



Horses are stars of show

It was a fun day for horses, their riders and spectators as the annual Dallas Horse and Pony Show was held May 9 at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds.

The day-long event, held in partnership with the Bridles and Grooms 4-H Horse Club and the Dallas Horse and Pony Show organization, is sanctioned by the Northeastern Pennsylvania Horsemen's Association and is one of 36 horse shows in NEPA held from May through October.

Riders paid a fee ranging from \$12 to \$15 per class to compete in the English riding events and spectators were invited to watch at no cost. There were 16 divisions with a total of 49 classes.

Proceeds from the concession stand and silent auction will benefit the Bridles and Grooms 4-H Horse Club.

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Maggie Fraley, who rides at Pleasant Valley Farm in Sweet Valley, gets a nuzzle from Ava.



Makayla Guzzo, of Dallas, rides Ava in the short stirrup competition.



Larry Polachek and Debbie Lefkowitz, representing Bridles and Grooms 4H Club in Luzerne, man the food booth.



Mikaila Chakon, of Dallas, jumps her horse Wish-Upon-A-Star in the short stirrup competition.

DALLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT

School board tables vote on proposed budget for 2010-11 year

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The Dallas School Board tabled a vote on May 10 for a proposed final budget for the 2010-11 fiscal year.

Board President Bruce Goeringer said the vote was tabled because only five board members were present. He said a unanimous vote would have been needed for the budget to pass and the board was unsure if it would have one.

Absent were Gary Mathers, Russell Bigus, Richard Coslett and Dennis Gochoel. Coslett and Gochoel were on military duty.

The budget will instead be voted on during a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 24, in the administration building.

A vote on approval of a bill in the amount of \$5,187 from the Elliott Greenleaf & Dean Law firm was also tabled to the May 24 meeting.

Goeringer said the bill is for attorney's fees related to an alleged urination incident. There were allegations that several Dallas football players urinated on a tennis court during half time of a game at Tunkhannock Area on Sept. 18, 2009.

There was not unanimous consent as required among the five members to approve payment of

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the bill on May 10, so the matter was tabled, Goeringer said.

Change orders approved

Four change orders were approved for the new high school construction project.

Three of the change orders were deductions: \$1,200 for the removal of an old concrete foundation from the communications tower, \$2,130 for water hookup and \$5,033 for an adjustment of columns in the courtyard due to an error by a subcontractor.

One change order was a credit in the amount of \$18,360 related to drafting tables.

Mark Kraynack, supervisor of buildings and grounds, said the drafting tables suggested by the architect did not meet the specifications requested by instructors. Kraynack said when he researched what they wanted and found them on a state contract they were less expensive than what was originally specified.

In turn, the district received a credit for the original specified tables and will apply it to the kinds of tables requested by the instruc-

tors with a slight savings.

Personnel

Attorney Benjamin Jones III was reappointed as the district's solicitor for the 2010-2011 fiscal year at a yearly salary of \$37,225 - an increase of 3.4 percent from 2009-2010.

Meredith Ohl was appointed as the senior high girls' volleyball head coach for the 2010-2011 season. Previously an assistant coach, Ohl will replace Nancy Roberts.

Resignations were accepted from Marcus Sowcik, a special education teacher, effective Aug. 31, 2010; and Jennifer Perch, completion project coordinator, effective June 4, 2010.

Scorekeeper requests reimbursement

Wayne Hughes, a scorekeeper for the wrestling team for the past 35 years, asked the board to reverse its decision not to compensate scorers



Applications are now being accepted for the Gate of Heaven Summer Youth Music Camp for students entering grades 3-8 during the 2010-2011 school year. Members of the Gate of Heaven Youth Choir are, from left, first row, Joanna Wallace, Rachel DeCesaris, Melissa Leonard, Gabriella Soper, Jennifer Leonard and Eryn McMonagle. Second row, Courtney McMonagle, Jessie Adams, Kathryn Roberts, Rebecca Darling and Michelle Leonard. Absent at the time of the photo were Jonathan Wallace and Matthew Roberts.

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Directed by Anthony J. Ku-

basek, the camp will take place from 9:30 a.m. to noon daily during the week of July 19-23.

Camp participants will take part in a youth liturgy on Sunday, July 25.

The theme of this year's camp is "Lord, teach us to pray."

Campers will participate in daily choir rehearsals and games designed to teach music

reading and listening skills.

Deacon Tom Cesarini will provide a daily presentation for the campers, explaining different aspects of prayer as well as the scripture readings that will be used at the July 25 liturgy.

To register, contact the church at 675-2121 by July 12. There is no fee to participate.