

# Auction

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Hughes from Boy Scout Troop 281, which runs the event. "We got rid of the majority of the stuff. There were plenty of baby toys, skateboards, Nerf guns were popular as were inch worm toys," Hughes said.

Jim Snyder, a long-time volunteer, said Friday might was an "umbrella auction" and, though the bidding enthusiasm was dampened, very few people left; they just put up their umbrellas, sat and waited for the showers to stop.

A homemade peach pie by Skip Sensbach in a thrown pottery bowl went for \$100.

Newcomers to the auction made multiple trips back and forth to their cars, commenting they never knew there were such great bargains at the auction.

The library named the auction barn for Ernie Ashbridge, a tribute to the long-time auction volunteer, library and community friend who died earlier this year.

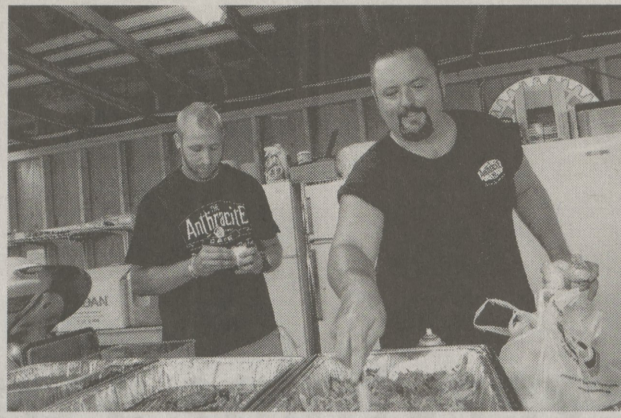
The shuttle from Dallas Shopping Center was most always filled and Finch said Emmanuel Bus Service told him they'd never seen it so busy.

The raffle booths did fabulously with boxes stuffed nearly every night, according to John Stubeda and Terry Eckert, the new goods chairperson, said Saturday night sales were wonderful.

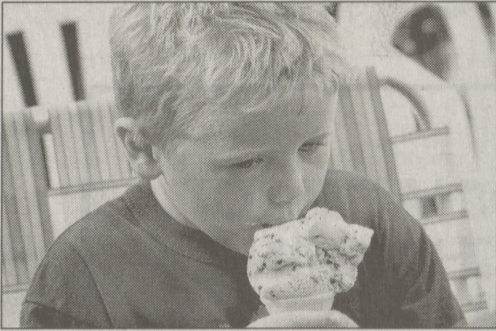
Sunday might brought a gleeful, cheering crowd to watch Hand's students sell their paintings and there were "no complaints" about the 67th Annual Back Mountain Library Auction, Finch said.



Keith Morris, of Dallas, closely examines a ski he found for sale at the auction.



New to the auction this year, Mike Prushinski, of Anthracite Cafe Wilkes-Barre, and his crew, including Tyler Champi, took on duties in the food booth.



ABOVE: Josh Van Orden, of Courtsville, enjoys an ice cream cone at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction. RIGHT: Bridget Keen, of Dallas, selects books at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction children's book booth.



Mary Lou Grant, of Dallas, arranges the Odds and Ends Booth at the auction.



# Scouts enjoy resident camp

A number of Cub Scouts and their leaders recently attended Cub Scout Resident Camp at Camp Aachela in Blakeslee. The Scouts checked into camp on Sunday and stayed until Friday evening. While at camp the boys learned various scout skills, crafts, cooled off in the pool, learned how to shoot a BB gun, sharpened their archery skills and even did some tubing on the Lehigh River. Participating in this year's event are, from left, seated, Ethan Shilanski, Carter Thompson, Christopher Campbell, Joseph Sowga and Thomas Figura. Standing, Keith Campbell, Asst. Bear Den Leader, Jacob Banta, Lucas Tomko, Tim Reinert, Assistant Webelos 1 Den Leader and Russ Banta, Cubmaster. Absent at the time of the photo were Austin Sowga, Dan Shilanski and Andy Thompson.

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Scott said Jen has good days and bad days and the family is working to create some semblance of normalcy in the household.

"I don't want it to be about cancer all the time," he said. "We're

not trying to concentrate on it. But then someone will call and tell us that someone else has it. It's hard."

Jen said the one thing that keeps her going is the support and love from her family.

"I just want to see my kids grow up," she said. "I don't care if I'm missing limbs or limping around - they are what I'm most proud of and I just want to see them become who they will be."

# Bridge

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We've been trying for other things that affect more of the municipality."

Mayor Timothy Carroll said he also would like to use the road, noting he lives nearby at the end of Machell Avenue.

"To me, I just accept the fact you can't go that way anymore. There are so many things this town needs. Our roads are falling apart, they need paving, we need money for that," Carroll said, adding that the bridge is low on his priority list.

Hughes said she would be back next year to ask again.

In other business, council voted unanimously to:

- Advertise for a part-time police officer. Carr said patrol hours are not increasing; she just wants to have a full pool of available officers.

- Promote Frank Kus to road department supervisor, a position that had not been filled for many years. His hourly rate will increase to \$19.

- Pay Campbell Business Machines \$4,191 for a new HP LaserJet Enterprise copier/printer for the administrative office.

- Authorize Quad3 Group to solicit proposals for a back-up generator for the municipal building.

- Reappointed H. Clark Lewis to represent the borough on the Back Mountain Area

Uniform Construction Code Board of Appeals.

- Amend the Disability Leave Policy to allow coverage of people who already have coverage through another job. This would allow volunteer firefighters to receive disability coverage under the borough's policy if they were injured in the line of duty.

Borough council will have a special meeting for general and bidding purposes at 7 p.m. Aug. 7 in the municipal building, 25 Main St., Dallas. Council also will meet at 7 p.m. Aug. 19 and 21.

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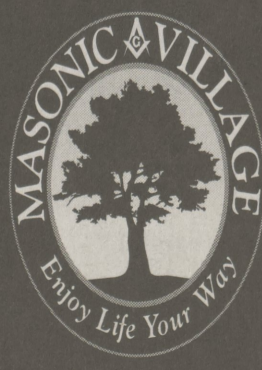
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