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## Battle of the Job Johnnies looming at Harveys Lake

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**HARVEYS LAKE** - Every summer, Diane Devine invites children, grandchildren, relatives, and friends to her boat-house on Harveys Lake. They swim, boat and laugh, and when nature calls, instead of trekking up to the house, they use the portable toilet Devine rents for the summer. If Harveys Lake Borough has its way, however, she and her guests will soon be sitting elsewhere.

After years of nonexistent enforcement, Harveys Lake has decided to inform residents of the borough's ordinance regarding portable toilets, most often called "Job Johnnies," and enforcement may require residents to make other arrangements.

Jim DeGeorge, Harveys Lake Borough Zoning Officer, says there are two parts to the code. Residents are required to apply for a permit before obtaining a portable toilet, and their use is confined to a "limited duration." The ordinance does

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not precisely define "limited duration." Many residents of Harveys Lake rent the toilets to serve the needs of summer guests. "Using these facilities is better than using the lake," says Devine. She has rented a unit since 1988, and this is

the first notice she has received. Devine believes renters of Job Johnnies never knew about the ordinance.

Marie Gurnari was not aware of the code. "I had one for the first time this summer," she said, and her son just found a notice on it. Gurnari got the idea from other residents, and has been happy with the results. "It's better for the kids than going in the lake," she says. Gurnari is disappointed at the potential loss of the portable toilet. "If you want to keep the lake clean, than this is not a good idea,"

she says.

DeGeorge, who has been the zoning officer since February, says there has been a recent push to enforce the ordinance. Neighbors have been calling council and complaining about the "eyesores" ruining their views of the lake. As a result, DeGeorge plastered notices on each Job Johnnie he could find, notifying residents of the ordinance. "So far, nobody has come in for a permit," says

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## In this game, heart matters more than wins, losses

By RONALD BARTIZEK  
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**BACK MOUNTAIN** - Scott Shafer remembers the snow. "Every time we played the Old Shoe Game it was snowing," he recalled last week.

Shafer played on the Lake-Lehman varsity for four years, from 1984 through 1987. He played guard on offense and linebacker on defense. He said some of the games were held on Mondays, because it had snowed heavily on Saturday.

"The morning of the game we went to the Castle Inn for breakfast," Shafer said. "Then we head for the field."

While Lehman won only once in his four years — 33-0 in 1984 — Shafer, who has coached the Lehman junior high team for 11 years, said the games were always hard fought.

"Whoever had a bad year, whoever had a good year, both teams usually played their best in that game," he said. "It's too bad they didn't play that way all year long."

