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A special thank you to the community

By MB Gilligan Back Mountain Community News Correspondent

"Boy scouting was his whole life," said Liz Lynch of her son Thomas who died on February 13, 2012, as the result of an automobile accident on his way to school. "I just wanted to see something good come out of this awful tragedy. I felt that Tom would have wanted this."

Liz was referring to the Thomas Lynch Scout Scholarship fund which will benefit scouts who may not be able to afford the annual camping trips and excursions.

"Scouting is wonderful and Tom did so many things with Boy Scouts. Sometimes kids get made fun of for being involved in scouts but it shouldn't be like that. They do difficult things like hiking, camping and canoeing. A whole, unique individual comes out of scouting," said Liz. "Tom went to Philmont Scout Reservation, skiing in Vermont, hiking the highest mountain in Maine, and his favorite trips were to Gettysburg. But, it isn't cheap. There was a point when as a single mother, I couldn't afford camping trips for Tom but the troop provided the money. I wanted to help do that for someone else."

So, Liz asked that, instead of flowers for the funeral, a donation be made for Boy Scout

Troop 281. "I didn't know it at the same time, but my foremployer Rob Friedman, also started a Scout Scholarship Fund in Tom's name. You can donate to either one and the money goes to the same cause," said Liz. "They've kept involved, too, because I have to sign every check.'

Tom was a member of Boy

Scout Troop 281 of Dallas from the time he joined as a Tiger Scout. He attained the rank of Eagle Scout on December 21, on his eighteenth birthday. He wanted to stay active with Boy Scouts, had already completed his first leadership course and had served as Master of Ceremonies at Polar Bear Camp the weekend before his death.

"I've been very involved with the troop. It was Tom's and my social life. It's become a way of life and they won't let me forget it," said Liz. "They still want me to be in charge of the hats and shirts for the scouts and other things I've always done.



Thomas Lynch

You get a comfort from them because you're family."

Tom's Eagle Scout project was to build a kiosk located at Harris Hill Road for the Back Mountain Trail. "Someone was kind enough to add a bench to the site recently. I go there and sit. It's peaceful. I can't go to the accident site," said Liz. "I tell his friends to go there, too. It's a more positive thing to do."

Liz is very grateful for the outpouring of love and support she has felt from the whole community. She would like to thank the Dallas School District and Tom's former teachers who continued on page 2



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provided a special tribute; her former co-workers at Friedman Electric who have been very supportive; Tom's co-workers at McDonald's Restaurant; and, especially Boy Scout Troop 281 and Tom's friends. She takes great comfort from emails and Facebook messages she continues to receive from the many people who knew her son and from the kind words and hugs she gets from visitors or as she sees people out in the community.

"Almost 1000 people came to his service. So many people came and helped. There are a lot of good people in the Back Mountain," said Liz. "I just don't have the words to say thank you to so many people. I can tell you that I have a lot

of friends and there are just so many people who care deeply. It's a comfort to me."

Thomas Lynch had already enlisted in the U.S. Army and had been accepted as a Cavalry Scout. "People don't know that Eagle Scouts are accepted at a higher rank when they join the military," said Liz. "These were things that he wanted to do since he was 14-years-old and I am so glad that he knew he accomplished them before he died."

If you would like to make a donation, you can log on to www.thomaslynchscoutscholarshipfund.com, or send a check to the Thomas Lynch Endowment Fund, Troop 281, c/o Ron Santora, 25 Parsonage Street, Dallas, PA 18612.

Those we hold closest to our hearts never truly leave us.

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~ Author Unknown

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.

Center Street Bridge Replacement

The East Center Street Bridge Replacement Project is underway. Those seeking access to East Center Street from Route 309 will be detoured to East Franklin Street then down Main Street to East Center Street.

This project is scheduled to be completed in September 2012.

Police Officer Training Program announced

Luzerne County Alcohol Highway Safety Program The Luzerne County Alcohol Highway Safety Program will hold a week-long training program for local police officers from May 7 through May 11 at Luzerne County Community College. It will be the first such county-wide training offered to multiple police departments in more than 20 years and is expected to draw officers from several departments, including Wilkes-Barre, Pittston, Plains Township, Kingston Township, Harvey's Lake, West Pittston and Newport Township. Several departments from outside the county will also attend.

The program is being conducted in cooperation with the Luzerne County District Attorney's Office, the Pennsylvania DUI Association and Luzerne County Community College.

The program will offer police officers instructions on how to properly set up DUI checkpoints and training on all aspects of DUI law. It will also offer instruction of SFST, or Standard Field Sobriety Testing. The courses will take place at LCCC's Public Safety Training Facility.

"We're trying to provide local police departments with the tools and knowledge of how to better detect impaired drivers," says Joe Swortz, DUI Coordinator for Luzerne County. "It's a good opportunity for local police officers to work with other departments, collaborate, network, share their experiences and compare notes on the challenges they face."

In addition to police officers from throughout the county, the program will be observed by Luzerne County officials, including District Attorney Stefanie Salavantis. Representatives from the Pennsylvania DUI Association will also attend.

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A full schedule is available online at www.pamsp.com or call 1-800-845-9533, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and noon. Riders are also encouraged to visit www.LiveFreeRideAlive.com, an interactive website designed specifically for motorcyclists.





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Pack 281 Celebrates a Night at the Movies

While it was Oscar night in Hollywood, the Cub Scouts of Pack 281 in Dallas celebrated the silver screen at their annual Blue and Gold Dinner where the theme was "A Night at the Movies." Each den decorated their table to represent a different motion picture with Cars, Toy Story, Star Wars, Indiana Jones, Spy Kids, Pirates of the Caribbean and Harry Potter all being represented. Over 250 scouts, parents and family members were in attendance. Special guests included Marcel Cinquina, Chief Scout Executive of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council of the Boy Scouts of America; Ryan Murray, District Executive for the Two Mountains District and Rev. Robert Wood, pastor of the Dallas United Methodist Church.

Mr. Ed Luksa, an Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 281, was acknowledged during the evening with a plaque for his years of service training Cub Scouts in outdoor skills. Several scouts were recognized for completing their religious awards including David Janoski, Jacob Fenske, Ayden Carey, Ian Atkinson and Noah Daily receiving the God and Family Award and Matthew Oley receiving the God and Me Award. The fourth grade Webelos were also congratulated by Cubmaster Chris Angelovic for capturing first place in the winter survival skills competition at the district's recent Winter Fun Day at Kirby Park. Badges of rank and numerous other advancements were also awarded to the scouts present.

Cubmaster Angelovic also departed from the usual program for a few moments to memorialize Thomas E. Lynch, a beloved Eagle Scout and Dallas High School student involved in fatal motor vehicle accident two weeks ago. Lynch was a member of Pack 281 as a Cub Scout.

