

DYB TOURNAMENT TEAM FINISHES THIRD



The Dallas Fifth-Grade Girls DYB Tournament Team recently went 4-1 and placed third in the Wyoming Valley West President's Weekend Tournament. Members of the team are, from left, Sara Lojewski and Talia Kosierowski. Second row, Breiana Coolbaugh, Courtney Devens, Paige Evans and Maddie Kelley. Coaches are Chad Lojewski and Len Kelley.

LION CUBS VISIT FIRE STATION



The Lion Cub Pride of Pack 281, Dallas recently visited the Dallas Township Fire Department. Deputy Fire Chief Tim Rismondo instructed the boys in fire safety and gave them a tour of the fire house and the equipment. From left, first row, are Johnny Sobocinski, Kyle Havrilla, Colby Zern, Matthew Oley, Lukas Polachek and Tommy Janoski. Second row, Deputy Chief Tim Rismondo, Den Leader Richard Oley and Den Chief David Oley.

Baseball meeting set

The Back Mountain Baseball/Softball Organization will hold a meeting on Monday, March 1, at the Daddow-Isaacs American Legion on Memorial Highway in Dallas.

A board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. with a general meeting to follow at 8 p.m.

SHIKELLAMY WRESTLING TOURNAMENT WINNERS



Members of the Back Mountain Wrestling Club placed in the Shikellamy Resilite Round Robin Wrestling Tournament held on January 16 at the Shikellamy High School in Sunbury. From left, are Xavier Barber, first-place winner, 91 pound weight class; Jerry Ogurkis, second-place winner, 105 pound weight class; and Lukas Volpetti, third-place winner, 74 pound weight class.

PENN LEAGUE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT WINNERS



Members of the Back Mountain Wrestling Club participated in the Penn League Wrestling Tournament on Feb. 7 at Crestwood Middle School. Teams from Back Mountain, Benton, Berwick, Crestwood, Delaware Valley, Hanover, Hazleton, Honesdale, Nanticoke, Pittston, Scranton, Summit, Tunkhannock, West Scranton, Wild Pats, Wyoming Area, Wyoming Valley West and the YMCA participated in the tournament. From left, first row, are Matt Maransky, Jesse Kosierowski and Aiden Martinez, fourth-place winners. Second row, Nate Maransky, Justin Hutchins and Kyle McAndrew, third-place winners. Third row, Xavier Barber, Sean Henniger and Jackson Shaver, second-place winners. Fourth row, Steven Newell and Jerry Ogurkis, first-place winners.

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ma. "We sit there rooting for an injury so we can get a chance to see Jill."

In a recent game, there was an injury and the Radzinski/Summa clan saw Jill's arm coming forward to assist the injured player when the network cut away from the scene.

"Uncle Ted was yelling at the TV," Summa laughed.

Efforts to see his daughter on national TV have not all been in vain, though, as Radzinski saw

her last Sunday when someone from the U.S. team got injured.

"Yep, I saw her on TV," the proud father said. "She's always wearing a red jacket."

After graduating from Dallas High School, Radzinski continued her education at Penn State University where she was awarded an athletic scholarship and was named an All-American. She earned a Master's Degree in Sports Management from the University of Richmond.

Prior to joining the staff at the University of California, Radzinski volunteered at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado where she worked with many members of the U.S. Olympics

speed-skating team, including Apolo Ohno, who is on track to become the most decorated United States Winter Olympics athlete of all time.

Radzinski has traveled all over the world with United States athletes, including to China and Finland.

Ted Radzinski says his daughter has a gold medal from a tournament won by United States speed-skaters and expects that, should the women's ice hockey team win a gold medal in Vancouver, she will get one, too.

The United States team defeated China, 12-0, and Russia, 13-0. It was scheduled to play Finland on Thursday night.

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tainable and thinning out unacceptable growing stock helps growth.

Palko offered to set up a tour for the board at Benton School District or Wyalusing School District. Both districts have converted to biomass energy to heat their schools.

Benton received \$650,000 from the Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority to fund their project, Palko said.

Superintendent James McGovern asked Palko if grant money is available for biomass energy conversion. Palko said it is and he is scheduled to attend a meeting on March 5 regarding funding.

Collected taxes submitted late

Board member Andrew Salko mentioned that an audit of the final tax collection reports prepared by Bonita & Rainey, CPAs

revealed that Lake Township was several months late in handing over tax monies collected and owed to the district. Salko asked if the district can impose a fine in such cases and was told by the auditor, Bonita & Rainey, that it can.

Refund to Harveys Lake

The board approved a refund of \$8,411.29 to Terry Jones, tax collector of Harveys Lake, for overpayment of taxes to the district due to an error in calculation.

School resource officer

The board approved an agreement between the district and Lehman Township to provide a school resource officer for the remainder of the school year.

Personnel

The following were approved as substitute teachers: Thomas Malkemes, Wyoming, physics; Darren Moore, Dallas, social studies; and Karen Laskowski, Harveys Lake, elementary.

The following were appointed to positions: Joan Alles, FBLA

adviser for the 2009-2010 school year, at a stipend of \$1,162; and Molly Company, of Shavertown, as a substitute teacher associate, clerical and food service worker.

The following resignations were accepted: Eric Rogowski, custodian, effective Jan. 28, 2010; Jennifer Evans, Lake-Noxen Elementary School crossing guard, effective Feb. 12, 2010.

Make-up days

The board approved revisions to the school calendar to include three make-up days for three days when school was cancelled. The make-up days will be held April 1, May 3 and May 28.

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"It was something that was a concern of us and we did not do it lightly. We are trying to look up and down the highway and see where Tom might be able to move."

Daniels said he was excited that Intermountain Medical Facility is constructing a new

medical office next door to his business, hoping it would attract more customers.

Now, instead of gaining business, he has until April 30 to vacate the premises.

"You know what burns me?" Daniels said. "Our government helped all of these banks but they damn sure aren't helping us."

Daniels is looking for somewhere to set up shop in the Back Mountain, but all of the places he has looked at so far are either too large or twice the rent he is pay-

ing now.

If he cannot find a location he can afford, he will likely have to close the business and look for a job, he said.

"Who's going to hire a 65-year-old these days?" he asked. "I was hoping to sell the business and retire, but I can't put it for sale now 'cause I gotta get outta here."

Siani asks that his customers who still have clothes at the business to please pick them up by the end of March.

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plies for the facility.

Maintenance bonds

Besides approving the medical facility, the supervisors also approved the release of a maintenance bond after the public hearing.

The bond in the amount of \$33,315 will be released to Presidential Land Co., developers of Overbrook Farms. The bond reached

its 18-month maturity on Jan. 31, 2010 and the township's engineer and road supervisor feel all obligations have been fulfilled.

Also, the supervisors tabled a vote for the final inspection of the Goodleigh Manor subdivision.

David Lopatka, of Acker Associates Inc., requested the final inspection and requested the release of the company's 18-month maintenance bond if improvements suggested by the township are deemed adequate.

The \$704,176.80 bond reaches maturity on March 16,

2010.

Doughton said there are still four or five problems noted, including seeps in the asphalt and a hump in the road, but they don't amount to the total funds bonded.

He suggested allowing the developer to offer a replacement letter of credit for the amount needed for the repairs or to forfeit the amount for repairs from the original bond.

The vote was tabled until Doughton can get an estimate of the cost of the repairs.

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