

Permits

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health and safety issues too numerous to itemize here."

Some of the items requiring a zoning permit are: home occupancy, installation or resurfacing of driveways, road paving, fire and burglar alarms, erection of signs, and the construction of buildings, garages, decks, porches, patios, sheds, accessory buildings, mobile homes, fences, walls, and in-ground or above-ground swimming pools. Temporary permits are required for large gatherings and for soliciting door to door.

"If you are in doubt as to whether a zoning permit is required," said Bartlett, "you are encouraged to contact our office at 675-8224 and ask. If your request should be handled by the roadmaster or chief of police, we will refer you to the proper department."

Permits range in price from as little as \$10 for resurfacing a

driveway to as much as \$750 for a temporary permit for a gathering of 10,000 or more people. There may also be an occasion when a county agency, such as the planning commission or conservation office, is brought in to review a request. Their review fees are over and above the township zoning permit fee and are set by the respective county agency.

The application process to obtain a zoning permit is simple. You may call the zoning office to obtain an application form. Non-compliance may result in fines set by state law. You may also call the zoning office to obtain zoning maps, ordinance booklets, information on land development and more.

"Our main goal is to promote public health and safety," said Bartlett. "We want to avoid accidents and protect the rights and property of our fellow citizens."

Lake Twp. police

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to disband the police force, she was told, "financial difficulties." There is not enough money to maintain the roads department and the police force, she was told.

"If they disband the police, neighboring police departments are under no obligation to an-

swer calls," Kittle said, "and for the State Police, how long will it take for them to get there?"

Disbanding the police force will be the topic Thursday, July 19, at a special meeting of the Lake Township Board of Supervisors at the municipal building on State Rt. 29 at 7 p.m.



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End of an era

Al Vosburg applied the coup de grace to the old St. Paul's Lutheran Church building in Shavertown Monday. His firm won the contract to tear down the structure, which has been replaced by a new church building in Dallas Township. The old building had served the congregation for 75 years.

Artisans

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piece user friendly," said Sensbach. "For instance, everyone has a favorite coffee mug. They like the size, the shape and the rim and the way it feels in their hand. I use lead-free glaze to further ensure user safety and enjoyment."

An 18 cubic foot propane fired kiln takes center stage in Sensbach's garage. The kiln, which heats up to 2300 degrees, plays a major role in the drying, firing, and glazing of his master pieces. "Glazing is the most difficult part of the process," said Sensbach. "During the 11 hours it takes to glaze a piece, the extreme heat can cause shrinkage. Cracks can form or the piece may break apart. The most difficult look to create is running

glaze where the glaze is positioned to melt down the sides of the piece." If you are lucky enough to be one of his students, you can view this amazing process first hand.

Sensbach enjoys incorporating nature into his work. Several of his large pieces have a translucent ginger color glaze and the rims are embellished with hand decorated green ivy. Another technique he uses to bring na-

ture into his creations is to press leaves into the wet clay and burn them off. It creates a fossil look as each vein in the leaves is preserved in the clay.

"My favorite colors are cobalt blue, copper carbonate (green) and red ware clay," said Sensbach. All of the uniquely shaped vases on display at the gallery are of these colors.

In addition to the gallery in Tunkhannock, Sensbach's cre-

ations can be viewed and purchased at the Red Run Gallery in Blakeslee. Lead time is four to six weeks for specialty orders.

Sensbach lives in Lehman with his wife, Kirsten, and their son.

The artisans display at the Endless Mountains Gallery on Rt. 6 in Tunkhannock will be open to the public until July 31.



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This house, at 60 Midland Drive, Dallas, is where police say Bryan Kocis sexually assaulted a 15-year-old boy. Last week police and prosecutors removed boxes of evidence, including extensive video taping equipment, from the house.

Out on bail

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and his body felt partially paralyzed.

Kocis allegedly grabbed the boy by the hand and led him to an upstairs bedroom where sexual acts took place.

Afterwards, according to police reports, Kocis told the boy he could begin his job stuffing videos for on-line orders. When the boy was finished Kocis took him home.

The boy told police he chatted on-line with Kocis on several occasions after the incidents. When the boy's parents found out what had occurred, they would not allow the boy back on-line.

District Attorney David Lupas said the matter is still under investigation. Lupas said his office is not sure if there are other victims involved, and it will take time to ascertain that informa-

tion.

The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Lupas said, had been called to consult with his office. He said there is a lot of leg work for investigators in this case.

Lupas said his concerns in this case are with the children and the possibility of sexual images of children. Cobra Video Company's website is still in operation because authorities do not have any legal reason to shut down the adult video website. Lupas said if evidence shows minors were used in the videos being sold on the site, it will be a different matter.

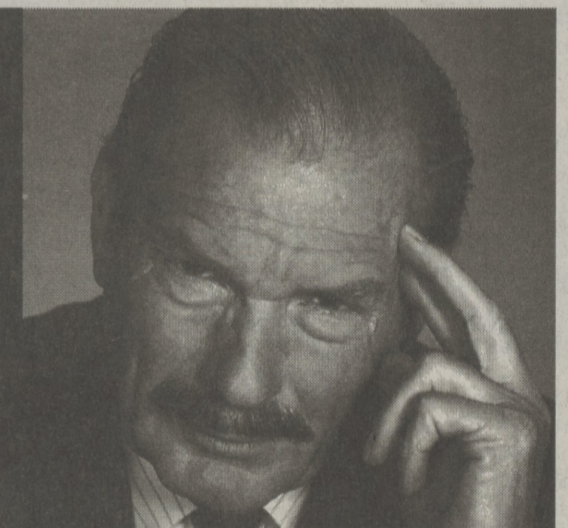
Kocis's preliminary hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, July 24, at 9:30 a.m. at District Justice's James Tupper's office in Kingston Township.



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Skip Sensbach creates unique ceramic items in his studio.

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