



### Scouting around the Post

Webelo Scouts from Den 41, the Scorpions, of Pack 281 visited the office of The Dallas Post recently to earn their newspaper badge. Checking out the computer were, from left, first row; Michael Wyberski, Ben Chopka, Den leader Lori Chopka, Marty Moore, Joshua Mounce. Back row, Robby Justice, Ben Chopka, Alex Harding, Eric Bartos, Bob Justice.

### Frederick Schulze honored with medal

Army Lt. Col. Frederick A. Schulze has been decorated with the Defense Meritorious Service Medal.

The medal is awarded to individuals for non-combat meritorious achievement or service that is incontestably exceptional and of a magnitude that clearly places them above their peers.

The colonel is a senior Army advisor to the National Guard assigned to the 5th U.S. Army National Guard, Lincoln, NE

Schulze is the son of Frederick A. and Elizabeth M. Schulze of Carverton.

He is a 1975 graduate of Dallas High School and received a bachelor's degree in 1979 from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY. Schulze earned a master's degree in 1993 from Boston University.

### Jeremy Mayer graduates from basic

Air Force Airman Jeremy M. Mayer has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Mayer is the son of Roberta C. Higgins, Shavertown and Michael C. Mayer of Manville, NJ.

The airman is a 1997 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School Lehman.

### MOVERS & SHAKERS

George Maculloch of Dallas has been named Branch Manager at Luzerne National Bank's new Dallas Branch Office, located on Main Street in Dallas.

Maculloch attended King's and Penn State Colleges and is a graduate of Lake-Lehman High School with 27 years banking experience.

The Bank's Dallas Office is expected to open sometime in the near future.



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### '98 budget projects revenue, spending declines

**LAKE TWP.** - The 1998 Lake Township budget projects spending declines of nearly \$60,000 and a reduction in the year-end fund balance of more than \$5,000.

Revenue from local sources is projected to fall by more than \$40,000, while state revenue is expected to rise by \$7,000.

The decline in local revenue is primarily in two items, a one-time \$10,000 traffic signal grant received this year and a private contribution of \$35,000 which is not budgeted to repeat in 1998. The budget forecasts a fund balance of

\$7,282 at the end of 1998, down from \$38,931 in 1994.

Revenues are based on a 9-mill real estate tax, a \$5 per capita tax, a 1/2 percent real estate transfer tax and a 1/2 percent earned income tax. These rates have not changed since 1975.

Anticipated spending includes \$9,245 for payment on a loan for a backhoe, and \$30,000 for a new truck, of which \$25,000 will come from the state aid fund.

The following raises of about 3 percent have been included: Police chief from \$8.80 to \$9.05 per hour; police officer from

\$8.40 to \$8.65; police clerk from \$360 to \$370 per month; road foreman from \$8.80 to \$9.05 per hour; road dept. laborers from \$8.40 to \$8.65; secretary-treasurer from \$730 to \$760 per month; solicitor from \$160 to \$170 per month.

About 11 percent of the total spending is for general government administration, 18 percent is for public safety, 5 percent is for health services (which includes cemeteries and libraries), 43 percent is for highways and the balance for insurance, bonding, employee benefits and payroll withholdings.

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