



The Dallas Post

50¢

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF THE DALLAS & LAKE-LEHMAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Vol. 108 No. 18

Dallas, Pennsylvania

April 30 thru May 6, 1997

Candidate forum draws praise from potential voters

By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER
Post Staff

LEHMAN - Potential voters seemed to agree the "Meet the Candidates" night held Monday gave them a good look at some of the candidates for Lake-Lehman School Board.

The 14th annual forum, sponsored by the PTA, attracted about 65 people, but only four of the seven candidates. David Crisman, Ronald Payne, Samuel Rhodes and Moderno Rossi opened themselves to questions from the audience concerning many issues including the state of the

"I'd like to see spending curbed. There is a lot of wasteful spending."

Ed Kosakowski

middle school and budget reforms to standardized test scores. Robert Allardyce, David Kaufman and Gary Miller did not attend.

Many people felt this was an effective way to get a feel for the candidates. "It's good because since they never know what

the questions will be; you get 'off the cuff' answers, how they really feel" said Martin McMahon, a father of three who was on the school board from 1989-1993. McMahon said he would like to know the candidates' views on the "big issues, such as taxes, the middle school and the importance of education." For McMahon, the ideal candidate would have the children's interest as their main concern.

Ed Kosakowski, father of two, came to see what the candidates could offer him as a taxpayer. "I'd like to see spending curbed. There is a lot of wasteful spending," he said.

"They answered a lot of different questions and it was helpful."

Marcia Fostock

Kosakowski would like a candidate who is for fair funding of extracurricular activities for students. "We can't cut sports, it benefits the kids so much," explained Kosakowski, who believes the debate benefits the community. "Some (of the candidates) I don't know. This is

good because I can go and talk to them afterwards," he said.

Some voters already had favorites before the debate began. "I favor Samuel Rhodes and Dave Crisman. They seem to be moderate candidates," explained Fran Lewis of her choices. Lewis said she wants a board member who will care about the kids.

The candidates answered questions for 90 minutes. While there was no ugly banter between candidates, there was plenty of lively debate. An issue that

See FORUM, pg 10

Youngsters do their part to save the rainforests

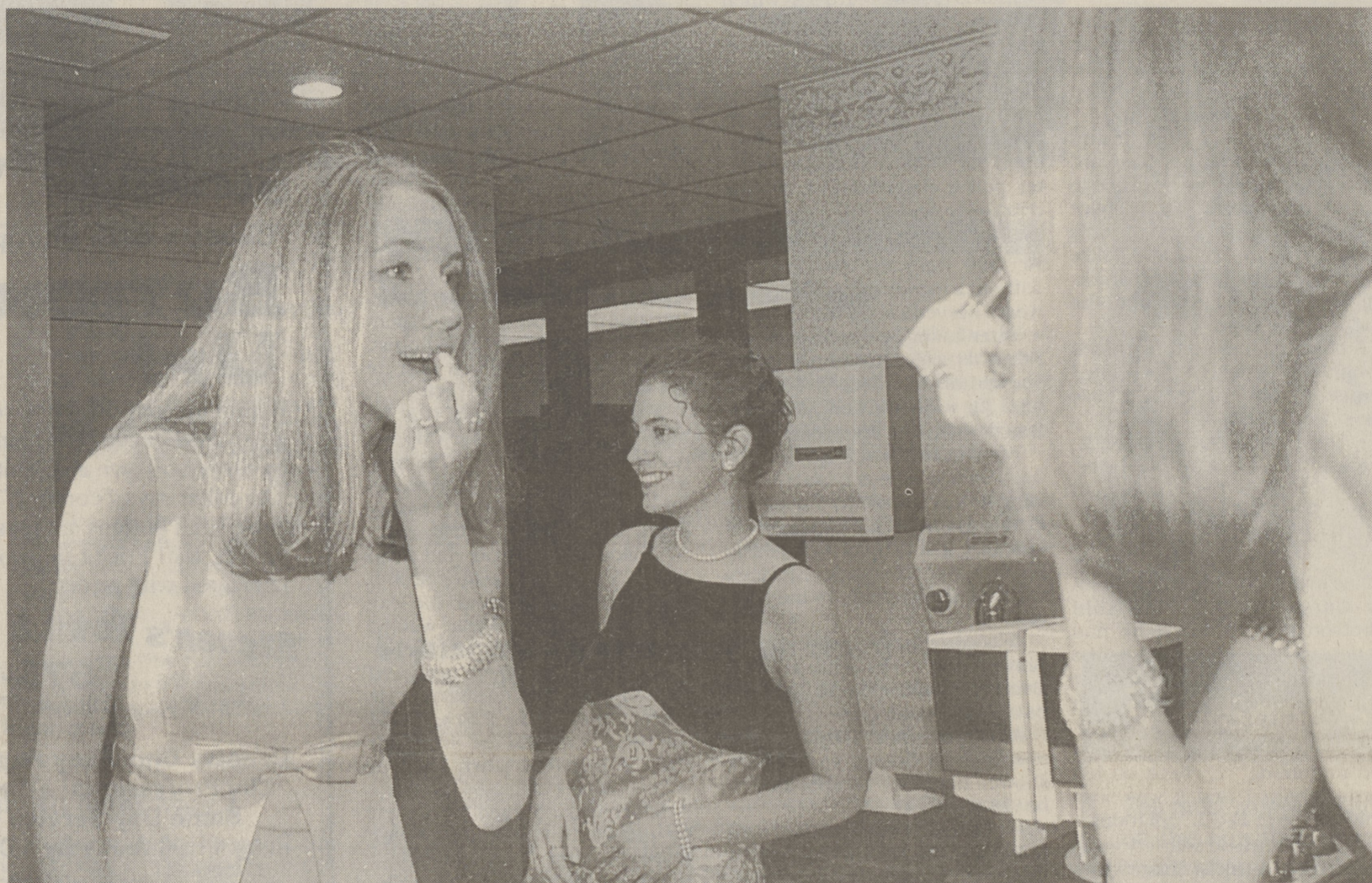
By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER
Post Staff

DALLAS - The rainforests of the world are being destroyed at a rate of 67 acres a minute. According to some researchers, rainforests will be no more within 30 years.

