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## Lake-Lehman High School students witnessed mock accident scene



Scene enactors and make-up crew waited together prior to staging the accident scene. From left are: Mike Penny, Kendra Stine, Sierra Pall, Kendra Coenen and Kassie Keiper.

By MB Gilligan  
Back Mountain Community  
News Correspondent

On May 15, juniors and seniors at Lake-Lehman High School witnessed a full-scale demonstration of a traffic accident involving a drunk driver and a fatality.

"Dave Hopper, our industrial arts teacher, organizes this program every two years," said

Mary Ann Maxfield, teacher and moderator of the Students Against Destructive Decisions Club at Lake-Lehman. "He is a volunteer firefighter and very involved with emergency management services."

The students were brought to the staged scene one grade at a time. While the seniors were outside, Frank Yanulevius spoke to the juniors in the auditorium about his daughter Sharon who

was killed by a drunk driver in 1995.

As the students watched, listening to the growing cacophony of sirens, a police cruiser arrived followed rapidly by ambulances and fire engines. Vehicles and personnel from the Back Mountain Regional Emergency Management Services and Fire Department, Shavertown Fire Department, Lehman Police, **continued page 2**

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Sweet Valley EMS, Eli's Towing and Geisinger Life Flight all participated in the life-like scenario. Lake-Lehman students Cassie Keiper, Tashia Coenen, and Sierra Pall from the Theater Production Club did the make-up for accident victims Kendra Stine, Mike Penny, Ryan Evans and Garret Hopper. The latter two are Lake Lehman alumni who were in the production two years ago and returned to help this year.

There was a definite sense of reality at the scene as Lehman Police Officer Harold Cain did a field sobriety test and then arrested the "drunk driver" and placed him in the police cruiser.

The staged accident scene involved two vehicles. The driver of a pickup truck was drunk when he slammed into the other vehicle killing its driver. His passenger had to be removed through the truck's windshield on a backboard and was placed in an ambulance for transport to a hospital. The passenger in the other vehicle was removed using the Jaws of Life and was ultimately put on the Geisinger Life Flight helicopter.

Throughout the whole program, Hopper explained to the students what the rescuers were doing. "We've got cameras all over them," he said when some students pointed out that the empty beer can evidence was blowing away. "We have to anymore. And, we don't take care of anything else until we know that our patients are taken care of."

One of the many rescue personnel on hand was Back Mountain Regional Chief Christopher Good who took a few minutes to address the students. He wanted to impress upon them what can happen from bad decision-making. "A lot of us here have children your age and we've seen this happen too often," said Good. "We want to help you and keep you safe. We are making a commitment to helping you kids."

The program occurred two days before Lake Lehman's annual prom. "We are very proactive with our students to try to keep them safe," said Lake - Lehman principal Doug Klopp. "We have this program and we also have the Last Knight Lock In on graduation night." Prom and graduation nights are the two most dangerous nights for high school students when they may make some celebratory mistakes.



Dave Hopper, Lake-Lehman High School teacher and moderator for the Emergency Response Team, organized the staged accident scenario and explained the scene to students in attendance.



Juniors and seniors from Lake-Lehman High School watch in the background as emergency personnel from the Back Mountain worked the staged scene of a drunk driver accident.



Geisinger Life Flight participated in the demonstration.

# Dallas Brownie Troop volunteered at the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen



Above from left are: Ryan Costello, Cara Pocono, Morgan Williams, Emma Brown, Maggie Ropietski, Jordan Banks, Jessica Allen, and Alyssa Pritchard. Missing from photo is Madison Carlsson.



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Brownie Troop #32647, Dallas, volunteered at the St Vincent de Paul Kitchen recently. The girls brought Girl Scout cookies that their troop collected as donations during their cookie sales. The kitchen manager, Mike Cianciotta, gave the girls a tour of the facility and put the girls to work. The scouts made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, bagged cookies, bagels, and donuts before the meal. During the meal, the girls "dished-up" salads, got drinks ready, and handed out cookies. It was a great experience for the Scouts.

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## Wyoming Seminary teacher Named Apple Educator

Janel McCormick of Dallas, sixth grade reading teacher at Wyoming Seminary Lower School, has been named a 2013 Apple Distinguished Educator (ADE), one of only 75 teachers across the nation to be so honored.

McCormick is one of about 2,000 educators worldwide who have received the honor in recognition of her passionate commitment to the use of educational technology to improve teaching and learning. She routinely incorporates the use of iPods, iPads and computers in her lesson plans and has presented her teaching strategies at several statewide educational technology conferences, including the annual Pennsylvania Education Technology Exposition and Conference (PETE & C), the largest educational technology conference in the Commonwealth.



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## All day rain dampens food drive

By Sandy Peoples  
Back Mountain Community  
News Correspondent

Even though it poured down rain all day on Saturday, May 11, our dedicated post office letter carriers did their best to pick up all of the donated food that was left at residential mailboxes at Back Mountain homes.

The U.S. Postal Service and local Letter Carriers celebrated their 21st annual "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive despite the rainy weather. The food drive is reported to be the largest single, one day food drive event in the nation, and is conducted in more than 10,000 cities. Over a twenty year period, this nationwide project has netted more than one billion pounds of food to be distributed to those in need through local food banks and food pantries.

"The Back Mountain Food Pantry is very grateful to receive this annual donation of nonperishable food," said Rev. Roger Griffith, president of the Board of Directors of the Back Mountain Food Pantry in Trucksville. "This year we received 6,600 pounds of food throughout the day. Because of the bad weather, however, this was about 3,000 pounds less than last year. But despite the rainy day, the letter carriers were determined to pick up every last bag that was left by the residents of the Back Mountain. We can't thank them



Letter carrier Rebecca Uher delivers bags of food to the pantry that she picked up along her mail route as part of the USPS "Stamp Out Hunger" campaign.

enough for their extra efforts in less than favorable conditions."

Dozens of volunteers were on hand at the pantry to receive the food, sort it, and place it on appropriate shelves at the pantry for future distribution to the more than 225 client families in the Back Mountain. Individuals from the food pantry, churches, service clubs, scouts and more volunteered many hours to get the job done.

The food pantry board is grateful for all food and monetary donations so that the program can continue to help our neighbors in need. Donations may be sent to:

The Back Mountain Food Pantry, c/o Trucksville United Methodist Church, 40 Knob Hill Road, Trucksville, PA 18708. The food pantry is open for nonperishable food donations to be dropped off on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

If you would like to help the food pantry offset this shortfall in donations due to the bad weather for the letter carriers food drive this year, nonperishable food can be dropped off at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Dallas, Hilbert's Tractor Store in Dallas, and Cook's Pharmacy in Shavertown during regular business hours.

### Dallas High School Class Reunion 1969 being planned



The Dallas High School class of 1969 will meet at 6:30 PM on Thursday, June 20 at Grotto Pizza, Harveys Lake. Plans for the 45th anniversary reunion to be held August 23, 2014 at Appletree Terrace will be discussed. Members of committee, from left are: Jim Roth, Patty Hughey Kern, Judy Krogulski Nieman, Carl Goeringer, Sheldon Hoover, Joann Thomas Pall, Jim Tupper, Wayne Williams and Sue Jozwiak Stern. All classmates and spouses are welcome to attend. For more information call Judy at (570) 675-4905.

## Back Mountain Food Pantry needs breakfast foods

While all non-perishable foods are needed and welcome at any time, inventories at the food pantry are low and the greatest needs at this time are: pancake mix and syrup, cold cereal, oatmeal, evaporated and condensed milk, hot chocolate mix, peanut butter and jelly and juice.

The pantry has a particular need for non-perishable foods during January, February and March when very few food drives are scheduled. With the cold weather upon us, many families are forced to choose between food and fuel, and many of our elderly residents are forced to choose between food and their medications.

The food pantry has 224 clients and the number seems to increase every month. Ten years ago, the Friday weekly orders totaled five or six. Now 20 to 22 food orders are given out every Friday. The food pantry recently gave out 176 Thanksgiving

baskets, and they will be giving out baskets for Easter again this year.

Individuals or groups wishing to donate a monetary gift or nonperishable food may call the pantry at 696-2917 for information or to arrange a mutually convenient time for our volunteers on duty to receive the food. Food may also be dropped off at the following locations during regular operating hours: Cooks Pharmacy, Rt. 309 in Shavertown, Hilbert's Tractor Store, Route. 415 in Dallas and St. Paul Lutheran Church, Dallas.

Monetary donations may be mailed to the Back Mountain Food Pantry, c/o Trucksville United Methodist Church, 40 Knob Hill Road, Trucksville, PA 18708.

The members of the Board of Directors of the Back Mountain Food Pantry wish to thank everyone for their support all year long.

## Summer Volunteer Opportunity

The 2013 Back Mountain Memorial Library auction will be held Thursday, July 11th through Sunday, July 14th. This is a great opportunity for individuals, groups, schools, clubs, and families to join us in support of our community library.

Prior to the auction, from Sunday, July 7th through Wednesday, July 10th, volunteers will assist with moving merchandise to sales areas and setting up displays.

During the auction volunteers are needed each evening from 5 to 11pm to staff sales tents, help with activities, and assist with directing offsite parking.

To volunteer or for more information contact Diana Berry at 570-675-0167 or email: dberry@epix.net.

## Men's Breakfast Group meets at Irem

The Back Mountain Men's Ecumenical Group meets at the Irem Country Club for their weekly breakfast meetings at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesdays. All men are welcome to join the group as they share fun, fellowship and faith.

## Pauly Friedman Art Gallery at Misericordia to feature artists

Well-known portrait artist Marylou Chibirka will show the many sides of her talent with the exhibit, "Marylou Chibirka: Portraits, Landscapes and Florals," that will be on display June 8 through July 31 at the Pauly Friedman Art Gallery at Misericordia University in Dallas, Pa.

In addition, the exhibits,

"Todd Jeffreys: Wheel Thrown Clay Works," and "Tim Weaver: Recent Watercolors," will be presented in the adjacent MacDonald Art Gallery.

An opening reception will be held for both exhibitions on Saturday, June 8 from 5-8 p.m. in the Friedman Art Gallery. The event is free.

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## Etiquette Tip of the Month

By Jill Evans Kryston, Etiquette Consultant

**Q:** The Lake can be stressful on a busy weekend. I remember the first day we launched our new boat. Within the first fifteen minutes we experienced a collision between jet skiers who were jumping our wake. Now that the summer season is here again, will you remind our boating community of the safety rules and etiquette?

**A:** Whether you're a thrill-seeker, fisherman, or just love the peaceful serenity of the water, recreational boating is pure summertime bliss. However, it only takes one rude maneuver to ruin the fun and enjoyment of this sport. Thoughtfulness and consideration will go a long way toward avoiding conflicts and misunderstandings on the water.

Speed and efficiency is required when launching and docking your watercraft. Load and secure your belongings before your launch so you don't hold up others in the boat ramp line. Then steer your boat away from the ramp and promptly return your vehicle to the parking lot. If you are inexperienced in backing up your trailer, practice beforehand in a parking lot. Enter a mooring area at a slow speed and pay attention to your anchor and mooring lines because a sudden shift in wind could wreck havoc with other vessels. At the marina, don't make others wait for you in the fueling line while you pick up bait or groceries.

Each boat is responsible for its wake and any damage done by it. Disruptive waves can range from annoying bounces to potentially dangerous jolts involving physical injury. Always slow down when overtaking a slower vessel in open water and allow a wide berth. If you are the vessel being overtaken, drop your speed to approximately 4 knots so the overtaking vessel can slow down enough to avoid throwing an uncomfortable wake. Big wakes in crowded spaces are bad news if you happen to cause property damage such as boats banging into one another or knocking someone's grill off their dock.

Sound carries over water. Respect other's peace and quiet by planning social gatherings away from the shore and other boats. Avoid engine modifications that cause excessive noise. If you are practicing a particular technique, do it in a variety of spots as the repetitive noise can be bothersome. Be sensitive to early morning and late night noise in vicinities where homeowners or campers may be sleeping.

Boat owners are not only responsible for the safety of their passengers and other watercraft; they have an obligation to respect the environment. Pollution kills fish, wildlife, contaminates waterways, and detracts from the beauty of the landscape. You can protect wildlife and delicate ecosystems by slowing down close to the shoreline, making sure the water is deep enough for your craft, avoiding fuel spills, throwing trash into appropriate receptacles, never dumping untreated sewage into the water, and avoiding native reeds and grasses when anchoring.

Nautical etiquette is no different from the rules of the road. It has a great deal to do with consideration for others, common sense, and courtesy, but also for safety. Watercraft can easily be taken for toys as their limits are tested and the associated manners seen as stuffy and arbitrary, but proper manners on crowded waters is a true mark of a good mariner. It requires the highest level of respect not only for the elements but for the responsibility a skipper has toward others. And remember, a boater safety course is a precursor if you are new to boating and a refresher course helps to remind you of what you already know.

Email your etiquette questions to Jill at: [information@DefiningManners.com](mailto:information@DefiningManners.com) or mail to: P.O. Box 1703, Shavertown, PA 18708. Defining Manners School of Protocol offers certified social and business etiquette courses. For more information visit: [www.DefiningManners.com](http://www.DefiningManners.com) or call 570-696-3209.



## Dallas Brownie Troop recently earned their "hike" & "bugs" badges



Above in photo, standing are: Emma Brown, Hannah Blazure, Nadia Evanosky, Kathy Kelchner, Elena Berti, Chloe Zondlo, Maggie Ropietski, Alyssa Pritchard, Morgan Sakulich, and Cara Picono. Seated are: Paige Noss (Daisy Troop #30100), Kaylee Kovaly (Daisy Troop #30100), Emma Blazure, Morgan Williams, Emily Williams, Ryan Costello, Jessica Allen, and Lauren Butwin.

