



The Rev. Charles Gommer, third from the right, with Jeannott Dorzeuse, founder and principal of the Mitspa School in Verretts in Haiti, and his family.

HAITI

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their needs. The volunteers will then try to develop teams around those needs.

"It breaks your heart," the Rev. Gommer said. "Today I couldn't watch anymore...seeing all that hurt and pain. They were beginning to turn a corner."

The teams continue to partner with the Haitian people in

construction of schools, churches and clinics and other health care projects. They have also begun a project that involves water purification in rural areas.

The volunteers collect medical supplies and equipment, school supplies and church supplies and take them to Haiti. All volunteers pay for their own travel expenses, room and board. They also pack and carry equipment and supplies for the trip.

A few years ago, the Rev. Gommer returned to Dupree's home

to find him a few years older and taller. The first thing Dupree showed the Rev. Gommer was the pocket knife he had given him the first time they met. The Rev. Gommer was pleased to learn the boy was still doing well in school.

"When you sit down at breakfast and you talk with (Haitians) about their family and your family, they talk about the same things...they taught me how to live simply," the Rev. Gommer said. "They taught me how to live above pain and discomfort.

COUNCIL

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Council member Diane Dwyer said she would not vote for the motion because she would like to see taxpayers' money kept within the county and that she was unaware of meetings made with insurance agents.

When the vote was calledm Kopko, Barber, Williams and council member Larry Radel voted yes while Dwyer and council member Carole Samson voted no. The motion passed.

In a similar situation, council announced Fred's Heating and

NEXT MEETING ...

The next Harveys Lake Borough Council meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 16, in the municipal room.

Plumbing to install a new furnace at the police station at a cost of \$8,960. The previous heating system was releasing an odor which has caused some of officers to become dizzy and feel ill.

Some confusion over whether the work had been advertised by the previous council or should have been by the new council erupted. Previous council member Betty Jane West said the

previous council did not advertise for the work because it knew it would not be making the decision to have the work done.

Sutton said there were three bids placed. They were Apollo Group of Wilkes-Barre for \$25,000, Fred's Heating and Plumbing and an unnamed contractor "because they were not up to code."

In other news, the following appointments were made:

- Barber was appointed as open records officer
- Carol McCoach as alternate to the Zoning Board for a three-year term
- Jason Boice and Cathy Link to the Environmental Advisory Committee for three years.

TAX

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Wrestling coach

Kornoski called for the immediate resignation of varsity wrestling Coach Phil Lipski.

Kornoski said the wrestling team forfeited seven matches this past weekend, five matches the week before and six matches the week before that. He feels students are losing interest in the program.

"The program has been on a steady decline," Kornoski said. "I would like to have a resignation as soon as possible."

Lipski, who was not at the meeting but was reached afterward by telephone, said he will not resign.

"Obviously, it's one individual," Lipski said. "I'm certainly not going to discuss his character; my record speaks for itself. We're working diligently to get our program back on track and I don't think we're off of track. I just think some of our students need to have a little more effort put forward."

Lipski is also a learning support teacher at the junior/senior high school. He said he is in his 34th year of teaching and 21st year of coaching.

New football coach

The board hired Gerald Gilsky, of Mountain Top, as head football coach for the 2010-2011 school year at a stipend of \$7,061. Gilsky will replace Carl Kern, who resigned in December after coaching the team for four years.

Principals

Tracey Halowich, junior/senior high school principal, was reassigned to director of curriculum and assessment, K-12 and principal at a prorated salary of \$81,500, effective Jan. 19, 2010.

Jon Pollard and Brian Pipech, both assistant principals at the junior/senior high school, each received a prorated salary adjustment to \$66,000, effective Jan. 19, 2010.

Substitutes

The following people were appointed as substitute teachers: Jude O'Donnell, Harveys Lake, social studies; Karen Zimmerman, Sweet Valley, elementary and early childhood certifications; Eileen Spellman, Wilkes-Barre, health and physical education; and Margaret Susko, Trucksville, emergency certification pending social studies certification.

Retirement

The board accepted letters of retirement from Richard Derby, a

secondary art instructor, effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year; and from Kenneth Hoover, a full-time custodian at the junior/senior high school, effective Feb. 26, 2010.

