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following items: canned meats like Spam, corned beef and tuna, beef and chicken stew, carrots, beets, peanut butter and jelly, evaporated or powdered milk, spaghetti sauce, cake mix and frosting, cereal, and canned fruits.

"Fruit is expensive, so we don't get a lot of that," said Hazeltime.

Monetary donations are always welcome. As part of the Commission on Economic Opportunity, the food pantry can purchase bulk items from the Weinberg Food Bank.

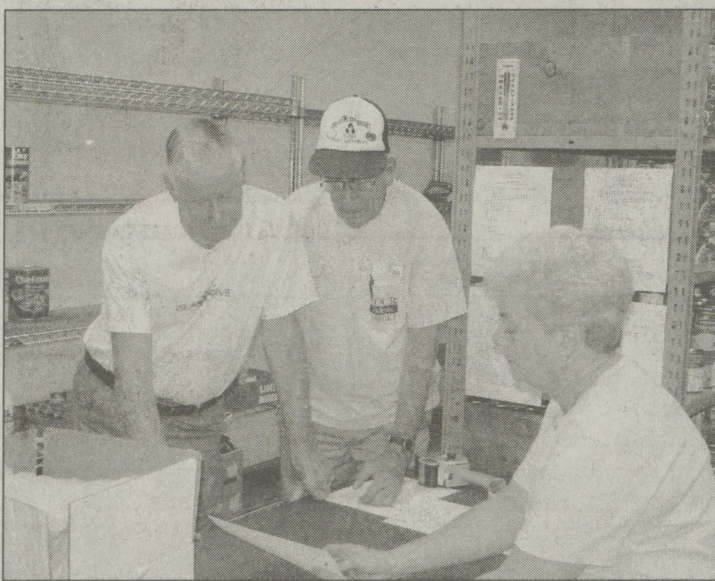
The average household that is served by the Back Mountain Food Pantry has two adults and two children, but nearly 25 percent of those registered are elderly people who are living alone. The food pantry serves approximately 150 area children.

In addition to the large col-

lections by the scouts and postal workers, food drives are held throughout the year. Last year students in the Dallas School District collected over 5,000 pounds of food. Several students at Lake-Lehman High School have held collections of food and money as part of the Senior Completion Projects.

This year the Kingston Township and Dallas youth football programs are requesting that families bring one canned good to their first football games to support the pantry.

For more information on how you can help or to arrange the drop off of your donations, call the food pantry at 696-2917. Donations are also accepted from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. You may also call that number if you need food for yourself or your family.



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Carol Eyet, left, from East Dallas United Methodist Church, discusses the weekly orders with volunteers Richard Harrison, left, Trucksville UMC, and Walter Gosart, St. Paul's Lutheran Church. As the empty shelves in the background illustrate, the Back Mountain Food Pantry is struggling to keep up with demand.

Board delays staff changes

By MARK GUYDISH
For The Post

DALLAS TWP. — The Dallas School Board sparred over the positions of assistant superintendent and middle school assistant principal at the August 9 meeting, with two plans considered.

One would spread the assistant superintendent responsibilities among 11 other administrators, while hiring a permanent assistant principal. The other would apparently fill both slots temporarily while the board reviewed costs and needs before making final decisions.

Despite a long debate that included sharp rebukes by audience members eager to see a permanent assistant principal, the board failed to resolve the issue.

Board Vice President Frank Natitus said the posts would be

publicly advertised, but probably as one-year positions. Member James Richardson scoffed, insisting no one outside the school district would apply for a one-year stint.

Board member Dennis Gochoel called for a non-binding vote to see who wanted to fill the assistant principal slot permanently, and five of the seven present voted yes: Gochoel, Richardson, Dan Nulton, Russell Bigus and Maureen Matiska. Natitus and Gary Mathers said they needed more information.

Yet when Matiska made a surprise move to immediately begin interviews for the assistant principal slot, Nulton and Bigus joined Natitus and Mathers in voting no. Matiska said the opening had been advertised in May and she wanted to interview candidates who responded to that ad.

Lake-Lehman appoints principals

By DARRIN YOUKER
For The Post

LEHMAN, TWP. — The Lake-Lehman School District appointed five building principals August 10, over the objection of several school board members.

Three board members voted against the appointments, saying they did not get an opportunity to interview candidates. The principals and assistant principals were appointed after recommendations by new Superintendent Michael Healey.

