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# Harveys Lake makes progress on sewage overflows

By ERIN YOUNGMAN Post Staff

HARVEYS LAKE — Countless ours of round-the-clock work and a enerous outlay of cash have nearly eliminated the problem of raw sewage spewing out of manholes around the

Rick Boice, Manager of the Harveys Lake Municipal Authority, said inflow

and infiltration studies have identified 200,000 gallons of storm water entering the sewer lines. Some repairs still need to be made, but other corrections have already paid dividends.

Jay Niskey, who owns property next to the authority and who has been outspoken about the problem of overflowing sewers, and Mark Sobeck, president of the Harveys Lake Protective Association, agree that great strides "It's coming along, but it's slow and expensive."

**Rick Boice** Manager Harveys Lake Municipal Authority

have been made in resolving the overflow problem.

"We haven't had an outflow," said Niskey. "Borton Lawson (Engineering) has really put forth an effort as well as the (Harveys Lake) Municipal Authority. I think we're seeing the result of that with not having any overflows.'

In June, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) cited Harveys Lake with two Notices of Violation for breaking the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law.

Around that time, the borough appointed the Borton Lawson firm to evaluate and help solve the overflow

Boice said to date, over \$50,000 has been spent finding where surface water is entering into the sewer lines the most likely cause of the overflows.

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#### She wants her MTV .. and she got it

## Lehman junior to be featured on MTV

The Lake-Lehman Theater is poised to present their next production, "Making Nice," in conjunction with the MTV program "Made."

Lake-Lehman junior Angie Nice was chosen for an episode of the MTV series

during audi-

tions held at

the network

Lake-Lehman,

saying, "we'd

like her to be

contacted

the school last

'Making Nice' Friday, Oct. 3 Saturday, Oct. 4 7:30 p.m. each night spring. Later, Walsh Auditorium College Misericor-

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in some sort of and advance tickets production," said Jonathan Pineno, the director.

He chose five possible plays, any one of which were appropriate, he said. The episode is scheduled for broad-

cast Saturday, October 11 at 12 noon. The one-act comedy written by Alan Haehnel features Nice as Claire, Craig Thomas as Bob, Chelsea Mac-Dougall as Ellen, Jill Priebe as Hetty, Steven Lunderman as Marly, Joe DeCesaris as Stewart, Jake Davies as Jason and a host of other colorful characters that make the stage come

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Craig Thomas, playing the director in "Making Nice," explodes at the title character, Angie Nice, in rehearsal Tuesday night. The Lake-Lehman play will be presented at College Misericordia because the school auditorium is being renovated.

# Insurance, planning cited by business wary of trail

By ERIN YOUNGMAN Post Staff

TRUCKSVILLE — Railroad bed owned by Newell Fuel has been pinpointed as pivotal to the completion of the Back Mountain Trail. But Russ Newell Jr. said this week he's been advised by attorneys not to provide

right-of-way for the trail.

Newell, part owner of the business located at 108 South Memorial Highway, said although initially excited about the rails to trails idea, he's not so enthusiastic now. Newell said he wants to see more insurance and more

specific planning. "Initially I thought it was a good

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idea. But after doing further research, I found it may not be in our best interest," he said.

Newell said the main issue is liability. He said the Back Mountain Trail currently carries \$1 million in insurance. That is insufficient, he contends.

"What if some kid from Wilkes-Barre falls off his bike and lands be-

hind our building?"

Newell thinks the bare minimum amount of insurance the trail association should have is \$5 million. "Then we might be able to start talking," he

Judy Rimple, President of An-

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### 3 Lake-Lehman schools removed from warning list By ERIN YOUNGMAN

LEHMAN TWP. — Because of a change in the way the Pennsylvania Department of Education assesses attendance numbers, three schools in the Lake-Lehman School District have been removed from the warning list they were placed on just weeks ago.

The Lehman-Jackson, Ross and Lake-Noxen elementaries have been taken off the Pennsylvania Accountability System warning list because under the new system, their attendance numbers round to the required 95 percent, said Shanna McClintock, spokesperson for the Department of Education.

McClintock said schools were notified about the change earlier this month. However, as of last Monday, administrators at Lake-Lehman had not heard the news. Dave McLaughlin-Smith, Lake -Lehman curriculum director, reacted happily to the news. "No, I hadn't heard that. I'm glad they've rounded them up," he said.

All of Lake-Lehman's schools had been placed on the warning list for not adhering to Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) standards in line with the Federal No Child Left Behind law (NCLB).

The standard requires that attendance, participation and graduation rates at all schools is be 95 percent, or trending upward to reach that goal by 2014. The middle school and the district's three elementaries had been placed on the warning list for slipping in their attendance, while the high school was placed on the list for failing to meet the 95 percent graduation requirement.

McClintock said percentages are now rounded to the nearest whole number. Previously, they were rounded to the

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## Changes for the Post

Beginning with the first issue in October, The Dallas Post will be delivered in a different manner, on a different day. The content and presentation of Back Mountain news will not diminish, but in fact will be enhanced.

The Post will be delivered to subscribers in the core Back Mountain area with the Sunday Times Leader. Subscribers who do not take the Times Leader on Sunday will now receive it at no additional cost with their Dallas Post subscription.

Outside of that area, the Post will continue to be delivered separately by mail, arriving on Mondays. Copies will also be available at local newsstands

The first issue on the new schedule will be delivered October 5. There will not be a paper on Friday, October 3.

For advertisers, the change will mean an immediate doubling of circulation, with home delivery on the best readership day of the week

The offices of The Dallas Post also have changed. The office at 607 Main Road in Dallas will close this week, and operations are moving to the Times Leader building in Wilkes-Barre. The main phone and fax numbers, and e-mail address, will not change. Mail sent to our Dallas address will be forwarded for up to one year. But please make changes on your records now to avoid delays in your material reaching us.

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#### Isabel pays a visit

Tropical storm Isabel roared through the Back Mountain Thursday night and Friday of last week, bringing down limbs, trees and knocking out power in some areas. This willow tree in the Meadows section of Newberry Estate, Dallas, came down Thursday evening around midnight, said neighbors. It took out a white pickup on its way.