Brownie Troop #32647, Dallas, earned their "hike" & "bugs" badges with the help of Kathy Kelchner, Environmental Education Specialist, at Frances Slocum State Park. The girls embarked on a hike through the beautiful trails and learned about many insects. The Brownie Troop was accompanied by Daisy Scouts from Troop #30100. The Daisies were invited as part of the Brownie Troop's preparation to "bridge" to the next level of Girl Scouts, Juniors. The troop held their bridging ceremony at the end of May.

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## Bear Den from Pack 241 in Dallas, earned the first NOVA Awards in NEPA Council



Congratulations to the Bear Den from Pack 241 in Dallas, who have earned the first NOVA Awards in the NEPA Council. They successfully completed and were awarded their Science Everywhere NOVA Badge at their Pack Meeting on April 28. Pictured above from left, front row: R. Obuhosky, E. Scott, J. Herceg, B. Newman, C. Kovaly, C. Weaver, I. McCue, J. Kapral. Back row: Mark Diefenderfer, (Two Mountains District STEM Chairman), Elaine Herceg (Bear Den Leader & STEM Counselor), and Jerry Ephault (NEPA Council STEM Chairman).

## Meadows sets summer teen program orientation

Applications are now available for the Summer Teen Program at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas. Teens can help with fun activities such as fishing, crafts, outdoor walks, manicures and much more. Teens can also work on senior completion or community service requirements.

An orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, June 19 from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm in the center's multi-purpose room. Pre-registration is required. Volunteers must be at least 13 year old and receive a two-step TB screening, which can be performed at the Meadows, free of charge. To register, or for more information, call the volunteer department at 675-8600, ext. 195 or 115.

## Lake-Lehman Key Club donates books and check



Members of the Lake-Lehman High School Key Club recently presented 31 new books and a check from the Dallas Kiwanis to benefit the Children's Room of the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Thomas Boyle, outgoing senior president of the Key Club, explained that this project is dedicated to the memory of the children from Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut. A book plate will be added to each book noting the special donation. Boyle explained that the Dallas Kiwanis sponsors the Key Club whose members number over 30 students. Presenting the check to Children's Librarian, Janet Bauman, is outgoing Key Club President, Thomas Boyle.

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In 2011, Boback introduced Act 19 which recognized the "Honor and Remember Flag" as Pennsylvania's official symbol which honors and remembers the courageous servicemen and women who have given their lives in the line of duty since the Revolutionary War. The act also required the Department of General Services to place the flag on the grounds of the state Capitol, which can be seen flying over Soldiers Grove.

Soldiers Grove – located in the Pennsylvania Capitol Complex – recognizes the soldiers and sailors from Pennsylvania who served in any of our country's wars and honors those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Boback's video remarks in the House chamber regarding this resolution can be found on her YouTube channel, YouTube.com/RepBoback. For more legislative information, visit her website at RepBoback.com.

## Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable plans June meeting

The Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable will meet on Thursday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Daddow-Isaacs American Legion, 730 Memorial Highway, Dallas. Please make note that this meeting has been changed to the third Thursday. The speaker for the evening will be Taylor Polites, from Rhode Island, who will present his program "First Occupation of Huntsville Alabama in 1862". Everyone is welcome to attend-- A three dollar donation for nonmembers. Any questions you might have, call John at 570 675-8936.

## Orange United Methodist Church plans vacation Bible School

Orange United Methodist Church invites all children aged 3-12 to get ready to dive into fun at Operation Overboard: Dare to go deep with god Vacation Bible School. Explore and experience God's underwater universe at VBS! The fun begins Sunday June 16th and ends Thursday June 20th from 5:45-8:00PM at Orange United Methodist Church, 2293 West 8th St, Dallas. The adventures includes regular Deep Sea Voyages into Bible fun and creative crafts, hands-on mission work, water science, and great music. For information call Leslie at 570-333-4269.



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# Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company recently held an open house

By MB Gilligan  
Back Mountain Community  
News Correspondent

The Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Co. held an open house on May 5 to show the community their newly renovated community hall. "We have new floors, countertops, stove and cabinets in the kitchen area and new ceiling tiles and fresh paint throughout," said Maureen Oremus, 1st Assistant Fire Chief for Franklin Twp. "Everything is neat, clean and organized. We also have new tables and chairs and new lighting so people can set the mood for wedding receptions and family gatherings and we can make it nice and bright for the training programs we hold here. We're really happy with how it all turned out."

The community room and kitchen area now has new wiring to meet standard safety codes and the department used a grant to help pay for the cost of hiring an electrician but all of the other work was done by members of the department and their families.

"We're very fortunate that our guys are just jacks-of-all-trades," said Maureen, of the renovation that started immediately after the last scheduled training session in February. "We've basically done everything ourselves and we worked hard to get it all done for the open house. We wanted to show the community

that we're here and that they could have free family fun in Franklin Twp. with firefighters."

The event featured hot dogs, hamburgers, and ice cream for visitors, a safety video running continuously, coloring and tattoos for children and tours of the Smokehouse.

"The smokehouse mimics a home and we fill it with smoke to demonstrate how to safely get out of a home fire," said Maureen. "We bought it with a grant and a donation from the Back Mountain Policemen's Association."

Annually, the smokehouse pays a visit to Dallas and Wyalis Elementary schools and all children go through the demonstrations. In addition, it goes to both the Luzerne County and Wayne County Fairs.

"It can also be used as a mobile command center because the bleachers can be converted to beds and it has the wiring for communications, water hook-ups and runs on a generator," said Maureen. "So, if the police have to be on-site somewhere for a length of time, they can use it. That's why the Policemen's Association also pays the insurance for it."

The Franklin Township community room is available for rent when it is not in use for training programs. For more information, contact Rick Stoss at (570) 690-3985.



Pictured on the bleachers in the smokehouse are junior firefighters of the Franklin Twp. Fire Co. In front are Lindsey Oremus and AJ Sweppenheiser. In back from left, are: Erik Sweppenheiser, Randall Farr, Kyle Sweppenheiser, youth helper, Jeremy Burton, and Adam Burton.

Photo right, from left are: Maureen Oremus, 1st Asst. Chief, Harry Sweppenheiser, Franklin Twp. Fire Chief, and Doug Farr, 2nd Asst. Chief.



Photo below: Zach and EJ Williams tried on fireman helmets at the open house. Pictured from left are: Jeremy Burton, AJ Sweppenheiser, and Zachary, EJ and Eric Williams.



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## Boback Announces Satellite Office, Veterans Hours

State Rep. Karen Boback (R-Columbia/Luzerne/Wyoming) today announced her satellite office schedule and veterans assistance hours for the month of June. "I encourage local residents to stop by and take advantage of my satellite office hours," said Boback. "While my district offices in Sweet Valley and Tunkhannock are open for constituents to stop by anytime, holding these additional office hours allows us to be as accessible as possible to all residents of our district."

A member of Boback's staff will be available on the following dates and times: Wednesday, June 19: 9 a.m. to noon at the Benton Senior Center located in the Northern Columbia Community and Cultural Center, 42 Community Drive in Benton. Wednesday, June 26: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Shickshinny Senior Center, 19 West Vine St. in Shickshinny.

Individuals who cannot attend the satellite hours can contact either of Boback's full-time district offices, located in Sweet Valley at (570) 477-3752 or in Tunkhannock at (570) 836-4777. Residents can also call toll free at (800) 278-3930, and state forms are available at RepBoback.com. In an effort to address federal and state issues across Boback's district, U.S. Rep. Lou Barletta (R-11) hosts a monthly casework day at her district offices in Sweet Valley, 5929 Main Road, located off Route 118, and Tunkhannock, 608 Hunter Highway, Suite 110, on the second Monday of every month.

Patrick Rogan, a caseworker for Barletta, will be available on Monday, June 10, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Boback's Sweet Valley office, and then from 1:30-3:30 p.m., at her Tunkhannock office. He will be available to help constituents who are having problems with federal agencies and programs, and constituents are encouraged to bring documents they have received from federal agencies related to their issues.

Lastly, striving to reach out to veterans and their families in the 117th Legislative District, Boback will host her veterans' assistance hours at her Sweet Valley district office on Tuesday, June 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Each month during these hours, Boback hosts a claims consultant from the Wilkes-Barre Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) to address questions and concerns of local veterans and their families.

Boback will also host the Department of Veterans Affairs' Mobile Veterans Center at her Tunkhannock district office on Monday, June 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; then again, in conjunction with state Sen. Lisa Baker (R-Luzerne/Wyoming), at the Dallas Shopping Center on Friday, June 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Some of the services provided at the center for veterans and their dependents include individual, group, family and bereavement counseling, medical referrals, assistance in applying for Veterans Affairs benefits, employment counseling, guidance and referrals, and alcohol and drug assessments.

Appointments for both of these veterans events are not required. For more legislative information, visit Boback's website at RepBoback.com.

## Vendor Event & Rummage Sale announced

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Join us on Saturday June 22, 2013 from 11 am to 4pm at Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge, 974 Lockville Road, Dallas. Rain Or Shine. Check out some fabulous finds from Avon, Arigami Owl, Advocare, Silpada & Paparazzi Accessories, while supporting our Homeless Four Legged Fur Friends!

## Run for a Rescue benefits Blue Chip Farms



On April 20, 2013, a group of students from Keystone College's Event Planning class conducted a fundraiser for Blue Chip Farms called Run for a Rescue. The event was held at McDade Park in Scranton. The picture above includes the professor for the course, Brenda Lidy, Kristin Fino (volunteer from Blue Chip Farms) and Chelsea Fino (a maltese adopted from Blue Chip) along with the students from the class who planned the event.

## Dallas Alzheimer's Support Group meets monthly

The Dallas Alzheimer's Support Group now meets once a month. Meetings are held in the Board Room of the Meadows Nursing Center, 55 West Center Hill Road, Dallas. Join us the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. until 12:30, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Call 675-8600 for more information.

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## Recognition awarded to Gary Miers



The Lehman-Idetown United Methodist church recently observed United Methodist Women's Sunday. The service was done by the Women of the Church. Those precepting were Jayne Haeefe, Janet Eddy, Jeanne Barrall, Susie Snyder, Kendra Cosgrove, Sabrina Major, President, and Ruth Jones. The speaker for the service was Kathy Berkey, a member of the Shavertown United Methodist Church and on the board of the District United Methodist Women. Her sermon was entitled "Food For Thought".

Each year as part of our Women's Division we recognize a member of members of our church for their work with missions. Our gift is forwarded to the Women's Division of the General Board Of Global ministries of the United Methodist Church. A pin of recognition is awarded to the recipient. This year our pin was given to Gary Miers. Gary has done many hours of service to our church and our shut ins. We are pleased to honor him. Above picture is President, Sabrina Major and recipient, Gary Miers.

## Wyoming Sem Lower School Students Receive Science Research Awards



Nine Lower School students competed in the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science State Competition, held at Penn State University at University Park. One student, Dominic Wright of Dallas, eighth grade, received the First Award, Perfect Score and Excellence Award for his physics project. Six students received First Awards: Alexandra Geyfman of Scranton, eighth grade, behavioral science; Liam Gilroy of Kingston, eighth grade, botany; Reeya Lele of Pittston, eighth grade, behavioral science; Connor McGowan of Pittston, eighth grade, physics; Andrew Schukraft of Dallas, eighth grade, chemistry; and Julien Simons of Kingston, eighth grade, botany. Two students received Second Awards: Erica Fletcher of Wilkes-Barre, eighth grade, physics, and John Kehl of Mountain Top, eighth grade, physics.

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DALLAS LIONS 2013 HOMETOWN HEROS



T/Sgt Charles Raymond Billings enlisted in the Army in February 1944. In January 1945, he was assigned to an Engineering Group in the 6th Army. The 6th Army's assignment was to retake the Philippines from the Japanese. S/Sgt Billings was 34 years of age, in April 1945, when he was Killed In Action. It was during the assault on Luzon.

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Pfc John L. Chapple served (1943 - 1945) in the U.S. Army. He was assigned to the 28th Infantry Division, 110 Regiment, Company E, and participated in the Rhineland, Ardennes, and Central Europe Campaigns, and also the Battle of Hurtgen Forest and the Battle of the Bulge. He was awarded two Purple Hearts.

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SP4 James F. Daubert served his first tour of duty from 1986 - 1990 which included assignments at: FT Dix, NJ; FT Lee, VA; FT Stewart, GA. with the 92nd Engineer Battalion, 24th Infantry Division; and Soto Cano Airbase, Honduras; In 1991 he was recalled to serve in Saudi Arabia during Desert Storm.

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2 Lt James B. Davies II (WWII) was a bombardier on the B-24 "Happy Go Lucky" assigned to the 705th Bomber Squadron, 446th Bomber Group, Eight USAAF at Flixton Airfield, Bungay in East Anglia, UK. On August 25th, 1944 during their first bombing mission, over Germany, the plane "Happy Go Lucky" was shot down. On that date 2Lt Davies was reported missing in action, and later change to Killed In Action. Sponsored by Libby Davies Mica / Pattie & Stanley Davies.



Cpl John J. Dillon served (1944 - 1945) in the U.S. Army with General George Patton's 3rd Army, 106th Mechanized Cavalry (the horses became tanks). His service included assignments in Normandy, Austria and Germany.

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S1/C Francis Sherman Mead served (1942 - 1945) with the U.S. Navy. He was a Fire Control Operator on USS Nicholas DD-449, a Fletcher Class Destroyer in the South Pacific (Guadalcanal). The USS Nicholas escorted the USS Missouri into Tokyo Bay for the Peace Treaty Signing.

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SFM3 Joseph J. Miller Sr. served (1966 - 1970) in the U.S. Navy as a Ship Fitter Metal Smith, Petty Officer 3rd Class, aboard the USS Everglades AD24. In 1968, the Everglades demonstrated her versatility and Can-Do Spirit by tendering every type of ship with the Sixth Fleet, handling from minesweepers to submarines to carriers.