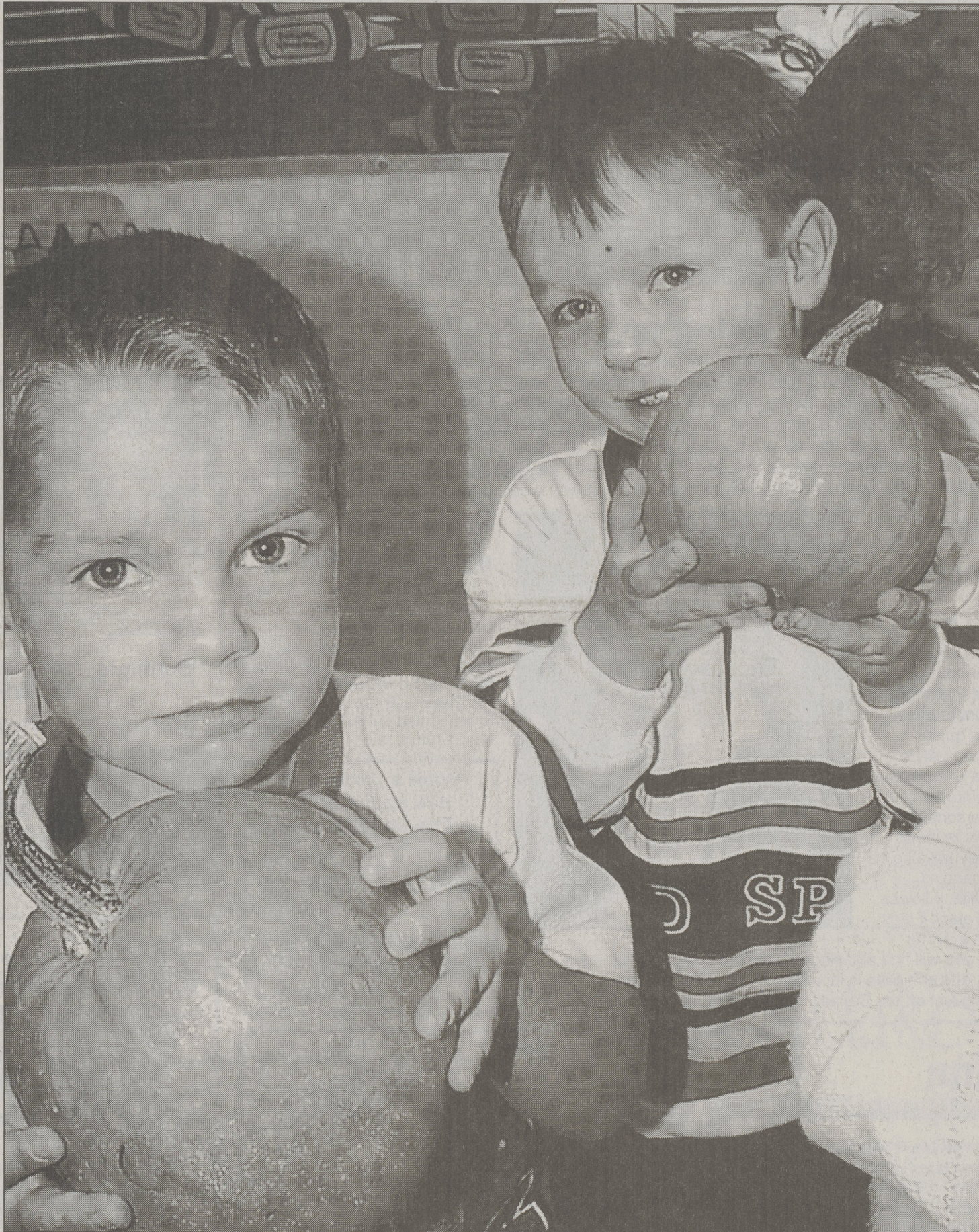
Chris Swire played in the last Lake-Lehman victory. A lineman on offense and defense, he was part of the Black Knights squad that beat Dallas 9-0 in 1995. His memories, too, include snow.

"It was my senior year, it was snowing, and we won at home," he recalled. "Dallas was the team to beat, so it was nice to beat them at home."

Swire is quick to give credit to the Mountaineers, who have dominated the game since school consolidation in the 1960's. "Dallas is well coached; they always come ready to play."

That's what Mountaineer coach Ted Jackson hopes will be the case this year. Jon Saba, one of four senior captains, said Jackson isn't letting the team relax after two big wins.

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## Hunting pumpkins

Luzerne County Head Start helps children's "Pumpkin Hunt" Friday at Lake-Noxen Elementary School at Harveys Lake. T.J. Schultz, left, and Teddy Ely held up their captives. More photos on page 5.

## Dallas mulls \$5 million more for renovations

By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER  
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**DALLAS** - In an effort to start the ball rolling on renovation and improvement projects for the three existing schools on the 100-acre campus, the Dallas School Board mullied over a list of priorities and their costs Monday. Gil Griffiths, superintendent, said the projects might raise taxes, but the improvements are worth the cost in the long run.

The Quad Three Group provided board members with a four-year layout of improvements for Dallas High School, the middle school and Dallas Elementary.

