

Old mining town considers selling itself before it runs out of revenue, residents

JACKSONVILLE, Pa. (AP) — Tired old Jacksonville is running out of coal, youth, taxes and time.

Hanging on with only about 60 residents, caught between decreasing tax revenues and increasing state pressure to install sewers, the Borough Council has begun talk about disbanding and casting Jacksonville's nearly square-mile of territory to the mercy of neighboring townships.

"If we go another five or 10 years, no one is going to be here anymore," Councilman Stanley Gryczuk, 77, a retired miner and butcher said.

"The old ones are dying off and the young ones leave us," Councilman Mary Grimm, 81, a retired cook said.

Jacksonville, about 50 miles east of Pittsburgh, was never as big as nearby Saltsburg. But plentiful coal and hard work kept it on the map, its young folks close and its future hopeful.

With neat frame houses scattered along a hillside, it boasted as many as 150 residents in the 1930s, mostly coal miners and their families, and even a bank, barber, butcher, black-

smith and railroad station.

"It was the quietest, nicest town you'd ever want to see," said Jacob Grimm, 84, Mary Grimm's husband, a retired miner and himself a councilman "for, oh, about 30 years."

Council members say there are fewer people willing, or able, to govern.

Mayor Tom Salva, in his 60s, has been too ill to attend a council meeting in two years.

"We don't expect him to come to the meetings. We bring things to

him," Mrs. Grimm says. "In the last election, we were trying to get someone new to be the mayor, but no one would run, so we just wrote Tom in."

The average age of the council members, including the Grimms and Gryczuk, is 71.5 years, without counting young Frank Stango.

Stango, 21, a business major at nearby Indiana University of Pennsylvania, was recruited for the council several years ago by his mother, Councilwoman Josephine Stango, 56, a part-time postal worker.

Ex-captive of 7 years killed by hit-and-run

MERCED, Calif. (AP) — Steven Stayner, kidnapped at the age of 7 and forced to live as the sexually abused foster son of his abductor until he escaped seven years later, has been killed in a hit-and-run traffic accident.

"He sure led a rough life," California Highway Patrol Sgt. Bill Balestra said of Stayner, who was returned to his parents less than 10 years ago and was the subject of an NBC miniseries in May, titled "I Know My First Name Is Steven."

Balestra said Stayner, 24, married and the father of two chil-

dren, was killed Saturday when a car pulled into the path of his motorcycle on a highway between Merced and Atwater, some 70 miles east of San Francisco.

Balestra said officers believe they knew the identity of the driver of the car, who abandoned his car two miles away, jumped into another car and fled. He said felony hit-run charges were planned.

The officer said the car had pulled out of a private driveway and crossed in front of Stayner, who then ran into it.

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IM GAMEPLAN

Entries Open: Sept. 11 Entries Close: Sept. 19

Triathlon: Entry fee: Free! Event-shirts will be available for \$5.00, payable at registration. Competition: Saturday, September 23. Events will include a 250 yard swim, 1.5 mile run, and 4 mile bike race. Divisions: individuals (men's and women's), one person competes in all three events; and teams (men's, women's, and corec), three persons compete in one event each. Individuals will compete in the following age groups: 18 and under, 19, 20, 21, 22-25, 26-35, 36-45, and over 45. A master's team division will be offered for participants 25 and older. Anyone under 18 must be a TAMU student. Awards: Those with the fastest race time in their age group in each division will be declared winners and receive Intramural Champion T-shirts. Participants' meeting: Thursday, September 21, 6 pm, 167 Read.

Horseshoe Doubles: Entry fee: Free! Competition: Play begins Tuesday, September 26. Matches will consist of best two out of three games to 21 points. Horseshoe Association rules apply with intramural exceptions. Divisions: Men's, women's, and corec. Classes A, B, and C will compete in a single elimination tournament. Equipment is provided for the match, and may be checked out from the Recreational Sports Check-out Room for practice. Pits are located directly north of Penberthy Intramural Center and are available for practice. Awards: Class A Champions will receive a Championship T-shirt, Class B and C will receive certificates. Class B Corec winners will receive General Motors T-shirts. Schedules will be posted after 1 pm Friday, September 22 on the bulletin boards outside the Recreational Sports Office.

Entries Open: Sept. 18 Entries Close: Sept. 26

Cross Country Run: Entries will be accepted any time prior to event, including at the event site. Entry fee: Free! Race Date: Saturday, September 30. Divisions: Individuals will compete in the following age groups: 18 and under, 19, 20, 21, 22-25, 26-35, 36-45, 46 and over. Anyone under 18 must be a TAMU student. Awards: Those with the fastest time in each age group will be declared winners and receive Intramural Champion T-shirts!

Badminton Doubles: Entry fee: Free! Play begins: Tuesday, October 3. Divisions: Men's and Women's, and Corec. Classes: A, B, C, and Open. All Competitive Texas A&M Badminton Club members must play in the Open Class. Competition: All classes will compete in single elimination tournaments. Matches will consist of best two of three 15-point games. USBA Rules with Intramural exceptions will apply. Awards: Will go to All-U Champs in Class A, B & C.



