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With members of the club sitting in the audience, Harveys Lake Mayor Richard Boice read a proclamation making April 25 "Red Hat Society Day," in honor of the organization's national anniversary.

'Lovely Ladies' brighten council meeting

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HARVEYS LAKE — Denise Sult is a queen. She appointed herself, and that's okay with her subjects.

Sult is the inspiration behind the Harveys Lake chapter of the Red Hat Society. She and several members came to the April 19 meeting of the borough council to hear Mayor Richard Boice proclaim Monday "Red Hat Society Day," celebrating the anniversary of the organization's founding.

Started in 1998, the society recently reached one million members around

the world, Sult said. Her chapter, named "The Lovely Ladies of the Lake," started last November and has 25 members.

While the society is designed mostly for fun, the "Ladies" brightened Saturday for residents of Lakeside Nursing Center by holding a tea there.

About that royal designation. The society encourages women who found chapters to give themselves an exalted title. Queen Mother is the most popular.

And of course the society's name comes from the distinctive headwear they don for their get-togethers, along with purple clothing.



Mary Louise Evans held one of the miniature hats that were used as table decorations during a tea for residents of Lakeside Nursing Center. She discussed plans for the event as she waited with Denise Sult as they waited outside the Harveys Lake Municipal building.

FROM THE RED HAT SOCIETY WEB SITE

Welcome to the place where there is fun after fifty (and before) for women of all walks of life. We believe silliness is the comedy relief of life and, since we are all in it together, we might as well join red-gloved hands and go for the gusto together. Underneath the frivolity, we share a bond of affection, forged by common life experiences and a genuine enthusiasm for wherever life takes us next.

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standards as well. "Juggling requires a lot of hand/eye coordination and the balance beam routine requires that they be able to follow a certain sequencing of events," said Karen Arnaud, physical education teacher at Wycallis.

The official language of the state code reads that students should be able to "identify and apply the concepts of motor skill development to a variety of basic skills, transfer between skills, selecting relevant cues, movement efficiency..."

All of that was obvious as the students worked their way through the performance. It was also clearly evident that they were enjoying what they were doing, whether or not they realized they were meeting state education standards.

"The entire production has been a true community effort, combining the time and talents of not only the students, but the teachers, staff, administration, custodial staff and parents," concluded Mrs. Pike.



Happy clowns, sad clowns and vendors with balloon hats are, from left, Michael Carey, Alton Baggett, Jeff McHutchison and Dave Lasco.



Third grade singers included, from left, Alexandra Klinges, Megan Ostrum and Lauren Butrue.



Dressed and ready for a day at the circus are Clara Grube, left, and William Spare.

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was made to provide information that was not necessary on a form used only for demolition of a building.

Solicitor Charles McCormick sent a letter to the firm on March 17, starting a 180-day notice of termination that was available to either party. West said the borough will begin interviewing other firms with the same capabilities, including Building Inspection Underwriters, which works with several nearby communities.

The council voted to suspend renovation work at the recreation center until the reason is found for large electrical service bills. The center is closed over the winter and the electricity supposedly turned off, but the borough was billed \$188 and \$118 for two months service.

Daniel Blaine, chairman of the recreation committee, asked if material already purchased could be put to use. The motion that passed reads, "no further borough money should be spent."

Point Breeze resident Irene Brislin told the council that raw sewage spewed from a manhole near her property during the most recent heavy storms.

"There was still fecal matter. It was just disgusting," Brislin said she drove around the lake during the storm, and was pleased to see that only three manholes had opened up, one at Sandy Bottom, another near Pole 237 and the one in front of her property.

She asked that the authority make fixing that one a priority. "This is on my property now," Brislin said of the overflow, and she won't feel comfortable until her soil is tested for contamination. After the water leaves her property, she said it runs directly into the lake.

Later in the meeting, Blaine, liaison to the authority, said the borough crew had found 35 leaky manhole covers between the Alderson and Sunset sections of the lake. Also, the Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority brought out its special cameras to check the main line at Baird Street and found two leaks.

"That was a great help to the borough," Blaine said. "I think that things are moving in the right direction."

The authority is awaiting word from the state Department of Environmental Protection on its plan to correct the overflows. Until that is approved, there is a moratorium on new connections.

Harveys Lake slates trash pickup for seniors and dropoff days

Harveys Lake Borough will accept discarded items from residents Saturday, June 4 and September 10, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon each day. Collectoin bins will be set up at the recreation center ground, off West Point Avenue.

There will be a charge of \$25 per load in cars or 1/2 ton pickups. Larger trucks will be charged \$50 per load. Other charges are: car tires, \$5 each; truck tires, \$10 each; batteries, \$3 each; propane tanks, \$3 each; major appliances, \$10 each.

Shingles, drywall and insulation materials will not be accepted. Permits must be obtained in advance from the borough office. Proof of residency is required. No permits will be granted the day of the dropoff. Call 639-2113 for more information.

The borough will offer curbside pickup of items from homes of senior citizens age 62 or more the weeks of May 16 and May 23. The first load will be no charge, the second will cost \$25. Residents should call the borough office the week of May 9-13 to schedule pickup.

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