

BMBPA to discuss frivolous lawsuits at Oct. 14 meeting

The Back Mountain Business and Professional Association will discuss frivolous lawsuits and their effect on all of us at their meeting to be held October 14, at 11:45 a.m. at Merrick Hall on the Campus of College Misericordia.

The speaker Dr. Anthony L. Liuzzo, Professor of Business and Economics at Wilkes University, will present the program. A native New Yorker, Dr. Liuzzo holds a BS degree in Science of Marketing from Fordham, a law degree from St. John's and a Ph.D. in Busi-

ness Administration from NYU. He has served as editor of a scholarly journal and his work has appeared in national publications.

At Wilkes, Dr. Liuzzo has helped the university gain national recognition for its business program.

Dr. Liuzzo lives in Dallas. His wife, Trudy, operates Travel Junction in Shavertown, and is a member of BMBPA.

Please register by Monday, Oct. 11 at 675-9380 and let us know how many are coming.

DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS

Sweet Valley man, 32, charged with sexual assault of children

Robert Mowery, 32, of RR 1, Box 1151, Sweet Valley faces multiple counts of rape, involuntary deviant sexual intercourse, aggravated indecent assault, indecent assault and corruption of minors as the result of a state police investigation.

Police said Mowery had repeatedly assaulted a 10-year-old and 7-year-old boy during the summer. The 10-year-old reported at least six incidents, and the 7-year-old at least 10. The older boy also told police that on one occasion Mowery held a knife to his

chest and threatened that if he told anyone Mowery would kill him.

Trooper Thomas Appleman, of Berwick, began the investigation after he was called to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital in August after one of the boys had been examined by a doctor there. Interviews were conducted at the state police barracks in Shickshinny and at the offices of Luzerne County Children and Youth. The children said the assaults had taken place at Mowery's house on Mooretown Rd. in Lake Twp.

cent, more than twice the legal limit.

• Scott E. Kocher, 23, of RR 1, Box 151 Noxen Rd., Harveys Lake, will face a DUI charge and a charge of careless driving after being arrested May 31 by Dallas Borough police officer James Martin. Martin said that he saw a car driven by Kocher driving very slowly and weaving in an erratic manner at about 2:45 a.m. After the car was stopped, Kocher had great difficulty finding the registration and insurance cards, according to Martin's affidavit of probable cause. Kocher failed field sobriety tests, and his blood alcohol level was measured at .106 percent by chemical test.

• James V. Hannagan, 38, of 446 Hoyt St., Pringle, will face trial on charges of DUI, failing to keep right and careless driving. He was arrested May 22 after Harveys Lake police officer James Karlowicz was called to the scene of an accident on Rt. 415 in front of the police department. Hannagan told Karlowicz that he was driving north when another car hit him on the driver's side and he lost control. Karlowicz said Hannagan appeared to be intoxicated, and part way through field sobriety tests said "I can't do any more, I'm drunk." Hannagan's blood alcohol level was measured at .145 percent.

Mosier was trapped in the car and his injuries prevented Fitch from interviewing him, but blood alcohol tests taken at Community Medical Center measured .132 percent. Mosier is also charged with careless driving and disregarding a traffic lane.

• Michael J. Dymond, 23, of RR 3, Box 238A, Dallas, who was arrested Aug. 12 by Dallas Twp. police officer Jeffrey Dennis, who saw a car driven by Dymond traveling at 62 mph in a 40 mph zone on Upper Demunds Rd. just after midnight. When Dennis followed the car, it went even faster and "was weaving and jerking and driving in the opposite lane," Dennis said in an affidavit of probable cause. Dymond failed field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol level measured .165 percent. He is also charged with speeding and failing to keep right.

• Laura Bassolino, 35, of RR 1, Box 123-6, Harveys Lake, who was arrested June 3 by James Drury of the Dallas Borough Police Dept. A call had been made to 911 reporting a car driving erratically on Rt. 309 in Shavertown. Drury saw the car following another at an unsafe distance, then pass a car on the right before again following too closely. When Drury turned on his lights and siren the car did not pull over at first, and only stopped after driving past another police cruiser that was positioned in the facing lanes. Drury said Bassolino appeared intoxicated, and she failed field sobriety tests. A blood alcohol test measured .199 percent.