The Blue and Gold Dinner is an annual Cub Scout tradition which celebrates the birthday of Boy Scouting in the United States on February 8, 1910 and Cub Scouting on Feb 10, 1930. Cub Scouting offers programs for boys from first grade through fifth grade. Pack 281 was established in 1948 and is chartered to the Dallas United Methodist Church.



Fourth grade Webelos Joey Sabatini, Taylor Bolesta and Ben Ross join their fellow buccaneers in the feast.



Jackie Siperko and Michele Gingo are surrounded by the trappings of Hogwarts at the 5th Grade Webelos table.



Wolf Cub Scout Matthew Oley with his mother Den Leader Rebecca Oley and sister Emma Oley.



Den Leader Richard Oley congratulates Kyle Havrilla as he receives his Wolf Badge.



Wolf Cub Scout Ben Higgins is pictured with his parents Michelle and Doug Higgins.



Bear Cub Scout Noah Zim as Indiana Jones.

Kids fishing day planned

The Back Mountain Police Association is holding its sixth annual "Kid's Fishing Day" at Frances Slocum State Park on Saturday, May 5, 2011. This year, over 120 children ages 6 through 10 will enjoy a fun-filled day fishing for 1000 trout (including several trophy sized) in a net-enclosed area of Frances Slocum Lake. A handicapped-accessible dock is provided for the convenience of children with special needs. Loner fishing poles, bait, and tackle will be provided.

In addition to fishing, the children receive a gift, have lunch, take part in Fishing Instruction classes, create T-shirt Art with a fishing theme, view Police K-9 demonstrations, receive fire prevention education inside our sponsored fire safety smoke house and have plenty of opportunities to interact with uniformed law enforcement officers alongside their vehicles and equipment. All free of charge. Children must be pre-registered. More information and registration forms can be found at www.backmtpolice.org.



Brownies visited Geisinger's Dallas Clinic



Above, front row from left are: Jessica Allen and Lauren Butwin. Middle row are: Madison Carlsson, Emma Brown, Morgan Williams, Maggie Ropietski, Emily Williams and Ryan Costello. Back row are: Jenna Stanski, Nadia Evanosky, Hannah Blazure, Cara Pocono, Marigrace Huntington, Morgan Sakulich, Chloe Zondlo, Jordan Banks and Alyssa Pritchard. Standing behind is Dr. Richard Huntington.

Brownie Troop #32647, of Dallas, recently visited the Geisinger Dallas Clinic where Dr. Huntington treated the Girl Scouts to a tour of the facility. The girls were each able to check their weight and blood pressure and had the opportunity to look inside Dr. Huntington's ear with the otoscope. The tour also included a visit to the x-ray room. Dr. Huntington reviewed basic First Aid with the Brownie Troop, allowing the girls to complete their final step in earning thier First Aid "Try It" badges.

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Keegan Neil, a ten year old fourth grade student at Dallas Elementary, is one of the collectors of these ever-popular Star Wars toys. He will be displaying his collection at the Back Mountain Memorial Library in May. Keegan has been collecting since kindergarten after watching the Star Wars movies. His favorite pieces are the "ships" and he also enjoys reading his Star Wars books. He received most of these toys as gifts. Keegan states he likes collecting them because "there are so many different ones you can have." His mom, Lori, adds, it is "the variety of things" that he enjoys the most. When asked if he plays with his collection, Keegan replied, only with the Lego figures, the others are for display.

Keegan lives in Dallas with his brothers and sisters and their parents, Lori and Michael Neil.

Wyoming Sem announces Winter Sports MVP/Gold Award Recipients



Wyoming Seminary Upper School Director of Athletics Karen Klassner recently announced the Back Mountain students named Sem's Most Valuable Players, Gold Award and other award winners for winter sports. Athletes who earned four varsity letters or three varsity and one junior varsity letters in their sport receive Gold Awards. In girls basketball, Jane Henry, a senior from Shavertown, received the Coaches' Award and the Gold Award. In boys ice hockey, junior Craig Skudalski received the Offensive Coaches Award. Senior Alex Kolessar of Shavertown received the Gold Award for swimming. In wrestling, senior Logan May of Dallas received the Gold Award.

Seen following the awards presentation are, first row, from left: Jane Henry, Logan May, and Alex Kolessar. Second Row: Craig Skudalski.

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Above in photo from left are: Helen Leimbach, Sue Hand, and Sharon Cease.

Nine area artists will exhibit their artwork at the 15th Annual Theme Show Invitational Art Exhibit at Sue Hand's Imagery, 35 Main Street, Dallas, from May 23-25.

Each artist will exhibit six to twelve pieces of art showcasing their chosen subject, media and style. Sue Hand will exhibit her watercolor riverscapes of the Susquehanna River on its first 50 miles of its journey from Cooperstown, New York, and all are part of her newest painting series, The Susquehanna Song. Guest artists and their subject themes include: Sharon Cease, Hunlock Creek, barnscapes; Tammy Hoyt, Shickshinny, truck still lifes; Betty Jones, Trucksville, country barns; Jean Laity, Shavertown, fruits and vegetables; Pam Laity, Shavertown, panoramas; Helen Leimbach, Huntington Mills, landscapes; Elizabeth Rybakovsky, Shavertown, florals; and Lora Womer, Hunlock Creek, colored pencil sunrises. They will be joined by eleven other artists from the Wyoming Valley and the Endless Mountains.

The public is invited to attend the exhibit on Wednesday, May 23 from 9:00 - a.m. - 9:00 p.m.; Thursday, May 24 from 9:00 a.m. -9:00 p.m.; and Friday, May 25 from 9:00 - 9:00. Various artists including gallery owner Sue Hand will be present to welcome gallery guests and explain subjects, materials and techniques throughout the exhibit.

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Missionaries Visit St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dallas



Above: Rev. Charles Grube, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dallas, David Wunsch and Kate Lawler, Lutheran Church Regional Representatives to South America and Hanna Grube, recent traveler with a church group service trip to Argentina.

David Wunsch and Kate Lawler, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Regional representatives to South America, visited St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Dallas, on Saturday, February 4. Their visit included worship, a supper, and a presentation of their missionary work in South America.

St. Paul's Church, a congregation of the Northeastern PA Synod of the ELCA, has a companion congregation, San Timoteo, La Plata, Argentina, and supports Wunsch and Lawler. Based in Buenos Aires, Argentina, the missionaries serve as a bridge between the ELCA and companion churches in Argentina, Uruguay, Bolivia, Peru, and Chile.

St Paul's pastor, Rev. Charles Grube, along with young adult leader, Hannah Grube, and youth, Adam O'Brien, were selected to be participants in a July 2011 youth servant trip to Argentina, sponsored by the Northeastern PA Synod, where they visited congregations of the greater Buenos Aires area served by the missionaries.

