

Borough has new zoning officer, and new pay plan

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HARVEYS LAKE - The borough has a new zoning officer and a new way of compensating him. Milton Lutsey was appointed zoning officer at the June 20 meeting of borough council, with compensation of 80 percent of permits and fines issued. His position will include a six month probationary period. Richard Haas, Chairman of the Ordinance Review Committee was directed to develop a job description for the new zoning officer.

Four sealed bids were opened for the 2000 paving project. Following the engineer's recommendation, American Asphalt Paving of Shavertown was awarded the contract with a low bid under \$60,000 and an alternate bid of \$2,227.50 for the Old Lake Rd.

Correspondence from Pasonick Engineering gave council an estimated figure for the new maintenance building, with revisions, of \$275,000 in building costs and \$20,000 engineering fees. Their fees would include code inspections and other ongoing work during the actual construction.

In reference to the building project, Millie Monk asked if the borough had applied for any grants and how many grant applications were approved for 1999. Councilman Dan Hanson gave a summary of their efforts to date.

Mrs. Monk pointed out that Housing and Urban Development had funds which could have been used for such a project, but "I know that HUD has divided up the money for this year." She suggested that they contact John Matussek in the county office to get applications for the future.

George Andrews, council president explained why the borough hadn't received a grant. "There is no full-time borough administrator to research grants," he said. "Anyone in the community who knows sources, please call us and let us know."

Hanson said Karen Boback had been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship for each of her four years of college. In order to qualify, the student needs a 3.5 grade point average and a letter of acceptance to college. He should be contacted by January of 2001 by anyone interested in earning next year's scholarship.



Boback in PA Junior Miss pageant

Karen "K.C." Boback, Luzerne County's Junior Miss, participated in the Pennsylvania Junior Miss Pageant held in Newton, Pennsylvania. For her talent, K.C. performed a ventriloquist routine with her puppet, Snuggles. She was the winner of the Scholastic Achievement Award.

K.C. is the daughter of Buz and Karen Boback, Harveys Lake. She is a cum laude graduate of Wyoming Seminary class of 2000. She will attend the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania in the fall.

Dallas Class of '75 reunion this weekend

The Dallas High School Class of 1975 will hold their 25th reunion beginning on July 1, with an Icebreaker at Grotto Pizza, Harveys Lake followed by a dinner/dance at the East Mountain Inn the following evening, July 2 and then on July 3 a breakfast at the East Mountain Inn.

The planning committee has been busily preparing for this reunion for the past 20 months. Committee members are: Skip Shook, Joyce Dombroski, Linda Rudick Fritzes, Brenda Stella DeSoo and Margaret Hoidra Baney. They ask that if you have not returned your response sheet, please forward the information to Linda Rudick Fritzes at 696-4778.

East Dallas UMC Strawberry Social

A Strawberry Social will be held at East Dallas United Methodist Church, July 12, from 4-7 p.m. The church is located on Lower DeMunds Road.

The menu will include hot dogs, wimpies, potato salad, macaroni salad, beans, cake, ice cream and beverages.

Fair seeks volunteers

The Luzerne County Fairboard and fair Association are seeking volunteers for the upcoming fair to be held September 6 through 10 at the Luzerne County fairgrounds Located in the Lehman-Dallas Township area on Route 118.

The fair is looking for people to answer the phones, to help mow the grass, and to work on other projects for the fair 2000.

Anyone wishing to volunteer call 675-FAIR and leave your name and telephone number.

Shavertown fire company 75th anniversary

Shavertown Volunteer Fire Company is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year. We are planning to hold a block party on Sat., August 12. Starting with a parade at 12 p.m. followed by a short memorial service and presentation of citation. We'll have plenty of feed and games for all, and a band starting at 7 p.m.

Lake-Lehman budget holds line on taxes

□ *Vote is 5-4.*
School director points out lack of public hearings.

By **BILL GOODMAN**
Post Staff

LEHMAN - The Lake-Lehman board of school directors passed a budget with a no tax increase at the Tuesday, June 20 meeting, but not without opposition. The budget passed 5-4. The motion was read by Angelo DeCesaris and seconded by Lois Kopcha. DeCesaris, Kopcha, Robert Allardyce, and James Kapitula voted against the budget.

"I can tell you right now I'm not voting for this. We're not following procedure," said DeCesaris. DeCesaris pointed out that specific budget hearings were to be held as part of policy, which the board was not following. School district solicitor Peter Savage noted that the public has always had an opportunity to give input on the budget. "Just because we haven't done one (a hearing) in the past doesn't make it right," said DeCesaris.

