

Candidates stake out differing positions on issues

Editor's Note: The Dallas Post asked each candidate to respond to three questions of our choosing. Their responses follow.

Do you approve of the tax-reform plan that passed last year? If yes, what can you do to see that it is implemented and achieves its purpose?

JAMES: "I agree with the Homestead Act being passed," says James. "The people want tax reform." James does disagree with some items, though, but plans to move the act to the top of the Legislature's agenda. "I believe it's got to be at the top of the desk," adds James. He notes that he has not heard anyone in Harrisburg "raising their voices" to get tax reform implemented.

MUNDY: Mundy argues that the Homestead Act is not a viable tax reform plan. "Nobody's going to do it," she says. Mundy comments that there is no new money for school districts that decide to lower property taxes. "I'm not aware of single school district that has implemented tax reform," states Mundy.

Many people see the Back Mountain as primarily a bedroom community. Others think it should support more employment. As representative, what can you do to bring jobs to the Back Mountain?

JAMES: "I believe the Back Mountain has the capability to draw higher paying jobs," says James. "I believe the working environment in the Back Mountain far outweighs any problems." James thinks the area has great natural resources, and that it is ideal for job development. "Construction and business have to go somewhere," he adds, and cites the development of the old Natona

Mills as an example of foresight. "As a rep, my responsibility is to make sure people don't move out of the state," he says. "And we have to entice them to move into our area."

MUNDY: "I work on regional job development," says Mundy. "I'm not convinced that the people of the Back Mountain want more development." Mundy has worked with Wilkes-Barre and Pittston Area Chambers of Commerce, and with Penn's Northeast on job development. "I am thinking about it, but in a more regional way."

Mundy has worked with Back Mountain businesses including ENCON, Offset Paperback, and smaller companies, but she emphasizes that planning and zoning are done at a local level.

If the state continues to run budget surpluses, what do you think should be done with them?

JAMES: "It's our money to begin with," says James. "Surpluses can get to be too much." James would use the money to fund the educational system and senior citizen programs, because it is part of the seniors savings. James praises Governor Ridge's long-term plans to keep the state running surpluses.

MUNDY: "House Democrats have pushed to see the state surpluses used," says Mundy. "There are a lot of needs and a lot of money available." Mundy's number one priority would be public education. The state has decreased funding for school construction and special education, she adds, requiring local municipalities to pay the balance. "I believe the state is abdicating their responsibility for education," says Mundy. "Education is economic opportunity."



Dressed up and ready to go

The Gregorski Girls, Princess, left, and Cinnamon, are eager for Halloween to arrive. Marilyn Gregorski takes the pups around the neighborhood each Halloween.

Mundy

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"Lowering property taxes is an important issue for me," says Mundy. The local tax reform is a sham, she says, and adds that she voted for it because "that's all there was." She hopes to see a viable tax reform bill, instead of hoarding surpluses in Harrisburg. Mundy also aims to continue work in health care. She offered an amendment to a bill which would have defined the term

"medically necessary" for all HMO plans, but it was not included in the final bill. To ensure access to health care, Mundy coordinates the five free local health clinics, of which St. Therese's in Shavertown is one. Mundy grew up in Kingston, and still lives there. Before she was elected to the House, she was business manager at Injection Molding Corporation in Pittston.

James

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laws should be better enforced. Bill James grew up in Larksville and Forty Fort, and his mother has lived in Dallas for many years. He has been an electrical contrac-

Carnival to be held Oct. 30 at church

A carnival featuring illusionist "Tony the Great" on Friday, Oct. 30, 6 to 8 p.m. at Fellowship Evangelical Free Church, Hildebrandt Road, Dallas (near the Dallas schools). Carnival games and tons of candy. Come in costume (please choose the good guys and gals). New this year: Parent's Cafe serving dessert and conversation. For Kindergarten through 5th graders. Pre-registration requested (maximum 250 children).

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The following property transfers were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse for the week of Oct. 16 - 22:

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- Robert DeRemer, et ux, to Richard W. Titus Jr., et ux, Lots 9, 10, Harveys Lake Bor., \$5,500.
- John P. Shubilla, et ux, to Roy W. Turner, III et ux, 2 parcels, Jackson Twp., \$220,000.
- Mellon Bank to Dennis Kramer et ux, 48 perches, Ross Twp., \$18,000.

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The Candidates in Brief

Phyllis Mundy, Democrat

AGE: 50
FAMILY: Divorced
CHILDREN: One son
EDUCATION: Bloomsburg State College
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Greater Pittston Chamber of Commerce, Wilkes University Board of Sponsors, Chair of Northeast Democratic Delegation
Volunteer Activities: League of Women Voters, Junior League, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Volunteers for Literacy

William "Bill" James, Republican

AGE: 54
FAMILY: Married
CHILDREN: One son, four daughters
EDUCATION: Luzerne County Community College
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Small Business of Northeastern PA, American Builders and Contractors
Volunteer Activities: Exeter Township Crime Watch, Forty Fort Park

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