

Rikki Sue

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thing everyone has done. We cannot thank everyone enough," said Mitchell, whose own workplace, Offset Paperback, Inc., helped raise money for Rikki Sue.

If anyone wonders where their dollar in the donation can end up, rest assured it all went to help Rikki Sue. Her grandmother said the funds help pay for the pressure suits that cost \$300 a piece. Rikki Sue must wear the suits for another one and a half years.

Mitchell said Rikki Sue loves school and with the help of a psychologist, is dealing with the painful and frightening night that changed her life last March.

"She is the sweetest little girl. I thank God every day she's here to have her sixth birthday."

Debbie Mitchell
Rikki Sue's grandmother

"She is doing well in school. The kids are very nice and receptive to her," said Mitchell. "Although going to the hospital makes her timid, she is a happy little girl."

"Butch"

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vice has been steadfast during the past 29 years.

"It is clear to me that no one in the business of local government has been more dedicated than Robert Chamberlain. The township is very fortunate to have benefited from his knowledge and expertise over the last three decades," said Box. "We have every confidence that Fritzes will pick up the tradition of the first rate service to Kingston Township residents by the Public Works Facility."

While on the phone with a friend, Chamberlain joked that if it does not snow on Fri., Jan. 22, he will pick up his check at 3:30 p.m. and go straight home. If it does snow, he will work until midnight, leave the truck where it is

"We pave our own streets and everything. The townships downtown couldn't shine our shoes."

"Butch" Chamberlain
Retiring road superintendent

and walk home.

All joking aside, he is proud of his years of service to the township in which he was raised. "I'm going to feel good about retiring. I want to go out with dignity and grace."

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cramped.

Machinery, tools and parts are packed in the current maintenance building and must be stored all across the district, explained Kraynack, who said the majority of mowers and backhoes are stored outside under tarps. Sports equipment like sleds and nets are also kept outdoors without the benefit of a tarp.

The proposed new maintenance building is 20 x 60 ft. and can be made into two large areas or partitioned into four distinct areas,

said Griffiths.

Ernest Ashbridge, Jr. suggested the maintenance department use the middle school basement for storage, but Kraynack said it would not work.

Also, the board will form an ad hoc committee to look into before and after school programs for elementary age children.

Finally, the district will hold a ribbon cutting for the new Dallas Elementary gym on Jan. 18 at 6 p.m. in the gym.

Harry Crispell, who helped motorists in need, dies at 89

Harry Crispell died the way he lived, out helping a AAA member get a car started on a cold winter day. Crispell, 89, died Monday, still on the job at Back Mountain Auto Specialists, where he had worked for Dave and Elgie Spurlin, who moved the business to Shavertown after selling the Exxon station that is now Orloski's.

Crispell had worked at the station through a succession of owners, towing cars, giving jump starts and doing whatever else needed to be done around the place. He started with Clyde Birth, worked for Jack Downey Sr., Jack Downey Jr., Bill Spurlin and finally Dave and Elgie.

"He kept telling us if he retired, he'd die in a week," a saddened Elgie Spurlin said Tuesday. "One lady told me she remembered him starting her car when she was in college 30 years ago."

Elgie Spurlin said Harry worked from about 6 a.m. to noon, six days a week right up to his death. "That's what he wanted to be doing," she said.

In a feature story that appeared in the Nov. 1, 1995 issue of The Dallas Post, Dave Spurlin said Harry was supposed to start at 7 a.m. "He doesn't," Spurlin said. "He is always there early, six days a week."

Harry Crispell's obituary follows.

HARRY CRISPELL

Harry E. Crispell, 89, of Fairgrounds Road, Dallas, died Jan. 11, 1999, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital after he was stricken ill at work in Shavertown, Kingston Township.

Born in Forty Fort, he was the son of the late Edward and Eldora Smith Crispell.

He attended Forty Fort schools.

He was the supervisor of maintenance at the former Deposit and Savings Bank, Wilkes-Barre for 40 years. He was later employed as a mechanic at Clyde Birth's Exxon Station, Spurlin's Dallas



Harry Crispell and his trusty wrecker, shown in 1995.

Exxon and Back Mountain Automotive Specialists, Shavertown.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Edna Burgess and Minnie Lamoreaux.

Surviving are his wife of 37 years, the former Helen

Wancho; son, Truman, Edwardsville, IL; daughter, Patsy Hines, Westerville, OH; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday from the Richard H. Disque Funeral Home, Inc., 672 Memorial

Highway, Dallas, with the Rev. Jackson H. Cox, pastor of the Carverton United Methodist Church, officiating.

Interment, will be in Beaumont Cemetery.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday.

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