DeCesaris also wanted to raise the penalty on unpaid taxes higher than the current rate of 10 percent. "We're budgeting a mil as less than what it should be because of delinquent taxes," said DeCesaris. Savage read the law, which states that 10 percent is the maximum penalty. The board also set the date for payment in rebate for September 8, and the last day of payment in face as November 7.

The budget listed total expenditures of \$17,847,953, \$10,964,714 of which was budgeted for instruction, and revenues from local state and federal sources of \$17,697,953. Including the unreserved fund balance of \$1,800,000 the total revenues are \$19,497,953. The real estate millage was set at 221 mills for the properties in Luzerne County, and 42 mills for Noxen Township in Wyoming County. School Board business manager Kathleen Williams said that the final fund balance figure would not be known until auditors examined the fig-

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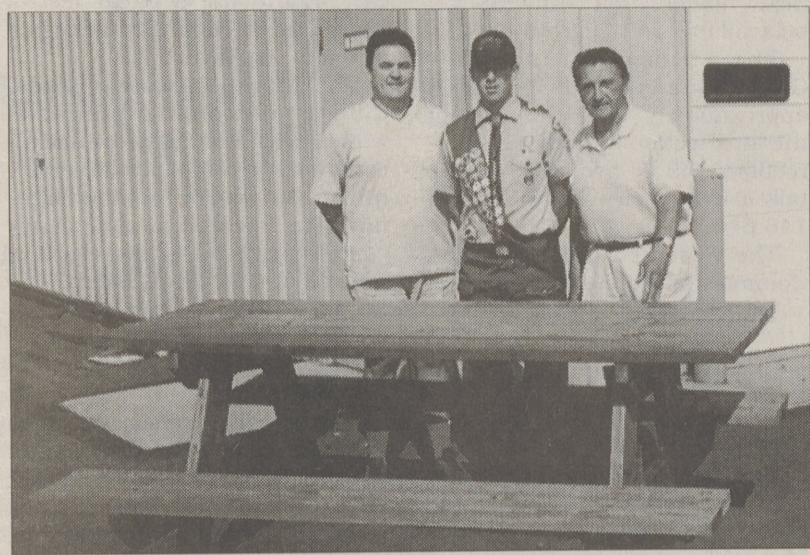
ures in October.

The board also saw a presentation from Kurt Rose of PSBA consultants about the board's search for a new superintendent. Rose said PSBA would help the board recruit and advertise for the position opened when Dr. William Price announced his resignation last month. The consultants would help the board formulate search criteria, and would have staff, students, and the public meet with the finalists. Moderno Rossi hoped to find a replacement in four months, but Rose suggested a six month search. If the chosen candidate was employed at a school or university, they could leave gracefully between semesters, he said.

The board also authorized Williams to request proposals for software that reports and calculates transportation data. Last week the board received a presentation from Advanced Management Systems, a company that sells such software. "A system will give us accurate information for equitable reimbursements, and will accurately map student's whereabouts," said Dr. William Price, the outgoing superintendent.

In an executive session, the board interviewed two candidates for interim superintendent, then approved Robert Roberts, principal of the Lake-Lehman Middle Level School. Roberts will earn \$325 per day, and start as superintendent July 1.

The next regular meeting for voting purposes will be held on Tuesday, July 11 in the Lake-Lehman high school auditorium at 7 p.m.



Cornia honored for Eagle project

Brian Cornia, Troop 241, a resident of Shavertown, recently built 8 picnic tables for the Luzerne County Recreation Department for use at their Sports Complex in Forty Fort. This was a requirement for his Scout Troop 241 quest for his Eagle Scout Badge. The picnic table project was greatly appreciated by the country commissioners as well as the residents of Luzerne County.

Pictured, from left: Keith Cornia, father, Brian Cornia, and John J. Charles, Recreation Director.

Meadows Nursing Center needs volunteers

Volunteers are needed at the Meadows Nursing Center to assist the Activities Department escort residents for outdoor summer activities. Also needed are volunteers to help in the residents' beauty salon/barbershop with escort and other duties.

Orientation and training offered for both assignments. To schedule an appointment for orientation, please call 675-8600, Ext. 138, Marilyn Gregorski, Volunteer Director.

Dallas Fire & Ambulance fund drive underway

Dallas Fire and Ambulance annual fund/subscription drive is currently under way. All residents and businesses within the coverage area have been sent informational material for participation. Anyone who has not received information should call 675-0636, to obtain material and be added to the mailing list. Donations may be sent to "Dallas Fire and Ambulance" at P.O. Box 41, Dallas, PA 18612. For any additional information, please call the above number.

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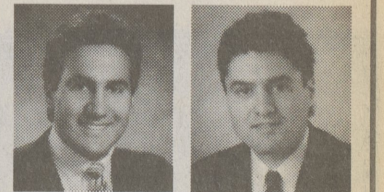
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