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Sgt John Leonard Ostroski served (WWII) in the US Army Air Force. His awards were; Air Force Technical Badge with a Mechanic bar, (for his specialty in repair of airplane propellers). American Theater Ribbon, WWII Victory Ribbon and the Good Conduct Metal.

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CMSgt June A. Phillips served (1983 - 2012) (a total of 29+ years) in the United States Air Force. Her most prestigious medals were: Meritorious Service, Air Force Commendation, Joint Service Achievement and Air Force Achievement. Her last assignment was Superintendent for the 56th Mission Support Group at Luke Air Force Base, AZ. The Air Force's largest training base with nearly 1,800 personnel.

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S/Sgt Robert B. Price served (1942 - 1945) in the US Army Air Force. During his assignment with the Eighth Air Force he participated in 66 missions in the following areas: Sicily, North Africa, China, Burma and India. In WWII the Mighty Eighth compiled an impressive record, and suffered many casualties.

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A2C Joseph Henry Saraka served (1954 - 1957) in the U.S. Air force. He was assigned to the 786th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron at the Minot Air Force Station, ND. The station was a Ground-Control Intercept warning station. The squadron's role was to guide interceptor aircraft toward unidentified intruders picked up on the unit's radar scopes.

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Sgt Harry S. Smith served (1942 - 1945) in the U.S. Army. He was assigned to the 35th Infantry Division in General George Patton's Third Army. Sgt Smith was Killed In Action on January 15, 1945 and was a recipient of the Purple Heart Medal.

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# Honoring Our Heroes



DALLAS LIONS 2013 HOMETOWN HEROS



S/Sgt William E. Frederick served (1944 - 1946) in the U.S. Army Signal Corps. He received training at the Signal Corps Training Center, Camp Crowder, MO. He was attached to the 1389th Army Air Force Base, in the Air Traffic Control unit, on the island of Bermuda. **Sponsored by The Frederick Family.**



SPC David M. Halchak enlisted in the U.S. Army in July 2010. He is assigned to the S&R (Search & Rescue) Bravo Co., 4th Brigade Support Battalion with home base in Ft. Carson, CO. SPC Halchak is currently deployed to Kuwait. His specialty is welding and machinist. **Sponsored by American Legion Riders Post 495.**



S/Sgt Harold G. Ruth served (1941 - 1945) in the U.S. Army. He served in Europe with the 109th Field Artillery Battalion, Medical Detachment of the Wilkes-Barre Barracks. During the Battle of the Bulge, the battalion fought valiantly to halt the German Ardennes Offensive. For its valor, the battalion was awarded a Presidential Unit Citation, the highest decoration a unit can receive. **Sponsored by Marlene & Frank Rollman.**



T/Sgt Ernest F. King served (1942 - 1945). With the United States 5th Army, 36th Infantry Division, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion. T/Sgt King saw action in the North African Campaign, The Italian Campaign, and the North Western Europe (Germany & France) Campaign. T/Sgt King was awarded the Purple Heart Medal. **Sponsored by The King Family.**



S/Sgt John James McManus served (1951 - 1953) with the U.S. Army in South Korea. He was assigned to the Medical Detachment of the 196th Field Artillery Battalion, that were stationed in the area of the 38th parallel which is the boundary line that separates North from South Korea. **Sponsored by Lillian McManus & Family.**



Capt Lewis J. Reese served (1940 - 1945) in the U.S. Army Air Force He was stationed at Hickman Field on December 7, 1941 when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Upon graduation from Officers Training School, 2nd Lt Reese was assigned to Air Transport Command, Caribbean Wing in the Operations Division at Morrison Field, West Palm Beach FL. Capt Reese last assignment was in ATC as a Flight Control Officer at Hamilton Field, CA. **Sponsored by The Reese Family.**



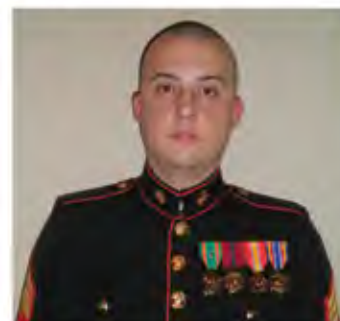
S2C Thomas E. Reese served (1943 - 1946) in the U.S. Navy. After completing Navy boot training he receive diesel engine training at the University of Illinois and the Naval Base San Diego, CA. Reese's last assignment as a Motor Machinist Mate Second Class, was to the USS Cheleb, AK 138, a Crater Class Cargo Ship, that supplied our ships and ports in the Asiatic - Pacific Theater. **Sponsored by The Reese Family.**



Capt Kimberly Sorber, as a 2007 college ROTC graduate she entered the Army reserve as a 2ndLT. After completing her Master of Science degree in Physician Assistant Studies (MSPAS) she volunteered for duty in Afghanistan. She is currently serving as a Physician Assistant aboard Black Hawk Helicopters with the 507th Engineer Battalion in Afghanistan. **Sponsored by Back Mountain Agway.**



SMSgt Robert E. Shultz served (1953 - 1955 in U.S. Army (Korean War)) and in the U.S. Air Force (1957 - 1979) a total of 26+ years of service to his country. Some of his most prestigious awards were: Vietnam Cross of Merit, Air Force Commendation Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal. Prior to his retirement he was the NCOIC at the 2069 Communications Squadron at Nellis Air Force Base, NV. **Sponsored by Shultz & Roberts Families.**



Sgt Jason A. Senese enlisted in the United States Marines after graduating from Dallas High School in 2004. He served at various locations in the states and is currently assigned to the Marine Corps Embassy Group in Fort Lauderdale, FL. The primary mission of the Marine Security Guard (MSG) is to provide internal security at designated U.S. diplomatic and consular facilities in order to prevent the compromise of classified material vital to the national security of the United States. **Sponsored by Ochman's Coins & Jewelry.**



S2/C Leonard David Harvey enlisted in the US Coast Guard in October 1942. He received his boot training at USCG training station Manhattan Beach, Sheepshead Bay, NY. S2/C Harvey was assigned to the Brooklyn Coast Guard Air Station's carpentry shop and was a member of the station's boxing team. **Sponsored by The Johnson Family.**

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## Wyoming Sem Students Receive Science Research Awards



Wyoming Seminary Upper School Science Research Group (SRG) students recently gathered for a Science Research Night event in which they displayed the projects they presented at regional and state conferences. Seen seated from left: sophomore Jacob Idec, sophomore Locchhanan Sreekarikesan, senior Qifang Cai, Zachary Riegel; Elijah Miller; and senior Hung-Yu Ma, Kaohsiung. Standing from left: Hoang Anh Phan; Kira Zack; Leana Pande; Megha Sarada; Alannah Trombetta; junior Ava Alexander, junior Sarah Cole, Larissa McHugh; and Dhvani Patel. Not present for photo: Sai Abhisek, Satyasan Sreeharikesan, Henry (Gus) Smith, Sujay Murthy.

Ten Sem students received awards at the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science State Competition, held at Penn State University at University Park. Seven students received First Awards: junior Sai Abhishek, Shavertown, biochemistry; freshman Elijah Miller, Dallas, behavioral science; freshman Leana Pande, Shavertown, biology; sophomore Dhvani Patel, Bloomsburg, microbiology; junior Hoang Anh Phan, Hanoi, Vietnam, biochemistry; sophomore Satyasan Sreeharikesan, Wilkes-Barre, behavioral science; and senior Henry Gus Smith, Mountain Top, computer science. Three students received Second Awards: freshman Sujay Murthy, Larksville, physics; freshman Megha Sarada, Moosic, ecology; and junior Alannah Trombetta, Dallas, microbiology.

At the earlier Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS), Northeast Regional Meeting, held at King's College, 13 Sem students participated, receiving 10 First Awards and four Second Awards. For projects in biochemistry, Abhisek and Phan received First Awards. In behavioral science, Miller and Sreeharikesan received First Awards. In biology, Pande received a First Award. In computer science, Smith received a First Award and an Excellence Award for one project and a Second Award for another project; junior Zachary Riegel, Bloomsburg, received a Second Award. In ecology, Sarada received a First Award. In microbiology, Patel and Trombetta received First Awards while freshman Kira Zack, Dupont, received a Second Award. In physics, Murthy received a First Award and sophomore Larissa McHugh, Hunlock Creek, received a Second Award. At the recent Pennsylvania Junior Science and Humanities Symposium, Patel received a First Place Award in the poster competition and Sarada received a Second Place Award.

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# Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction, New Goods Committee -- Really great items going over the block, July 11 through July 14

By MB Gilligan  
Back Mountain Community  
News Correspondent

Although the annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction doesn't happen until July, planning starts literally at the close of the last one. Dates are set, auction chairmen are put in place and committee chairs are sought.

"Really, the volunteer well is drying up. It is getting more and more difficult to get enough volunteers," said Terry Eckert, this year's New Goods Committee chair for the auction. "I've never done this before but I love the library and since I use it all the time, I wanted to help."

The New Goods Committee is responsible for obtaining donations of 300 or more brand new items, gift certificates for service, gift cards and monetary donations. They generally use any donated cash to purchase great specialty items at the best discounted prices they can get and then auction them off. All new goods are either auctioned off right over the block

along with all of the many antiques, or they are offered in special silent auctions. "So far, we've gotten some really great things," said Terry, a realtor with Lewith and Freeman. "We have four fabulous Coach purses, some home decorator items, and jewelry including a sapphire and diamond necklace, and a sterling silver bracelet with Lampwork beads from 3 Sisters. We have golf pull carts and golf balls and a Tiger Woods video game and book. We even have a signed copy of David Baldacci's book, "The Forgotten" which I am very excited about." Terry sent requests to ten different well-known authors seeking signed donations. Several refused the request because they get so many of them but she is still hoping to get some more donations that way. Terry and her co-chair Kristina Szczencinski also sent out letters to local businesses and all of their friends.

Typically, the New Goods Committee will receive gift cards from the local restaurants and pizza places. They have already



Terry Eckert, New Goods chair for the Back Mountain Library Auction is pictured with some of the donations already received.

received the donation of a set of four tires from Jack Williams. In addition, Citizen's Bank donated a box for a Penguin's



New items that will be auctioned this year include these lovely home décor items from Willow House and Southern Living at Home.


game complete with 14 tickets and food for the game.

"One of the other things I am really excited about is a 9000 BTU ductless heating system complete with installation donated by Monk Heating and Air Conditioning," said Terry, who was born and raised in the Back Mountain. "A lot of people use the library and it would be awful to lose it. It's hard with funding cuts so we just need to help out."

The New Goods committee will be accepting donations right

through the auction. If you don't have a business, you can donate your own unused gift cars or make a cash donation. If you want to be really creative, donate a service in which you excel. For example, great bakers can donate a freshly baked pie or maybe you would like to cook a dinner or do a lawn service. You can also volunteer to work before or during the auction. Everyone's help is needed and appreciated.

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## Meadows gears up for its 29th annual "Market on the Pond"

The committee for "Market on the Pond", the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center's Auxiliary's largest fundraiser, is in the midst of organizing this very popular annual event, which will be held on June 15th from 9 am to 3 pm on the center grounds, 4 East Center Hill Road, Dallas. The event will feature 120 vendors offering a variety of goods. Stop by the Auxiliary-sponsored bake sale under the tent enjoy a homemade lunch in the outdoor pavilion. Rain date is June 22.

Raffle baskets are currently displayed in the lobby and will also be available at the Market. The community is invited to donate items that can be used for various booths at the Market. Acceptable donations include odds and ends, (no clothing or broken items), soft and hardcover books, (no magazines), handcrafted items, kitchen items, gently used odds & ends and plants. Donations can be brought to the lobby at the center on Saturdays, June 1st and June 8th, from 9 am to noon. An auxiliary volunteer will be available to help. Other times can be arranged by calling the Community Services Office at (570) 675-8600 ext. 115 or 195.

## Harveys Lake Annual Yard Sale

The Harveys Lake Borough Homecoming Committee is sponsoring their annual community yard sale at homes throughout the Borough on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 7, 8 and 9th. Call the Borough Secretary for information, 639-3300.

## Recruitment Time at area Head Start centers

Luzerne County Head Start, Inc., announces "It's Recruitment Time" at area centers. Applications will be taken in Luzerne and Wyoming Counties for the 2013-2014 school year. Luzerne County Head Start offers a range of comprehensive programs for children from birth to age five and pregnant women, funded by a variety of sources, including federal and state, school district, United Way, community groups, organizations and individuals.

Preschool services for 3- and 4-year-old children, which are free of charge, include education, health, family support, parent involvement, transportation on a limited basis, and opportunities for children with disabilities. Families must meet specific criteria, including age and income eligibility, to qualify. Parents/guardians are encouraged to apply early, as selection for the 2013-2014 school year begins in the spring of 2013.

Luzerne County Head Start, Inc., also offers Pre-K Counts, a state-funded preschool program, in partnership with several school districts in Luzerne County. Services are similar to Head Start preschool services; however, income eligibility is set higher, and no transportation is provided for PreK Counts.

Luzerne County head Start provides Early Head Start services in select areas of both Luzerne and Wyoming Counties.

To apply, or for more information on Head Start, Early Head Start, or PreK Counts, call (570) 829-6231 or toll-free 1-800-551-5829. You can also begin the application process on our website at [www.lchs.hsweb.org](http://www.lchs.hsweb.org).

## Meadows Auxiliary installs officers



The Auxiliary of the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, met recently for a special luncheon meeting and installation of officers. The officers were commended for their dedicated service to benefit the 130 residents of the center. Above in photo, seated from left are: Irene Transue, Vice President and Robert Law, President. Standing left to right: Nelson Ashburner, Treasurer; Norman Johnstone, Secretary and Pete Klein, Second Vice President.

