

Back Mountain-area seniors chatting at the Edwardsville Senior Center are, from left, Jack Owens, of Shavertown; Shirley and Joe McDonald, of Dallas; and Joe and Alfreda (Susie) Malak, also of Dal-

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came right over," he said. "No one ever told me there was a problem

Hollywood said a letter was sent to Carroll before the flooring was installed.

Now seniors are left to attend centers in other communities, including Edwardsville, Kingston and Tunkhannock, until a new senior center can be secured in Dal-

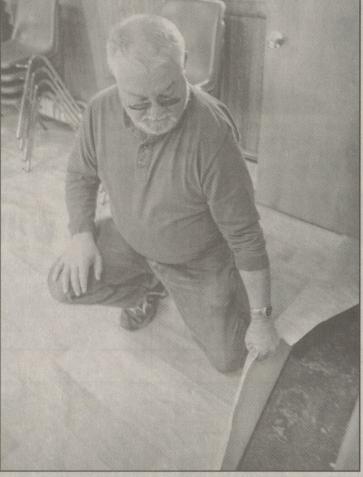
Alfreda "Susie" Malak, of Dallas, said a main concern for her senior center friends is traveling costs. She said some locals who attended lunch at the senior center every day are now going to other centers just once a week.

"Now we go to Edwardsville, but a lot of the older people don't want to go down the highway and get into the traffic," she said. "Some people, with the cost of gas, aren't coming to get their meals and might spend it on Burger King

Senior centers offer a hot meal \$2. Malak, 69, said with the other locations anywhere from eight to 18 miles away, the costs of traveling could put a dent in the budgets of people living on fixed incomes. friends," she said.

"It's like a stake in the heart," said Malak.

county buses will only travel a cerarms. tain distance so the close group of about 30 seniors keep in touch in feel at home, introduce them to own place."



CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK/ FOR THE DALLAS POST

for registered seniors every day for Tim Carroll pulls on the warped floor covering he says the county installed in his building in 2009.

Sherlene Long, director of the Edwardsville center, said she got Dallas will be available soon. Hol-Shirley McDonald, 85, said her start in the agency at the Dallywood said the bidding process is some of the older center attendees las center and welcomes all Back just beginning and may take just can't make the trip. She said Mountain residents with open months to complete.

people," she said. "We do things "We're worried about our any which way to make them feel at home.

Malak hopes a new center in

"I told them, Don't forget about "We welcome them, make them us," Malak said. "We need our

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won the Louise Rossetti Award; and Micavla Grev won the Award for Floral Imagery.

McGovern said 43 Lake-Lehman students' works are on distil March 28.

In other news, the board ...

 Approved the resignation of elementary librarian Barbara taxes to the following property Wall at the end of the school owners as determined by the

elementary substitutes: Carrie Bella, of Harveys Lake, and Jenny Saccone, of Swoyersville.

nurse substitutes: Debra Casterline, of Shickshinny, and Jennifer Schell, of Wyoming.

• Appointed the following amount of \$307.13. coaches for the 2011-12 school year: Katlyn Cibello, of Wilkes-Barre, as assistant boys' volleyball coach with a stipend of \$1,800.72, Sherry Metz, of Harcoach with a stipend of \$2,592, as varsity assistant softball coach with a stipend of \$2,592.60, John Headman, of Dallas, as volunteer assistant junior high softball coach, John Davis, of Harveys Lake, as volun-

kus as junior high assistant track Bruns for \$166, Thomas and Maand field coach with a stipend of rie DeAngelo for \$81.34, Helen \$2,592, Scott Summa as volun- Hankey for \$23.78, Russell and teer track and field coach, Bran- Shirley Major for \$524.04 and don Colletti, of Hunlock Creek, as volunteer track and field ters for \$8.67, Joseph Sabaluski and the Award for Excellence in coach, Tara Sears, of Wyoming, Portraiture; Meghan Maccarone as varsity assistant cheerleading Straigis for \$424.95. coach with a stipend of \$1,500.24, and Jessica Parsons, of Wilkes-Barre, as volunteer indoor percussion instructor.

play at the Schulman Gallery un-posals for two nine-passenger ter during a disaster. vans and a 24-passenger gasoline-powered bus.

 Authorized a refund of paid court order of the Luzerne · Appointed the following County Board of Assessment cated in Harveys Lake in the located in Lake Township in the mission

 Exonerated the following mann, of Ross Township, Jaime tax anticipation note. Wesley, of Ross Township, and

John Ferdinand, of Shavertown, \$100.53 to Jeffrey Hosle, of Harpurpose of immediate purchasveys Lake, for homestead exemption.