• Jacob Harris, 38, of 955 Gate Rd., Shavertown, who was arrested June 26 by Benjamin Bigus of the Jackson Twp. Police Dept. Bigus was called to an accident on Follies Rd. in which a man was lying on the ground with a motorcycle on top of him. Bigus could smell alcohol, and blood records from Geisinger hospital measured .17 percent.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property transfers were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse for the week of September 3 - 16:

- Judith A. Wolfe, to Edward Gray, Lot 211, Dallas Borough, \$59,000.
- Carol W. Kristan, to David E. Fellerman, et al, 7.6 acres, Dallas Twp., \$159,000.
- Christine M. Klug, to John P. O'Donnell, Jr., et ux, 1.24 ac, Lot 3 Maples, Dallas Twp., \$65,000.
- Gordon L. Kensgaard, et ux, to Theodore R. Kocher, et ux, Lot 73, Elmcrest, Dallas Twp., \$120,000.
- Mildred M. Weiss, to Gerald P. Olgurk, 6.36 acres, Dallas Twp., \$25,000.
- Joann Chaney Post, to Sharon R. Schaefer, 95 Skyview Drive, Dallas Twp., \$85,000.
- Hannah Mae Barber, estate, to David W. McDermott, et ux, 45 Old Grandview Ave., Dallas Twp., \$133,250.
- Pine Brook Inn per sheriff, to First Liberty B&T see deed, Dallas Twp., \$19,848.
- Althea J. Kuzminski, per sheriff, to Household Finance CDC, 101 Main St., Dallas Twp., \$9,577.
- Edmund T. Yudiski, et ux, to John Kerrick, et ux, Lot 14, 15, Lakeway Manor, Dallas Twp., \$103,000.
- Paul A. McIntyre, et ux, to Michael S. Melnick, et ux, see deed, Dallas Twp., \$168,000.
- Jean Marie Meholchick, to Robert G. Nave, et ux, 19.739 acres Lot 9, Franklin Twp., \$73,000.
- Elinor Harriet Vino, to Jason P. Covert, et ux, Lot 17, Harveys Lake Bor., \$54,000.
- William F. Hillard, Jr., to Dominick E. Bechetti, et ux, 2 parcels, Harveys Lake Bor., \$1,375.
- David R. Fields, et ux, to Robert N. Alder, Lot 32 Sutton Hills, Jackson Twp., \$135,000.

- Dale Realty Ltd., to Patrick J. McHugh, 2.00 acres, Jackson Twp., \$495,000.
- Jack D. Moran, et ux, to David J. Kolessar, et ux, 2.063 & .176 ac, Lot 35, Jackson Twp., \$585,000.
- Narayanswamy V. Rama Prabhu, et al, to Joseph Francis Tomon, et ux, 147 Highland Ave., Kingston Twp., \$287,000.
- William Hoblak, et ux, to Bank Mt. Rentals, Inc., see deed, Kingston Twp., \$100,000.
- Dolores M. Gutstein, to Mary Ellen H. O'Brien, see deed, Kingston Twp., \$194,000.
- Richard Connors, per sheriff, to Mellon Bank, 163 Bunker Hill Road, Kingston Twp., \$8,328.
- Beverly Roderick, vir al, to Robert S. Strunk, et ux, 2 parcels, Kingston Twp., \$12,500.
- John J. Krochmaluk, et ux, to John J. Krochmaluk, 2 parcels, Lake Twp., \$15,000.
- Edward Foster, et ux, to Kim E. Thompson, Lot 4, Lake Twp., \$20,900.
- Irene Thomas, estate al, to Alan R. Dukes, et ux, 10.701 acres, Lake Twp., \$215,000.
- Irene Thomas, estate al, to Richard R. Chocallo, 1.01 ac, Lake Twp., \$5,000.
- Howard Parsons, per sheriff, to Bank of New York, Outlet Road, Lake Twp., \$7,910.
- William F. Wallo, et ux, to Leonard F. Strong, et ux, 1.13 ac Tract A., Lehman Twp., \$4,000.
- Gerald J. Schraeder, to Richard D. Evans, et ux, Lot 162, Oakhill, Lehman Twp., \$34,900.
- Richard Maslow, et ux, to Steven Holtzman, et ux, 60.48 acres, Lehman Twp., \$605,000.
- Larry L. Culver, et ux, to Andrew T. Jubis, Jr. et ux, Lot 1, Culver Farm Sub., Ross Twp., \$110,000.
- Thomas N. Becker, et ux, to John Niznik, et ux, Lot 34, Ross Twp., \$45,000.