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# Renowned local artist Sue Hand and her students will work their magic at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction

By MB Gilligan  
Back Mountain Community  
News Correspondent

Renowned local artist Sue Hand will once again work her magic at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction. Sue and two of her students will do Plein Air paintings right on the auction grounds and their paintings will be auctioned over the block.

"We'll go up a few days early and we'll work together to pick our spot," said Sue who has been painting at the auction since 1990. "Every year the details are different. The tents get moved around to different spots and there might be something new. Also, the stage area always has different items."

This year Sue will be accompanied by Maggie Fannick and Kayla Wanek, both soon-to-be seniors at Dallas High School

and both have been students at Sue Hand's Imagery since elementary school.

"I am going to use colored pencils on black paper. I've done a lot of work on black," said Maggie, the daughter of Mary Ann and Demetrius Fannick. "I'm going to be working on it at night and this will really show the lights."

Kayla has decided to use pastels which are her favorite medium. "I am going to try to put in as much detail as possible," said Kayla who is the daughter of Hope and John Wanek. Although it is difficult to do detailed work with pastels, Kayla, who has won many prizes with her pastels, will use hard French pastel pencils. "We practice Plein Air painting so they are used to the people, the weather, the people, moving clouds, the people, and more people," Sue jokingly



Sue Hand, center, is pictured with Maggie Fannick, left, and Kayla Wanek. The three artists will produce Plein Air artwork to be sold over the block on the final night of this year's Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction.

said. "The auction is intense so you have to have a strong sense of concentration. These girls are geniuses and I know they are going to ace it."

The three artists will work on site on the Thursday, Friday,

and Saturday nights of the auction. In addition, they will also work in Sue's studio throughout the day on Saturday to finish as much as possible. "It will be a new experience for the girls, especially with the rush to get it

done," said Sue. "Then, Joe (Sue's husband) goes into high gear." Joe Hand will make custom frames and matting for each of the three pieces to prepare them for sale. They will go over the auction block, one at a time, on the last night of the auction accompanied by a great sense of excitement.

The Library Auction will take place this year from July 11 through 14. For more information or to volunteer to help at the auction, call the library at (570) 675-1182.

## Dallas American Legion plans golf tournament

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 is sponsoring their annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 8, at beautiful Stone Hedge Golf Course in Tunkhannock. The cost is only \$80 and features a steak dinner and door prizes. The proceeds go to support the Legion Scholarship Fund. Back Mountain students will receive \$1,000 scholarships this year. Contact the American Legion or Clarence J. Michael at 675-0488.



## The Wellness Column

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## Community Volunteers Needed for the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction

Volunteers of all ages (13 and up) have an opportunity to support the library. We have a wide variety of jobs (no skill required) and hours available. Set up dates are Sunday, July 7th through Tuesday, July 10th.



Tasks include; moving items to the sales tents, arranging merchandise, and hanging banners. Set up hours will be mostly during the day. Auction dates are Thursday, July 11th through Sunday, July 14th.

Tasks include: staffing booths, keeping the grounds clean and helping with directing traffic in parking areas (at the satellite lot at the Dallas Shopping center). We are in need of some strong men during the auction to help move larger items to the auction stage and to the pickup area, where buyers can load their purchases into their vehicles. Auction hours are 4pm to 11pm daily.

Post auction cleanup will be on Monday morning, July 15th. Clean-up is on the morning on the day following the auction. The tents will be removed by the rental company but we need to remove display tables, clear trash and be sure the grounds are ready for the farmers market that takes place the following weekend. This is a one day process and the more people we have to help the easier and quicker the process.

Invite your family, friends and neighbors to join you, it's fun and a great way to support your community. To volunteer or for more information contact Diana Berry, Volunteer Coordinator at 570-675-0167 or [dlberry@epix.net](mailto:dlberry@epix.net) or call the library at 675-1182.

## Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program Soon Underway

### Program vouchers are given to eligible seniors on a first-come, first-served basis

Rep. Karen Boback (R-Columbia/Luzerne/Wyoming) is reminding senior citizens about the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program, which assists eligible senior citizens in purchasing fresh fruits and vegetables at area farmers markets.

"Agriculture is our top industry in the Commonwealth, and I am pleased we have an initiative that assists older Pennsylvanians in experiencing the health benefits of fresh local produce," said Boback. "The intent of this program is to help senior citizens who are on a fixed income purchase fresh produce, while also helping to promote the many farmers markets we have in our area."

In order to be eligible for the program, an individual must be at least 60 years of age or turn 60 before the end of 2013. Proof of age, income and county residence are required. Income guidelines per household include \$21,257 for a household of one, \$28,694 for a household of two and \$36,131 for a household of three.

Eligible participants will receive four \$5 vouchers, which can be redeemed at participating farm markets and stands. The vouchers can be used to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs. Processed foods, baked goods, nuts, cider, honey, jam and certain citrus and tropical fruits are not included in the program.

Vouchers are given on a first-come, first-served basis and will be distributed at the following dates, times and locations: Wednesday, June 5, from 9-11 a.m., at the Benton Senior Center, Northern Columbia County Community and Cultural Center, 42 Community Drive. Monday, June 10, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Dallas Senior Center, 1158 Twin Stacks Drive. Monday, June 24, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Shickshinny Senior Center, 17 W. Vine St. Thursday, June 27, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Sweet Valley Church of Christ, 5439 Main Road.

More information about the program is available at [RepBoback.com](http://RepBoback.com).

## Back Mountain Food Pantry Holds Annual Meeting



Above in photo, seated from left are: Board Vice President Rev. Charles Grube, Board Member Christopher Czekalski, Board Member Lena Baur, Board Member Carolyn Straka. Standing: Board Secretary Ginger McCabe, Board Treasurer Harry O'Neill, Board President Rev. Roger Griffith, Food Pantry Garden Director Bob McGuire, Board Member Tom Evans, Board Member and Publicity Chairperson Sandy Peoples.

The Board of Directors of the Back Mountain Food Pantry recently held their annual meeting to review donations and client needs.

The food pantry serves more than 230 households in the Back Mountain. The pantry also provides Thanksgiving and Easter dinner baskets for registered families. More than 30 volunteers staff the food pantry with 40-50 man-hours being dedicated each week. The board is grateful to the community for their support.

Monetary donations may be sent to the Back Mountain Food Pantry, 40 Knob Hill Road, Trucksville, PA 18708. Donations of nonperishable food may be delivered to the food pantry or the following off-site locations: Hilbert's Tractor Store, Rt. 415, Dallas; Cook's Pharmacy, Rt. 309, Shavertown; and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, off of Rt. 118, Dallas.

## Harvey's Lake American Legion Line Dancers perform at Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center



Above in photo from left are: Vita Russo, Marion Maceiko, Betty Sorchik, Toni Weiss, Instructor, Jean Shaffer, Brittany Hillman, Joanne Hummel, Jessica Pudimott, Donna Krzywicki, Karen Downs, Carol Layaou, and Dave Zimmerman, Instructor.

The Harvey's Lake American Legion Line Dancers recently entertained residents at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas. Residents, family members and staff enjoyed a variety of old time favorites and new dances. The Harvey's Lake Legion Dancer's meet every Thursday evening at 7:00 PM. Classes are open to the public and are held on the second floor of the Harvey's Lake Legion.

# Plans are underway for the 67th Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction

## “The Year of the Auctioneer”



By MB Gilligan  
Back Mountain Community  
News Correspondent

Have you ever been to the Back Mountain Memorial Library? If you are like me, you are a regular visitor and your children have grown their imaginations through the Story Hours and summer reading programs. Now it is your chance to give back. The Library's Auction Committee is in full-swing and needs your help.

“It literally takes a few hundred volunteers to make it run smoothly and fortunately we do get the volunteers. Some people can't wait to work at it again and some people just show up out of the blue,” said Martha Butler, Executive Director at the Library. “That's the thing about the Auction and this community. It is the magic of it that it all comes together and that is because of the involvement of the community.”

Nearly 50 people have already been working for the past several months preparing for their various committee duties. The tents are ordered and the vendors are all in place. Now the library



Some of the committee members shown above standing from left are: James Snyder, Grounds; Terry Eckert, New Goods; Jane Kishbaugh & Susan Berdis, Basket Raffle; Diane Berry, Volunteers; Lisa Pretko, Auction Executive Assistant; Martha Butler, Library Director; Mary Bartos, Auction Executive Assistant; Carol Warholak Sweeney, Publicity; George Finch, Auction Chairman; and John Stubeda, Raffle Chairman. Seated, from left are: Leslie Horoshko, Antiques; Mary Lou Grant, Nearly Olde Booth; Vi Gommer, Auction Advisory Board; Ruth Teschner, Book Booth; Pauline Kutz & Ernie Ashbridge, Auction Advisory Board; and Mary Ann Finch, Co-chairman. The late Ernest Ashbridge will be honored as we plan this year's auction, “The Year of the Auctioneer”. Missing from photo are: Vicky Grzybowski, Shirley Gingo, Cynthia Das, Wayne Williams, Irene Wentzel, Joyce Dombroski-Gebhardt, Karen Shuster, Cheryl Miller, John Stubeda, and Brigid Pfeiffer.

needs volunteers and donations.

“We are looking for anyone 12 and older who has an hour or two or a day or two to help out,” said Martha. “It depends on their interests and abilities but we can use all the help we can get.”

Volunteers are needed to help with setting up the auction on Sunday, July 7 beginning at noon and on July 8 from 9am to 4pm. That is when everything is removed from the basement storage area and placed in the specific tents.

Nearly Olde-Vintage items are gingerly unwrapped and beautifully displayed on linen-covered tables; baskets and wreaths are moved to the Tisket Tasket tent; and all of the various and sundry Odds and Ends collected throughout the year are organized in their giant tent. All of this takes many helping hands, some for the artistry of display and some for the strength and stamina needed for lifting and carrying. In addition, volunteers are needed for staffing the many tents throughout the four nights of the auction. It is a great way to help out your community library, while meeting up with old friends.

If baked goods are your thing, you are really in luck as the Bake Sale tent still needs a chairperson or even just a

volunteer to staff the tent for a shift or two. You could spend a few hours selling books in the Bookstore or really have some fun at the Sand Art and Children's Game area of the auction.

For those with a green thumb, the flower tent is calling you. Help is needed for transporting donations from the generous area nurseries and green houses and for keeping all of those plants watered throughout those four hot July auction days. You can also help by donating those extra perennials as you spruce up your own garden this year.

Maybe you just really do not have any extra hours in your hectic schedule. You can still help the library with your generous donations of whatever you can give. They are looking for

donations of everything from valuable antiques, paintings, lamps, bookcases and linens to gift cards, baked goods, jewelry and gently used purses. Christmas and other holiday items are also welcome. Used books will only be accepted until June 29 to allow for sorting and shelving but all other donations will be accepted up to and during the auction. “We want people to know that if they have things left over from a yard or house sale, they can drop them off here and we can provide a tax receipt for them,” said Martha. If you have large furniture items, it may be possible to arrange for pick-up.

This year's auction is scheduled for July 11, 12, 13, and 14 and the Tiki Hut, featuring all natural smoothies, will be added to the list of vendors from last year. Mike Prushinski, owner of the Anthracite Café in Wilkes-Barre, will partner with the auction committee as he runs this year's food booth. The menu will feature a few new items along with the old favorites and the prices will be in line with last year's list. Raffle tickets for two beautiful quilts are now available at the library. Leslie Horoshko has donated an appliqué quilt and Lois Noble donated a Dr. Seuss quilt with proceeds dedicated to the Children's Reading Room. For more information call the Library at 675-1182.

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It was brought to my attention that I have been hoarding pearl necklaces for many years and have quite a collection. Is there a group meeting for that??? Anyway, I have decided to put them out for sale for only \$5.00 each. Stop in early for the best selection. Start your Christmas shopping early. I will even make you stud earrings to match for only \$2.00.

**Until next month, keep spreading hugs and smiles.  
Ciao -- Mary**



## Back Mountain Bloomers Garden Tour planned

Back Mountain Bloomers Garden Club members are preparing their sixth bi-annual Tour of Back Mountain Gardens for Saturday, June 29. Six homeowners' gardens displaying a variety of landscape designs, which enhance the sites and reveal the styles and tastes of the owners will be available for the public to tour from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Joanne Bittner, event chairperson, and her committee selected four lovely properties in Dallas and two at Harvey's Lake. The tour begins at the award-winning Misericordia University Shakespeare Garden where garden entrance tickets, canvas Garden Tour tote bags, a Tour Guide Booklet with map and coupons and information from business sponsors will be available at the Anderson Health and Sports Center on tour day. All of the Dallas properties are within easy driving distance to each other as are the two gardens at Harvey's Lake, where 2 shuttles will provide safe transport throughout the day.

The garden properties vary in size from professionally tended estates to intimate gardens created and cared for by one individual. Imagination and creativity abound in the use of hardscaping elements of stonewalls and walkways, fountains, gazebos, beautiful and whimsical sculptures, swaths of perennials and abundant pots of flowers. There is much to delight, surprise and inspire in these lovely gardens.

Registration forms for the purchase of tickets can be found on the Back Mountain Bloomers website at [www.backmountainbloomers.org](http://www.backmountainbloomers.org) or contact Julie McMonagle at either 696-5082 or at [jjmcmom@frontier.net](mailto:jjmcmom@frontier.net). Tickets are \$20 on or before June 22; \$25 after June 22. All proceeds benefit the Anthracite Scenic Trails Association.

## Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center "Thanks" Volunteers



Special awards were given to volunteers who have generously given 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 years of service. Shown in photo above, back row from left are: Gloria McAdara, 5; Mary Wilkes, 5; Carol Yezilski, 5; Nelson Ashburner, 15; Jean Mikulis, 15 & Phil Conlon, 5. Front row from left are: Fran Dierolf, 25; Mary Law, 20; Jane Gritman, 20; Kathy Barlow, 20 and Pat Conlon, 5.