 Authorized a refund of paid property taxes to the following the district, including a cash resoftball coach, Wayne Meeker, Ross Township property owners bate incentive program. of Hunlock Creek, as volunteer due to abatements issued at the close of the 2011 tax collection School Board meeting will be period: Walter and Elenor Buda held at 7 p.m. April 16 in the juteer baseball coach, Robert Mit- for \$375.96, Carl and Geraldine nior/senior high school library.

\$39.90, Dale and Catherine Masfor \$296.72 and Cherub and Jo

 Approved a renewal of the agreement with the Wyoming Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross to utilize the district Authorized requests for pro-facilities as an emergency shel-

· Approved and executed a settlement agreement and release between the Lake-Lehman School District and parent of student No. 861149 on behalf of said student.

 Approved the settlement Appeals: Gerald and Ann agreement in the matter of Sha-McNulty for two properties lo- ron John vs. the Lake-Lehman School District, Pennsylvania • Appointed the following amounts of \$447.98 and Human Relations Commission \$456.36, and Chester Jr. and case number 200906378, Equal Heather Browski for a property Employment Opportunity Comcase number 17F201161411.

> · Authorized business manindividuals from payment of the ager Albert Melone and Co. to 2011 per capita tax: Laura Loh- advertise for bids for the 2012-13

 Authorized administration veys Lake, as junior high softball Robert Perry of Ross Township. to utilize the Landmark Com- Authorized a refund of munity Bank Visa Card for the ing, emergency purchasing and registration purchasing with no annual fee or associated cost to

• The next Lake-Lehman

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comprised of Dallas, Lehman, Jackson and Kingston Townagreement started two years ago county for reimbursement for the municipal building.

between the municipalities to better serve the Back Mountain

chairman, announced guide rails will be installed on the new

to forge a working relationship the work since the bridge is county owned.

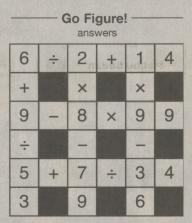
Secretary Carlene Price announced the annual Spring Also, Lonnie Piatt, supervisor Clean-Up is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on May 12.

The next Lake Township mu-Sorber Mountain E. Bridge. He nicipal meeting will be held at 7 ships and Dallas Borough. The said supervisors will look to the p.m. on Wednesday, April 11 in

## **PUZZLE ANSWERS**

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the purchase, what is the cooling will perform at the state level. off rule, and others. You have to know the material."

into the group through West, who was her homeroom teacher a few years ago. She said the injob now and has a better understanding of paying taxes.

useful."

Cerza, 16, of Dallas, said Lifepetitive aspect.

"I do Science Olympiad, too," comes to academics." Cerza said the knowledge he's

gained from LifeSmarts is infor- the students will also tour the mation used in real life, not just city and attend various shows, insomething he read in a textbook. cluding "Freedom Rising" at the

didn't even know some of the things (I've learned)," he said.

Though there are about 20 people in the LifeSmarts club, five are weeded out through inhouse competitions to see who

This year's group is the youngest in recent memory, said West, Palissery said she was roped with most being freshmen or sophomores.

The only state competition veteran is Sara Hudak, 15, of Dalformation is practical - she has a las, who advanced to the final group in her freshman year. She said the experience was "terrify-"It's things I'll remember for ing," but she admits her Lifethe rest of my life," she said. "It's Smarts skills are what got her to that point.

"I was nervous last year be-Smarts is fun because of its com- cause the seniors were so great, but I guess I'm pretty good at it, too," she said. "I'm really proud he said. "I like competing when it to be a part of a group that made it this far."

During their Philadelphia trip, "My parents told me they National Constitution Center.

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cut as a result of financial hardship, Reino said.

The board even voted last year condemned or vacant properties. to enact the local services tax and increased taxes slightly to gener-

ate extra funds for the township. said the board looked into changing the township administration month, reporting the board ational field.

wouldn't have made the changes otherwise.

"Now we can try and strike a different situation, and it'll work

itself out," he said. The board also voted to authoprojects, including paving, were rize the township manager to seek requests for proposals for lawn maintenance services for

The board approved a natural gas sales agreement with UGI Energy Services, Inc. with a new Board member Frank Natitus rate. Reino abstained from the

vote, as he is employed by UGI. Also, a township Easter egg after assistant manager Robert hunt will be held at 1 p.m. on Hivish Jr. resigned earlier this April 7 at the township recre-