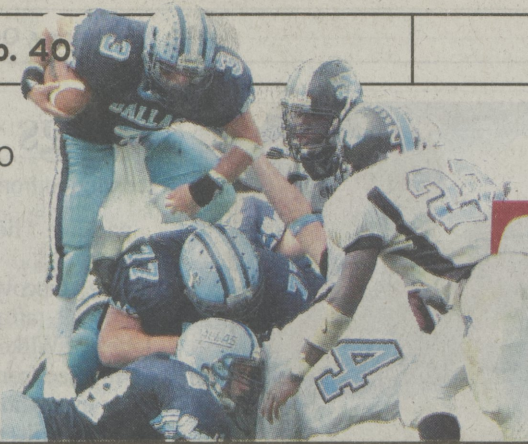


Mounts go over the top for a victory

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## Water quality is issue in dredging debate

Arguments are raised both for and against creating a larger, deeper channel.

By RONALD BARTIZEK  
Post Staff

**HARVEYS LAKE** — Both proponents and opponents of dredging a channel behind the Marina Pointe townhouses argue their ideas are better for water quality.

Members of the borough's Environmental Advisory Council

believe dredging a small portion of the lake would allow more nutrient-rich sediment to enter the main lake, and a scientist who has studied the lake for nearly a quarter century agrees.

"I'm speaking very strongly because I think the wetland needs to be spoken up for," said Michael Daley, a board member and 12-year member of the council.

But Russell James, an aquatic biologist whose firm is a consultant on the project and would do the work,

defends the dredging, which he says would remove "organic muck" and creating a deeper channel would improve water quality.

No decision has yet been made by the Pa. Department of Environmental Protection on the request to dredge a section of Harveys Lake behind the Marina Pointe townhouses.

The plan calls for creating a 60-foot-wide channel — about twice what it is now — with a uniform depth of 8 feet. The channel would

be about 300 feet long.

"There's already a channel there," he said, although it is only about 2 feet deep on average. And the bottom is loaded with nutrient-rich sediment that flows in from a small creek.

"It's not pristine by any stretch," said James, who cites 30 years experience working on local lakes to support his position.

Daley believes deepening the channel will destroy an area that is

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Danielle Evans hooks material through the stretched burlap. Art teacher Richard Derby is in the background.

## Strollin' in the rain



FOR THE POST/CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK

Rachel and Marin Trojan walk with great-grandmother Josie Shaw around the pond at the Meadows Center in Dallas looking for friendly ducks. Even those famously water-resistant creatures are probably glad the storms caused by leftover hurricanes have passed.

## An old craft is revived at Lake-Lehman

By M.B. GILLIGAN  
Post Correspondent

Nineteen seniors in Lake-Lehman High School's Art 4 class have taken up a new craft. At least it's new to them.

"My mother used to hook rugs and I thought it would be an interesting project to introduce to them," said Richard Derby who in his 30th year as a teacher is still keeping things fresh for his students.

Derby received some help with the project from area resident Judy Dawe. "My father brought the craft to the area in the 1920s," said Dawe. "He learned it at the Grenfell Mission in Newfoundland, Canada. He made hooks for my mother and grandmother out of nails with drawer pulls for handles."

They taught some other women the craft and they would get together to hook rugs. Richard Derby's mother was a member of that original group.

Rug hooking is considered one of the indigenous crafts of North America. The introduction of jute burlap made it practical because the material was strong and the loose, open weave lent itself to hooking material through.

"I found just the right burlap at Hoss' Garden Hut (in Dallas)" said Derby. "I wanted it to be loose enough for the stu-

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Watch tonight (Oct. 3) at 9 p.m. on VH1 as Judy Fitch Guinosso competes for a spot on the Partridge Family show.

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## Size of drug stash surprises police

\$1 million heroin, guns and more found in Dallas storage unit

Staff reports

DALLAS TWP. — Authorities found more than \$1 million in heroin and a cache of firearms in a rented storage unit.

"I've never seen that much, not even in a picture from a local inves-

tigation," said Kingston Township Police Chief James Balavage last Thursday.

An investigation into an identity theft case that started at a Kingston Township convenience store led authorities to the storage facility.

It is not known who placed the heroin and guns at Dallas Self Storage, but several leads are being pursued, Balavage said.

In a press release, Balavage warned about the spread of hard drugs into the region. "The nature and quantity of heroin seized reinforces the fact that major drug operations are moving into suburban areas of Luzerne County," he wrote.

In addition to the drugs and guns, the unit contained all the equipment needed to manufacture, process and

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## Fate, family lead buddies on stage

Four Dallas High grads join up after 20 years to form a band.

By CAMILLE FIOTI  
Post Correspondent

A series of fateful twists and chance meetings brought together four long lost Dallas High School buddies, who are now fulfilling a teenage dream.

Matthew Krivak and Mike Stevens, class of 1983; Jeff Zaykowski, class of '85, and Matt McLaughlin, class of '86, have put together a rock band eight months ago and named it Concrete Road, after the popular hangout near their old school.

"All the while we were in school, we'd slip down to the concrete road to meet everybody," said Zaykowski, the lead guitarist. "When you say 'concrete road,' anybody that has lived in the Back Mountain knows what you mean."

Their 20-year journey started in 10th

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POST PHOTO/RON BARTIZEK

Bandmates in Concrete Road gathered to rehearse in Matt McLaughlin's basement. From left, Matthew Krivak, bass guitar; Michael Stevens, drums; Matt McLaughlin, guitar and vocals; Jeff Zaykowski, lead guitar.

Coming next week:



## Toby's Creek: Our hidden resource

Toby's Creek, which winds its way through the heart of the Back Mountain, has been hidden, abused and nearly forgotten. But this distinctive waterway may hold the potential to spark interest in the area as a historic, natural and recreational destination.

Through this spring and summer, Post writers and photographers have examined the past, present and possible future of Toby's Creek, from its formation by glaciers through its service providing water power to a vision of the stream as a delight for residents and a magnet for visitors.

The first part of a multi-week report will appear in the October 10 issue of The Post.