Volunteer Appreciation Week at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, was recently celebrated to honor the more than 100 community-spirited people who help at the center. They were acknowledged at a luncheon held at Apple Tree Terrace at Newberry Estate to thank them for sharing over 11,000 hours with the residents this past year. Certificates of Appreciation and gifts were presented to each volunteer.

## Beef Dinner Family Style

Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Company, Sweet Valley, will serve a beef dinner on Saturday, June 22.

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# Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center recently held its semi-annual Volunteer Recognition program at Appletree Terrace, Dallas

By MB Gilligan  
Back Mountain Community  
News Correspondent

The Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Dallas held its semi-annual Volunteer Recognition program at Appletree Terrace during National Volunteer Appreciation Week.

Nearly 100 volunteers received award certificates in addition to a beautiful painted flower pot and a packet of flower seeds acknowledging the event's theme that volunteers plant the seeds of kindness.

Betty Sorchik and Camille Fiotti, Director and Assistant Director of Community Services, respectively, pointed out that this year alone volunteers have donated over 11,000 hours of service to the residents of the Meadows. Throughout the year, volunteers are treated to covered-dish luncheons and two award events. New volunteers are always welcomed and it is a great way to make new friends while feeling gratified that you helped someone else.

For more information, call the Meadows at 675-8600.

Pictured (right) at the Meadows Volunteer Appreciation program, from left, are: Margaret Smith, Jean Mikulis (15 years of service), Jane Gritman (20 years), Donald A. McAndrews, and Margie and Leonard Farber.



Enjoying themselves at the event at Newberry Estates, from left, are: Betty Prutzman, Paula Priebekostewicz, Sandra Klein, Jane Evans and Pete Klein.



From left are Meadows volunteers: Marilyn Sorchik, Heidi Marr, Joan Doran, Peggy Kleban, and Irene Mike.



On hand to recognize the Meadows volunteers, from left, are: Carl Notto, Executive Director EEI, Cristina Tarbox, Meadows Administrator, Camille Fiotti, Asst. Director of Community Service, Betty Sorchik, Director of Community Services, and Rev. Dr. Robert M. Zanicky, President and CEO of EEI, the parent company of the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.



Volunteers at the event, seated from left, are John Fetterman, Bill Volkel, and Fran Dierolf (25 years of volunteer service). Standing are: Cookie Fetterman, Geri Williams, Ann Hughes, Bernie Luksic, and Lois DeGennaro.

## Back Mountain Food Pantry Garden needs volunteers

If you enjoy gardening and helping others, the Back Mountain Food Pantry Garden could use your skills.

We are looking for volunteers from both individuals and groups. We will have dates set up for planting, prep work, weeding, watering and harvesting. We also need a group or individuals to volunteer to mow the grass on a regular basis. Volunteers can come every week or every other week. If we can get enough helpers, the work will be spread out among many, and no one person or group will have to do it all.

The garden, located at the Lands at Hillside Farms in the Back Mountain, supplies fresh produce to clients of the food pantry.

If you wish to help, please call Mandy at 674-9777 or email her at [mandy@foopanga.org](mailto:mandy@foopanga.org).

## Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable welcomed guest speaker

Mr. Joe Kerrigan, also known as the professor, was the speaker at the Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable in May. Mr. Kerrigan is from Gettysburg. He interwove both Gettysburg and Civil War history throughout his program of magic.



Monthly meetings are held in the lower level of the Daddow-Isaac American Legion in Dallas. Next meeting will be June 20th at 7:00 with Taylor Polites, from Rhode Island, speaking on "North Alabama in the Civil War". Everyone is welcome and currently accepting new members. There is a three dollar fee for non members, and the public is invited to attend.

## BBQ Chicken Dinner, Ice Cream Social and Basket Raffle planned

Gate of Heaven Church, 40 Machell Ave., Dallas is holding a combination BBQ Chicken Dinner, Ice cream Social and a Theme Basket Raffle on Sunday June 23, 2013. Included is a Door prize for 4 Season Passes to CAMELBEACH. It is a Family Friendly affair. Dinner is served 12:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Ice Cream Social served 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. with the Theme Basket Drawings at 4:45 p.m. Take-outs or dine in. The menu includes: BBQ Chicken, Baked potato, Baked Beans, cole slaw, rolls & butter, beverage and dessert. Handicap seating is available, Adults \$9.00 and children under 10 are \$5.00. For additional information and ticket sales please contact the Church office at 570-675-2121.

Photo right, planning committee members, front row, from left are: Barbara Michaels, Ellen Wilde, Rev. Daniel Toomey, Pastor; Virginia Conrad and Phil Conrad. Rear row, Dave Kozak, Bob Cragle Ellen Lehon, Carol Yezilski, Carol Carroll, Sunny Cesarini and Drew Regan, co-chairman.

## U.S. Paralympics Alpine Skiing National Teams Athlete Stephanie Jallen, delivers inspiring presentation at Irregulars breakfast meeting



The Irregulars of the Back Mountain welcomed Stephanie Jallen, her Mom Deb Jallen, and Sister Sarah Jallen to The Irregulars Think Tank Breakfast at Twin Stacks Center on May 11. Attending the presentation given by the remarkable Paralympics Alpine Skier, from left, are: Lynn Daddio, Treasurer, SJPF, Inc.; Drew Speier, Anchor, WBRE/WYOU Eyewitness News; Deborah Jallen, President, SJPF, Inc; Cholly Hayes, Facilitator, The Irregulars; Stephanie Jallen; Jim Walsh, Development Officer, SJPF, Inc.; Sarah Jallen; State Representative Eddie Day Pashinski, D-Wilkes-Barre.

Stephanie Jallen, 17, Harding, was guest Presenter at The Irregulars Think Tank Breakfast held in the Natona Room at Twin Stacks Center, Dallas, Saturday, May 11. Jallen, 17, is an athlete on the U.S. Paralympics Alpine Skiing National Teams. She is ranked top-10 in the world in two of the five Alpine Skiing disciplines, and is slated to compete in the U.S. Paralympics in Sochi, Russia in 2014. She is a member of the Junior class at Wyoming Area High School.

On his TV NewsWatchers YouTube page on Monday, Facilitator Cholly Hayes called the Paralympic Skier's presentation visit a, "phenomenal moment." "To have a young athlete of this caliber take the time to talk to us, gives us motivation." To follow Paralympics Skier Stephanie Jallen in her quest to be the world's best at the U.S. Paralympics in Sochi, Russia in 2014, log on to [www.stephaniejallen.org](http://www.stephaniejallen.org) on the Internet.

The Stephanie Jallen Paralympic Fund, Inc. (SJPF, Inc.) non-profit organization is supporting the local championship skier in her worldwide endeavors. For more information call James M. Walsh, Esq., Development Officer, SJPF, Inc., at (570) 878-3333, or email [statiuniti1776@hotmail.com](mailto:statiuniti1776@hotmail.com).





# Apex Roof Cleaning offers many benefits to your home

## *Serving customers throughout the Back Mountain and surrounding communities*

Did you ever drive down a road and see how beautiful a property looks except for the dirty roof on the house? Properties like this are everywhere says Dan Cronauer, owner of Apex Roof Cleaning, and Dan's mission is to give them all a good cleaning.

He founded Apex Roof Cleaning in October 2011 to do just that. Cronauer, a lifelong resident of Mountain Top, graduated from Crestwood High School in 2006 and received a teaching degree from Stroudsburg University in 2010. Realizing there was no real future in teaching in this area, he decided to look for something that he could make a solid living at.

He looked into various opportunities and after searching

the web for ideas came across the Roof Cleaning Institute of America and decided to look into the field of roof cleaning. Dan soon became a member of RCIA and after studying and learning about the soft wash process became soft-wash certified.

Dan and the other professionals at Apex Roof Cleaning are equipped with a state-of-the-art soft-wash system that gently applies a 100% biodegradable solution. The Apex solution is recommended by the Roof Cleaning Institute of America and the American Roofing Manufacturer's Association, and the soft wash process is a non-abrasive, gentle way to wash roofs.

Upon arriving to a job the Apex professionals perform a thorough inspection and



**Dan Cronauer, owner of Apex Roof Cleaning, sprays the soft wash solution on a roof top in Luzerne County.**

document any existing damage to the roof or surrounding areas. Dan says washing a roof is "not just about looks, but about preserving it." A roof may not need to be replaced but rather just washed. The result is a clean and great looking roof.

The Apex Roof Cleaning Soft-Wash is fully approved by all shingle manufacturers and is recommended by all insurance companies. It is also recognized as general maintenance. They never use any equipment that involves high pressure because the use of high pressure will not

only damage your roof, but will also void any existing warranty the shingles may have. Apex not only cleans asphalt shingled roofs but metal, slate, and cedar shake roofs. The company services homes, businesses, apartment buildings, condos, industrial complexes and retail affiliations.

Some of the reasons you should have your roof cleaned include: improve curb appeal, improve roof longevity, decreases utility costs, maintain the value of your home or business, protects the roof, increases the

life of the roof by preventing cracks and leaks caused by lichen, algae and moss.

Apex Roof Cleaning stands by its work by offering a two year warranty and are fully insured, certified and serves customers throughout Northeast Pennsylvania including the Back Mountain and surrounding communities.

Call NEPA's # 1 "soft-wash" Roof Clean Professionals for more information or to request free estimates at 1-855-927-4632 or 417-9189 or visit [www.apexroofcleaning.com](http://www.apexroofcleaning.com).



## Bon Voyage!

Jamaica, situated in the Caribbean Sea, lies 90 miles south of Cuba.

It is the fifth largest island in the Caribbean and the unit of currency is the Jamaican Dollar. The official language is English but they primarily speak an English-African creole

language, commonly heard through Reggae music. Jamaica is famous for Jerk Spices, Red Strip Beer and Blue Mountain Coffee.

Kingston, located on the south shore is the 7th largest natural harbour in the world, which contributed to the city being designated as the capital. Attractions include the rainforest, caves, river rafting, snorkeling coral reefs, visiting the birthplace of Bob Marley or take a ride on the Bob Sled at Mystic Mountain. Dunn's River Falls is a must see, located in Ocho Rios, where you can climb up the 600 feet gorgeous cascading falls.

Jamaica is listed in the Guinness book of World Records as having more churches per square mile than any other country, whether it be service in a church or under a tent.

One of the island's main producers is bauxite, a precious ore used in the manufacture of aluminum and shipped to the USA, Canada and Norway. Mining marble, alabaster and limestone are also popular.

**The island's warm climate and year round sunshine, white sand beaches and beautiful landscape attract 1.3 million tourists yearly.**

**Why not be a statistic and give us a call.**

## VACATION STATION

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## Good news from Shavertown and Dallas Boy Scout Troops



Boy Scouts from Back Mountain Troop 146, Jackson Township and Troop 232, Gate of Heaven recently completed the requirements for their Personal Fitness Merit Badge. The badge included instructional sessions on physical fitness, good nutrition, and spiritual wellness to promote a healthy and balanced lifestyle. Scouts completed a 12-week fitness challenge, adhering to individually-designed fitness plans to increase their cardio and strength, and recording improvements on two-week testing intervals on the basic physical fitness tests, including a 9-minute run, sit-ups, pushups, pull-ups and flexibility stretch tests. The program was offered at no charge to the scouts by Big Bear Fitness, Twin Stacks Center, Dallas. Shown in photo above from left, first row are: Nathan Roppelt, RJ Knorr, Tommy Brodhead, Connor Duffy, Ryan Marshall, Justin Marshall, Tyler Manzoni. Second row: Amy Huntington, Group Trainer, Big Bear Fitness, Matty Duffy, Christian Sebastianelli, Michael Caravaggio, Nicholas James, Andrew Molitoris, Patrick Redington, Tony Caravaggio, Thomas Manzoni, and Mark Szot, Personal Trainer, Big Bear Fitness.

## “Market on the Pond” Welcomes donation for booths

The Meadows Nursing Center’s Auxiliary volunteers are asking the community to pitch in and help by donating items that can be used for various booths at their annual fund raiser, “Market on the Pond,” that benefits residents. The event will be held on Saturday, June 15th from 9 am to 3 pm on the center’s grounds at 4 East Center Hill Rd., Dallas. Rain date is June 22nd.

Items for booths such as odds and ends (no clothing or broken items), soft and hardcover books (no magazines), handcrafted items, new but never used items, kitchen items, and perennial plants are appreciated.

For the convenience of the community, donations can be brought to the lobby at the center on Saturday, June 8th from 9am to noon. An Auxiliary volunteer will be available to help. Other times can be arranged by calling the Volunteer Office at (570) 675-8600 ext. 195 or 115 or email: vol@meadowsnrc.com.

For more information on Market on the Pond, you can also visit our website: www.meadowsnrc.com.

## Back Mountain students opened Fine Arts Fiesta



Lake-Lehman Theatre Group, in costumes, presented musical excerpts from Red Riding Hood on stage and opened the Saturday, May 18 Fine Arts Fiesta in Wilkes-Barre. Twenty actors performed fun music from the stage production of Red Riding Hood.

Shown in photo above are: Wolf Ronnie Ziomek, Miss Muffet Courtney Richards, Judge Jasmine Moku, Grown Red Kaitlyn Sincavage, and Little Red Aleah Ashton.

**Read the Community News online at:  
www.communitynewsinline.net**

For information or to place your ad, call

**Lisa at (570) 674-7772**

## EEI Kicks Off Meadows Annual Appeal



Pictured in photo above are, standing from left: Gary Kirk, Dave Klingerman Jr., Dave Klingerman Sr., Gary Uzelac, Msgr. Donald A. McAndrews, Atty. David Schwager, Atty. Tom Makowski, Carole Poggi, Ned Delaney, Maurice Meagher, Stephen Hannon, Jerry Sauter and Dave Rudis. Seated from left are: Carl Noto, Ex. Dir. Of EEI, Bob Smith, Philip Tuhy, Ellen Rudis, Beth Roe and Rev. Dr. Robert M. Zanicky, Pres. of EEI Board of Directors.

