

**LETTERS**

**Neighbors of fire hall feel jilted by local gov't**

Editor:  
I am not a sore loser. My fellow neighbors (28 of them) and I are concerned citizens. The fire company and the zoning board were forced by the high court to abide by the law which dictates side-yard variance. Sore losers try to win at any cost. My neighbors and I chose to follow correct legal avenues while the true sore losers manipulated other laws.

Where is the buffer zone required for the parking areas? Ask Mr. Bill McCall, Dallas Township Planning Commission. Does it comply with the law that the rest of the citizens must abide by?

Where are your twenty parking spaces? Could any other business or public building use parking spaces that doubled as access lanes?

Ask College Misericordia why they were required to color code their parking spaces?

I did not take a gamble when I purchased my home in a residential area. I expected the public officials to protect my rights as

well as yours.

Who is taking the gamble Mr. Slocum? Me abiding by the law or you who in your capacity as the township firechief, shows contempt for a township resident. I think that your personal attack on me should truly get your message through to other township residents with real concerns. "Voice your opinion in opposition of what we (the establishment) know is right for you and your neighbors, and you could leave town."

If you don't like how we have chosen to slant the laws, partner, "move." Because in this town Might-Makes-Right.

You don't have to watch some spaghetti western to hear those lines being spoken. Just show concern for your rights, and the upholding of zoning laws in Dallas Township and those ill chosen words will be your reply from the officials in charge.

Why then, after submitting a neighborhood petition voicing our concerns about the firehouse lo-

cation, didn't we bark those same words of advice? Why did we volunteer to raise money for them to find a larger parcel of land to relocate? Why? Because we are not anti-firemen or anti-community.

However, we were forced into a court battle over zoning law. The court upheld the law and we won. Meanwhile back at the ranch, while we were fighting, and focusing on the case at hand, our leaders slipped the wool over our eyes with a new plan, never mentioned at any zoning board hearing, with more zoning infractions and illegalities than the original plan. The planning commission passed this plan, and Mr. Kozick issued the permits and the firehouse was off to the races.

I guess the sheriff's on the take in this town, better hope for Gary Cooper to come riding in to set things straight. But if he doesn't show up, I'll take my chances with the courts.

Vito Balice  
Dallas

**The Post has school year subscriptions**

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**Dallas High students must register cars**

Mr. Frank Galicki, principal, announces that all students that will be driving to Dallas Senior High School must register their vehicle in the office on Aug. 19, 20 or 21 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 noon, or 1-3 p.m.

Every student will be assigned a designated parking spot which will correspond to their parking sticker. Vehicles without proper registration will be considered illegally parked and towed out of the parking lot.

**Antique car show at Lehman Sunday**

On Sun., Aug. 17, the Lake-Lehman Band sponsors will hold their annual Back Mountain Antique Car Show and Flea Market. The show will be held on the grounds of the Lake-Lehman High School, Lehman.

This year's show should be bigger and better than ever with cars entered from New York and New Jersey. There will be 50 classes of cars ranging from the early 1900's to 1990's. Classes will include Custom '71 to '89,

4x4's and Model Cars.

Perspective car buyers will have the opportunity to browse the car corral and view the cars for sale.

The Band Sponsors will also offer a wide variety of foods such as hamburgs, hot dogs and potato pancakes. Home baked goods will be on sale along with an assortment of ice cold refreshments.

The flea market will start along with the car show at 8 a.m. All cars being judged must be on the field by noon;

judging begins at 1 p.m. sharp.

Ample free parking is available. General admission to the show is \$2. Children under the age of 12 are free.

Concessions go to the Lake-Lehman Band Sponsors to help support the award-winning Lake-Lehman Band.

Anyone interested in entering a car in the show or joining the flea market can contact chairman, Bill Metzger at 675-3764.

Raindate will be August 24.

**Vietnam vets hold 'Poker Run,' seek members**

The Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA), Back Mountain chapter 539 recently held its first annual Motorcycle and Car Fun Poker Run from Scranton to Moon Lake.

The VVA is a veterans service organization that is active in helping veterans and their families, VA Medical Centers, Special Olympics and the community. The organization is chartered by the United States Congress and is 500 chapters strong all over the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

Most recently, the local chapter 539 built a wheelchair ramp for the home of a veteran who has a child with Muscular Dystrophy.

"We're here to help out vets," said chapter president Bob Martin (US Navy Veteran). "Veterans benefits are being cut back a lot."

The local chapter is always looking for more members. The organization is open to Vietnam veterans, but others are welcome to join as associate members. Martin said the chapter is working on increasing its membership. He

wants people to know that veterans are still around and working hard to help each other.

All state chapters meet once a month at the Penn State campus at State College. The VVA is a non-profit organization, but donations are accepted and can be sent to: Bob Martin, VVA president, Chapter 539, P.O. Box 382 Dallas, PA 18612.

To get more information on the VVA, call 472-9498, 477-5218 or 675-0385.



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The Dallas Post is seeking a news writer to take one or two assignments weekly. Some assignments will be evening meetings, but other writing is possible and desirable.

The ideal candidate will be someone who is interested in the Back Mountain, likes people even if they're sometimes obnoxious or foolish, and can write clearly. Prior newspaper experience is not necessary. Will be paid on a per story basis.

If you think this might be a good spot for you, call Ron Bartizek at 675-5211, stop by our office and fill out an application (bring a resume if you have one), or write:

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## Back Mountain Harvest Assembly

invites you to join

**Red Barons John Zuber and Darin Winston**  
at our



## Sunday, August 17th!

The whole community is invited for  
worship service at 10:30  
followed by the event at 12.

*There's no charge  
(but donations are appreciated)*

**Sand volleyball, a dunk tank, a moonwalk  
and lots of  
great food, fun, and friends.**

**We're at 340 Carverton Road, Trucksville**  
Any questions call 696-1128

## See You There!