Intersection

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Other businesspeople are not quite so willing to sit back and wait to see what happens. Steve Kepic, owner-manager of Wendy's, was shocked to hear of the upcoming changes. "I am really surprised about this. I have heard nothing about it and, in fact, in the fall of 1995 when I was getting ready to open our business, I talked to PennDOT and was told that road work would not affect my business. If this work is done during the summer, traffic will be rerouted and I'll be in big trouble," he said. "I would prefer that they do it before the summer."

Robert Doble, a PennDOT engineer, said at a public meeting two weeks ago that he expected bids to be issued in February and construction to begin in June. The whole project is expected to take six months to complete.

Overall, PennDOT is hoping to improve the traffic flow along Rt. 415 in Dallas at the intersections of Main Street, Lake Street and Machell Avenue.

By eliminating parking in front of businesses on Main Street, a lane for right turns on to Rt. 415 can be added to free up the traffic bottleneck that has plagued downtown Dallas for years. PennDOT has also proposed adding a traffic signal at Machell Ave. to control

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Steve Kepic Wendy's manager

southbound traffic that now backs up from Main St. and blocks Machell Ave. traffic from entering.

The project has been targeted under the Safety and Mobility Initiative Program with funding supported by federal and state money allocated for these situations.

"This intersection has not been functioning at a high level of service," Shimko said. But he realizes not everyone is pleased with the thought of traffic possibly being rerouted while the project is completed. "There are some tradeoffs that will have to be made in order to get this project started," he acknowledged." We can't do it without impacting some businesses, but we will try to minimize any hardships to the people and the businesses of Dallas. Not all of the affected parties are going to be happy, but everyone is interested in the safety of our people."



Weapons of war

Gathered around a display of military items, from left, first row; Sarah Stredny, Lee Ann Scott, Kaitlyn Musto, Angela Davis. Standing behind, Mr. Jayne, Kristen Schmid. Showing a Japanese sword, Mr. Carey. The Veterans' Day event at the Dallas Middle School was coordinated by the social studies and English departments. Students brought in memorabilia from WWI and WWII veterans in their own households. A contingent from the Pittston National Guard was also on hand.

Piano -(continued from page 1) "My mother used to

left the Back Mountain because

there were no jobs in teaching at that time. She returned 25 years later and taught at many of the schools in Wilkes-Barre, including Bear Creek, Dan Flood, Plains Junior High, and Coughlin.

In her 40 years of teaching, Waldorf has taught from kindergarten to college level. "I like teaching the younger kids," she said. "I feel I can mold them and they do imitate." She remembers fondly four students who went on to pursue music on the college level. "They were marvelous. Two went to Misericordia, one went to Manhattanville, and the other went to Marywood," she said.

Waldorf never doubted she would pursue a music career. Her talent was apparent at a young age. She began taking piano lessons in the third grade with Sister Theresa Mary from College Misericordia. She remembers being able to play songs after having heard them only once. "You have to feel the music," she said. She was awarded a full music scholarship for study at College Misericordia. "That was my talent."

Waldorf's teachers were also aware of her love of music. "I was reading my yearbook," she said. "One of my teachers wrote that I would've been happier in school if all my textbooks were written on lines and spaces."

Waldorf came from a family of music lovers. "My mother used to wake us up at 6 a.m. with Beethoven's sonatas," she said. "My father was German and you learned the composers. He wanted us to play Bach and Mozart."

It was her father's influence that kept Waldorf from quitting her piano lessons and failing math class. "There was a time in my life when I wanted to quit piano lessons. He wouldn't let me do it. He knew it would be shame to throw it away," she said. "He was proud of us." Waldorf's father was also a musician. He played the zither.

"He was a beautiful player," she recalled. "I was terrible in math. I couldn't count. He played

Pamela J. Rish graduates course

Army Reserve Pfc. Pamela J. Rish has graduated from the cargo specialist course at Fort Eustis, Newport News, VA.

During the course, students received instructions in terminal operations safety, rigging and stowage of cargo, winch operations, and the loading, securing and discharging of cargo and

heavy lifts. Rish is the daughter of Joseph and Patricia Rish of Dallas.

She is a 1996 graudate of Lake-Lehman High School, Lehman.

Joshua Chollak graduates from basic

Army National Guard Pvt. Joshua P. Chollak has graduated from basic military training at Fort Sill, Lawton, OK.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, military justice, first aid, and Army history and tradi-

Chollak is the son of Christopher L. and Diane K. of Harveys

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Regina Klein Waldorf Music teacher, Dallas

the zither and counted for me and that's what I needed.'

Waldorf received her bachelor of arts degree from College Misericordia. She has taken classes at St. John's University, Fordham University, and New York University. She received her master's degree in piano performance and music literature from Notre Dame

The retired teacher has been giving weekly piano lessons in her Dallas home for the past two years. On October 26, Waldorf hosted a recital for her eight students. Performances were given by Antonella Recchia, Clair Gammege, Laura Gammege, Beth Gammege, Caitlin Kellagher, Courtney Matus, Kaitlyn Musto, and Matthew Shumbris.

Kingston Twp.

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hopes to resell it to equal the cost of tearing down the house that once stood on the land. The house was torn down due to numerous code violations, said Box.

Bagged leaf collection has been extended through Nov. 21. Residents should have the bagged leaves at the curbside for pickup.

six in the morning, during snowstorms and for eight hours after a The board will hold a public

meeting on Nov. 26 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss Westmoreland Hills. The next regular meeting will

be held Dec. 10 at 8 p.m.

Gerald Sgroi enters infantry training

Army Pvt. Gerald Sgroi has entered basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, GA.

During the training, he will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, map reading, tactics, military customs and courtesies, and first aid. He will develop basic combat skills, and experience using various weapons available to the infantry soldier.

Sgroi is the son of Marlene Romig of Plains and grandson of atherine Fay, Shavertown

He is a 1997 graduate of Dallas High School.

Idetown

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Lake Fire Co. following the deadly nursing home fire last year.

"We're all volunteers; we have to work together," Dodson said. He said he had asked several times that Idetown gather its personnel for a meeting with Harveys Lake volunteers and others to talk about the accusations and clear the air, but Idetown had not responded. Dodson said the suspension will be in effect until or unless Idetown can prove the allegations against Harveys Lake Fire Co.

Township supervisors passed a \$597,000 1998 preliminary budget at Monday's regular meeting. This year's total spending is \$60,000 more than last year's, but taxes will not be increased.

The largest increase came in a \$42,000 hike in spending on highways, of which \$28,000 is an increase in state liquid fuels funds. The general fund, which showed a balance of \$35,000 in 1997, declines to \$25,000 in 1998 and the equipment fund, which showed a balance of \$35,000, declined to

Taxes rates remain the same, and most tax receipts are budgeted to be close to 1997. The exception is the earned income tax, which shows an increase of \$20,000. A special 2 mill road machinery tax is projected to bring in \$15,000, an increase of \$2,000.

In other business, the township told Walnut Woods Association representative Micheal Petrillo that they are ready to take over the roads in the neighborhood off Idetown-Huntsville Rd. Peter Savage, solicitor, said all specifications have been met by the development. Savage said the township would not be held responsible for the two bridges within the neighborhood.

The final budget will be presented Dec. 15 at 7 p.m. at the municipal building. The annual reorganization meeting will be held on Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. in the municipal building. The regular board of supervisors meeting will be held immediately after.

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