calls a month are made from cellular phones," he said. Cellular One's records show 57,000 emergency calls were made from cell phones in the past year.

The township, which plans to lease the land to Cellular One, will seek zoning board approval on Tuesday April 8 at 7:30 p.m.

The main speaker will be Mary Joan Kevlin, executive director of the Pennsylvania Downtown Center, a statewide non-profit organization that works with small and large communities to stimulate business districts in small towns and cities. Kevlin will discuss strategies that could be used to build stronger ties between businesses and the larger community.

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#### Storm (continued from page 1)

Overbrook Ave. near the Overbrook Inn. Earlier in the day, a luxury 4-wheel-drive bounced off a guard rail on Main Street in Dallas.

On Tuesday morning, police and ambulance personnel were called for a car partially over a bank on Manor Drive and "teetering," with people inside. By the time emergency crews arrived the driver was out of the car and reported no injuries.

UGI reported 250 customers in cess to their electricity. One hunvidual residents experienced outages.

John J. Wilkes, Jackson Twp. roadmaster, said the storm wasn't that bad, but people were not psychologically prepared for it. "A week ago I was raking my yard and now I'm shovelling it. It seems worse because of when it happened," said Wilkes. "Our main problem was with snow drifts covering and blocking some lanes."

James Balavage, Kingston the Back Mountain area lost ac- Township chief, said the storm did not yield anything out of the ordinary and that most the damdred of people live in Hemlock Gardens at Harveys Lake. Their age was caused by the wind. Kingston Twp. police responded to two power was out from 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Another 45 Noxen resifallen trees. Balavage said many drivers are not as cautious as dents also experienced an outage. "All of the outages were caused by they should be in these conditions. fallen trees," said Joe Rymer of UGI. "It is very common, espe-"I think this alarmed people because they were not ready for it. cially in a wooded area for trees to hit the lines during high winds." It surprised a lot of people because it was the last day of March," He added, "Aside from the neighborhoods, approximately 35 indihe said.

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### Buses

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6:05 a.m., and the last run out leaves Public Square at 5:50 p.m. There are 16 trips each weekday and 11 on Saturday. Brown said there are no plans to increase service, and that service to outlying areas like Lehman and Harveys Lake had "failed miserably."

Bus fare is \$1.25 each way, and two specials are available: the "fare deal" of \$30 monthly for unlimited use, and a package of 20 tickets for \$15. There is also a student program in the summer months that offers unlimited trips from June to Labor Day for \$20.

In response to a question, Brown said the operating cost for smaller buses is nearly identical to that for large ones, and using smaller buses would require more trips or longer waits on popular, routes. He said several of the riders to the Back Mountain were employed at Offset Paperback.

The Back Mountain Business and Professional Association will meet next at Merrick Hall on the campus of College Misericordia Thurs., April 10 beginning at 11:45

"My husband and I always dress up," said Cook. "It's a lot of fun." For more information on the Northeastern Pennsylvania Square and Round Dance Federation's first annual dance, call 696-1093.

#### **Voter** applications available at the Post

Mail-in voter registration applications are available at the office of The Dallas Post. Registrations must be received at the Luzerne County Election Bureau by April 21 in order to vote in the May 20 primary. Voters must:

• Be a citizen of the U.S. for at least one month.

• Be a resident of the election district for at least 30 days prior to the election. • Be 18 years of age on the day

of the election. • Not have been imprisoned on

a felony charge in the previous five years.

The office is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through



## Adoption agency to hold meeting April 27

Your Adoption Agency is holding a free information meeting on adopting through the Statewide Adoption Network and through their private, non-profit Infant Adoption Program. The meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on April 27. Please call 717-853-2022 to register.

#### Motivational speaker to come April 12

The seminar "Will the "REAL" Woman Please Stand UP!" featuring motivational speaker Sallie Turoczi will take place on April 12, from 9 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. at the Fellowship Evangelical Free Church, 45 Hildebrandt Road (next to Dallas Elementary School) in Dallas. The cost of brunch is \$10 which includes continental breakfast. Please bring a bag lunch. All women are welcome to attend. Deadline to register is Thursday, April 10. For more information or to register. please call Gail Olson at 477-3511.

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