Wunsch and Lawler returned to the US for a Home Assignment in January and February to visit supporting congregations and agencies, including St. Paul's Church.

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News from the Back Mountain Library

The Auction block area of the Back Mountain Memorial Library is a favorite gathering place during the library's annual auction and even during the Farmer's Market, but did you know that it's also an outdoor theater?

The library is pleased to announce that they will once again host the popular theater group "Take the Stage Players" as they begin their second season of community plays.

At 6 pm on May 18th and 19th, Take the Stage will present "The Commedia Voyages of Sinbad the Sailor". This "openair" performance will be held at 6 pm with lawn seating. These summer shows are perfect entertainment for the family that wants a fun, inexpensive night out and enjoys helping the library at the same time! Tickets are available the night of the show at "the door" and are \$3.00 for children (10 and under) and \$5.00 for adults.

This first performance tells the story of Sinbad's adventures and is narrated by four "poor travelers". The young actors will delight the audience with their witty portrayal of characters they meet during Sinbad's voyages, adding in some additional antics including awakening a giant fish and floating away to the Land of Horses. The story is family friendly and told in the popular form of improvisational theatre.

During the 2011 summer season, the "Take the Stage Players" donated over \$1000.00 to the library from the four shows held between May and August. Anyone interested in participating in the shows for July and August can contact Christina Metz at 690-5439 or visit www.takethestagepac.com for more information.

Auction planning time is here and also the first call for volunteers! Students ages 12 and up, needing to receive Community Service Hours are reminded to call the library at 675-1182 to volunteer. They will be needed during the auction set-up, on Sunday, July 1; Monday, July 2 and Tuesday, July 3. Adults... don't feel left out. We need you too! Call the library, tell us what you like to do and we'll introduce you to some auction fun! Volunteers are also needed each night of the actual auction. Gather your neighbors and sign up as a group...the more the merrier!

Various Raffles are a favorite part of the auction and though we have to keep some secrets and surprises.... The Quilt Raffle tickets are ready to purchase. This year's beautiful "thimbleberries" quilt, handmade by Leslie Horoshko, is sure to be a great addition to anyone's home. Tickets are available at the front desk of the library for \$1.00 each or six tickets for \$5.00.

Donations for the auction are currently being accepted at the library, including vintage jewelry, collectibles, household items and books. As you do your spring house-cleaning, remember that the Bookshop always appreciates receiving your clean, slightly used books, puzzles and DVD's. The earlier that these items are received, the easier it will be to process them in time for the auction. Customers are very pleased with the increased Bookshop hours and keep coming back to hear about the current sale. The present sale is on cookbooks, classics and puzzles, which are being sold at half-price. We are still asking you to "steal our Steeles" at almost giveaway prices. Reminder: Please do not donate any television sets or electronics for the library's auction. Disposal of these items is very costly to the library.

The library will be closed on Monday, May 28 to observe Memorial Day.









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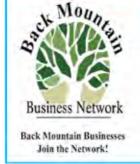
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Back Mountain Blackhawks finished the NEPASHL Varsity Ice Hockey Season in second place



Members of the Back Mountain Blackhawks High School Ice Hockey Championship Team - Goalies: Sean Jenkins and Corey McAndrew. Above, front row are: Eric Yenchak, Paul Ciacci, Eric Smith, Logan Obes, Patrick Newhart, Don Hockenbury, Jimmy Loefflad. Back row: Coach Jerry Martindale, Eric Anderson, Tyler Steve, Johnny Yenchak, Dylan Pilger, Casey McAndrew, Eric Gotoweski, Lewis Hackling, David Payne, Kenny Burkhardt, Hunter Hackling, Alex Hoyt, Coach Hockenbury, and Head Coach Paul Ciacci.

The Back Mountain Blackhawks finished the NEPASHL Varsity Ice Hockey Season in second place with a 10-2-2 record. The North Eastern Pennsylvania Scholastic Hockey League Varsity playoffs included teams from Crestwood, Back Mountain, Valley West, Paupack, Susquehanna Valley, Holy Redeemer,

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The Blackhawks defeated the Scranton Lightning 9-6 in the first round to face the third place Wyoming Valley West Spartans. The Blackhawks came out strong against the Spartans finishing with a 10-7 victory. First place Crestwood posted wins over the Pittston Area Patriots and Susquehanna Valley Stampede to advance to the Championship Round.

On Sunday, March 11th, the Blackhawks returned to the Championship round to defend their title from Crestwood. Blackhawk, Alex Hoyt would strike first with 3:50 remaining in the first period off a rebound shot from Tom Brady. Within two minutes Eric Smith scored an even strength goal off a pass from Tom Brady. Crestwood answersed back with two goals of their own until Captain Casey McAndrew buried a break away bid on a short handed pass from David Payne. With a 3-3 score, Eric Gotoweski made a perfect wrap around pass to teammate David Payne at center ice. Payne ripped a laser over Crestwood's goalie glove side with 5 seconds remaining on the clock for the game winning goal. John Yenchak and Hunter Hackling played exceptional defense in front of oustanding goal tender Sean Jenkins, who stopped 33 of 36 shots.

First year Varsity Coach Paul Ciaccia was assisted by Jerry Martindale and George Hockenbury.

Annual Spring Rummage Sale

The Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church, 1011 Mountain View Drive, Lehman, will hold their annual Spring Rummage Sale. Dates of the sale are Friday, May 11, from 9am to 4pm with a snack bar. Saturday, May 12, 9am to 12 noon, this will be bag day.

A bake sale will also be held and home made Vegetable Soup will be available for \$5.00 per quart. Items in usable condition will be accepted for donation through Wednesday, May 9.

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Seventh Annual Mother's Day Dallas Alzheimer's **Intertribal Powwow**

Seventh Annual Mother's Day Intertribal Powwow, with free admission will be held Mother's Day weekend, May12-13, at the Noxen Fire Co. grounds on Stull Road, Noxen, Wyoming

The event, which honors all mothers, is a gathering for people that benefits the Noxen Fire Co. Vendors' set-up day is Friday, May 11.

The Circle opens at 10 a.m. both days. Storytelling by Grace Dove will be followed at noon with Grand Entry of all dignitaries and dancers in full regalia. Circle hours are noon to 4 p.m. and 6-10 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Richard Gray Owl Greene will serve as emcee. Head Male Dancer is Joseph Spirit Wolf and Head Female Dancer is DiAnne Running Wolf. Host drum is the Mother Earth's Daughters; all drums are welcome.

