



#### Lake-Noxen PTO hosting flea market

The Lake-Noxen Elementary PTO is hosting a flea market and craft fair Saturday, Sept. 25 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m Table reeservations are now available. For more information call 639-5207 or 639-2541. Pictured are members of the planning committee for Lake-Noxen Elementary flea market and craft fair. Standing from left, Kathy Sukaloski and Karen Laskowski, PTO president. Seated from left are Linda Schuler and Amy Butchko. Missing from the photo is Anita Koziol.

### DHS back-to-school night rescheduled

Back-to-school night will be held Wednesday, Sept. 22, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Dallas High School auditorium. The event was postponed because of last week's storm. Parents are encouraged to attend.

### **Dance benefits Red Cross disaster relief**

On Sunday, Sept. 26, the Northeast Pennsylvania Square and Round Federation will host their 2nd annual Modern Western Square Dance for the benefit of the Red Cross Disaster Fund. The dance will be held in the cafeteria of the Tunkhannock High School, located just off Route 6 in Tunkhannock. The program will start with early rounds from 2:30 p.m. until 3 p.m. A Plus program of Square Dancing will be conducted from 3 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., with an Advance tip at 5:30 p.m. The calling and cueing will be by the callers and cuers of the member Federation Clubs.

Additional information can be obtained by calling Andy Glowach, 696-1093 or Dane Niess 434-2453.

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## Jeff Teske honored with roadside memorial

The staff of the PennDOT District 4-0 office in Dunmore gathered recently to pay tribute to a fellow worker, killed in the line of duty. PennDOT Deputy Secretary for Highway Administration, Mike Ryan, joined the office staff to dedicate a special memorial to Jeff Taske of Shavertown.

Teske was a Transportation Construction Inspector at PennDOT. On the morning of October 20, 1997, he was part of a PennDOT crew installing a new traffic signal sensor at the intersection of Route 118 and 29 in Lake Township, Luzerne

Teske was reported to be standing in a marked area beneath the light and was stepping back motioning to the other workers when he was hit by a delivery truck. The truck was headed east on Route 118. The driver told police he swerved to avoid a westbound tractortrailer that was trying to turn onto Route 29.

Jeff was rushed by ambulance to the nearby Luzerne County Fairgrounds where a helicopter was waiting to fly him to the hospital. But Jeff passed away before crews were able to get him into the helicopter. Jeff Teske was 40 years old when he died.

Some of Jeff's co-workers at the PennDOT District 4-0 office

Pastor Charles Naugle of the Trucksville United Methodist Church offers a prayer during a memorial dedication service at the PennDOT District 4-0 office in Dunmore. The memorial is in honor of Jeff Teske of Shavertown. The PennDOT construction inspector was killed in an on the job accident in October of 1997. From left, Pastor Charles Naugle, Trucksville United Methodist Church; PennDOT District Engineer Chuck Mattei; Robert Jenkins, Jeff's uncle; Jennie Jenkins, Jeff's aunt; Sarah Teske, Jeff's sister; Nancy Schwartz, Jeff's aunt; Sal Donato, PennDOT road coordinator (behind Schwartz); Mike Ryan,

Maintenance District; Marie Bishop, PennDOT Highway Safety Engineer.

in Dunmore recently created a memorial in his honor. Lynne

> Brensha, Assistant Fiscal Officer, and i k e Gallagher, Roadway Specdialist, were joined by other District 4-0 staff members in the effort. A section of lawn that separates the office parking lot from the nearby roadway was. cleared. Wildflowers, other plants and

shrubs were planted, and a memorial stone was installed in Jeff's memory. The stone reads, "This site is dedicated to the memory of Jeff Teske who died in the line of duty October 20, 1997"

PennDOT Deputy Secretary for Highway Administration; Ted Zurla, PennDOT Wayne County

Dozens of PennDOT District 4-0 staff members gathered on a drizzling morning recently for the dedication of the Jeff Teske memorial. Among the honored guests were members of Jeff's family including Sarah Teske, his sister; an aunt, Nancy Schwartz; Robert Jenkins, Jeff's uncle and Jennie Jenkins, another aunt.

District Engineer Chuck Mattei welcomed the family members and paid tribute to Jeff Teske as a dedicated worker and a good friend. The Rever-

end Charles Naugle, pastor of the Trucksville United Methodist Church offered a prayer for Jeff and his family. Sal Donato, a co-worker and close friend of Jeff, spoke about the loss he and the entire PennDOT staff felt when their fellow worker was tragically taken away.

PennDOT Deputy Secretary Mike Ryan was the District Engineer in Dunmore when Jeff Teske was hired in June of 1986. Ryan said, "Jeff was well respected by his supervisors and fellow workers. His tragic death was a terrible shock for all of us in the department. We all miss Jeff. This memorial is dedicated in his honor; we hope it will remind all who see it about the importance of driving cautiously in all work



Members of the PennDOT District 4-0 staff stood at a special memorial that pays tribute to Jeff Teske of Shavertown, who was killed in an on the job accident in October of 1997.

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