

DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS

HARASSMENT AND ASSAULT CHARGED

Dallas resident Robert E. Lee Jr., 24, was arrested Oct. 8 by Harveys Lake patrolman Mark Karlonis after police responded to a domestic call on Oneonta Hill. Upon arrival police saw that a glass door leading to the kitchen had been smashed. Karlonis received a call telling him to go to Nick's Store where he found a man who said Lee assaulted him. Clark Cavanaugh told police that he was at his girlfriend's house when Lee came to the door and then left. A short time later Lee called the Cavanaugh's girlfriend and the Cavanaugh said he got on the phone and told Lee not to call again. Lee then came back to the house and punched through the glass kitchen door, Cavanaugh said. The shattered glass flew into Cavanaugh's face and eyes. He was later taken to Tyler Hospital for medical treatment. Lee is charged with simple assault, harassment and criminal mischief.

D.U.I. CHARGES

Wilkes-Barre resident Shawn Hubbell, 24, was arrested August 15 by Kingston Township patrolman Frank Buckner after police were called to an accident on N. Pioneer Ave. Police found Hubbell lying face down next to his car that had been

flipped onto its side. Both Hubbell and a passenger were taken to the Community Medical Center in Scranton for treatment. Hubbell refused to take a blood alcohol test. According to police reports he said he was "too drunk to make that decision." A search warrant for the medical records was granted to police. Hubbell's blood alcohol level was in the range of .128 and .157. He was charged with driving under the influence, recklessly endangering another person and driving a vehicle at unsafe speeds. Plymouth resident Harold Cragle, 42, was arrested Nov. 15 by Lehman Township patrolman John Young after police observed him driving erratically on Rt. 118. After failing field sobriety tests, Cragle was taken to the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where his blood alcohol level was determined to be .177. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. A related charge of careless driving was dismissed. Dallas resident Jay J. Carr, 20, was arrested Nov. 18 by Dallas Township patrolman Douglas Higgins after police reported to an accident on Lower Demunds Rd. He was treated for injuries at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where his blood alcohol level was determined to be .111. Carr was charged with driving under the influence and drinking

alcohol as a minor. A related charge of purchasing alcohol as a minor was dismissed. He waived his right to a preliminary hearing before District Justice James Tupper. West Chester resident Mark C. Wyly, 20, was arrested Sept. 26 by Dallas Borough patrolman James Martin after police observed him driving erratically on Main St. and Pioneer Ave. After failing field sobriety tests, Wyly was taken to the Dallas Township Police Station where a breath test determined his blood alcohol level to be .085. He was charged with driving under the influence, minor under the influence and not driving at a safe speed. A related charge of careless driving was dismissed. Wyly waived his right to a preliminary hearing before District Justice James Tupper. Forty Fort resident Joey G. Spencer, 20, was arrested Nov. 16 by Lehman Township patrolman John Young after police saw him driving erratically near Lake-Lehman High School. After failing field sobriety tests, he was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where his blood alcohol was determined to be .061. He was charged with driving under the influence and being a minor under the influence. Related charges of failing to keep right and careless driving were dismissed.

Spencer waived his right to a preliminary hearing before District Justice James Tupper. Dallas resident John P. Ross, 55, was arrested Nov. 19 by Dallas Township patrolman Jeffrey Dennis after police observed him driving erratically on Eddinger Hill Rd., Lower Demunds Rd., Upper Demunds Rd., Campground Rd., Ransom Rd., Ryman Rd., Shupp Rd., Lake Louise Rd., Flatrock Rd., Wyoming Rd., Krispin Hill Rd. and Church Rd. Ross refused to stop for police who were following him with both sirens and lights on. According to police reports the Chevy Blazer Ross was driving hit an oncoming car on Ransom Rd. and did not stop. The Blazer finally came to a stop when it spun out of control and rolled over an embankment. Ross was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital for a blood alcohol test. Results of the test are still pending. Ross was charged with driving under the influence, fleeing or attempting to elude officers, accident involving personal injury, unauthorized use of a vehicle, resisting arrest, accident involving damage to an attended vehicle, failing to stop at a stop sign, failing to keep right, driving at an unsafe speed, reckless driving and passing on the left. He waived his right to a preliminary hearing.