The event will feature Native

American dancing, drumming, storytelling, children's dances, fry bread by Carolyn, crafts, beadwork, leatherwork, books, CDs, jewelry, beads and beading supplies, t-shirts, blankets, food by the Noxen Fire Company and much more. Special events include a trade blanket and "49" dancing on Saturday evening.

Admission is free. Dogs are welcome but must be leashed and cleaned up after at all times. Bring your own lawn chair. Alcohol, drugs, guns and politics of any kind are not allowed. The committee has the right to remove anyone.

Dancers, vendors and campers needing electricity must pay \$5 per day up front. All dancers and vendors must register before setting up. Volunteers are needed, and may call Natalie "Wisteria" at 570-947-2097 or email Wisteria18704@yahoo.com.

Directions: Route 309N to Dallas Shopping Center bear right on Route 309, after Nulton's Funeral Home, take first left. Go to the stop sign and turn left onto Route 29. Three miles to the next stop sign (in Noxen) turn right. Cross the metal bridge, turn left. Fire hall is on right; follow signs for parking.

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.

Women's community event

Join us at the Trucksville United Methodist Church, on Sunday, May 6, 2012 at 1 PM at the Educational Building, 40 Knob Hill Road, Trucksville.

We invite and encourage all mom's and school age children to attend the luncheon which includes a special program to help children deal with bullying, excellent food, relaxation and Christian fellowship.

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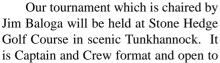
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Legion Logbook

Brrr! Morag and I just returned from visiting our son Darren and his wife Katie in the balmy climes of San Antonio, Texas. We also spent some time on the Gulf Coast. When we arrived in Dallas, the temperature was something of a shock at 49 degrees. The winter was so mild that I guess we are getting our come-uppance. Hope it doesn't snow for our annual Golf Tournament on June 2, 2012.





Clarence J. Michael Past Commander Dallas American Legion Post 672

Legion and non-Legion members. It features an outdoor steak dinner which is enjoyed by all in attendance, door prizes, and refreshments. Since it is so popular, it would be advisable for teams to sign up as soon as possible. The cost is still \$75 which is quite reasonable. The committee will be soliciting hole sponsors for \$50 a hole, and also door prizes. For further information I can be contacted at 675-0488. All the monies we garner will support our annual scholarship awards. Last year, we were able to give \$1,000 scholarships to 4 Back Mountain students who were pursuing a degree at a two-year college. Watch for information at school if you wish to apply for one of these scholarships.

Since I was away for the Easter holiday, John Emil, Sr., filled me in on some activities sponsored by Post 672. John (who dresses as the Easter bunny) said that the Children's Easter Party was well-attended and everyone had a good time. He and Joe Kelley visited the VA afterwards and distributed canteen books, candy, and welcomed smiles to our veterans at the hospital. The patients always appreciate these visitations. Rumor has it that John will be the next District 12 Commander, and I know he will do his best in that position.

The Ham Raffle was held under the leadership of John Emil, Sr., and proved to be successful. The monies will be used to fund community projects in the Back Mountain.

We welcomed the winners of our Essay Contest and their parents at our last Legion meeting. Drew Harding and Kayla Koziol were presented with \$200 and \$100 checks respectively, as well as certificates and essay pins.

One major regret that I have is not being here for the Civil War Roving Exhibit at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Librarian Martha Butler, decided to use our contribution to have us sponsor this exhibit. Martha said it was well-attended and showed me some pictures of the participants. The Civil War Roundtable meets monthly at the Dallas American Legion if anyone is interested.

Memorial Day 2012 will be celebrated on Monday, May 28, and our Legion is planning our annual Memorial Day Parade. A special thank you to Tracey Carr, Mayor Tim Carroll, and Police Chief Jim Drury, as well as the Dallas road crew for their cooperation in this patriotic celebration. Dallas High School Band, Scouts, American Legion baseball team, Dallas Lions Club, fire trucks, ambulances, motorcycles, and antique cars add to this truly nostalgic American small-town tradition. We will parade to the center of Dallas for a ceremony, and then march to Warden Cemetery, and lastly to Chapel Lawn. The Scouts and members of our Post will have placed thousands of flags at the headstones of our fallen veterans. So on May 28 come out, display and wave your flag and bask in the freedom that you can enjoy. Also remember the troops that are still on the front lines throughout the world, and say a prayer for their safekeeping. Please step up and contact Jim to march in the Memorial Day Parade. GOD BLESS AMERICA! See you at the parade.

Studio 309 Music - business continues despite Center Street bridge repair

By MB Gilligan Back Mountain Community News Correspondent

Even though they knew the road was going to close for eight months, Ellen and Greg Williams decided to go ahead with their plans to relocate their Studio 309 Music business and ride it out.

"The day before I signed the papers, I noticed a man with a clipboard walking around the building," said Greg. "That's when we found out that they were going to close Center Street to repair the bridge."

The project which has been in the process-stage for over ten years, will replace the bridge on East Center Street where it intersects the Memorial Highway in Shavertown. That part of Center Street right where Studio 309 Music is now located, is expected to be closed until at least October. "It's a gamble, but we think it will be worth it down the road," said Greg, of the move from his former location further south on Route 309. "The last spot was just too hard for peo ple to get to."

Greg has had several professional jobs over the last 20 years, in addition to playing in a band called Picture Perfect. Four years ago, when Greg was working as a sales manager for the Radisson Hotel in Scranton, he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. He told his employers and within 30 days, he was out of a job. "Right after I told my wife that I lost my job, I saw a for rent sign on the old Back Mountain Music Store building. I just went in, met with the landlord and handed over a check to rent the space," said Greg. "I didn't know what it was going to be but, I knew I wanted to start a business there."

Greg had fond memories of the place where he had bought his first guitar. In addition, his



Pictured in front of their guitar showcase are, from left: Greg and Ellen Williams, and Victor Williams.

brother Victor Williams, another local musician, had taught lessons in the building.

"At first, we used it as a flea market site and for storage," said Greg, who spent much of his youth working with his grandmother Bess D. Williams, an antique dealer in Kingston. "It's just grown from there."

The business now includes the buying and selling of musical instruments, antiques, furniture, and collectibles. The couple also has a large space at a flea market in Edwardsville where most of their bigger items are showcased. They run a continual slide show of their entire inventory on the computer in their Studio 309 Music store. "That way people can see everything we have," said Greg. "Businesses like ours provide people with a way to sell things they may otherwise have to wait for a yard sale to sell. We don't have those seasonal limitations."

In addition to their direct sales business, Ellen has become very adept at Ebay sales. "People can bring something they want to sell on Ebay and we'll research it with them and they let us know how much they want to make from the sale. We'll price it accordingly and within reason and we keep a percentage of the sale," said Ellen, who is rated as a Top Seller by Ebay. That

designation is not easy to get. It requires a certain level of sales, and complete customer satisfaction with everything from accurate product description to shipping and returns when necessary. It also means that their listings come up a lot sooner than others, without such a rating.

