

TAX NOTES

Lake Township tax bills mailed

Lake Township Tax Collector Donna Kocher has mailed statements for county and municipal property taxes and the per capita tax. Tax bills were mailed to the property owner. It is their responsibility to forward statements to a mortgage company or bank for payment.

In addition to the hours and office location printed on the tax bills, taxes may be paid in person at the municipal building on Saturday, March 26 and April 9 between 10 a.m. and noon.

Office visits are available for anyone needed their PA-1000 property tax rebates completed. Call 639-1522 for an appointment, or with any questions about the county, municipal, school or per capita taxes.

Dallas Borough tax office hours

The 2005 Luzerne County and Dallas Borough real estate tax bills were mailed on Feb. 15. The tax rebate period runs through April 15, 2005. Dallas Borough Tax Collector Mark Van Etten will have office hours during the rebate period at the Dallas Borough Building on Saturday March 19, April 2 and April 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and on Wednesday, April 6 and April 13 from 6-7:30 p.m. Collection times are also available by appointment.

If mailing payments, send to:  
Mark W. Van Etten  
Dallas Borough Tax Collector  
PO Box 447  
Dallas, PA 18612

Residents who need to contact VanEtten can do so by calling 675-1878 or by e-mail at DallasBoroughTax@aol.com.

Hep for taxpayers in Kingston Township

Taxpayer assistance will be provided for all Kingston Township residents for the filing of 2004 local tax returns. A representative from J.P. Harris will be available at the township municipal building, 180 East Center St., Shavertown, from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. March 23.

In addition, state tax return filing assistance will be provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue at the Wilkes-Barre Office for the Aging, located at 5 East Market St., Wilkes-Barre.

Astate representative will be available from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on the dates of March 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31; and April 1, 6, 7, 8 (Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays). Residents with questions may call the township administrative office at 694-3809.

OBITUARIES

JOSEPH ZIKOR

Referee and umpire

Joseph A. Zikor, 67, of Trucksville and formerly of Hains, died February 27, 2005, at his home.

His wife of 43 years is Patricia (Strzalka) Zikor.

He was born Aug. 25, 1937, in Scranton, Pa. He was a son of the late Andrew and Frances (Kovachy) Zikor. He was a graduate of Sacred Heart Parochial High School, Plains, the class of 1951. Prior to retirement, he was employed by Martz Trailways, Wilkes-Barre. He was a lifelong sports enthusiast.

He was a referee for Penn. Interscholastic Athletic Association for 25 years. He was an umpire for the Amateur Softball Association. He was a faithful member of St. Therese's Parish Community, Slavertown.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, Patricia, are daughters Marjorie Pratt and husband Carl, Douglassville; Cathy Williams and husband Russell, Kingston; Michelle Toennes and husband Paul; a son, Joseph A. Zikor Jr., Norwood, Colo.; grandchildren Brandon Williams, Nicole Pratt and Evelyn Toennes; a brother, John Zikor, Plains.

Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton section of Kingston Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Therese's Church Building Fund, Davis St. Shavertown, PA 18708.

CLYDE DUFFIELD

Trustee of Dallas United Methodist Church

Clyde L. (Bud) Duffield, 73, of Lake St., Dallas, died February 24, 2005, at Geisinger Medical Center, Plains Twp. He was born October 15, 1931, in Williamsport, a son of the late Harry and Wanda Castleberry Duffield. He was educated in the Williamsport schools and was employed at Cutler Hammer Company and May Inc. Mr. Duffield had resided in Dallas since 1968 and was a member of the Dallas United Methodist Church, where he served as a trustee.

Surviving are his wife, the former Veronica Hall; daughter, Cindy Griffin, Virginia; son, Craig Duffield, Sunbury; granddaughters, Christina, Luran, and Marissa; sisters, June Shadle, Montoursville; Kate Swoyer, Williamsport; brothers, Joseph and Richard Duffield, Florida.

A memorial service will be held Sunday at 12:30 p.m. at the Dallas United Methodist Church, Parsonage Street, Dallas. Services will be conducted by the Rev. William Lewis, pastor.

