

The Dallas Post

www.mydallaspost.com

Community Newspaper Group
THE TIMES LEADER

15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18711 • 570-675-5211
news@mydallaspost.com

Richard L. Connor
PUBLISHER
829-7202
rconnor@timesleader.com

Dotty Martin
EDITOR
970-7440
dmartin@mydallaspost.com

Diane McGee
ADVERTISING
970-7153
dmcgee@timesleader.com

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

DT supers explain their position on gas drilling

Dear Editor:

After more than six months, numerous discussions at meetings and a public hearing including township resident input, the Dallas Township Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve a Curative Amendment which will immediately impose restrictions and requirements on any and all oil and natural gas drilling and/or pipeline activities conducted in the township.

After seeking expert environmental and legal counsel, the board concluded that the Curative Amendment is in the best interest of township residents and a responsible safe-guarding measure. This amendment is one of the first of its kind to be enacted at the local municipality level in Pennsylvania.

This action was taken with the knowledge that, according to the Pennsylvania Oil and Gas Act, no municipality in the state has the authority to ban oil and gas drilling or regulate operations. Therefore, the board determined that by enacting the 50-page Curative Ordinance, the township

will retain authority to determine where in the township oil and gas drilling may occur.

Any future gas-related activities or applications impacting township residents will be subject to a Conditional Use Hearing which will enable the board of supervisors to thoroughly review and examine any proposal and establish specific compliance guidelines for every gas company operating or attempting to operate in Dallas Township.

Additionally, the Curative Amendment requires any oil or gas company to assure it is complying with all current and future industry regulations in the commonwealth. Companies will be required to obtain permits from the State Department of Environmental Protection and any other regulatory agency with authority or jurisdiction over the drilling or pipeline process.

Phil Walter
Glenn Howell
Frank Wagner
Dallas Township supervisors

Lots to do at the library

If you're looking for something that's fun, informative and fitting for fall, check out the Back Mountain Memorial Library's program on local legend, Frances Slocum.

This free presentation, entitled "Frances Slocum: Child of Two Americas" will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 2 in the library's Community Room.

The program, given on the actual anniversary date of Frances Slocum's abduction, will be presented by Bill Bachman. Bachman is both writer and director of the film, served as a Commonwealth Speaker and is a full-time communications faculty member at Penn State, Wilkes-Barre.

Call the library at 675-1182 to pre-register for this remarkable local history film and commentary.

Computer classes

The library will offer two separate sessions of basic computer

classes. The first session will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 7 and 8. The session will then be repeated from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 14 and 15.

The cost to attend either session is \$15 which must be paid at the time of registration. Space is limited. Please call the library for more information.

Amnesty Week

The library will hold its annual Amnesty Week from November 14-19. Any fines for items returned late during this week will be waived.

Holiday Shoppe

The library's Holiday Shoppe, located in the front foyer of the library, has a beautiful assortment of slightly-used collectibles, holiday decorations, gift items and beautiful handmade floral wreaths.



YOUR SPACE

Photographer Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas, calls this photo "Hanging Fruit." It was photographed while Pantelakos was hiking the Larch Trail at Frances Slocum State Park.

"YOUR SPACE is reserved specifically for Dallas Post readers who have something they'd like to share with fellow readers.

Submitted items may include photographs or short stories and should be sent via e-mail to news@mydallaspost.com, by fax to 675-3650 or by mail to The Dallas Post, 15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711.

Information must include the submitting person's name, address and telephone number in the event we have questions. Readers wishing to have their photos returned should include a self-addressed/stamped envelope. Items will be published in the order in which they are received.

The editor of The Dallas Post reserves the right to reject any items submitted for publication.

20 YEARS AGO - 1991

The Dallas Rotary Club recently announced the winner of a Cub Cadet, nine horsepower rotary mower. Paul Rodda, the winner, recently took delivery at Hilbert's, The Tractor Store, Dallas. All profits from the event were turned over to Dallas Rotary Charities, which help support many local charities as well as The Paul Harris Foundation which helps promote international understanding.



ONLY
YESTERDAY

Rollie Schmidt and Ed Hennigan won the annual Member-Guest Gold Tourney this past weekend at the Irem Temple golf course in Dallas with 68 teams participating. Golf pro Paul Roman said that the course was quick and play was good with many good scores recorded.

30 YEARS AGO - 1981

The Back Mountain Memorial Library held a preschool story hour for area children ages three to five last Thursday. Children who attended the story hour were: Beth Ann Wagner, Teddy Jackson, Stephanie Lozo, Lynn Kilduff, Nathan Shock, Danielle Scott, Jessica Kern, Kelly Komisky, Sarah Beth Gorgone, Debbie Hoyes, Karen Ann White and Steven Rogers.

The Newcomers Club of Wyoming Valley recently held a fashion show featuring clothing from Leslie Fay Factory Outlet. Members who modeled in the show are: Mrs. Tom Healey, Mrs. Gary Bennett, Mrs. Scott Walsh, Mrs. Donald Walsh, Mrs. David Larkins, Mrs. Brian White, Mrs. Jeff Louchheim and Mrs. John Kell.