"We're doing pretty well with our Ebay business," said Ellen. "We spend a lot of time researching the piece and if it really isn't worth anything, we let the customer know." Of course, if it is, they'll let you know that, too. They recently were able to sell a vase on Ebay for \$3200.

Studio 309 Music offers glassware, dishes, lamps, and guitars starting at around \$80 for beginners. They also have a variety of speakers and PA systems and will even rent those for indoor or outdoor venues.

Studio 309 Music can be reached from Main Street and the temporary entrance is off their parking lot in the rear of the building. The store is open from 10 am to 7 pm from Monday through Saturday, and from 10 am to 2 pm on Sundays. For more information, you can also call Greg or Ellen at (570) 855-7082.

"We encourage people to come in just to browse," said Greg. "We have all kinds of good things in here."

Misericordia University President Michael A. MacDowell, to retire at the conclusion of the 2012-13 year

Michael A. MacDowell, the 12th president of Misericordia Uni-

versity, has informed the University community that he will retire June 30, 2013 after serving 15 years and helping Luzerne County's oldest college and newest university become regionally acclaimed and nationally recognized for providing the challenging academics and opportunities students need to succeed.



"Tina (MacDowell) and I have decided to retire," President MacDowell

announced to the University community. "This is hardly an easy decision to make. Our time here has been the most enjoyable of our lives. The friends we have made, the work we have undertaken together and the success the University has enjoyed are accomplishments about which we all should be proud."

"It is unfortunate in many ways that the president of an institution receives many of the accolades for its progress," President MacDowell said. "Clearly this credit is hardly ours (President MacDowell and Mrs. Tina MacDowell) alone. The Trustees, the faculty, the staff, the alumni and friends of the University have made the difference here. Misericordia is a very special place because people care deeply about it and because they have internalized its mission. These are institutional attributes that will serve Misericordia's new president exceedingly well."

May Cultural Events at Wyoming Sem

The Wyoming Seminary Dance Company will present its annual performance, titled "Dance Portraits," on Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the Buckingham Performing Arts Center, North Sprague Avenue, Kingston. Featered in the program will be a collection of songs by female vocalists including "Rumor Has It" by Adele and "Drumming Song" by Florence and the Machine. Joining the program as guest performers will be Sem's Handbell Choir. The performance is free and open to the public.

The Wyoming Seminary Music Department will present its annual Spring Concert on Saturday, May 5 at 8:00 p.m. in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Avenue, just north of Kingston Corners. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information call 270-2192.

Annual Spring Rummage Sale

The officers of the Dorcas Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, met following the regular March monthly meeting to finalize plans for their annual spring rummage sale which will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 474 Yalick Road, Dallas on Friday and Saturday May 4th & 5th. The hours for the sale will be from 8 am till 2 pm on May 4th and from 8 am till 1 pm on May 5th...Bag Day will be Saturday the 5th from 11 am to 1 pm. A homemade bake sale will also be held both days.

The Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable plans meeting

The Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable meeting will be held on May 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Daddow-Isaacs American Legion, 730 Memorial Highway, Dallas. The speaker will be Melissa Rabinsky who will present her first person program as Mary Todd Lincoln with a walk through history beginning with childhood stories in Lexington, Kentucky, her marriage, children, White House years, ending with the insanity trials in the year 1876.

Ms. Rabinsky has been a historical interpreter for over eight years. During this time she has enlightened, educated and entertained audiences of all ages, telling the true stories of the lives of famous American women.

Melissa has performed for the Gettysburg Civil War Roundtable, the National Civil War Museum, taught first person to the New Jersey Storytelling Guilde, has been the subject of many newspaper articles, on PBS Tempo and the PBS movie Easton. She also portrays several other historical women.

Any questions you might have, please call Pete 570 639-1283. Everyone is welcome. There is a fee of three dollars for guests.

Cedar Crest Cemetery public announcement

Memorial Day is the time when we turn our attention to the memory of our loved ones and the care of their burial grounds. Often it is the only time of year we turn our attention to their graves and visit the cemeteries, and the condition of the cemetery suddenly becomes the focus of our visit.

The burial grounds surrounding the Trucksville United Methodist Church are no different from many of the old historic cemeteries in Luzerne County. The cemetery has 754 lots with 2,400 graves including 221 veterans of wars from the Civil War to the Vietnam War. Interments began soon after 1844 and have continued to the present day. The most activity was between 1910 and 1960.

At the present time, there are no more plots to sell and only one to three interments per year. This means little income is generated. Therefore, the responsibility for the maintenance and appearance falls to the Board of the Cedar Crest Cemetery and the Trustees of the Trucksville United Methodist Church. The mowing and trimming alone cost \$10,000 per season.

We are seeking plot owners and descendents who are in reality the owners of the burial grounds to assist with financial support. At the present time, expenses far exceed income. In the past two years we have contacted about 110 owners or descendents with a 42% response. Therefore, we are reaching out to the community for additional support and help in finding plot owners or their descendents in order to maintain the appearance of this cemetery to properly honor the persons who are buried there.

If you have any information that would be helpful, please contact Louise Hazeltine at (570) 696-1332.

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Ham Dinner Family Style

Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Company, Sweet Valley, will serve a ham dinner on Saturday, May 12. Dinner served 4:30 to 6:30. Take-outs begin at 4:00. Adults \$9.00, children under 12 are \$5.00 and children under 6 eat free. Call 477-5121 for more information.

Hillside Road Closure

News from PennDOT:

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Fused glass and collages on display at the Back Mountain Library

The Back Mountain Memorial Library's May Art Wall display is a collection of fused glass and collages by Mary Louise Steinberg of Kingston.

After graduating from College Misericordia with a degree in Art Education, Miss Steinberg worked as an art teacher for the Wyoming Valley West School District until her retirement in 2004. She is currently on the faculty of Wilkes University as an adjunct instructor in the Visual Arts Department. She maintains a studio at the Mar-



quis Art and Frame building in Wilkes-Barre, as well as a small glass studio in her home. Her work has been exhibited in many venues, including a group show at the Broome Street Gallery in New York City. Most recently Mary Louise exhibited her pastels in a group show with seven other women at the Pauley Friedman Gallery at Misericordia University.

Her work that will be displayed at the library will include collage designs in mixed media and fused glass.

Pack 241 Webelos Scouts Cross Over to Boy Scouts

Cub Scout Pack 241, Lehman, PA recently held it's annual Blue & Gold Banquet at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Dallas.

