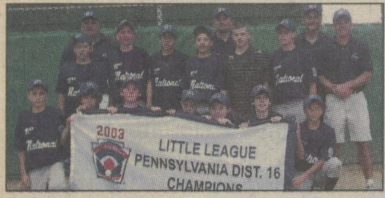


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## Kingston Township to consider ban on open burning

By ERIN YOUNGMAN  
Post Staff

**KINGSTON TWP.** — The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors has proposed the elimination of all open burning in the township. Availability of grant money is being cited as a main consideration.

At a July 23 special meeting, the board of supervisors will hear comments from residents as well as repre-

sentatives from both the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Dallas Area Municipal Authority (DAMA) on the issue of banning open burning in the township.

Kingston Township and DAMA officials said recently the ability to acquire DEP grant money for DAMA's recycling program is one of several reasons for the possible amendment to the open burning ordinance.

Larry Spaciano of DAMA said DEP

recently changed its regulations for recycling grant money eligibility. Now to be eligible for 902 grant funds that provide money for starting up a recycling program or purchasing equipment for such a program, the department specifies that municipalities must have certain limits on open burning.

DAMA, which Kingston Township is a part of, has a recycling program that was started several years ago with 902

funds. For additional funds for the yard waste component of the program, amendments to the open burning ordinance are required.

Ed O'Neill, Kingston Township Manager, said although not the only reason for considering amendments to the ordinance, the ability to obtain grant money is a factor.

"There's grant funding DAMA is limited to because they do allow open burning in the (DAMA) member mu-

nicipalities. Certainly that's something that we would say 'Hey, let's take a look at this.'"

Spaciano said DAMA, which is made up of Kingston Township, Dallas Township and Dallas Borough, is fortunate because its recycling program was set up prior to DEP's new regulations.

He said the yard waste component

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### Tears and thanks

The last on-site library auction painting by Dallas artist Sue Hand went over the block Sunday night at the 57th annual auction, raising \$4,000 for the library. In photo above, Joe and Sue Hand took the stage after the bidding closed for an emotional thank you. Also on the stage, from left, John Gager, Sumner Bachman, Ernest Ashbridge and Steve Traver, who coaxed the bids. Inset, Sue Hand did her best to hold back tears as the bidding progressed. More auction photos on page 4.

## Budget uncertainty troubles L-L board members

By TARA BENNINGER  
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**LEHMAN TWP.** — The Lake-Lehman School Board tried once again to nail down numbers and make decisions on renovations and new building projects at its July 15 meeting. The priorities seem clear, but the numbers are another story.

"I just want to see some concrete

numbers on a piece of paper," commented Director Charles Boytin. His frustration seemed to be shared by many board members.

The board passed a budget that showed a \$412,000 deficit, but one report from June 30 showed a \$34,000 surplus. "A swing of \$470,000," commented an angry Director Angelo DeCesaris. He warned the board that

he derived those numbers without Business Manager Kathleen Williams, who was not at the meeting, but those numbers were from reports given to the board.

In deciding what projects to do, Director Charles Balavage said, "the pole (maintenance) building is definitely on a wish list." However the consensus seemed to be that renova-

tions on the science labs and industrial arts rooms should take priority.

Boytin asked that the board make a decision after bids were received for the Middle Level Education Building, which would be sometime after July 22, and once the district finds out how much money the state will be allocat-

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## Miles of Mules Benefactors park colorful mule in Dallas

By M.B. GILLIGAN  
Post Correspondent

**DALLAS** — It's a bit of a stretch to include the Dallas center intersection in the Delaware and Lehigh Canal Corridor, but thanks to its most infamous trait, we have our very own mule.

"We put up a sign where it was originally planned for in Wilkes-Barre because you just couldn't corral this stubborn mule," said Mary Metz. She and her husband, John, of Harveys Lake are the proud sponsors and owners

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Cindy Trudgeon stood by the mule she decorated for John and Mary Metz of Dallas, as an entry in the Miles of Mules display.

## New teachers hired by Dallas

By ERIN YOUNGMAN  
Post Staff

**DALLAS TWP.** — Up to its ears in applicants, the Dallas School District Board of Directors selected some new teachers Monday night.

Out of 170 applicants, the board settled on four, three of whom will go to the elementary schools and one to the middle school.

Gilbert Griffiths, Superintendent of Schools, said unlike last year around this time when an influx of first and third graders necessitated the last-minute hiring of teachers, enrollment numbers have not grown substantially. "(Enrollment) numbers are at the same levels as last year. There's not the increase we saw last year," he said.

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## DEP gives Harveys Lake second violation

By ERIN YOUNGMAN  
Post Staff

**HARVEYS LAKE** — The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has cited the Harveys Lake Municipal Authority with a second Notice of Violation (NOV), finding the authority once again in violation of the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law.

In the letter dated July 1, James F. Holmes, Water Quality Specialist Supervisor, stated the NOV was issued in response to untreated sewage flowing out of manhole covers on June 21 and 22.

According to the letter, the overflows were at the intersection of Queen of Peace Drive and Lakeside Drive and Pole Numbers 251 through 256. It also states the overflows occurred during a period of heavy rain.

The newest NOV is the second in a month. The first was issued June 10 in response to several complaints from residents along Lakeside Drive.

Mark Carmon, DEP spokesperson, said the second NOV is "further documentation of the problem." He said the notices would be utilized in court as evidence if Harveys Lake were to stop cooperating with DEP to solve the overflow situation.

"We're hopeful that we don't have to take the next step into litigation. If they continue the way they are, we won't have to," said Carmon.

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