Ecumenical Enterprises, Inc. (EEI) has announced that its 2013 Meadows Annual Appeal is underway. EEI is the parent company of the Meadows Nursing & Rehabilitation Center and the Meadows Manor. This annual appeal, directed to community individuals, businesses and organizations, assists EEI in its mission of sustaining and improving the quality of life of the elderly and infirmed. Monetary donations can be sent to: Meadows Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 4 E. Center Hill Rd., Dallas PA 18612. For more information call (570) 675-8600 ext. 195.

A “Thank You” reception was held for supporters of last year’s Annual Appeal in the outdoor pavilion on the Meadows campus.

## Greater Pennsylvania Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association will hold their 10th Annual Art & Music event



Planning committee members shown in photo above from left are: Barbara Wilson; Beverly Johnston; Estella Parker Killian; Atty. Martin A. Toth; Cornelia Romanowski; and Cynthia Post Mitchell.

The Greater Pennsylvania Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association will hold their 10th annual Art & Music event on Thursday, June 13, at Huntsville Country Club from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Artwork donated by regional artists will be featured in a Silent Auction and Dr. Dean Hartley of the National Alzheimer’s Association will present a research update. For additional information or reservations: Estella Parker Killian, 822-9915.

## Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church, invites Children to Kingdom Rock

The Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church, Lehman, PA. invites Children to Kingdom Rock: Where Kids Stand Strong for God. A summer kids' event called Kingdom Rock will be hosted at Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church from June 24 to June 28.

At Kingdom Rock, kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into yummy treats, experience epic Bible adventures, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with Fanfare Finale- a celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special time at 11:35.

Kids at Kingdom Rock will join two international mission efforts to share God's love with children in India and around the world. Kingdom Rock is for kids from 3 years old to having just finished 6th grade and will run from 9 AM to 12 Noon each day. For more information or to register visit our website at: [www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/liumc](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/liumc) or call 570-262-0382.

## Star Wars collection on display at the Back Mountain Memorial Library



Eight-year-old Jimmy Lyons, son of James Lyons, of Sweet Valley, will display his Star Wars collection at the Back Mountain Memorial Library in June. A second-grade student at Ross Elementary School, Jimmy has been collecting Star Wars toys and items for six years. He became interested in collecting them after watching Star Wars movies with his Dad and Uncle Jay.

Jimmy's favorite piece in his collection is a custom-made Darth Vader helmet. It is a unique piece purchased from a street vendor who hand-crafted it. Another of his favorite items is a vintage Yoda from the original series of Star Wars toys.

Jimmy goes online to research values for pieces in his collection. When asked what he likes best about collecting Star Wars' toys, Jimmy replied, "They're cool and there are a lot of different figures and different stories." His advice for anyone interested in starting a collection is to, "Collect what you like."

## Sweet Valley Church of Christ Vacation Bible School announced

The Sweet Valley Church of Christ, 5439 Main Road, Sweet Valley, invites children ages 2 yrs. old through 6th grade beginning Sunday, June 16 through Friday, June 21st from 6:30 – 8:30 PM.

Activities each day include: Bible lesson, songs, crafts, snacks & games, "Fun Fair" on Friday for the whole family! The church is handicap accessible. Call 477-2320 for more info or to register your child.

## Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge Fund Raiser planned

The fund raiser is to be held at Keeley's Alehouse and Grille on Division Street in Pringle and it is being held on Monday June 17th beginning at 5pm. A percentage of all dinner and drink sales is being donated to Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge.

## Summer Worship Services

The Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church, 1011 Mountain View Drive, Lehman, will begin their summer Worship Services hours on Sunday, June 2. Contemporary Service will be 8:30 am, followed by a coffee get together, and the Traditional Service will begin at 10:00. These hours will be for the months of June, July and August.

## 14th Annual Out Among the Stars Bluegrass Festival

Join us on July 4th to July 7th, 2013 at the Benton Rodeo Grounds, Benton for four days of acoustic bluegrass music by 25 bands; national and regional recording artists. A full list of bands and performance schedules are available online at [www.OatsFestival.com](http://www.OatsFestival.com)

Onsite camping, food and craft vendors, jam tent, instrument workshops, kids music academy and craft corner. Bring lawn chairs.

Daily: Thurs., \$20; Fri., \$30; Sat., \$30; Sun., \$10; Weekend: \$70 until 6/15/13 or \$80 at the gate. KIDS FREE age 15 & under with adult ticket.

## Dallas Rotary Club displays roadside sign for Wine and Dine Festival



Several members of the Dallas Rotary Club gathered recently to place the Wine and Dine Festival sign at the triangle at Routes 309 and 415 in Dallas. Standing from left: Melissa Saxon, Art Peoples, Kerry Freeman, Grace Reishus, Jon Pomrinke, Randy Loyd. Kneeling: Todd Buckley, Jason Jolley, Paul Saxon, Ken Chapple.

The Dallas Rotary Club, in association with the Dallas Area Fall Fair, Inc., will be sponsoring a special event for charity on June 29 from 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds, Rt. 118, Dallas, PA. The Wine & Dine Festival will feature tastings of the finest wines and specialty foods from the Back Mountain and Endless Mountains areas. A variety of goods will also be on sale by area crafters, and there will be live musical entertainment all day long.

The Dallas Rotary Club is an all volunteer, public service organization and is holding this event to support their various charities, many of which are for children and the elderly. Tickets will be \$15.00 in advance and \$25.00 at the door. Designated drivers will be admitted for a reduced fee of \$5.00 and will be given special identification.

If you would like to participate as a food or craft vendor, please call Melissa at 852-9591 or contact her at [saxonm5@hotmail.com](mailto:saxonm5@hotmail.com). Also, you may visit our web site at [www.DallasRotaryWineandDine.com](http://www.DallasRotaryWineandDine.com) or look for us on Facebook for ticket information on line.

Several local merchants are also selling tickets. They include: J&J Deli, Dallas; Maiolatesi Wine Cellars, Scott Twp.; Nimble Hill Vineyard and Winery, Tunkhannock; Pierce Drugs, Kingston; The Gluten Free Basket, Dallas; Valentine's Fine Jewelry, Dallas; and O'Live, Sweet Valley.



**Mr. Jeffrey D. Shaffer, Principal of the Dallas Senior High School, announces the Senior High School third marking period honor roll. The honor roll is determined by the following:**  
**Honors with Distinction; 98 – 100, no C's, D's, or F's. First Honors: 93 - 97, no D's or F's.**  
**Second Honors; 88 - 92, no D's or F's.**

**The following have earned honors with distinction. Seniors:** Bridget Boyle, Blake Donovan, Megan Fleming, Wendy Greenwood, Taylor Hodle, Christopher Lafratte, Alyssa Menzel, Gates Palissery, David Payne, Megan Redlich, Brian Stepniak, William Stoss, Cary Vailes, Marcus Wagner, Jamie Wise, Danna Yu.

**Juniors:** Olivia Birdsall, Decklan Cerza, Lauren Charney, Kristi Culp, Stephanie Cybulski, Kelsie Davis, Magdalena Fannick, Amber Habib, Drew Harding, Jared Hoats, Sara Hudak, Kelly Jacobs, Sarah Kerdesky, Amanda Martin, Lauren McDermott, Erin Muldoon, Andrew Nardone, Patrick Newhart,

Emma Niznik, Samuel Reinert, Regan Rome, Samantha Schooley, Michelle Thompson, Nora Tidey, Cortlyn Van Deutsch, Kayla Wanek, Stephen Wempa, Haley Wilcox, Krista Zimmerman, Samantha Zimmiski.

**Sophomores:** Dorian Anderson, Madalyn Bozinski, Melissa Fleming, Aleksey Gitelson, Lindsey Jacobs, Kelsey Karasinski, Connor Koscelansky, Ryan Marshall, Kajal Patel, Grace Schaub, Christina Valenti, Courtney Wagner.

**Freshman:** Maria Ansilio, Christopher Biesecker, Catherine Blankensop, Brielle Brace, Ethan Foote, Tabitha Grabowski, Tabbytha Greene, Kathryn Grose, Courtney Hoats, Lauren Hudak, Michael Kovalick, Michelle Leonard, Rachel Luke, Ryan Martin, Justin Novitski, David Oley, Marlena Ostrowski, Kathryn Roberts, Alexandra Rome, Kathryn Snedeker, Rebecca Stout, Krista Vivian, Kaitlyn Yakus, Emilee Zawatski.

**First Honors:** Seniors: Evonna Ackourey, Chloe Alles, Amy Avillion, Alyssa Belskis, Bryan Biesecker, Caitlin Cameron, Michael Carey, Anna Chinikaylo, Christopher Colacito, Christie Conway, Michaela Coolbaugh, Paige Cuba, Rebecca Darling, James Delpriore, Deidre Deluca, Sarah Dennis, Laura Dewitt, Matthew Diaco, Christina Diltz, James Duffy, Ashley Dunbar, Kristian Dyrli, John Emil, Tanner Englehart, Nicole Giampietro, Clara Grube, Emily Harchar, Jessica Hiscox, Alyssa Horvath, Megan Johnson, Nathan Kalo, Luisa Klemm, Merissa Konnick, Ryan Kozloski, Tess Macarty, Zachary Macosky, Mary Manganello, Joshua McEntee, Katherine Metcalf, John Murray, Steven Nave, Taylor Newhart, Meghan O'Brien, Rachel Olszewski, Krysti Oschal, Andrea Parmelee, Jillian Payne, Sarah Payne, Michael Podskoch, Brian Reese, Francois Ross, Michael Ryan, Christopher Schmid, Rebecca Schnable, Jason Simonovich, Olivia Sod, Danielle Spencer, Gregory Strazdus, Damon Szatkowski, Tyler Tuck, Skyler Velazco, Jennifer Walton, Josie Yankovich, Eric Yurko.

**Juniors:** Lily Amadio, Britnee Atherholt, Casey Barrett, Abigail Berger, Rosario Bevevino, Sarah Blamire, Emily Blessner, Lauren Butruce, Dana Capitano, Grace Carolan, Jennifer Cave, Christopher Chorey, Kathryn Comitz, Matthew Corbett, Logan Darling, Dominic Deluca, Bethany Dennis, Elizabeth Dillon, Bryanna Dissinger, Alyssa Dombek, Catherine Gawlas, Patrick Gelso, Ryan Georgetti, Kayla Gleco, Kiera Gross, Jonathan Higgins, Joseph Imperato, Leonard Javick, Leah Kleynowski, Alexandra Klings, Peter Kuritz, Emily Lofing, Patrick Madaya, Connor Martinez, David Matcho, Gurmahl Mathon, Travis Mattson, Jessi Mendoza, Erin Michael, Mark Michno, Samantha Missal, Bryan Morgan, Rory Mullin, Megan Ostrum, Mason Palissery, Vincenzo Parente, Michael Pierce, Natasha Rostova, Peter Shaver, Jillian Simon, Sarah Smith, Michael Stachnik, Nigel Stearns, Joseph Steve, Jacqueline Sutton, Kaila Thomas, Taryn Weaver, Khadayah Whitaker, Sarah Wittle.

**Sophomores:** Jestead Adams, Kaylin Augustine, Emily Banta, James Baut, Peter Baut, Abigail Bendick, Sarah Boyd, Jacob Bozentka, Alexandra Bruch, Katie Conrad, Nicholas Conway, Gabriella Darbenzio, Erik Dyrli, Lia Giampietro, Caitlin Gill, Jesse Goode, Haley Haddle, Caylee Irvin, Omar Kazimi, Tyler Kerkowski, Sydney Kern, Owen Kiluk, Michael Kusma, Elizabeth Kutza, William Luksic, Aidan McLaughlin, Kellie Meehan, Maria Mendizabal, Alexandra Milligan, Ryan Monk, Ezra Moore, Alexis Murdoch, Julianna Murray, Olivia Musto, Lindsey Oremus, Alexis Pelchar, Madison Perez, Eric Pincofski, James Rinehart, Lia Ruggerio, Jonathan Sabatini, David Schnable, Amanda Schwerdtman, Michael Shutlock, Samantha Starbuck, Ashley Strazdus, Talia Szatkowski, Caroline Thomas, Dylan Thomas, Cassandra Weeks, Mercedes Whitaker, Stephanie Zimmerman, Tara Zukosky.

**Freshmen:** Mohamad Abualburak, Saleem Abualburak, Kyle Archer, Brendan Balara, Lia Barbacci, Joseph Blaine, Jessica Blat, Jessica Bowden, Anthony Brominski, Lorenzo Buchhalter, Jacob Buda, Julie Butwin, Peter Capitano, Danielle Caputo, Andrew Casey, Maura Chappell, Andrew Chupka, Arthur Coolbaugh, Noah Cote, Cherlynn Cunningham, Allison Deboer, Anthony Deluca, Catherine Dillon, Nathan Dix, Alexa Dosiak, Lauren Dottor, Tayler Dove, Mariana Dymond, Madison Evans, James Farrell, Chase Feeney, Lauren Finnegan, Joseph Fiorello, Tanner Gattuso, Devon Gerstein, Anna Giacometti, Madison Goodwin, Rachel Healey, Alexis Hockenberry, Madeline Jones, Madison Kaminski, Katie Kapral, Morgan Kapral, Kaitlyn Kochanski, Kyleigh Kravits, Jared Krawetz, Angelo Kwak, Jillian Kwak, Caitlyn Landau, Paige Lewandowski, John Luksic, Stephanie Lyons, Robert Martin, Andrew Matcho, Sukhmail Mathon, Ruby Mattson, Linsey Miller, Daniel Mingey, Connor Motley, Adam Niznik, Michaela O'Connell, David Oley, Megan Parsons, Bria Polachek, Samantha Pollick, Julia Ramirez, Arden Rice, Samantha Rinehimer, Jacob Roberts, Janelle Sherman, Charles Siegel, Justin Sweeney, Brian Tomaszewski, Alexis Wyandt, Tyler Yang, Anne Yanik, Justin Yavorski, Julia Zochowski, Tiffany Zukosky.

