

Flood

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District for not having an Erosion and Sediment Plan in place. All "earth disturbance activities" to the property have to cease until he develops such a plan and has it approved. In the report filed August 7 by the conservation office, the area is to be stabilized immediately by seeding and mulching.

Zeiss said she called the township municipal building to seek answers. She said the road department has since smoothed out ruts on Sago Street in hopes that would help the problem. She said she was also advised to attend a township meeting and explain the

"We never had muddy water like the mighty Mississippi coming through."

Amy Zeiss
Woodlawn Avenue

problem, something she said she intends to do.

"I'd just like to see who is responsible and get it worked out. I'm sure there's got to be a solution."



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Where's Noah?

Heavy rains Monday flooded streets and yards throughout the Back Mountain. Above, water flowed across a road in Newberry Estate, from one pond to another. At left, a tree and rocks blocked Rt. 309 into the Back Mountain.

Enter now for 2003 County Fair Queen and Princess

Applications for this year's 2003 County Fair Queen and County Princess events are now available. To obtain an application, visit the fair office located on Route 118 in Dallas, or call 675-1761 for a queen application or 675-7449 for a princess application. The queen event is open to single young women between the ages of 16 to 20 years of age, with an entry deadline of August 25. The princess event is open to girls aged 6 to 10, with a deadline to enter set for August 29. Call 675-1761 or 675-7449 by August 16 to enter.

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David Moss, a resource conservation specialist with the conservation district office, said he responded to the site after receiving calls from residents.

In addition to not having filed an Erosion and Sediment Plan, the report detailed three other specific violations of the law which hinged on the first. Cited were: failure to have an erosion plan on site, failure to implement best management practices and failure to prevent sediment or other pollutant discharge into waters of the commonwealth.

According to the report, Dombroski also violated the Clean Streams Law by clearing trees to the banks of the nearby stream. The law requires a minimum of a 50-foot "filter strip" or buffer zone.

According to Moss, failure to implement "Best Management Practices" at the site, puts the stream in danger of being polluted by erosion and sedimentation.

Moss said sediment flows into the stream could have been prevented by any number of

measures which should have been predefined and approved by his office.

"Even though its a small unnamed tributary, it's still a water of the commonwealth," said Moss.

Moss said fines are not applicable at this point. "The goal is to gain voluntary compliance. Next time out we want to see some changes," he said.

Moss said Dombroski is required to stop any work at the site that may cause "earth disturbance" until an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan is developed and approved.

In addition, the property is to be stabilized immediately by seeding and mulching.

Moss said when asked about the violations, the developer said he thought he was well within his rights, that he had contacted the township prior to cutting and that no mention of such plans were referenced by that office.

"I wouldn't say it was willfully negligent (on the part of Dombroski); however, it doesn't change the outcome."

Mazzoni to head group of officers for PICPA's Northeastern Chapter

Joseph R. Mazzoni, CPA, was elected president of the Northeastern Chapter of the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants (PICPA) for 2003-2004. He succeeds Susan G. Walizer, CPA. Mazzoni, an individual practitioner in Shavertown, is actively involved in the community through his work with Back Mountain Memorial Library. Mazzoni holds a BS from Bentley College. He joined the PICPA in 1980.

Grange #567 meeting

Mountain Grange #567 will hold their regular monthly meeting at 5 p.m. Tuesday, August 19 at the Grange Hall.

Meetings will now be held on the third Tuesday of each month. In the summer months, the meetings will begin at 5 p.m. During the winter months, the meetings will begin at 4 p.m.

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