We are very proud to announce that five of our Webelos II Scouts earned the highest award in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light. The boys were presented a mounted ceremonial arrow in recognition of this great achievement. After receiving the Arrow of Light they crossed over to their chosen Boy Scout Troop.

Four scouts crossed over to Troop 444 in Sweet Valley and one scout crossed over to Troop 241 in Lehman.

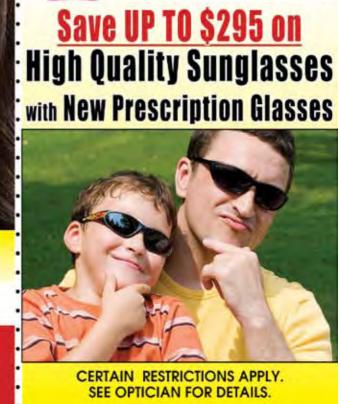
We wish them all the best as they continue along the scouting trail toward their Eagle Scout rank.



Above left to right kneeling are: Casey Shager (T444) and Tyler McGuire (T444). Back row, Dillon Major (T444), Ernie Pender (T241) and Luke Josuweit (T444).



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Etiquette Tip of the Month

By Jill Evans Kryston, Etiquette Consultant

Q: I'm an animal lover, but I have a pet peeve, no pun intended, when it comes to people who don't take responsibility for their dogs. Talk to anyone and they'll have a dog story to tell. The big-



gest aggravation is allowing a dog to disrespect other people's property, but what about the uninvited dog guest and the person who lets their dog bark for hours on end? Not everyone likes dogs, in fact, many people are afraid of them, so I was wondering if there's such a thing as pet etiquette.

A: "Petiquette" is becoming more popular than ever and many kennel clubs are now offering classes. Just as children tend to mirror the behavior of adults, dogs are a furry reflection of their owners. It's important to get off on the right foot from the very beginning with doggie obedience training; your dog will get socialized in the process. As we teach toddlers the meaning of yes, no, please and thank you, puppies need to learn: sit, stay, come and off. Just like parents, canine owners must take control; in doggy language this translates into becoming "alpha dog."

Owners are responsible to control their dog's behavior at all times. This means you must keep your dog on a leash in public places unless in a designated off-leash area; it's the law and it protects your dog. Avoid potential trouble with unfriendly dogs and overly friendly children by crossing the street or taking another route. Be a good neighbor and confine your dog to your yard.

Never let your dog jump up on other people as this behavior is considered rude and out-of-control. Although a dog's natural instinct is to bark, excessive barking is unacceptable. There are special training collars available to break this bad habit.

A survey conducted for the American Kennel Club reports that 47% of non-dog-owning Americans site pooper-scooper violations as their number one complaint. Be respectful of public spaces and other people's property – always clean up after your dog. Walk your dog close to the curb and don't allow it to urinate on shrubs, grass, or car tires.

Not everyone is comfortable around dogs, especially larger breeds. Some people also suffer from allergies. Feel out your guests before they arrive so you'll know how to handle your dog when they visit. If your dog is excitable, confine it to a crate, room or outside area. Never assume your dog is welcome wherever you go. Demonstrate courtesy by inquiring first before you show up with an unwelcomed guest.

Dog ownership requires social responsibility and communal respect. A dog doesn't know any better until it is taught so the way a dog behaves will be a direct reflection of your own conduct.

Practice good "petiquette" by using your best judgment and nipping bad behavior in the bud before it becomes a habit.

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"Cancer Kickers" extends a thank you to the community



Above from left are: Terri Greenley, Charlie Greenley, Cindy Ball, Bobbi Jo Canfield, LuAnn Greenley Andrea Banos. Seated behind is survivor Lucy Shalata and seated front: Doreen Banos.

"Cancer Kickers" recently held a BBQ event to help raise funds for cancer awareness. Together we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended our "Barbeque for the Cure". A special thank you extended to: Bowmans Creek Service Center, for allowing us to hold our event on their property; Mayflower Florist in Tunkhannock, for donating the pink carnations; and Kevin Banos for his kind monetary donation. The BBQ for a Cure was a tremendous success.

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History of Nursing Education exhibit to open at Pauly Friedman Art Gallery at Misericordia University

The Center for Nursing History of Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Pauly Friedman Art Gallery at Misericordia University will present the exhibit, "The Impact and History of Nursing Education in Luzerne County, 1887-2012." The multimedia exhibit will be on display May 6 through June 29 at the Friedman Gallery in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall on cam-

The public is invited to a free opening reception at the gallery on Sunday, May 6 from 1-4 p.m. Pauly Friedman Art Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday; 10 a.m.

to 5 p.m. Friday; and Saturday and Sunday, 1-

In photo top-right, the "Impact and History of Nursing Education" exhibit at the Pauly Friedman Art Gallery at Misericordia University will include many photos and pieces of memorabilia including this photo of the Class of 1919 of Pittston Hospital School of Nursing, Pittston.





Friends of the Back Mountain **Memorial Library host 24th** annual luncheon



More than 140 people attended the 24th annual Luncheon with a Special Author on April 26 at the Appletree Terrace, Newberry Estate in Dallas.

Local author Susan Denney was the featured speaker. Standing with the author, from left: luncheon co-chair Vivian Bednarz, luncheon co-chair Beth Rosenthal, Susan Denney, Friends of the Library president Kay Simons.

Other luncheon committee members included: Sandy Peoples, Jill Kryston, Iris Levy, Mary Lou Grant, Joanne Runner, Jane Kishbaugh, Susan Berdis, Beverly Brougher, Nancy Brown, Deborah Kirkwood, Claudia Stevens, Tish Crahall, Claudette Banks and Sandy Richardson.

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Kingston Township Raiders Football and Cheerleading Sign-ups announced

The Kingston Township Raiders Football / Cheerleading sign-ups will be held in a lower level Meeting Room at the Kingston Township Administrative offices at 180 E. Center Street, Shavertown on Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Please park in the upper level parking lot.

More information can be found on the Raiders Website at http://www.ktraiders.com

Back Mountain Chamber of Commerce recently held Expo

By MB Gilligan **Back Mountain Community News Correspondent**

The Back Mountain Chamber of Commerce recently held an Expo for its members to acquaint the public with the many products, services and opportunities available in the area.

Over 80 Chamber members had displays at the Expo, which was held on the campus of Misericordia University. Members represented included local businesses like Smith Insurance, Cook's Pharmacy, Live Mercury, Solid Cactus, National Penn Bank and Valentine's Jewelry. Besides businesses, though, the Chamber was also represented by members like Penn State, Wilkes, and Misericordia Universities, Hildebrandt Learning Center, and Building Blocks Daycare.