40 YEARS AGO - 1971

Mrs. Thomas Graham and

Mrs. C. Warren Koehl, both of Dallas, have been named co-chairmen of the "Souvenir Book" for the fourth annual Starlight Ball, sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre General hospital Auxiliary.

Plans for the annual Card Party of Dallas Junior Woman's Club have been finalized, according to Mrs. Edward Thompson, president. Committee members for the card party are: Mrs. Thomas Benton, Mrs. Donald Lloyd, Mrs. Robert Richardson, Mrs. J. Peter Winbrake, Mrs. Edward Thompson, Mrs. Charles Huey, Mrs. James Richardson, Mrs. Donald Hinkle, Mrs. Robert Rice, Mrs. Salvator Maccariella, Mrs. Dominic Fino, Mrs. Harry Bernardi and Mrs. Paul Unger.

50 YEARS AGO - 1961

Ernest D. Carol, Shavertown, observed his 35th Anniversary with the Bell Telephone Company on Wednesday.

Dallas Junior High School PTA plans a record hop, a closed party for seventh, eighth and ninth grades only next Wednesday. General chairman is Mrs. Robert Bayer. Heading the refreshment committee is Mrs. Edward Ditlow, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wadas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mahler, Mrs. George Sherwood, Mrs. Paul Priebe, Ed Ditlow, Mrs. Harry Sickler, Mrs. Raymond Stroud and Mrs. Fred Winner.

60 YEARS AGO - 1951

Davis Cleaners at Trucksville were robbed of a small amount of cash Tuesday night between 6 and 7 when someone gained entry through a rear window and rifled the cash register. Included in the loot was a framed \$1 bill, the first currency taken in by the firm when it opened for business. Ben Davis, owner, discovered the entry when he stopped in at the plant shortly after 7 to get a stamp for a letter. He found the stamps gone and further in-

vestigation showed that money had been taken, too.

At local Acme super markets, fresh mushrooms sold for 49 cents a pound; two pounds of bananas were 29 cents; a head of cauliflower was 19 cents; and a bunch of broccoli was 25 cents.

70 YEARS AGO - 1941

Friends and old neighbors of Rev. and Mrs. G. Elson Ruff, formerly of Shavertown, enjoyed the moving pictures of the United Lutheran Publication House shown at the meeting of the St. Paul's Brotherhood Monday evening. The Ruff's two children took the character parts in the

movie which was an educational description of the preparation of Lutheran publications.

Miss Charlotte Mintzer entertained at a masquerade party at her home on Tuesday evening. Guests were member of the Adult Bible Class of Glenview Primitive Methodist Sunday School, Fernbrook, and friends Charles Seward and Ann Yop received prizes.

Information for "Only Yesterday" is taken from past issues of The Dallas Post which is 122 years old. The information is printed here exactly as it appeared in the newspaper years ago.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was French Renaissance essayist Michel de Montaigne who made the following sage observation: "Nothing is so firmly believed as what is least known."

• If someone called you a "mumpsimus," would you be flattered or insulted? It seems that the appropriate reaction would be to take offense. According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, a mumpsimus is "a stubborn person who insists on making an error in spite of being shown that it is wrong."

• The English language is unique in the number of collective nouns it possesses. For instance, a group of frogs is known as an "army" and a group of crows is called a "murder." We have a "shrewdness" of apes, a "wisdom" of wombats, a "congregation" of crocodiles, a "smack" of jellyfish, a "wriggle" of worms, a "crash" of rhinoceroses, a "waddle" of penguins and a "scourge" of mosquitoes, to name a few. Geese flock together in "gaggles," unless they're in flight, in which case they are collectively known as a "skein."

• In the Baltic region, it's traditional for a bride to wear black. • You've probably never heard of Harvey Lowe, but in the 1930s he enjoyed a certain amount of notoriety; in 1934 he won the first World Yo-Yo Contest. Now that you know who he is, can you imagine what he had in common with Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards and notoriously flamboyant entertainer Liberace? It turns out that all three took out insurance policies on their hands.

• If you're like 20 percent of the respondents in a recent poll, you find it embarrassing to order tap water when you're in a restaurant.

Thought for the day: "A great deal of intelligence can be invested in ignorance when the need for illusion is deep."

- Saul Bellow

"WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BE FOR HALLOWEEN?"



"A baby because babies are kinda rare and no one else is one."

Madison Brdaric
Shavertown



"I'm being a vampire because I like having the fangs on my teeth."

Max Paczewski
Shavertown



"I'm going to be a skull fairy. The head is made of bones. I wanted to be different from my sisters who are always witches."

Jessica Parry
Lehman



"A Ninja because I like the way to sword goes - Ha Ja."

Nick Snopeck
Dallas



"A penguin because we're reading about them and I like how soft they are."

Hannah Kline
Dallas



"I'm going to be a 'Scream' with a pump in my hand that makes blood run into my mouth."

Bryce Burgit
Shavertown