**Second Honors:** Seniors: Stephanie Amann, Stephanie Burba, Colin Casto, Joseph Delamater, Felix Dolman, Amanda Foote, Brian Goyne, Allison Grose, Brittany Harris, Dylan Hertel, Lauren Jones, Michael Kapral, Emilia Kon, Gunnery Lowery, Katharine Mariannacci, Casey McAndrew, Jeffrey McHutchison, Nicholas Michalisin, Stephen Mingey, Jenna Morgan, Jeremy Peters, Greg Petorak, Amanda Pizano, Cara Pricher, Lauren Rando, Kristopher Roccograndi, Raymond Schultz, Vanessa Sheridan, Courtney Sickel, Talia Simon, Zachary Stritzinger, Barry Stubeda, Kyle Williams, Jennifer Yannuzzi, Ryan Zapoticky.

**Juniors:** Omar Abualburak, Nell Adams, Allison Amos, Kellyann Anderson, Jacob Arnold, Giovana Augustine, Christopher Behm, John Blat, Carmen Cabrera, Kelsey Calvey, Ashlyn Catina, Brenden Ehret, Sara Evans, Curtis Evans, Frank Hullihen, John Hutchins, Ashley Kapral, Taylor Kelley, Amanda Kus, Taylore Lewandowski, Patrick Maley, Bryce Mattson, Jennifer Merithew, Margaret Michael, Michael Mihal, Christopher Milligan, Jaime Moran, Justin Morris, Amanda O'Day, Sophie Olson, Kaitlyn Palmer, Kallysta Panagakos, Ayman Paris-Hasan, Blake Pertl, Ian Pirl, Heaven Pratz, Amanda Rando, Matthew Roncevich, David Sebolka, Kelsie Sincavage, William Spare, Corey Stegman, Samantha Tencza, Annastina Von Schmeling, Joshua Weaver, Ryan Webster, Noah Welch, Victoria Wells, Madison Ziemba.

**Sophomores:** Michael Alves, Brendan Baloh, Anastasia Baney, Alysha Becker, Amy Bolton, Brian Butler, William Colacito, Chase Cummings, Eric Davies, Christopher Diltz, Brian Drouse, Sydney Emershaw, Sarah Fasulka, Mallory Faux, Cheyanne Gray, Collin Gyskiewicz, Heather Harvey, Katelyn Hunter, Anthony Huntington, Brian Jefcoat, Eric Kalo, Amandeep Kaur, Thomas Ketchner, Ross Kleinman, Peter Konnick, Amanda Lopez, David Mallarkey, Luke Matusiak, Kameryn McGee, Devin Michalec, Kelsey Monahan, Nicholas Muldoon, Gregory Navestad, Omar Nijmeh, Catrina Notari, Milan Novak, Alexandria Olson, Jessica O'Malley, Samantha Onda, Anthony Pace, Jacob Plank, Leah Popple, Carissa Price, Matthew Reynolds, Allison Rismondo, Marissa Rollman, Sarah Scherer, Caroline Sheehan, Justus Shultz, Kelly Snyder, Kurtis Sod, Kayla Stearn, Kennedy Straitiff, Allen Swuppenheiser, Olivia Thomas, Caitlyn Vailes, Stephanie Vanderhoff, Jillian Vierecinski, Joanna Wallace, Brittany Weinstein, David West, Jonathan Wilson.

**Freshmen:** Abdulrhman Almeky, Calli Amadio, Julia Baloh, Joseph Bevevino, Kathleen Brown, Kaitlyn Chacke, Bethany Dombek, Zachary Dottor, Tyler Dragon, John Fessler, Makayla Guzzo, Matthew Harrison, Annalisa Jolley, Taylor Joseph, Rachel Kon, Katherine Kravitsky, Samantha Lanunziata, Connor Macarty, Rachel Magnotta, Megan Mancinelli, Cory Metz, Cassidy Muldoon, Byron Oldeack, Grant Payne, Katherine Pugh, Jackson Shaver, Shawn Spencer, Griffin Stone, Cameron Tuck.

## Dallas Borough Lawn Care Ordinance

Dallas Borough property owners are reminded of the Borough Ordinance requiring the appropriate maintenance of their lawns. Grass must be cut and weeds must be removed from private property in compliance with the Dallas Borough Code requiring that owners or occupants of properties within Dallas Borough are required to cut grass and weeds growing on their property.

The Dallas Borough Code Enforcement Officer will conduct routine inspections throughout the Borough during the summer season. Failure to comply with the ordinance may result in enforcement action by Dallas Borough resulting in the possible assessment of fines and penalties for those properties that fail to comply with the regulations. Please refer any questions pertaining to the enforcement of Borough regulations to the Dallas Borough Administrative Offices at 675-1389.

## “Dig into READING!” this Summer at the Back Mountain Memorial Library

Children (pre-school through 12th grade) are invited to join the 2013 Summer Reading Program “Dig Into READING!” at the Back Mountain Memorial Library beginning Wednesday, June 12! Everyone receives a reading log to record the titles of books read over the summer. Participants earn prizes, take part in a weekly guessing game and are invited to many special programs throughout the summer! Pick up the schedule of special programs on the day you register.

Everyone who completes the program by reading eight books, or 1200 pages for teens, will receive a certificate and a grand prize and be invited to a final party with rewards, fun, food and entertainment!

Why is summer reading so valuable to children and teens? Summer reading improves reading skills, develops positive attitudes about reading, encourages library use, motivates families to read together, allows freedom of choice of books and library media and provides an opportunity to make friends and meet your neighbors!

So come into the library anytime beginning June 12 to register for a summer of reading fun! Stay a while longer and decorate a bookworm to hang in the library! For more information, call the library at 675-1182, or visit us on Facebook!

Deadline to place your advertising, photographs and community news information for the July issue of the Back Mountain Community News is on Wednesday, June 26. Back Mountain Community News ... It's All Good News!  
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**Mr. Douglas Klopp- Principal of the Lake-Lehman Jr/Sr High School has released the 3rd Marking period Honor Roll for the 2012/2013 school year.**

**7th Grade High Honor Roll:** Kaelyn Adams, Makayla Adams, Kyra Apaliski, Christopher Ash, Aleah Ashton, Amanda Ayers, Nicole Barto, Edward Brighthaupt, Vincent Bulzoni, Evan Butcofski, Antonio Carey, Krystin Chaga, Alexandra Concklin, Rachel Decesaris, Jade Fry, Keara Gallagher, Courtney Henninger, Miranda Hutchins, Ryan Jones, Mikayla Kidd, Kaleb Konigus, Cassandra Konopki, Ethan Krzysik, Madelyn Lewis, Jason Marcini, Jessica Martin, David Miller, Riley Newman, Nathan O'Donnell, Emily Paciga, Kaitlyn Premus, Kiana Price, Isabel Radel, Jessica Ravert, Faith Reseigh, Courtney Richards, Tyler Savitski, David Sorber, Celeste Spak, Samantha Spencer, Rielly Sutliff, Olivia Vasey and Kyrah Yurko

**7th Grade Honor Roll:** Sarah Berholtz, Connor Beyer, Grace Butler, Lacey Carey, Robert Fritz, Kathryn Galasso, Jace Garnick, Alexander Geist, Gabrielle Grzynski, Joshua Hinkley, Abbey Hogan, Destiny Huston, Madison Klopp, Katie Kostrobala, Nathan Labar, Angela Lockavich, Mackenzie Love, Amber Mackesy, Raven Moore, Halli Moyer, Michael Nastasiak, Liam O'Brien,

Thomas Piatt, Morgan Rogers, Caitlin Romanofski, Molly Seashock, Henry Selingo, Jack Symeon, Joshua Szabo, Kaelyn Traver, Chloe VanGorder, Karly Waitword, Jacob R Weaver, Jacob Wesley, Gianna Williams, Charles Wilson and Nicole Wojciechowski

**8th Grade High Honor Roll:** Savannah Aton, Alexis Barker, Elizabeth Bartuska, Emily Carey, Jessica Derhammer, Vincenzo Ferrari, Rebecca Ford, Ashley Herceg, Peter Hummel, Michael James, Emily Johns, Karly Johns, Carolyn Kerkowski, Alyssa Kristeller, Andrew Leahy, Devin Lindley, Collin MacMullen, Marina Malcolm, Thomas Manzoni, Kara Martin, Katie McCue, Sean McMonagle, Hailey Sheffer, Cole Spencer, Katie Strohl, Mackenzie Sutton, Sierra Titus, Kenneth Wickard, Nicholas Wnuk, Zachary Zaleskas and Connor Zekas

**8th Grade Honor Roll:** Richard Abate, Taylor Alba, Nicholas Albertson, Nikolas Antinnes, Makalie Blazick, Taylor Cercone, Samuel Ciravolo, Steven Coley, Ian Dawsey, Shawn Deeds, Ariana Dellarte, Ryan Dourand, Samantha Evans, Jay Foster, Andrew Herrick, Evelyn Hosey, Donn Hunter, Katelynn Hutchins, Daniel Ide, Glenn Johnson, Katherine Kaminski, Hailey Kubiski, Justin Lansberry, Matthew Makara, Tyler Manzoni, Caleb Marr, Maranda Martin, Rachel Martini, Kaitlyn Meehan, Emily Mieczkowski, Christopher Molinaro, Owen Morgan, Adam Motovidlak, Michaela Murphy, Matthew Myers, Jonas Neidig, Corrine Nevel, Jocelyn Parsons, Kendra Pudimott, Justin Raspen, Megan Rusonis, Sarah Sabaluski, Jake Selingo, Ethan Sensbach, Michael Sikora, Katelyn Sincavage, Brianna Smith, Marylillian Stepanski, Hannah Stroud, David Thomas, Jesse Tomolonis, Garret Weston, David Williams, Michael Wojciechowski, Luke Yaple and Lauren Zeisloft.

**9th Grade Principal's Honor Roll:** Eric Bordo, Zachary Corey, Lauren Cunius, Kaley Egan, Nicholas Eury, Dominic Hockenbury, Julia Hutsko, Marie Johns, Kristin Kalish, Corey Kinney, Karlie Lobitz, Rachel Malak, Michael Minsavage, Alaina Nastasiak, Lindsay Pembleton, Madison Stambaugh, Kaitlin Sutton, Clayton Vasey and Thomas Williams

**9th Grade High Honor Roll:** Jillian Ambrose, Holly Banta, Elizabeth Bauer, Emily Bauer, Joseph Chaga, Karli Coole, Jacob Corey, Anthony DeCesaris, Julia Eneboe, Zachary Field, Perry Hoover, Colby Karnes, Kayleigh Konek, Grace Kuschke, Connor McGovern, Maranda Moosic, Haley Nice, Christina Olson, Catherine Rose, Christopher Sabol, Megan Spess, Molly Storz, Katie Supey, John Thomas and Mikayla Weston

**9th Grade Honor Roll:** Julia Baur, Aubrey Bullock, Morgan Coburn, Andrew Cook, Matthew Durling, Domanique Glatz, Mark Gray, Chad Grzesnikowski, Kyra Grzynski, Jared Guth, Katelynn Harrison, Charles Hennebaul, Brandon Hogrebe, Jacob Hummel, Kyle James, Samantha Kanios, Bernard Karłowicz, Kyle Katchko, Tyler Kolb, Lisa Labar, Rachel Leskowsky, Rachel Mahoney, Karen Marchakitus, Jared McGrath, Jerome Natishan, Dylan Nayavich, Dakota-Rose Newell, Rebecca Osiecki, Katy Parrish, Miranda Parry, Michael Peck, Nicholas Perkins, Wesley Price, Brandon Tosh, Rachael Turner, Blaise Waligun, Corey Weaver, Claire Wilson and Henry Zielinski

**10th Grade Principal's Honor Roll:** Alysa Adams, Katherine Bartuska, Matthew Chabala, Kirsten Cope, Noah Crispell, Hannah Cross, Zane Denmon, Matthew Edkins, Antonio Ferrari, Jason Field, Sela Fine, Elana Herceg, Philip Hettes, Andrew Hutsko, Connor Jones, Shauna Leahy, Nicole Lockard, Lauren MacMullen, Megan Mahle, Brittney Mahoney, Matthew G Miller, Jasmine Moku, Jenna Mortenson, Alexis Oplinger, Julia Pilch, Eliana Sicurella, Hannah Stull

**10th Grade High Honor Roll:** Natalee Barker, Aleaha Blazick, Cahil Carey, Courtney Carey, Justus Cole, Emily Crawford, Emma Evans, Monica Fries, Micayla Grey, Caitlyn Henninger, Cory Hoyt, Jeremy Jayne, Katrina Joyce, Jared Kepner, Kierra Kimble, James Loefflad, Neil Mras, Jamie Niedjaco, Haley Novitski, Rachel Pilch, Carolyn Price, Amanda Scavone, Adam Simonette, Cayle Spencer, Colleen Spencer, Michael Symeon, John VanScoy, Rachael Waligun, Jacob Yaple and Ronald Ziomek

**10th Grade Honor Roll:** Melissa Anthony, Crystal Audia, John Burke, Jade Butler, Jared Casaldi, Matthew Cragle, Daniel Cross, Morgan Dizbon, Derek Dragon, Kaitlyn Evans, Emily Galasso, Jessica Geiger, John Hospodar, Mercedes Keller, Shawn Kidd, Brandon Kozlowski, John Labatch, Tiffani Malinowski, Collin Masters, Eric Masters, Sade Miller, Marissa Miscavage, Ginger Mutzabaugh, Robert Nayavich, Anna O'Connell, Tessa Paul, Micaela Payne, Benjamin Pilch, Isabel Sanchez, Joshua Sayre, Danae Sutliff, John Tomasura, Sara Tronsue, Frank Vacante, Korri Wandel, Jeffrey Williams and Christian Zeisloft

