

# China saves face in SARS case

**By HELEN LUK**  
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**HONG KONG** — A new accusation against mainland China collapsed yesterday when the family of an American dying from a mysterious respiratory virus confirmed they had requested he be moved from a mainland hospital to one in Hong Kong.

Officials from the mainland — already criticized for their secretive handling of the fast-spreading SARS virus — had been accused of moving the American to avoid

another foreign death.

And Hong Kong's health secretary said James Salisbury, a 52-year-old instructor from Utah, was dead when he arrived in Hong Kong Wednesday.

But Salisbury's eldest daughter in Utah confirmed what Chinese health authorities had said all along.

"We heard the hospital in Hong Kong had specialists that were treating people with SARS and we thought there might be other things that could be done to help him get better," said Michelle Salisbury of Orem, Utah.

She said Salisbury's parents had ordered the change in hospitals and that they were taking advice from a doctor on staff with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in China. She said that doctor had spoken to physicians at the hospital in

Shenzhen, China, and in Hong Kong.

The family knew there was a chance the three-hour ambulance ride between hospitals was risky, she said, but it was a risk the family was willing to take. Ms. Salisbury said he died of a heart attack in route to Hong Kong.

"I know my father's case was one of the most severe they've seen and that he was in the worst stages of it," she said. "In China they have been able to make some people better, it just didn't work for my father."

She said the hospital in Hong Kong may have initially been reluctant to take him because the facility already was dealing with many other SARS patients.

Hong Kong's health secretary, Dr. Yeoh Eng-king, told reporters that

Salisbury was dead on arrival. David Westbrook, a friend of Salisbury who drove behind the ambulance from the border city of Shenzhen to Hong Kong, said he showed no signs of life when he was put in the ambulance.

Westbrook said mainland doctors had given up hope of saving him and moved him so there would not be another death of a foreigner from SARS.

Health officials in Shenzhen said Salisbury was in a coma, not dead.

"We wanted to keep him in Shenzhen, but at the request of his family, we moved him to Hong Kong, where he died," Zhong Nanshan, an epidemiologist at Guangzhou Institute of Respiratory Diseases in Guangdong's capital, told reporters in Beijing.

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## An Open Letter to Cambria County's Elected Officials:

The membership and officers of the Greater Johnstown Regional Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO has gone on record to encourage the elected officials of Cambria County to retain ownership of Laurel Crest Manor.

The unionized employees at this respected facility have provided professional, personalized care to thousands of our friends, neighbors and family members for over 50 years. These county employed staff members represent a continuity of care and comforting familiar faces and voices to the residents that consider Laurel Crest Manor their home. Their services have been available to any citizen of the county, unencumbered by issues of profit margins and bottom-line costs.

Conemaugh Health Systems and their contracted operator, Grane Healthcare have proven their intent to favor profit over caring by removing long-term employees, particularly those who are leaders in the affected unions. They have disrupted the continuity of care and eliminated many of the caregivers that residents have come to trust. Their actions have forced them to contract with temporary workers at costs that exceed those previously incurred with the workers they have alienated or dismissed. Many times, temporary workers in the health care field are not even area residents, but workers who travel from other counties and even other states.


They (CHS) mention, in an ad stating their position, their ability to refer and place patients into Laurel Crest. Does that ability end if they do not own the facility? Is it solely based upon CHS' profit potential?

The county's elected officials must remember that the majority of Laurel Crest's employees are residents and taxpayers in the county. Why should our county experience an increase in unemployment because of the irresponsible decision that our county officials want to make to sell Laurel Crest Manor.

**This is an issue that should concern every county resident!**

The Greater Johnstown Regional Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO and its 19 Affiliated International and National Unions.

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**Public Notices**

**American Red Cross Blood Services, Greater Alleghenies Region**, will hold the election of its volunteer board of directors and annual meeting, "People in the Process of Saving Lives," on Thursday, May 15, 2003, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at The Conference Center at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown. The Greater Alleghenies Region serves hospitals, patients and donors in a 100-county area in Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia, and maintains service facilities in Beaver, PA; Huntington, W. VA; Johnstown, PA; Morgantown, W. VA; Pittsburgh, PA; and Winchester, VA. The annual meeting is open to the public.