"Our greatest asset at the borough is the lake itself."

George Andrews
Harveys Lake Borough Council

phosphorus that occurs in nature makes phosphorus unnecessary for healthy plants and lawns. Richard Baranowski, owner of Baran Landscaping, said there are many natural fertilizers people can use for their lawns. "It's always good to protect the environment. It might be a little more expensive, but there are so many quality natural products to choose from," said Baranowski, who has been in the business for six years. Andrews, who is also a member of the Luzerne County Conservation Board, said the ban is one step in the plan to keep the lake safe and clean. The Harveys Lake Environmental Advisory Committee had worked on the ban since October of 1996.

Fertilizer

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before a predicted storm, or during a storm. Anyone who violates any provision of the ordinance is subject to a fine of up to \$1,000 per day, or up to 30 days in jail. Each day of violation is considered a separate incident, so the fines can build up at \$1,000 per day. The ordinance also asks that solid, granular or pellet forms of fertilizers be used, since they are less likely to be washed into the water. One section of the ordinance states that the borough will send a pamphlet to each home owner in the borough, explaining how fertilizers can degrade the quality of the water, and what can be done to minimize damage. Home owners will be asked to sign a statement that they have read and understand the new regulations. Lawn fertilizers are not the only source of phosphates in the lake. Phosphates occur naturally in dirt, leaves and rock. These materials break down in the lake. Many environmentalists believe the

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property transfer were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse for the week of January 9 - 22: Arlene F. Bankovich, to Robert J. Hogan, Dallas Borough, \$155,000. Richard D. Stochla, et ux, to Robert Lambert, et ux, 75 Medfield St., Dallas Twp., \$75,000. Lo-Meadows, Inc. to Virginia H. Banks, Dallas Twp., \$265,000. Fred N. Jacoby, et ux, to Joseph E. Libus, et ux, Lot 38 Idlewood Dr., Dallas Twp., \$132,000. Maria T. Rist, to Gregory A. Fowler, et ux, Harveys Lake Bor., \$46,000. Mooneen Bielicki, vir al, to Windsor Davis, et ux, Harveys Lake Bor., \$65,000. Forrest Habblett, to Robert Cook, Jackson Twp., \$6,000. William J. Umphred, Jr., et ux, to Frank Nockley, Jr., et ux, Lot 27, Cedar Lane, Kingston Twp., \$230,000. J.A. Moreck Construction, Inc., to Christopher J. Molesky, Lot 15

Maple Crest, Kingston Twp., \$47,000. Gerald R. Fisher, to Shannon K. Miller, et al, Lot 35 Meadowcrest, Kingston Twp., \$24,000. Bette J. Seagrave-Daly, to Ann Marie Angelicola, 66 Perrin Ave., Kingston Twp., \$82,400. John M. Carle, et ux, to Paul M. Horny, et ux, .398 ac. Harris Hill Rd., Kingston Twp., \$27,000. Gerald R. Fisher, et al, to Russell E. Steadele, et ux, Lot 7 Fern Ridge, Kingston Twp., \$35,000. Thomas J. Cadwalader, Jr., to Scott P. Kerkowski, et ux, Lake Twp., \$133,000. Alfred Myers, et ux, to John B. Orlandini, et ux, Lot 2 Bl A, Lehman Twp., \$107,000. Patricia M. Smith, vir al, to Lewis E. Naugle, et ux, 1.5 ac. Lehman Twp., \$127,500. Thomas Bryce Major, Jr., et ux, to Daniel R. Frank, et ux, 1.03 ac., Lehman Twp., \$118,000. Alice O. Edwards, estate al, to Thomas E. Adams, 46.29 ac. Lot 2, Ross Twp., \$44,000.