Improvements to the high school, which was built in 1961, include a technology suite consisting of classrooms, offices and toilet rooms between the existing home economics room and the industrial arts room. There is a plan to move the home economics and industrial arts

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## Man's death ruled accident

The death of 22-year-old Joseph Todd Lewis III, of Nanticoke, whose body was found in his pickup truck parked next to the Orloski's Quik Mart in Trucksville, has been ruled accidental carbon monoxide intoxication.

Kingston Twp. Police Chief James Balavage said Tuesday that tests showed Lewis had 70 percent carbon monoxide in his blood stream when he died. Forty percent usually causes death or permanent disability. Alcohol was also found in the dead man's blood.

Lewis's body was found about 2 p.m. Saturday. The county coroner has estimated that he died six to eight hours before that. Balavage said Lewis was last heard from about 3:30 a.m. Saturday, when he paged a friend, who discovered

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## New rector felt personal calling to preach the faith

By KYLIE SHAFFERKOETTER  
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**DALLAS** - Although The Reverend Robert A. Nagy's road to the priesthood was a meandering one, he believes it was all in God's plan. The new rector of the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church in Dallas seems to have completed a cycle that started when he was a youngster in Fairfield, Connecticut.

By the age of 10, Nagy was a committed member of the church and felt he was called to the priesthood. He met formally and informally with his priest, and by junior high it was set in the young Nagy's mind that he would become a priest.

Then he hit high school and learned that the income for a priest was a meager one. So he "dropped the idea" to pursue a professional career. After earning an MBA

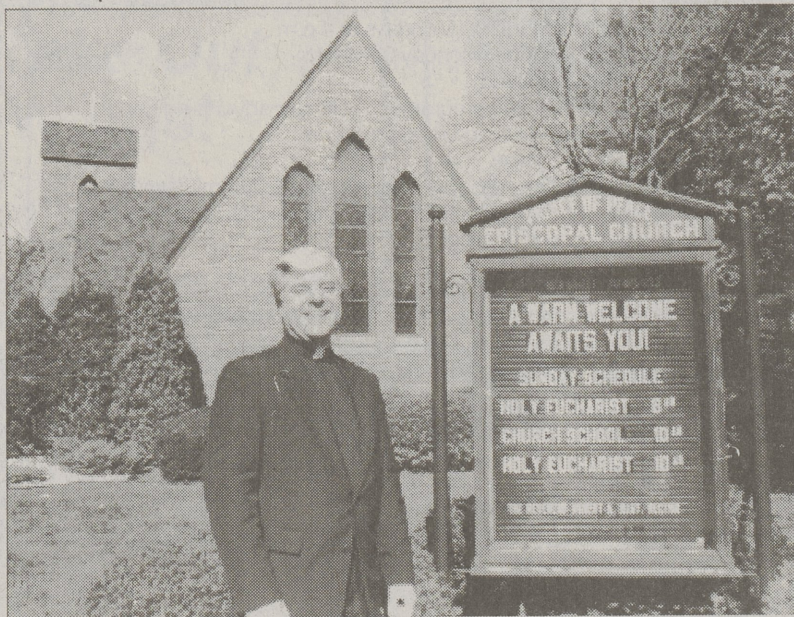
from Arizona State University, Nagy worked as a management consultant and hospital administrator for 20 years in Phoenix, Arizona.

Nagy married Beatrice (Bea) and had two children. He was a successful professional earning a good salary and supporting his family. And he was still very involved with the church.

"I found myself getting more and more active in church. I became the senior warden, was active in the worship service ministry and was a Sunday School teacher," explained Nagy, 46.

Then something extraordinary happened. After a good friend of Nagy's passed away, he wanted to be a part of the memorial service. So, he read passages of scripture in front of 200 fellow mourners. As grief gripped him, he felt he

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The Reverend Robert Nagy is the new priest at The Prince of Peace Episcopal Church in Dallas.

### ■ Tower going up

Cellular One has begun building a tower in Dallas Twp. It's 100' shorter than originally planned. Pg 2.

### ■ She helps

Myrle Coolbaugh honored as first Meadows volunteer. Pg. 3.

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