Board member Mark Kornoski said the school board spent more time interviewing football and basketball coaches than principals. Kornoski, Charles Balavage and Lois Kopcha, vot-

ed against the appointments.

School Board President James Mahon said the superintendent was the most qualified person to choose building principals. Having Healey pick the administrators takes politics out of the game, Mahon said.

Appointed by the board by a 5 to 3 vote were:

Tracey Halowich, junior high principal at a salary of \$60,000; Nancy Edkins, assistant senior high school principal at a salary of \$56,000; Marilyn Glogowski, principal of Lehman-Jackson Elementary School at a salary of \$70,458; Donald James, principal of Ross Elementary School at a salary of \$60,000 and Debra Demming, principal of Lake-Noxen Elementary School at a salary of \$60,000.



Hoping (?) to win a smooch with the pig are, from left: Dallas Borough Officer-in-Charge James Martin; Dallas Township Police Chief Robert Jolley; WBRE-TV, Ch. 28 Weathercaster Vince Sweeney; Kingston Township Police Chief James Balavage; Lehman Township Police Chief Howard Kocher.

Festival

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ship Police Chief Howard Kocher (Back Mountain Recreation).

Ballot jars can be found at the following locations:

Ochman's Jewelry, Church St., Dallas;

J&J Deli, Rt. 415, Dallas;

Citizens Bank, Main St., Dallas;

UniMart, Rt. 309, Dallas;

Pizza Perfect, Carverton Rd., Trucksville;

the office of State Senator Charles D. Lemmond, Dallas Shopping Center;

Libations Pub, Main St., Dallas;

Hilbert's The Tractor Store, Rt. 415, Dallas;

Jersey Shore Restaurant,

Lake St., Dallas; Lehman Country Grille, Lehman Center.

Participants may vote as often as they wish. Ballot jars will be collected on September 18. This year's winner will be announced during the festival by District Justice James Tupper.

Last year's winner was Dallas Borough Mayor Timothy Carroll.

Questions concerning vendor/producer participation in the festival should contact Mary Manzoni at 675-9274. For all other festival information, contact Dallas Borough Manager Joseph Moskovitz at 675-1389.

Dallas festival meeting

The 2004 Dallas Harvest Festival Committee will meet on Thursday, August 19, at 7 p.m. in the Dallas Borough Council chambers at 25 Main St. The committee is in the process of finalizing plans for this year's expanded Dallas Days Weekend Festival activities.

Recycling site open

DALLAS TWP. — The recycling site for yard waste in the rear of the township building is for residents only. Acceptable items include leaves, grass, twigs and yard waste. No stumps, logs or kitchen trash will be accepted. Violators will be prosecuted.

Recycling hours are 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays; 8 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. The site is closed Sundays.

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Nardone

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The band is composed of six former members, with Nardone handling vocals and saxophone. Others are Dave Dunsavage, guitar and vocals; Carl Swinski, keyboard; Ira Saylor, drums; Glenn Johnson, drums; and Bob Gryzic, bass.

Bill Brown, who had shared vocals with Nardone, died two years ago.

The concert will be rich in memories for anyone who tuned into their AM radio in the 1960s, or who loves the sounds of that era. Nardone said the band's playlist includes classics by Dion and the Belmonts, Ray Charles, Del Shannon, Jerry Lee Lewis and other hitmakers.

But you won't hear any Elvis Presley. "Only Elvis can do Elvis," Nardone said.

In their heyday, Joe Nardone and the All Stars cut a couple of records, but never landed a big-time contract. "You hope you can go bigger, but it never happened," Nardone said.

"We didn't think it would go on for 12 years."

Joe Nardone
Shavertown

But he doesn't regret that stardom passed him by, and is pleased that instead of touring and recording he was able to build his business. Now, he and his bandmates rehearse about six times in advance of their annual performance.

"If it's only one a year, we can handle it," Nardone said.

Devoted fans will be able to listen to the band more often now, with a new CD of live cuts from prior reunion concerts that will be on sale at the dance and then in the Gallery of Sound stores.



The All Stars mugged for the camera in 1964 on the stage at Sans Souci Park. From left: Carl Swinski, Bob Burdenski, Dave Dunsavage, Ed Sisko and Joe Nardone.

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