

Supervisors vote for new police pact

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JACKSON TWP. - At the May Jackson Township Supervisors meeting, Chairperson Walter Glogowski announced that after two meetings with a representative of the police association, the township and the police have reached a contract agreement.

Board members voted unanimously to accept the five year contract for most part-time and full-time officers. Full-time salaries officers will be signing a three year contract. Terms are for a 4 percent annual raise, said township secretary Henry Zbiek.

"Our police force has been underpaid in the past," Glogowski said. "Once the contract is ratified by the police association, we will release specifics."

Concerns about traffic on Huntsville Road that were raised by Ed Chesnovitch at the April meeting were addressed. Chesnovitch was referring to the five way intersection by Huntsville Dam. Blind corners leave anyone trying to cross Hillside Road "a sitting duck," Chesnovitch had said. He suggested the supervisors organize a traffic study to find ways to deal with the problem.

John Wilkes Jr., who is in charge of roads for the township, met with representatives from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. Wilkes reported the initial results of a traffic study done by PennDOT. PennDOT suggested converting Sutton Road to a one way, using an island at the intersection of Huntsville and Hillside to divert traffic, and placing stop signs on Hillside Road at either end of the intersection.

Glogowski noted the study is still going on and the supervisors have made no decisions yet. "That has to all be reviewed," he explained.

The board also voted to award several bids that had been advertised. Road materials bids were awarded to the lowest bidder for each item. Those awarded were American Asphalt, Pikes Creek Sand and Stone, and Popple Valley Construction Company.

Two bids were received to complete a routine audit of the township's use of Federal Emergency Management Association aid. That bid was awarded to Hall Mihalos Straub and Company, costs not to exceed \$450. And in compliance with regulations concerning the recently received \$90,000 community development grant, the board voted to award the engineering project to Michael J. Pasonick Inc. Pasonick is willing to negotiate their fees, Glogowski explained.

The board voted to approve Hospice St. John's Ride for Dignity on July 27 and the Triathlon to take place on August 10. Both organizations have provided proper insurance paperwork.



MUSICAL MEMORIAM

Westmoreland Elementary put on their Spring Concert May 9 in honor of the late Gerald Wycallis. The concert played to a full house at the Dallas Middle School. People were also encouraged to bring food to benefit the Back Mountain Food Bank.

Below left, Jamie DeAngelo, 10 and Joelle Dunbar, 11 stop to mug for the camera one their way to dazzle the audience with their clarinets. An unidentified musician hams it up behind them. Below, Jonathon Miller, 11, Dustin Bednard, 10 and Johnny McGeeham harmonize together.

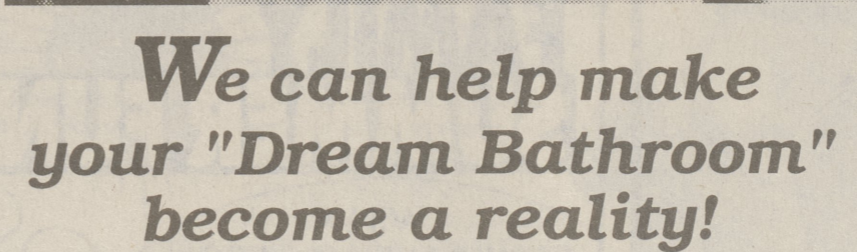
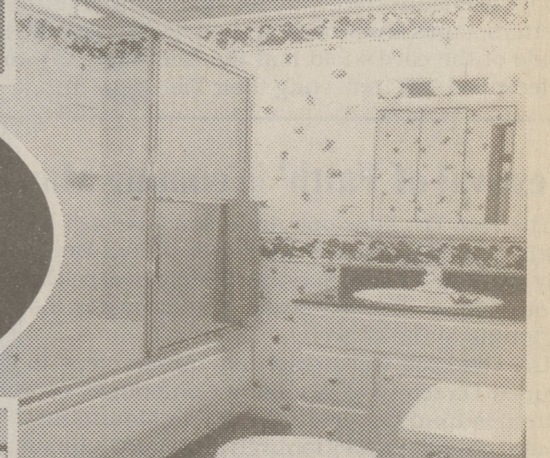
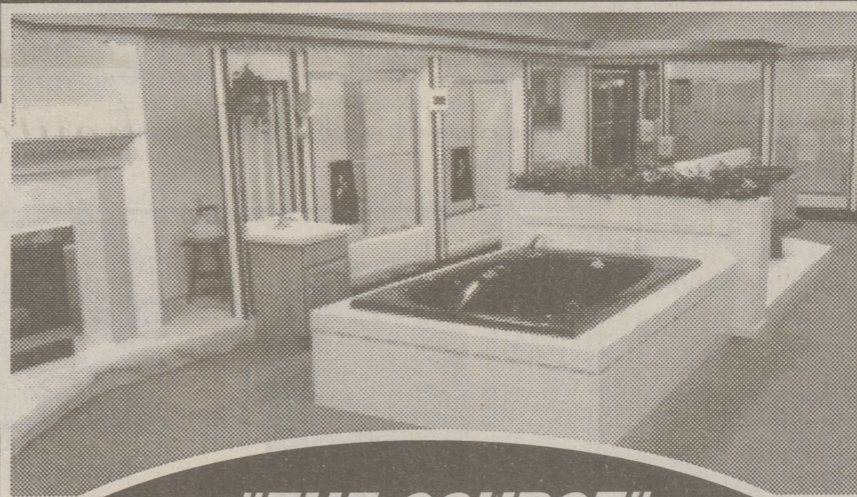
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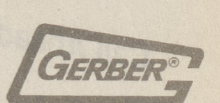
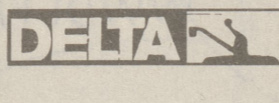
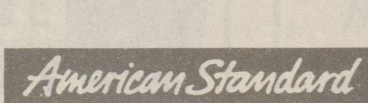
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