SEX OFFENDER FAILS TO TELL ADDRESS CHANGE

Michael David Calia, 37, of 162 S. Main St., Pittston, is charged with failing to notify the Pennsylvania State Police when he moved from 19 Old Grandview Ave., Dallas, this spring. Police said the Calia, a convicted sex offender, told state police March 31 that his address was 19 Old Grandview Ave., Dallas. When Dallas Twp. police officer Douglas Higgins spoke with the owner of the house on May 10, he was told Calia had moved our on April 5. Under "Megan's Law," registered sex offenders must inform the state police of a new address within 10 days.

BROTHERS CAUGHT CAMPING IN MAUSOLEUM

Leonard R. Tarreto III, 23, and his brother, Ryan M. Tarreto, 20, both of 27 Idlewood Dr., Dallas, are charged with criminal trespass after being observed the evening of Aug. 20 sleeping inside a mausoleum at Chapel Lawn Memorial Park. Dallas Twp. police officer Brian Feeney and three other officers responded to a complaint that a tent and other camping equipment was found in the park. When police arrived, the tent was not seen, but when Feeney shined a flashlight inside a mausoleum he saw the two men sleeping inside. The camping equipment was also inside the building.

CHARGED WITH TAMPERING WITH CARS

Fred L. Parry, 26, of 147 Warden Ave., Trucksville, is charged with criminal mischief, theft, disorderly conduct and public drunkenness after he was arrested July 10 at the Nittany Apartments near Penn State Wilkes-Barre. Lehman Twp. police officer John Young was called to the scene at about 3:30 a.m. by two people who said they had seen someone trying to break into their cars. Young went around the side of the building and found Parry sitting alone. Parry said he was waiting for a ride. The two witnesses identified Parry as the

man who was trying to break in to their cars.

DRUG POSSESSION CHARGED

Steve Horvath will face county court trial on charges of possession of marijuana and several motor vehicle counts. He was arrested the afternoon of July 16 by Dallas Borough police officer James Martin after Martin saw Horvath driving a yellow motorcycle at a high rate of speed on Upper Demunds Rd. When he was stopped, Horvath said he did not have a license and the motorcycle did not belong to him. Martin found a small packet of marijuana in Horvath's pocket during a pat down search. The motorcycle had a Florida validation sticker dated 06/00 placed on the license plate, and Horvath's license was under suspension on a DUI related charge.

DUI CHARGES

Donald Roger Thomas, 39, of 95 Claude St., Dallas, was arrested twice in the span of a month. Thomas was first arrested June 27 by Dallas Borough police officer David Rinehimer after the policeman saw a car driven by Thomas speeding on Rt. 415 near the bowling alley. Rinehimer clocked the car at 66 mph in a 40 mph zone. After the car was stopped, Rinehimer saw that Thomas appeared to be intoxicated. Thomas failed field sobriety tests, and was taken to Wilkes-Barre General Hospital for a blood alcohol test which measured .146 percent, over the .1 percent legal limit. Thomas is also charged with speeding in this incident. Rinehimer arrested Thomas again on July 25 following a report of a one-car accident on Machell Ave. A witness said he had seen a car hit a telephone pole, then back up and leave. Rinehimer found parts of the car at the scene, and went to Thomas's residence based on the description of the vehicle. The car was parked in front of 95 Claude St., with damage that matched the description. When Thomas came out of the house, he failed field sobriety tests. A blood alcohol test measured .221 per-

The following defendants waived their right to preliminary hearings before District Justice James Tupper. Their cases have been sent to county court:

- Brian Mosier, 25, of RR2, Box 282, Hunlock Creek, who was arrested July 26 by David Fitch of the Lehman Twp. police department. Fitch responded to an accident June 26 on Rt. 29 between Moon Lake Rd. and Lake Silkworth. A car driven by Mosier had missed a curve, crossed the road and struck a tree. There were no skid marks. Fitch said.

District court reports are taken from public records filed at the office of District Justice James Tupper, in Trucksville.

Senior center hosts Alzheimer's program

The Luzerne/Wyoming Counties Bureau for the Aging, in conjunction with Pfizer, Inc. and Eisai, Inc. will be co-sponsoring a program entitled "Alzheimer's Disease - The New Horizon" on Oct. 1 at the Wyoming County Senior Center, Dymond Terrace Road, Tunkhannock. The program will begin at 9 a.m. with a healthy breakfast, followed by an open discussion with Edward G. Zurad, M.D. at 10 a.m. This program is open to the public and there is no charge to attend, however, registration is required. You may register by calling the Wyoming County Senior Center at 836-2324.

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