**11th Grade Principal's Honor Roll:** Michelle Ash, Nicholas Egan, Brittany Faux, Christopher Herrick, Kaylee Hillard, Alexander Hoyt, Anna James, Calvin Karnes, Meghan Maccarone, Emily Malak, Courtney McMonagle, Lacey Miller, Rene Rismondo, Lily Romanowski, Ashley Rood, Megan Sorber, Emily Sutton, Kelly Sweeney, Alyssa Talacka, Amy Williams, Lindsay Williams and Vincent Williamson

**11th Grade High Honor Roll:** Maria Chinikaylo, Cassia Cole, Austin Harry, Kahli Kotulski, Mia-Maria Lindholm, Jordan Lindley, Jason Patterson, Kyle Romanofski and Daniel Stefanowicz

**11th Grade Honor Roll:** Brittany Acevedo, Rachel Anthony, Scott Bean, Tyler Bonner, Brady Butler, Grant Calkins, R-E-Onna Canfield, Gregg Ciravolo, Desirae David, Adam Dizbon, Robert Hamilton, Adeline Hannigan, Dustin Jones, Olivia Kojadinovich, Arian Kurtz, Timothy Marchakitus, Jacey Moore, Brooke O'Brien, Megan Osiecki, Katelyn Pelton, Anthony Shaffer, Symantha Sharon, Lara Shirey, Tracy Snyder, Brinley Williams and Joseph Wojcik

**12th Grade Principal's Honor Roll:** Joel Austin, Sarah Bedford, Thomas Boyle, Jason Daron, Megan Davis, Cody Derhammer, Karli Doran, Christopher Edkins, Tristan Fry, Carly Gromel, Katie Heindel, Rachael Hohol, Shalynn Honeywell, Ashley Jackson, Jared James, Brandon Kelley, Shane Kreller, Megan Lee, Amanda Mathers, Karli O'Brien, Samantha O'Neill, Samantha Sabol, Deanna Szabo, Molly VanScoy, Bethany Williams, Karen Yamrick, Kaitlyn Yoniski and Dustin Zeiler

**12th Grade High Honor Roll:** Connor Balloun, Mark Bilbow, Emily Blaski, Miranda Dembowski, William Hillman, Sierra Pall, Cody Spriggs and Cassandra Stevens

**12th Grade Honor Roll:** Ryan Akins, Ashlee Barker, Kayley Bedford, Zachary Bevan, John Butler, Jessica Campbell, Christie Cawley, Zachary Chabala, Michelle Chappell, Piotr Chrzanowski, Jarod Ciehoski, Michael Ego, Mackenzie Fallon, Nicole Ford, Hunter Hackling, Michael Hartman, Brent Hizny, Robert Ide, Kassie Keiper, Alyssa Kopal, Kristopher Konicki, Genevieve Konopinski, Colin Kovalchek, Michael Labatch, Samantha Lindley, Jessica Long, Emily Maculloch, Craig Manzoni, Alesha Martin, Mark Navin, Donald Nevel, Nicole O'Connor, Eric Ottaviani, Jeremy Prater, Chelsea Ruger, Rachel Runner, Donald Scavone, Brian Sisk, Sarah Stacey, Kieran Sutton, Olivia Weaver and Matthew Yurko

## Kunkle Volunteer Fire Company plans annual golf tournament

This year's golf event will be held on Friday, June 28th at the Irem Country Club in Dallas. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m., with shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$100 per person and includes entry into the events throughout the day, 18 holes of golf, riding cart, dinner, door prizes and various awards.

Dinner will be directly after golf at the Irem Country Club Pavilion. For more information contact the Kunkle Fire Co., at 675-3334. Deadline June 18.

## Safe Boating Class offered in June at Harveys Lake

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 15-03 will offer a Safe Boating Class on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 18 and 19, 2013 at the American Legion, Rt. 415, Harveys Lake, PA from 6 PM to 10 PM each night for a total of eight hours. This course qualifies those who pass to obtain their PA Boaters Education Certificate and Card which entitles them to operate boats and personal water crafts on Pennsylvania's rivers and lakes.

You must be at least 12 years or older to participate in the class. Contact R.J. Kwiatkowski - 570-815-0471 for more information and reservations. The fee is \$25.00 payable at the door on the first night of the class.

## King's College Commencement Back Mountain area students

May 20, 2013 - Wilkes-Barre, Pa. – King's College held its 64th Commencement Exercises on May 19, 2013. King's students from the local community were among 500 to receive their degrees:

MASTER OF EDUCATION, CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION, Lauren Elizabeth Seelye, Shavertown  
READING, Allison A. Baur, Dallas; Laura Sira DePrimo, Harvey's Lake; Tiffany Marie Gergel, Shavertown; Katie M. Makowski, Dallas.

MASTER OF SCIENCE, HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION, Michael John Golden, Wyoming; Elizabeth Ann Manzoni, Dallas.

BACHELOR OF ARTS, COMMUNICATIONS, Thaddeus M. Dziedzic, Wyoming.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, Joseph J. Maskalis, Jr., Dallas.  
EDUCATION, Sarah Marie Bolton, Wyoming; Jane M. Tomkinson, Dallas.

MATHEMATICS, Michael Louis Griffith, Trucksville.

PSYCHOLOGY, Konrad Thomas Kraszewski, Dallas; Heather Marguerite Meeks, Sweet Valley.

THEATRE, Lukas Ray Tomasacci, Shickshinny.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, ACCOUNTING, Preston T. Balavage, Wyoming; Laura Rose Panzitta, Dallas; Laurie Ann Shevock, Shavertown.

BIOLOGY, Amber M. Kidd, Harveys Lake; Kyle A. Kidd, Harveys Lake; Olivia Kirk-Jasulevicz, Wyoming; John Francis Prater, Dallas; Kayla Marie Rutkoski, Shickshinny; Jordan Alexander Yatsko, Shickshinny.

CHEMISTRY, Mara Elizabeth Olenick, Shickshinny.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, Matthew E. Alles, Dallas; Joseph T. Boris, Jr., Dallas.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT, Joseph Richard Groblewski, Harvey's Lake.

MARKETING, Thomas Joseph McGrath, III, Shavertown  
MEDICAL STUDIES, Christopher Thomas Tobias, Dallas; Amanda Apolonia Waligun, Shavertown.

## Summer Reading Groups For All Ages at the Back Mountain Memorial Library

In addition to the regular summer reading program at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, several reading and book discussion groups will be offered. The groups include children from pre-school through teens completing High School and will offer a variety of books including those on the summer reading theme, "Dig Into READING!"

"Story Hours" are for children two years of age (Toddlers) and those from three to five years of age. Children enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays and a special themed craft each week. Story hours begin the week of June 23 and end the week of Aug. 4. Call 675-1182 to register beginning June 11 at 9:30 a.m.

"Early Readers Story Hour" with Donna Schuler, a semi-retired school teacher, is for children who have just completed Kindergarten and First Grade. Children will break into small groups and take turns reading aloud (short books of 100 words or less). They will then join back together to listen to a story, sing songs and make a craft. Children do not need to purchase any books for this program. Sessions are from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. on Mondays starting June 24 and ending on Aug. 5. Registration begins June 11 at 9:30 a.m. by calling the library at 675-1182.

"Discover the Joys of Digging in the Dirt!" will be held with Maria Sorokin on two Mondays, June 17 and 24 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon for children who have just completed second grade through fifth grade. The featured book on June 17 is *First Garden: The White House Garden and How It Grew* by Robin Gourley. Learn about gardening, plant a seed, and enjoy a snack from a White House chef! The featured book on June 24 is *I Wonder What It's Like To Be An Earthworm* by Erin Hovanec. Learn about earthworms, make a worm bookmark and eat a wiggly treat! Children do not have to borrow or purchase any books for this program. Register for one or both sessions by calling the library beginning June 11.

"Donuts & Discussion" is conducted by Janet Bauman, Children's Librarian. Tweens who are nine through twelve years of age are invited to come to one or all of the book discussion sessions! The tweens enjoy refreshments and donuts, make new friends and learn the art of book discussion. There will be four sessions over the summer on Monday evening from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Participants are asked to borrow or purchase the selected books for this program: *The City of Ember* by Jean DuPrau (June 24), *The Magician's Elephant* by Kate DiCamillo (July 8), *The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman (July 22), and *Chasing Redbird* by Sharon Creech (Aug. 5). Register anytime by calling the library.

The "Young Adult Book Discussion Group" is moderated by Kristen Andrews, an English teacher with the Dallas School District. Teens, 13 years of age and older, are invited to take part in one or all of these book discussion sessions on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Teens will discuss themes, plot, characters and style of these hottest post-apocalyptic and dystopian novels: *Delirium* by Lauren Oliver (June 24), *Matched* by Allyson Condie (July 8), *Across the Universe* by Beth Revis (July 22), and *Divergent* by Veronica Roth (Aug. 5). Snacks and refreshments will be served. Participants are asked to borrow or purchase the specific books for this program. Register anytime by calling the library.

"Relax & Read" is a reading and reviewing program for teens who would rather read and write than meet and discuss. Teens write short reviews of any books they choose to read over the summer. The reviews are posted for other teens to read for book recommendations. Teens may begin reading and reviewing beginning June 12. Forms are available in the YA and Children's sections. Each time a review is completed, teens are entered to win a gift certificate to be awarded at the conclusion of the summer reading program. The more teens read and review, the more chances they have to win the gift certificate!

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## Students from Wyoming Seminary's instrumental music department played at the Mass for Pentecost Sunday at Gate of Heaven Church



Several string students from Wyoming Seminary's instrumental music department played at the Mass for Pentecost Sunday at Gate of Heaven Church in Dallas recently. In addition to a prelude and another instrumental piece during the Mass, the string players accompanied the congregational and choral singing throughout the service. Members of the choir from Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake, joined the Gate of Heaven Adult Choir for the service.

Pictured are the string players from Wyoming Seminary who participated in the service: Charlie Wang, People's Republic of China; Kelly Platt, Dallas; Kevin Platt, Dallas; Scott Kwiatek, Lake Ariel, PA; and Jeanne Gensel, Germany. The choir was directed by Anthony J. Kubasek, Music Director and Liturgy Coordinator at Gate of Heaven Church and Director of Instrumental Music at Wyoming Seminary.

## Fraternal Order of Police, Wyoming Valley made their annual donation to Fallen Officers Remembered



In photo above, first row from left are: Joe Romanoski, Chaplain; Ron Rebo, President; and Joe August, Financial Secretary. Second row: Gene Rittel, Treasurer; Tom Zurawski, Trustee; Roy Baker, Labor Treasurer; and Dave Roglich, Associate Secretary.

FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) Lodge 36 Wyoming Valley made their annual donation to Fallen Officers Remembered. The donation is a 2012 donation but was just recently presented to the organization. For more information, to donate, contact Jaelyn at [faloffrem@aol.com](mailto:faloffrem@aol.com) or 570-760-9034. You can visit our website and check out our picture gallery, upcoming events, gift shop, and other information pieces at [www.fallenofficersremembered.org](http://www.fallenofficersremembered.org) or our facebook page.

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## Kunkle Volunteer Fire Company announces Buffet Breakfast

Join us on Sunday, June 9 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Kunkle Fire Co. Social Hall, on Kunkle Road. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Tickets are available at the door. For more information call 675-3334.

## 4th Annual Open House and Arts on the Beach

Join us for our 4th annual open house and Arts on the Beach at Harveys Lake Beach Association, Pole 001 at Route 415 entrance on Sunday, June 23 from noon until 4:00 p.m.

Vendors include artists, antiques, books and stamp collections, pottery demonstrations, jewelry and purses, dolls, crafts, painting on glass, art and caricatures and so much more.

Refreshments and all day swimming available.

### Letter to the Editor ...

I am writing to let our community know we are surrounded by exceptional professionalism and compassion.

I would personally like to thank Dr. James Kliamovich and his staff. They strive for their clients' optimal results and quality of life without regard to payment. Dr. Kliamovich has a strong commitment to each of his clients. His staff displays excellent skills in patience, organization and confidentiality. I can't thank them enough for your compassion and concern with my multi faceted problems.

I am also complimenting Big Bear Fitness for their smiles and willingness to help customers. The front desk staffed by Casey, Aimee, Donnie and Charlie always with a kind word and knowledgeable direction. In the back room is Michelle Reily always cheering her class on. Stimulating us with jokes and exercises in the Silver Sneakers Class.

What I am trying to convey is, if you have to have a health issue, be grateful to be a part of the Back Mountain Community.

**Kathy McManus-Moretti**  
Lakeside Drive  
Harveys Lake, PA

The Back Mountain Community News will publish Letters to the Editor when they are submitted by email complete with your name, address and telephone number.

To submit a

Letter to the Editor, email:  
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### Letter to the Editor ...

Imagine a mother with a vehicle on its last mechanical leg with two small children and a recent deceased husband, agonizing over how she will be able to keep her children in Head Start after hearing about the effects of the sequester.

Visualize this mother working at a fast food restaurant just to stay afloat to survive one week to another. The above stressful experience probably never has happened in the lives of some of the Senators and House members that are even making it more difficult for a parent like the above.

In my opinion, by not being able to identify with Americans with little means, many of our leaders are confused and lacking in the understanding why Head Start is so important for the future of America and the future for innocent children.

It is known by teachers, parents and some leaders that Head Start is all about preparing children that are from little means for the social and academic challenges that await them in the years ahead. It is sad matter that some of our leaders who reinstated funds for furloughed air-traffic controllers turned a blinded eye on restoring funds for Head Start; to them, the long lines seen at airports were more of a priority than certain children's future in America.

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