OBITUARIES

ELVIN BEAN

Elvin Thomas Bean, 55, of Noxen, died Jan. 19, 1998, in Noxen. Born in Aug. 6, 1942, in Kingston, he was the son of Josephine Ellman Bean and the late Elvin Bean Sr. He graduated from the Lake Noxen and the Lehman school system. He received a degree in business administration from Wilkes-Barre Business College. He attended St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Noxen, and was a member of the Limited 20 Gun Club, Forkston Township. He was co-owner of the Galka Bean Sanitation Service. Surviving in addition to his mother, are his wife, the former Eileen Crispell; a son, Thomas at home; a brother, Michael, Noxen; sisters, Janet Kamenstein, NH; Nancy Kerns, Harveys Lake; several nieces and nephews. Interment, Orcutt's Grove Cemetery, Noxen.

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CATHERINE McLAUGHLIN

Catherine M. McLaughlin, 85, of Pine Street Oak Hill, Dallas, died Jan. 22, 1998, at Manor Care Health Service, Kingston. Born in Hazleton, she was the daughter of the late Michael and Jennie Shears Ward. Before retiring, she was employed as a weaver by the former Hess Goldsmith, Wilkes-Barre. She was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred; brothers, Stephen, Paul and James Ward. Surviving are a son, Frederick F., Williamsport; a daughter, Jane Stepanik, Dallas; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Interment, St. Mary's Cemetery, Hanover Township.

JOHN TROUP

John A. Troup, 70, formerly of Dallas, died Jan. 22, 1998, at the Medical University of South Carolina. Surviving are his wife, Lois; son, John A. Jr., Dallas, TX; daughters, Arlene Dinges, Petaluma, CA; Lois Ann Troup, Georgetown, SC; sister, Ann S. Troup, Jenkintown; two grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. Interment, was private. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or charity of the donor's choice.

Singer

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'glim' rock, it's not hard rock. This is life." Folk left its impression on Jones in a very common place where many personal epiphanies have been known to occur: the family car. "When I was really young, I remember we were by Fimo's in my parents' blue Volkswagen and I heard 'Leaving on a Jet Plane.' I remember thinking, 'That's what I want to do, write songs.' I fell in love with that song," said Jones, adding that it was John Denver's version of the popular tune. Another moment of revelation regarding his future plans in music came when a substitute teacher for his ninth grade English class gave the students an exercise she thought would help them deal with the recent loss of their regular teacher. "She made us listen to 'Sounds of Silence' (by Simon & Garfunkel) and write a little paper about it. After that, that was it," said Jones. His path seemed to be set in stone from that moment on. During his time at Lake-Lehman High School, he learned to play guitar and played in a band covering other people's music. But, by the time he was graduating from Luzerne County Community College with a degree in journalism, the band he was in was playing his music. But, folk still beckoned him. After his band, Chair in the Moon, won the All College Band Blast in 1996, Jones decided to set out on his own.

In the last year he has made a name for himself in the regional folk circuit. He has played all over Pennsylvania including the Java Gallery in Luzerne, Rainforest Cafe in Tunkhannock, Village Pastimes Emporium in Drums and The Zone Cafe in Montrose where he hosted singer/songwriter nights. He has also played in Philadelphia, Nashville and New York. "In the folk scene there is unity. You don't get into folk music because you want to get rich. I got into music because I wanted to touch people. It's the best feeling to have someone thank you for a song," said Jones, when asked what keeps him going in the music business. Jones has an album coming out and a sponsorship from Back Mountain Music Company. "My goal is to hit the road big time. I want to see the United States," he said. "Songs I think are just floating out there."

He has written songs about a variety of topics including the assassination of John F. Kennedy Jr. and the Persian Gulf War. For Jones, there is nothing better than knowing someone enjoys his music and lyrics. "If I can write a song that someone could put themselves into and relate to, then I've done my job," Jones said. Jones will be performing at Village Pastimes Emporium in Drums Jan. 31, the Java Gallery Feb. 13 and the Zone Cafe Feb. 21.

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