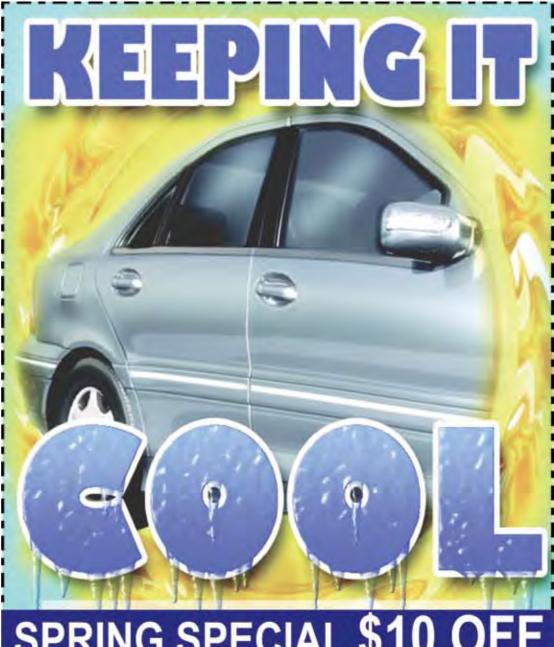
Visitors to the annual Expo were treated to giveaways ranging from cupcakes, candy, and flower seeds to ink pens, notepads, band aids, and, even, fly swatters. In addition, Gerrity's Supermarket was handing out portions of a delicious chicken brushetta, and Fire and Ice chefs treated attendees to two varieties of their specialty risottos.



Cynthia Post Mitchell had information about the Carrie Flower healthy mind, body, and spirit program which provides a gift to a hospitalized child for every item purchased.



Dallas Rotarians in attendance at the business Expo were, from left, Randy Loyd, secretary, Melissa Saxon, district chair for the youth exchange program, and Ken Chapple, president.



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Odd Fellows to hold breakfast

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The Odd Fellows meet at 7:30 PM on Thursday nights above Fino's Pharmacy in Dallas. For further information call Clarence J. Michael at 675-0488. Mike Miller is Noble Grand.

Annual rummage sale

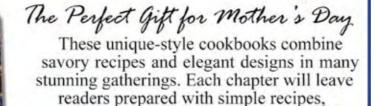
The women of the Orange United Methodist Church, 2293 West 8th Street, Orange, PA, will hold their Annual Rummage Sale at the Church Hall on Friday and Saturday, May 18 and 19, 2012 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Food and refreshments will be available along with Welsh Cookies for sale.

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Have a question about the latest wedding or fashion trend? Email me at: mary@bridaltrinkets.com. Enjoy what life has to offer and spread smiles and kindness. Until next month—ciao a tutti!! Mary

Make-A-Wish Benefit Horse Show



An open western horse show will be held June 23, 2012 at the Luzerne County Fair Grounds, Route 118, Dallas. The show will start at 8:30 am sharp. The show is one of the 7 western horse shows in the NPHA series. Exhibitors do not need to be an NPHA member to participate, but may join at the show to become eligible for year end awards.

The horse show is being sponsored by Megan Lee, a student at Lake-Lehman, as part of her senior project. All proceeds from the horse show will be given to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Scranton office, and the Luzerne County Fair. The horse show will consist of 54 classes. There will be Halter, Showmanship, Horsemanship, Pleasure, Driving and Gymkhana classes. There will be 16 divisions to include: Halter, Lead Line, Beginner Rider, Adult Beginner Rider, 13 & under Youth Rider, 12 & Under Youth Rider, Novice Rider, 14-18 Youth Rider, Senior Rider, Open, Jack Benny, Junior Horse, Senior Horse, Open Driving, Novice Gymkhana, Open Gymkhana.

There will also be a special Make-A-Wish Division, open to eligible riders in which the Champion will receive a custom embroidered chair and \$100.00. Also there is The Hobby Horse Rookie Rewards Horsemanship Class sponsored by Hobby Horse. This class is open to any novice rider who has not won more than (3) three blue ribbons in any independent riding class, anywhere, any time. Hobby Horse has provided gift certificates. First place will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate, second place, a \$30.00 gift certificate and third place a \$20.00 gift certificate and ribbons for first through fifth place.

There will be an additional \$700.00 added to stake class pay outs. Each class will be awarded ribbons for 1st thru 6th place, and 1st place awards. Each division will have champion and reserve champion awards.

There will be a food stand, silent auction, 50-50 drawing, and tack shops on the grounds the day of the show. Admission is free for the public.

For more information on the "Make-A-Wish Benefit Horse Show", or to make a donation call (570)406-8208, email **meg.lee37@aol. com** or like us on Face book. All persons or businesses donating will be recognized in the Horse Show Program Guide.

A Dressage Horse Show will also be held on the grounds on June 23. For more information call Michelle LaBarre at (570)328-8849.

Back Mountain Memorial Library is pleased to announce the Slightly Read Bookshop has expanded hours



Above in photo, from left are bookshop volunteer Ginny Orlowski, Ruth Tetschner, Bookshop Manager and volunteers Tammy McMahon (seated), Kitch Mussari and Dick Orlowski.) Additional volunteers are always welcome to help in the bookshop. If interested you may call the Library at 675-1182.

Due to popular request, the Back Mountain Memorial Library is pleased to announce that their Slightly Read Bookshop has broadly expanded its hours and is now open six days a week. This bookshop is now the largest all inclusive used bookshop in Luzerne County.

Both the library and bookshop are grateful that the public has responded so favorably to our request for extra volunteers and it is due to them and the hard work of our new manager, that the extra hours are made possible.

The hours are as follows: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 1-7 pm., Wednesdays 10 am to 7 pm., Friday, 1 pm to 5 pm., Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm. During July and August the hours will be: Wednesday, 10 am to 6 pm., Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm.

The entrance to the basement bookshop is in the rear of the library and is also accessible directly by parking around the back of the library past the auction block.

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Presbyterian Church to celebrate 50th anniversary



Trinity Presbyterian Church, Irem Road, Dallas will mark its 50th anniversary on June 10th. A special service of worship, remembrance and celebration will take place at the church. In March 1962, Rev. Andrew Pillarella, the founding pastor, conducted his first service at a nearby school. Mid-week worship services and meetings were held in the basement of his home in Haddonfield Hills in Dallas.

On June 10, 1962 more than 125 charter members were taken into the membership of the church. In 1964 the congregation broke ground and began to build a sanctuary where the first service was held, during a snowstorm, on Easter Sunday 1965. Mrs. Edith Pillarella started a pre-school, which has now become known as the Trinity Learning Center. Rev. Roger Griffith now serves the church as its pastor.

A committee was formed two years ago to plan the celebration. First row from left: Linda Baines, Chairperson Sandy Peoples, Mary Chappell. Second row: Alice Bartlett, Cathy Brown, Mary Morrison. Not available for photo: Rev. Roger Griffith, Linda Burkhardt.



