

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL AUCTION

Heat and some rain couldn't dampen spirit of 66th annual event

A heat wave and occasional downpours couldn't stop the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction from sprawling on library grounds July 5-8.

Plenty of food vendors and the auction's iconic tent sales weathered the less than ideal climate to make the auction a success once again.

Sue Hand's annual painting of the auction sold for \$4,600. The theme of the painting honored the auction's many dedicated volunteers.

The following are raffle winners from the library auction: Scott Schuster won the 32-inch Vizio LCD HD TV, donated by the McCarthy family

Jennifer Davenport won the Amazon Kindle Fire e-reader donated by the McCarthy family

Dalys Castillo won the dark brown Seiko Mantel Clock donated by Ye Olde Clock & Gift Shoppe

WNEP's Renie Workman won the hand-made stone jewelry donated by Sassy Girl Artistry

Libby Sutton won the Mohegan Sun gift basket donated by Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs

Kurt Sauer won the \$100 gas card donated by Durelle and Connie Scott

JoAnn Freeman won the \$100 gas card donated by Bittner Sunrooms

Fred Paczewski won a 19th century pine desk. The desk has a slant front, two drawers and spool legs. It was donated by David Hall in memory of his wife, Kathryn.

Pamela Lauback won a thimbleberries quilt hand-made by anti-ques chairperson Leslie Horoshko.



Volunteer auctioneers Jeff Townsend, left, and Dr. John Rothchild entice bids from the audience at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction.

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This painting by regional artist Sue Hand, of Dallas, netted \$4600 for the library at the 66th Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction. From left, are Gerard Geise, Len and Beth Romanowski, Michele Geise, Sue Hand, Dr John Rothchild, Ernie Ashbridge, auction chairmen George and Mary Anne Finch and auctioneer Andrew Santora. The painting celebrated the auction volunteers and particularly the two student painters, Lily Romanowski and Garrett Geise, whose parents consented to buying the painting and then giving it back to the library.



Patrick Gelso, a student volunteer at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction, looks confounded as he tries to figure out where to place this basket.



Peggy Mitchell, of Dallas, has a front row seat and her number ready for auction action on opening night.



Kim Shina, of Beaumont, couldn't resist this sign she found at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction.



Judy Hertzberg and Rita O'Donnell, both of Dallas, look over treasures in the Nearly Olde Booth.

KINGSTON TOWNSHIP

Supers approve partial payment for bridge project

By SARAH HITE
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The East Center Street Bridge replacement was a topic of discussion and supervisors approved a partial payment for the project at meeting Wednesday evening.

Township Manager Kathleen Sebastian said demolition plans for the bridge are currently being revised and approved by state officials and engineering firms.

A payment in the amount of \$2,713 was unanimously ap-

proved. The state Department of Transportation is handling 80 percent of the project's costs, while the township will pay for 20 percent.

The project includes replacing the bridge and widening the road to accommodate the amount of traffic that travels through the intersection with the street and State Route 309. Construction has been estimated to be complete in the fall.

In other news, the board...
• Approved the township solicitor to draft an ordinance to revise

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the Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority Industrial Pre-Treatment Ordinance.

Chairman James Reino Jr. said the ordinance is a state mandate and every 10 years municipalities must revise their own ordinances to meet updated regulations for industrial waste treatment. There will be a public hearing on

the revisions at a hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 8.

• Renewed the police officers' liability insurance at an annual payment of \$6,711, which was a \$473 reduction from last year's cost. The public officials' liability insurance was renewed at the annual payment of \$9,496, which is the same cost as in 2011.

• Accepted the receipt for the 2011 independent audit conducted by Bonita & Rainey Certified Public Accountants and released payment of \$5,200 for the services.

• Approved the request of Becky Emershaw to block the intersections of Heights and Pine drives and the intersection at Pine and Pine Drive Extension to hold the Carverton Heights Neighborhood Block Party from 3 p.m. to 12 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8.

• Approved the request of the

Kingston Township Raiders Football Organization to use the Center Street Park field to collect yard sale items from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday, July 28 and hold a community yard and bake sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18 contingent upon scheduling with Back Mountain Youth Soccer Association and ensuring the area is clean after the event.

• The next Kingston Township Board of Supervisors regular meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 8 in the municipal building.