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE**  
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**Estate Notices**

**NOTICE**  
In the Estate of PAULINE H.L. GORDON, late of the City of Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania. Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary in the Estate of the above named Decedent have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said Estate are hereby requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against same will make them known without delay to:

MARVA JONES BROOKS  
2161 STAR MIST DRIVE S.W.  
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James H. Stratton, Jr.  
Attorney for Executrix  
213 South Center Street  
P.O. Box 118  
Ebensburg, PA 15931

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE**  
In the Estate of TELFORD W. SMITH, late of CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, Cambria County, and the State of Pennsylvania. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration in the Estate of the above-named decedent have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to:

Carol Zajac, Administratrix  
c/o  
132 Jackson Street  
Johnstown, PA 15901

Gary L. Costlow, Esquire  
351 Budfield Street  
Johnstown, PA 15904

**Bid Notices**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
The Forest Hills School District will receive sealed bids on the following:

Art Supplies  
Office/Classroom/General Supplies  
Bread/Bread Products

Bid lists and specifications may be obtained from the office of the Superintendent or the Business Manager, Sidman, PA 15955.

All bids must be in the hands of the Forest Hills School District, Board Secretary, Dr. Richard R. Knavel, P.O. Box 158, Sidman, PA 15955 by May 1, 2003, 1:00 p.m. prevailing time.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or select a single item from any bid.

Dr. Richard R. Knavel  
Board Secretary

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District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or to accept any item of any bid without accepting the entire bid.

CAMBRIA HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
James P. Sheehan  
Board Secretary  
/Business Manager

Sealed proposals will be received by the Borough of Southmont of Cambria County at 148 Wonder Street, Johnstown, PA 15905 until 11:00 a.m. on April 21, 2003, for the following:

Mill and resurface various streets within the Borough with superpave material and bituminous seal coat. Estimated quantities include 7087 SY milling, 1082 ton HMA, 9890 SY bituminous seal coat, miscellaneous manhole and inlet adjustments and install 2835 SY asphalt millings.

Proposal may be obtained at the office of Paul C. Rizzo Associates, Inc., 647 Main Street, Suite 200, Johnstown, PA 15901.

Proposals must be upon the forms furnished by the Municipality. The bid must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid, made payable to the municipality. A performance bond or certified check in the

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Executive Director

**Bid Notices**

amount of 100% of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 20 days after the contract is awarded. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

Borough of Southmont  
BY: Judy Czernik  
Secretary

**Sunshine Laws**

The regular monthly meeting of the East Hills Recreation Commission has been changed to Tuesday, April 22, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. at the Rachel Hill School Building, 340 Theatre Drive, Johnstown, PA 15904. Future meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month, excluding June, July and August, at 7:00 p.m., prevailing time.

James T. Miliauskas  
Executive Director

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**Condensed Auditor's Report of Dale Borough Cambria County for 2002**

Cash Balance, January 1, 2002	\$ 151,561.92
<b>Receipts:</b>	
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 80,550.77
Local Tax, Enabling Taxes	57,289.57
Licenses and Permits	17,904.79
Fines, Forfeits and Cost	14,747.66
Interest and Rents	4,780.58
Grants, Gifts and Loans	58,281.75
Departmental Earnings	99,691.45
Miscellaneous	23,754.41
Total Receipts	357,000.98
Total	\$ 508,562.90
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
General Government	\$ 71,022.41
Protection to Persons and Property	87,966.00
Health and Sanitation	66,603.63
Highways	74,862.57
Loan Payments	14,387.74
Interest Paid	5,535.31
Parks and Recreation	8,476.88
Special Services	1,134.91
Miscellaneous	53,285.25
Total Disbursements	383,274.70
Cash Balance, December 31, 2002	\$ 125,288.20

A complete copy of the Borough's financial report is available for public inspection in the Borough's office during regular business hours.

**Estate Notices**

**NOTICE OF EXECUTOR**  
Estate of: ANNETTA M. REESE, Deceased. Late of Lower Yoder Township, Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania. Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary in the estate of the above-named decedent have been granted to the undersigned. ALL persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to:

JAMES W. REESE, Executor  
120 VENANGO STREET  
JOHNSTOWN, PA 15905

OR:  
AYRES, AYRES & FLEMING  
Attorneys for Executor  
132 Gazebo Park  
Johnstown, PA 15901

**Classifieds Sell!!**

Cambria Heights School District will receive sealed bids for the purchase of the following supplies and equipment for:

1. Administration
2. Art
3. Athletic Medical
4. Custodial
5. Furniture
6. Industrial Arts
7. Instructional Materials
8. Medical
9. Physical Education
10. Science
11. Special Programs

Bids listed and specifications for any of the above items can be secured during school hours by requesting same either by mail or in person at the Business Office, 506 Beech Avenue, Patton, PA 16688.

All bids must be plainly marked on the outside of the bid envelope as to the item or items on which the bid is submitted. Bids to be considered must be in the hands of James P. Sheehan, Board Secretary/Business Manager, Cambria Heights School District on or before 10:00 a.m., Monday, April 28, 2003.

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