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Matthew Lloyd and Kerry Brophy

Matt Lloyd, Kerry Brophy to marry in September

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brophy of Cedaredge, Colorado announce the engagement of their daughter, Kerry Lynn Brophy, to Matthew John Lloyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lloyd of Dallas, and grandson of John and Clara Ann Lloyd of Ithaca, New York, and Phyllis Eckman of Shavertown, and the late Hanford Eckman.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Davidson College in Davidson, North Carolina. She is the Publications Manager for the National Outdoor Leadership School in Lander, Wyoming.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Wyoming Seminary Preparatory School, Kingston, and a 2000 graduate of the University of Vermont. He is an Instructor and Professional Training Program Coordinator for the National Outdoor Leadership School.

A September 2005 wedding is planned in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

Benefit dance for Nancy Wilson

"Friends of Nancy Wilson" will hold a benefit dance at the Harveys Lake American Legion on March 18, from 8 to 11 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person. Music will be provided by a DJ. Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

Tickets can be purchased by calling 639-3096, or at the Legion. Proceeds will be used for Nancy's medical expenses. She is on the list for a liver and possible kidney transplant. She is on the seventh floor of the General Hospital, Room 754 Kinder Unit.

Fresh Air Fund plans summer visits

The Fresh Air Fund is seeking volunteers and host families for the summer 2005 visits of children from New York City. For information or to volunteer, call Denise Moskaluk at 674-3707. To learn more about The Fresh Air Fund, visit [www.freshair.org](http://www.freshair.org).



Pictured are committee members, from left: Vi Gommer, co-chair of the poetry contest; Ruth Ann Logue, committee member; Jill Kryston, president of the Friends and co-chair of the poetry contest; Sandy Peoples, publicity chairperson of the Friends.

Friends of BMT Library announce poetry contest

All area residents in the fourth grade or older are invited to participate in the second annual poetry contest sponsored by the Friends of the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Contestants may submit an original, unpublished poem by April 1, to be included in the judging. There is no entry fee, and the top prize is \$100. Winners will be notified by April 22.

First place winners in each category will be published in the "Library Link" newsletter, and all winning poems will appear on the Friends web site: [www.nepenn.com/friends](http://www.nepenn.com/friends). Winners will have an opportunity to read their poems and receive their prizes at "Wordhorde," an open mic night at the library on April 29 at 7 p.m.

For information on contest rules and a registration form, log on to the Friends web site or visit the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Rd., Dallas.

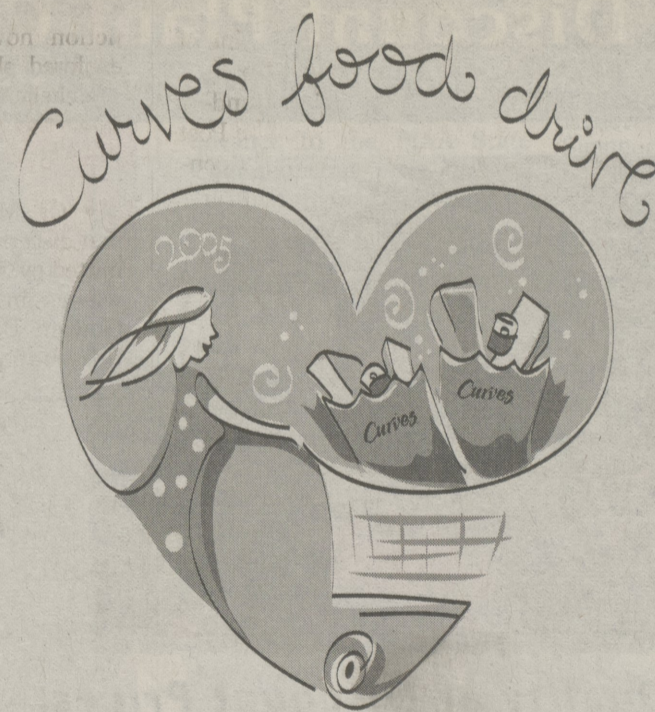
Habitat seeks project coordinator

Endless Mountains Habitat for Humanity is conducting a search for a volunteer to serve as project coordinator. The ideal volunteer would have construction experience and free time during normal business hours for phone calls and site visits. Construction on the 2005 home is tentatively scheduled to begin in the spring and be complete by early fall. Call 836-3067 if interested.

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