

Game is a distraction from more serious business

**Greg Pimm battles** tacklers as his brother Eric serves with Army.

#### **By CHRIS BELL** Post Correspondent

It's a little easier for Greg imm to concentrate on football this season. A year ago, Greg's older brother, Eric, was in the midst of a year-long tour of duty in Iraq with the United States Army, much of it stationed near Mosul in the dangerous "Sunni Triangle."

But for now, Eric is stationed at Fort Campbell in Kentucky, and that helps put Greg's mind at ease.

"It was tough to think about football last year," Greg explained. "I tried to focus on the task at hand, but knowing that

he was putting his life on the line was always in the back of my mind."

His older brother's absence provided Greg with some extra motivation during his junior season. "My family is very close knit and I'm proud of what Eric is doing," said Greg, the youngest of three sons of John and Joye Pimm of Harveys

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in a photo taken in 2003 in Iraq a senior at Lake-Lehman

# Water system improvements come with

A proposed water tower would provide higher pressure and better quality, but doesn't look very attractive.

#### **By RONALD BARTIZEK** Post Staff

KINGSTON TWP. - It's big and most people would say ugly, but if residents of several Trucksville developments want a better water supply, a large tower is one way to get it.

About 25 people turned out earlier this month to hear from Aqua Pennsylvania about a \$1.3 million project to connect together eight neighborhood water supplies, replace lines and construct a tower up to 150 feet tall.

While no one objected to the upgrades, concerns were raised about the appearance of the tower and the effect the renovated system might have on the water table.

"Water quality is one of my biggest problems with these small systems," said Dave Quinn, Manager of the company's White Haven Division, which includes the local service area.

He explained that inadequate pressure now makes it impossible to properly flush the lines, leading to a buildup of contaminants. The problem is especially acute in Midway Manor, he said, where the lines themselves are too small.

A tank, which would contain more than 200,000 gallons of water, would provide more pressure for flushing, and would also allow the use of fire hydrants. But the proposed site, at the intersection of Manor Drive and Howell Road, where the company now has a pump station, would make it stick out like a sore thumb.

The examples shown had a "bulb" at the top of a pedestal. Rich Subasic, Aqua Pennsylvania general manager, said the bulb would be about 35 feet in diameter and 30 feet high, and the stem would be about 12 feet in diameter.

The tank needs to be 1260 to 1280 feet above sea level, and the proposed site meets that requirement. But, confronted with opposition, Subasic said it was not the

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### Big donors are modest about their generosity

#### **By CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK** Post Correspondent

DALLAS TWP. — David Keating has donated enough blood to supply the complete needs of 20 people, and he's still going strong.

The typical human body contains eight to 10 pints of blood, and Keating, 59, of Dallas, has donated 22 1/2 gallons at American Red Cross blood drives since 1966.

"Well, American Red Cross Blood Drive Thursday, Sept. 23 sounds 1-6 p.m. like a lot Dallas Baptist Church of blood Rt. 415, Dallas me, Info: 823-7161 or 1-800-GIVELIFE but they

might be right," comments Keating on statistics kept by the Red Cross.

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Keating began giving blood while in the Marine Corps, because it got him out of 12 hours of duty. He has kept it up ever

nate at Back Mountain blood drives whenever possible, though he realizes the regional blood bank supplies all of north-

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eastern Pennsylvania and sometimes donates closer to his work site.

Family members, Joan Keat-

ing, his wife, and his daughter, Elizabeth, also contribute. "It's the right thing to do. I don't make a big deal of it," says David.

Walter Blejwas of Idetown is another long and consistent blood contributor who has over the last 30 years given 15 gallons of blood. When his wife was comatose from liver damage caused by Lupus, the "packed red blood cells" she needed were always there, he remembers.

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Help for the United Way. From left, Lisa Baker, United Way chairperson; David Lee, United Way president and his wife Marge; Rosa and Eric Lee, owners of Peking Chef Restaurant, and Tom Pugh of John Heinz Institute posed for a photo before sitting down to a dinner donated by Eric Lee for the benefit of the United Way.

# **Restauranteur offers feast for United Way**

#### Staff report

DALLAS - Eric Lee's goal was to put on the best meal ever in the 25-year history of his Peking Chef restaurants.

"As far as I'm concerned, he did it," said David Lee, presint of the United Way of the oming Valley, a few days after attending a two-day extravaganza that raised more than \$22,000 for the organization.

#### **Overbrook owner steps** up for next year. Pg 3.

To pull off his plan to give something back to the community in his 25th year of business, Lee stopped taking carryout orders at 5:15 p.m. last Sunday and Monday, and had his staff prepare and serve benefit dinners both nights for the United Way of the Wyoming

Valley. Lee also donated all the food that was served.

The event was in the works for nearly six months, and on the night it was becoming a reality the whole family was pitching in.

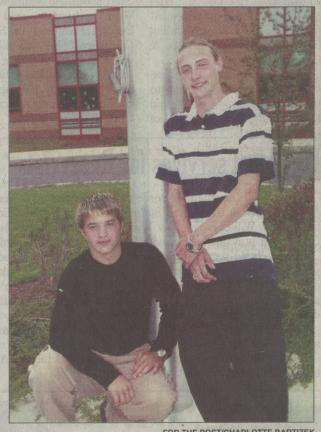
Along with his wife, Rosa, both of Lee's children, Eric, 25, and Erica, 23, were making final preparations. Eric and Erica, both United Way volunteers See UNITED WAY, pg 2



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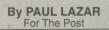


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Brandon Johnson, kneeling, and Cody Kopcha, Lake-Lehman seniors, are organizing a charity bicycle ride for their senior project.

## Taking to 2 wheels for a good cause

Lake-Lehman seniors want to raise funds for service that helps young mothers.



A beautiful bike ride for a good cause.

That's what Lake-Lehman seniors Cody Kopcha and Brandon Johnson are planning for their senior project, one that will raise money for the Family Enhancement Center at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital in Kingston.

"The center helps new mothers with their families and makes sure that they do okay," said Kopcha, "My best friend's girlfriend was pregnant at 17, so it really hit home for me.'

Although Cody is not a bicyclist, Brandon enjoys his bike rides, so the two decided to put their heads - and causes — together: Johnson, the bike ride and Kopcha, the Family Enhancement Center.

