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Kingston Township voters have choices for supervisor

By KASIA McDONOUGH Post Staff

KINGSTON TOWNSHIP - Three Republican and two Democratic candidates are set to face off in a race for three seats on the Kingston Township Board of Su-

Herbert Hill and William Tippett are incumbents while Robert Chamberlain, Christopher Concert and Attorney Joseph Novak are newcomers to the political scene. The Dallas Post asked each candidate's opinion on several issues relevant to township policy. Despite repeated requests for an interview, William Tippett could not be reached for com-

Kingston Township's efforts to control residential development received mixed reviews from the candidates. "I think they're doing just fine with that," said Chamberlain.

"In my way of thinking, we have just the right amount of control," said Hill.

Novak, who lives in a part of Kingston Township which was recently approved for new development despite some concerns about the slope of the land, said the regulations governing residential construction need to be enforced more consistently. "There are rules in place but I think they are carried out on a different standard for different people," he said.

One candidate said he would support increased residential development if environmental protections were not compromised. "I think the township has too much control right now," said Concert. "I'd like to see more development; I think we need it but it should not be done at the expense of the environment.'

Concert said Kingston Township needs to expand programs to foster economic

growth as well. "I don't think they do enough to get businesses to move into the area. If we're going to stay a leading community we have to do more to keep up," he said.

Others said the board of supervisors is very supportive of companies which show an interest in conducting business in Kingston Township. "I think they do

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Soccer rivalry heats up

Dallas wins 1-0 to square season, teams may meet in playoffs

> By KASIA McDONOUGH **Post Staff**

BACK MOUNTAIN - They may have played together years ago in intramural competition, but when members of the Lake-Lehman and Dallas boys' soccer teams get together for a showdown, they don't like each other very much.

The long-time rivals are perennial favorites in the Wyoming Valley Conference and a win or loss in one of their fiercely contested games can often make or break a team's season.

While that wasn't the case this year — both teams have made districts — there was no love lost on the green grassy fields this season. "It used to be a friendly rivalry but now I'd say it's pretty bitter," said Jesse Williams, the Mountaineers' senior captain.

The animosity is fueled by familiarity. Many of the players on both squads have been playing soccer with or against each other for most of their lives. "The guys all know each other from club soccer," said Dallas coach Chris Scharff. "I told my team to forget about knowing them during the season; just pretend they're strangers.

While these teams aren't likely to spend any free time together as they prepare for the post season, the two groups do have something in common.

Both coaches are quick to acknowledge solid defense and un-

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Teammates mobbed Ricky Branco after he scored the only goal in Monday's match with arch rival Lake-Lehman. The Mountaineer avenged a 4-0 loss earlier in the season in a hard-fought but clean game. There's a good chance the teams will meet at least once more in the district playoffs. Celebrating, from left: Adam Clay, Josh Katyl, Branco and Paul Shiber.

Schools try to keep up with technolgy

By KASIA McDONOUGH Post Staff

BACK MOUNTAIN - Computers have made possible advances in the fields of medicine, space exploration, communications and business. In response to these breakthroughs and the growing demand for technologically proficient employees, area school districts have designed plans for incorporating technology in the classroom.

Lake-Lehman and Dallas have expanded existing programs to include instruction in computer use, software applications and Internet access. "My aim is to have computer literate students at the sixth grade level," said Sandra Goodwin, an elementary technology instructor at Lake-Lehman. "By computer literate I mean, knowing the capabilities of the computer and how to use them.'

Dallas has identified specific educational objectives for students at every grade level. "The technology committee,

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Large bear seen in Roushey Plot

DALLAS TWP. - Something or someone was messing with Barbara O'Donnell's trash early Tuesday morning, so she went outside to investigate. When she saw the culprit was a large black bear, "I came right back in!" she said.

O'Donnell shined a flashlight on the bear, which she said stood a foot taller than her trash cans while on all fours. "He just looked at me and continued eating," she said. "Then he walked down the road, and we heard garbage cans being turned over all the way down."

O'Donnell, who lives on Garfield St. in the Roushey Plot section of town, called The Dallas Post to report the sighting because she wanted to alert others to the potential danger.

This isn't the first sighting in the neighborhood. O'Donnell saw a young bear about two years ago. Who knows, maybe he's all grown up now.

Group plans memorial to note Idetown's founding

By KASIA McDONOUGH Post Staff

IDETOWN - The village of Idetown was founded by a former Revolutionary War soldier nearly 200 years ago but today many fear this historical community is losing the battle for its independence.

Growth has been slow, prompting larger and more populace communities to encroach upon Idetown's identity. "Dallas is coming out this way and Harveys Lake is coming up over the hill," said David Ide, a descendant of Nehemiah Ide, who settled here in 800. "Our town is being absorbed.

Idetown residents, in an effort to preserve their town's place on the map, have begun a campaign for official recognition. "If we want to be known as a Revolutionary town we have to go through this process of applying for a historical marker because Idetown was never incorporated," said Shirley Smith, an Ide descendant who is organizing this part of the

A historical marker, if it is granted, would be placed near the intersection of Idetown Road and Route 118. "It makes sense to have the sign there so

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Ide family members met recently to ogranize a fundraising campaign for a proposed Idetown memorial marker. From left: Shirley Smith, Sani Johnson, Beverly Ide, Lois Ide Hughes, David Ide and Willis Ide.

■ Yikes!!

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