Resignation

The board accepted the resignation of Kristin Barrick, a junior/senior high school instructional music teacher and band director, effective March 12.

Leave of absence

A leave of absence was approved for the following employees: Jennifer Welby, a fourth-grade teacher at Ross Elementary School, to commence approximately March 26, 2010 through May 31, 2010; and Patricia McCulloch, elementary school health assistant, to commence Jan. 11, 2010 through Feb. 23, 2010.

Co-curricular positions

The following people were appointed to indoor color guard positions for the 2009-2010 school year: Brian Marsh, instructor, \$2,152; Irene Sankey, Harveys Lake, volunteer; Catherine Martin, Sweet Valley, volunteer; and Jessica Milbrodt, Dallas, volunteer.

Judith Harvey, of Trucksville, was appointed as the assistant spring musical director with a stipend of \$1,249.

PASR AIDS 'TOYS FOR TOTS' CAMPAIGN



Members of the Luzerne/Wyoming Counties Chapter of the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees (PASR) display some of the toys collected for the "Toys for Tots" campaign held annually by the Marine Corps. The collection took place at the association's December luncheon held at the Genetti Hotel and Convention Center in Wilkes-Barre. The annual collection is a part of the chapter's yearly community service project. From left, are to Dr. William Biniek, outgoing chapter president; Dr. John Nye, incoming PASR state president; First Sergeant Jim E. Lanham, United States Marine Corps; Armonde Casagrande, incoming chapter president; and Catherine Cortegerone, incoming president-elect and community services chairperson.

WOLF DEN SCOUTS VISIT OCHMAN'S

Scouts Gate of Heaven Pack 232 Wolf Den recently visited Ochman's Coins & Jewelry in Dallas. Wolf Den Scouts are working on their collecting requirements for their progress toward rank as well as their collecting belt loop. The boys all brought their collections of various items to the den meeting. From left, kneeling, Robbie Lauer, Christian Sebastianelli, Nathaniel Roppelt, Ryan Maloney. Second row, Tyler Osipower, Colin Zeiss, Jacob Brennan, Logan Evanosky, Taylor Bol-esta, A.J. Bednar, Sam Oley. Third row, Fran Ochman and Mary Ann Ochman.



Dictionaries donated

The Dallas Rotary dictionary Project Committee, chaired by Rotarian Bill Nafus, distributed more than 400 dictionaries to third-graders in the Dallas and Lake-Lehman School District and at Gate of Heaven School. From left, first row, are Caleb Waslick, Alicia Vincelli, Ethan Kolojechick. Second row, Rotarian Ann Marie Konek, Principal Tom Traver, Rotarian and chairman Bill Nafus and Rotary Club president Sandy Peoples.



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PUZZLE ANSWERS

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.

DECAL	DYE	TIN
EARLY	OOP	ODE
BRIAR	TWITTER	
TRIBAL	READ	
BUT	CIG	MADLY
SKEW	BEFOG	
AERIAL	UNIQUE	
DRESS	CURL	
ADAGE	TED	INK
RUNE	MODEST	
GLITTER	MOTIF	
ULM	ATM	OPERA
EYE	WHY	SHRED

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answers

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Super Crossword

Answers

YES	MAN	GASPS	WILD	BLT
OCTANE	ALBERT	ARTE	RIO	
WAY	DOWN	FRESH	NEED	EIK
LOX	MERE	IVILED	USAGE	
MARK	TATER	ACUMEN		
TRAIL	SATAN	ELITE		
BELLY	BUTTON	ARID	SHIP	
AMLD	ONEUP	GNOMES	ESE	
ROT	ALARM	ARISE	HALLE	
SPORE	SPOT	ELGAR		
RIONA	MOUTH	WASH	ROAM	
LYRIC	NEUL	TEEMT		
EDITH	GITED	COOJA	FEW	
NEO	ECLAIR	MOCHA	POLE	
DRNG	RAGE	POCKET	BOODS	
AMINO	BALKY	INLET		
SCARAB	RALLY	HAZY		
WURST	BWANA	DORA	LIS	
ERE	THEY	HAVE	BAT	BREATH
PRIN	ESIAN	NEVILLE	GRACIE	
TEA	DORN	ARABY	RETELL	