Sport Health And Physical Education for University People

WIN A T-SHIRT for getting in shape! To encourage individuals to incorporate fitness into their lifestyles, TAMU Rec Sports is offering SHAPE-UP TWO, or Sport Health And Physical Education for University People with Timed Weekly Output, designed to produce an incentive for weekly participation. For information, stop by 159 Read, or call Rick at 845-7826.

FACILITY RESERVATION SIGN-IN PROCEDURE

To improve scheduling of activity space in G. Rollie White and the Read Building, a new procedure has been developed. Beginning on September 18, a representative from each organization with an approved reservation for time periods after 5:00 pm Monday through Friday, and all day on non-class days and weekends, must sign in at 157 Read prior to occupying reserved space. Please direct any questions to James Welford at 845-7826.

TAMU OUTDOORS

MOUNTAIN BIKING Sunday, October 8

Join us for a day of riding the hills and streams of the tree-shaded Greenbelt Trail on Barton Creek in Austin. There is a \$5.00 fee for this mountain biking adventure, and you must provide bike and helmet. Rental bikes are available in Austin. Registration is September 18 - October 2 in the Recreational Sports Office, 159 Read, and is limited to 8 participants. For more information, call Patsy at 845-7826.

ROCK CLIMBING AND RAPPELLING CLINIC Saturday, October 7

Recreational Sports is offering this one day rock climbing/rappelling clinic to introduce this exciting sport. Experienced guides will teach basic knots and rope handling techniques, protection and belaying systems, and a variety of climbing techniques at Sugar Loaf, near Hearne, Texas. The \$12 fee (\$15 for non-A&M) includes equipment and instruction. Register from September 18 to October 2 in the Recreational Sports Office, 159 Read. For more information, call Patsy at 845-7826.

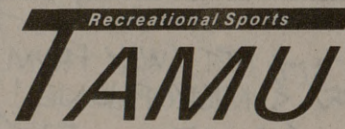
KAYAK ROLL INSTRUCTION CLINIC September 28, 6:15-8:30 pm

Learn the mechanics of the eskimo roll! Experienced guides will be on hand to instruct and assist you in sessions at the outdoor pool. The \$8 fee (\$10 non-A&M) covers instruction kayak rental, and pool time. Register in the Recreational Sports Office, 159 Read, September 11-25. Limited to 10 participants. Two more kayak roll clinics will be offered October 10 and 24. For more information, contact Patsy at 845-7826.

SCUBA DIVE IN COZUMEL! December 15-18

Spend four exciting days and three nights on the beautiful island of Cozumel, Mexico. The spectacular reef formations of Palancar, Santa Rosa Wall, Chancanab, and Paradise Reef are but a few of the world's premier dive destinations in Cozumel. Non-divers can stroll the town square, deep-sea fish, snorkel, explore Mayan ruins, along with infinite other possibilities. Cost for divers is \$450 (\$470 non-A&M), and non-divers pay \$375 (\$395 for non-A&M). Included are air fare and lodging in the luxurious La Ceiba Hotel with ocean-front, air-conditioned rooms. The diving package includes 2 boat dives, 2 lunches, unlimited beach diving and tanks, weights, and belts. Registration is September 18-November 1, and is limited to 20 participants. For more information, call Patsy at 845-7826.

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CLUB NOTES

The TAMU Skeet and Trap Club will host its first meeting Wednesday, September 20, at 8:30 p.m. in 305 Rudder. Old and new members are welcome. For more information call the club representative, Bunker Hill, at 696-9686.

Ultimate Frisbee: The TAMU Ultimate Frisbee Club will play Saturday, September 23 on the Polo Field, from 11 a.m. until dark. Don't miss this unique, exciting game. For more information about Ultimate, call the club rep, Terry Strickland, at 696-7175.

Men's Soccer: The TAMU Men's Soccer Team will host Baylor Saturday, September 23, at 2 p.m. on East Campus. Catch the team in their early stages as they return from a 22-2-1 season last year. For more information, call Tony at 846-7863.

TAMU Waterpolo: Have a splash-ing good time watching the Waterpolo Club host its first tournament of the semester September 23 and 24 in P.L. Downs Natatorium. Times run from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Volleyball Entries Open Soon

Start organizing your volleyball team now! Entries will open Monday, September 25.

Flag Football Starts Tonight

Teams, check your schedules, as play begins tonight!

REC SPORTS WEEKLY CALENDAR

| MONDAY September 18 | TUESDAY September 19 | WEDNESDAY September 20 | THURSDAY September 21 | FRIDAY September 22 | SATURDAY September 23 | SUNDAY September 24 |
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| Entries Open: Cross Country Run Badminton Doubles Registration Begins: Kayak Roll Clinic Mountain Bike Adventure Rock Climbing Clinic Flag Football Begins! | Entries Close: Triathlon Horseshoe Doubles | Skeet & Trap Meeting: 8:30 p.m., 305 Rudder | | Horsheshoe Doubles: Brackets posted 1 pm | Water Polo Tournament Ultimate Frisbee 11 a.m. - ?? Polo Field Men's Soccer vs. Baylor 2 p.m., East Campus | Water Polo Tournament |