These startling facts prompted students at Gate of Heaven School in Dallas to actively participate in changing these statistics by participating in the Earth Foundation's Rainforest Adopt-An-Acre project. This project is being called the largest private land acquisition for conservation ever and is taking place in 10,000 schools across the country. The Earth Foundation works in conjunction with the Nature Conservatory.

After learning about the rainforest devastation from Christina Bruns, librarian and enrich-

See RAINFOREST, pg 10



PROM READY

Danee Husband applied the finishing touches at the Dallas High School senior prom, "I Will Remember You," held at Genetti's in

Wilkes-Barre Friday night. Bridget Baines was reflected in the mirror. More photos on page 7.

POST PHOTO/CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK

4 challenge for seats on HL council

By JENNIFER JUDGE
Post Correspondent

HARVEYS LAKE - With election day approaching, Harveys Lake Council candidates are launching plans to improve the community. Four candidates are challenging three incumbents on council for the three open council seats.

Keith Harry has lived at the Sunset area of Harveys Lake for over 20 years. Harry, formerly a resident of Plymouth, says, "We vacationed here as children and I've just always liked it." Harry, who is a sales representative for a buildings control company, lives at Rhodes Terrace with his wife Karen and their three children, Adam, Austin, and Alexis.



KEITH HARRY

Harry has served as zoning board chairperson for the past four years and has been on the planning board for three years. Harry has never run for public office before, but if elected, he intends to address the borough's land use ordinances. "I think many need to be updated," Harry says. "I think we need a plan for the future."

Harry agrees with some, but not all the actions of the current council members. "I agree with a lot of things they are doing. They've done a fair job maintaining the roads." Harry also appreciates the

See HL COUNCIL, pg 15

May 20 Primary offers choice for Franklin Township supervisor

By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER
Post Staff

FRANKLIN TWP. - Jay Futch and Frank Hilstolsky are both running for a seat on the Franklin Township's Board of Supervisors, which is currently held by Robert Redmond.

Futch, owner of Jay Futch Master Construction, has lived in the township for 30 years. His dissatisfaction with the former majority of supervisors prompted him to step forward. "I'm not happy with the way the township was being run," said Futch, stressing that he is referring to the previous

board.

"I care about what's going on here. Rather than let someone else make the decisions I figured I should have more to say about issues," he explained. Some issues Futch has concerns about include, controlled growth, zoning regulations and stamping out

favoritism to special groups in the local municipality.

"I look forward to joining the current majority of supervisors in order to prevent actions of the former majority from happening again," said Futch, who is running as a Democrat.

Hilstolsky, who is a senior prod-

uct engineer for InterMetro Industries, wants to create a more organized municipality. "We need more long term planning. We need to be more organized," he stated. Hilstolsky sees road improvements and the budget as

See FRANKLIN TWP., pg 10

Quilters carry on historic tradition, and do it well

By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER
Post Staff

BACK MOUNTAIN - Joan Ancin Rihan of Dallas remembers playing under the quilts her mother made as a girl, but never thought she would be a finalist in a national quilting competition. Rihan's quilt, "Mad Plaid Mariner's Compass," was accepted into the American Quilter's Society Show and Contest in Paducah, Kentucky to be held April 24-27.

"Oh, I won't win," said a modest Rihan. "Those girls who put those quilts in are so good."

She started entering competitions five years ago and sees them as a great way to learn more about quilting. "It's great. You always learn from competitions because the judges critique your work. You can see where you made mistakes and try harder the next time," Rihan said. "It's also nice to go to shows and see your quilt hanging on the wall."

For this competition, Rihan's quilt is a large patchwork quilt with a classic "mariner's compass" pattern. First, she had to send the Quilters Society a picture of the quilt. Once accepted it is inspected again upon arrival.

Rihan had a little help from her friends in the creation of the competing quilt. Each member of the

See QUILTERS, pg 9



Nan Bozentka, with one of the quilts she has fashioned. The Back Mountain boasts an active quilting community.

Be Kind To Animals Week May 4-10

May 4-10 is Be Kind To Animals Week. The S.P.C.A. of Luzerne County in conjunction with its 40th Anniversary and BKA Week will hold its 2nd Annual Adopt-A-Thon May 3-4 with extended adoption hours, free spay/neuter and grooming for pets adopted these two days. May 3, a Rabies Clinic will be held at the SPCA from 1-4 with Dr. Robert Bishop and a poster contest sponsored by Marquis Art & Frame of Wilkes-Barre will be judged with winning posters on display at the Luzerne County Courthouse.

■ **Spring Cleanup** scheduled in Dallas Township, Dallas Borough and Kingston Township. Pg 3.

■ **Frosh flash** Sherri Kuderka is only a freshman, but leads the Dallas softball team at and behind the plate. Pg 11.

INDEX

18 Pages	2 Sections
Calendar.....	18
Classified.....	16-17
Crossword.....	18
Editorials.....	4
Obituaries.....	15
School.....	13-14
Sports.....	11-12

CALL 675-5211
FOR HOME DELIVERY,
NEWS OR ADVERTISING

The Dallas Post
MAILING LABEL - Please enclose this label with any address changes,
and mail to The Dallas Post, P.O. Box 366, Dallas PA 18612-0366