Back Mountain Historical Association sponsors recent Hanson's Amusement Park presentation

By MB Gilligan Back Mountain Community News Correspondent

Local historian, Attorney Charles Petrillo, treated a large audience to a history lesson about Don Hanson's Amusement Park, at a presentation sponsored by the Back Mountain Historical Association.

The program was held on April 18, 2012 at the Lemmond Theater at Misericordia University. Petrillo had a power-point display and discussed what he stated were the five stages of development of the park which was located at Harvey's Lake.

The park opened as a Picnic Ground on June 9, 1891 for the Lehigh Valley Railroad. The company predominately hauled timber and ice and began its passenger line as a secondary source of income. Petrillo delighted his audience with an amusing description of the attendees pictured at the Picnic Grounds in a photo from the early 1900's.

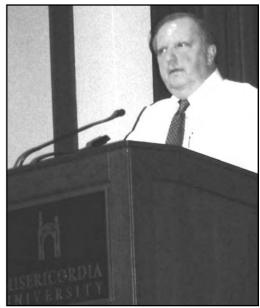
According to Petrillo, the first Merry-Go-Round was erected in 1903 and was probably operated as a concession as many of the rides were throughout the history of the park. In 1906, John A. Reddington leased the Picnic Grounds from the Lehigh Valley Railroad and added a dance pavilion which was later lost to a fire, along with the original Merry-Go-Round. Petrillo noted that the park reopened in 1909 with a big investment by

Reddington and by July of 1910 there was a roller coaster on site which sent one car at a time and was probably operated by a steam engine.

John Hanson and Alfred Wintersteen took over park ownership in 1930 and later the Hanson family bought the park outright while the Winfamtersteen ily maintained ownership of the Dodgem ride and the carousel.

Throughout the years, other rides and attractions were added including a toboggan slide into the lake, a miniature train, a Kiddie Park, and an arcade. Through the 1930's, residents in the Wyoming Valley would ride a trolley car to Sunset Beach and then take a steamboat over to the park. The amusement park also featured a 48 foot high dive and in the 1950's people lined up on the dock for a Speed Boat Ride.

Ultimately, Donald Hanson leased the park from his father in 1964 and bought it in 1973. He and his wife Shirley operated Hanson's Amusement Park until 1984 when the exorbitant cost of liability insurance and competition from the new super parks



Local historian Attorney Charles Petrillo presented a slide show about the history of Don Hanson's Amusement Park at Misericordia University.

forced them to close the park.

Shirley Hanson who was in the audience at the Misericordia presentation agreed with Charles Petrillo about the value the park held for the area throughout its history. "Thousands of young people were able to find employment at the park and were able to help their families," said Shirley. "That was something that we were always proud of."

For more information, or to see photos and videos of Hanson's Amusement Park, visit www.harveyslake.org.

Summer Program

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors is pleased to announce that they will be sponsoring the Summer Recreation Program for resident children of Kingston Township who have completed Kindergarten up to 12 years of age. This year the Program will be held from Monday, June 18th to Friday, August 10th each week day, weather permitting, from 9:00 am until Registration will 4:00 pm. be held on Saturday, June 9th at the Center Street Park Pavilion from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

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2012 Summer Recreation

Kingston Township is pleased to be able to hold the Summer Recreation Program again in 2012. The program will run for eight weeks beginning on Monday, June 18 until Friday, August 10 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday thru Friday. The cost for the program is \$75 for the 1st child and \$55 for each additional child.



The Dallas Lions Club recently held their annual Charter Night celebration

The Dallas Lions Club recently held their sixty-second annual Charter Night celebration at a dinner meeting at Irem Country Club in Dallas. Representative Karen Boback was the featured speaker and she brought the club members and their guests up to date on the latest legislative happenings in Harrisburg. The Marcellus Shale discussions were of great interest to all, as she enlightened the dinner guests with her insight on those topics.

Shown above with Representative Boback is Lion Gary Hozempa, Committee Chairman of the Charter Night event.





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Brownies from the Gate of Heaven, Our Lady of Victory, and St. Theres's parishes received their Family of God medals



Above from left are: Jessica Allen, Shelby Pocono, Morgan Sakulich, Cara Pocono, Marigrace Huntington, Chloe Zondlo, Melanie Selner and Morgan Williams. Missing from photo are: Madison Carlsson and Isabella Locke, Gate of Heaven Church.

Brownies from the Gate of Heaven, Our Lady of Victory, and St. Theres's parishes received their Family of God medals at a mass held at Gate of Heaven Church on Girl Scout Sunday, March 11, 2012. The girls also earned the "100 Years Together 1912-2012 Catholic Girl Scout " patch & the "Mother Teresa Model of Faith Catholic Identity" patch. Amy Huntington was the Family of God Program Advisor. Last fall, the girls embarked on a four month journey that strengthened their love and faith in God and "God's family." On March 5th, the girls held a prayer service at the Mercy Hall Student Chapel at Misericordia University. The girls represent three Brownie troops in the Back Mountain area.

Pass the Stick Game Scheduled - Dallas and Lake-Lehman



Above in photo are: Dallas members of the girls Lacrosse team.

Dallas High School vs. Lake Lehman in it's first of many to come. Pass the Stick Game and Senior Honor Ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, May 3 at the Luzerne County Recreational Fields; located in Wyoming next to the Forty Fort airport. Girl's game begins at 4:15 pm followed by Senior Honor Ceremony and the boys beginning at 6 pm. Members of the boys and girls teams to be honored are: Emily Capitano, Brooke Evans, Aubrey Gryskiewicz, Dana Jolley, Kaylin Russell, Sarah Stewart, Melissa Tucker, Lynn Vercinski, Morgan Cohen, Karsten Leu, Aaron Lisses, Jacob Piskorick, Brett Wanek and Zackary Taylor.

Back Mountain graduating seniors, from Sue Hand's Imagery, to hold senior art exhibit

Seven Back Mountain graduating seniors from Sue Hand's Imagery, representing four area high schools, will hold their senior art exhibit at Sue Hand's Imagery, 35 Main Street, Dallas, May 21 and May 22.

The 12th grade students include: Kristen Boyle, Shavertown; Kathryn Cohen, Shavertown; Rachel Madeira, Dallas; Chelsea Martin, Dallas; Christine McCarthy, Dallas; Alyssa Miller, Dallas; and Sarah Pomfret, Dallas. They will be joined by eight other high school students from the Wyoming Valley and the Tunkhannock area.

Each student will exhibit up to twenty pieces of artworks, a retrospective of their artistic endeavors throughout their years at Sue Hand's Imagery. All seven students have received numerous art awards for their drawings and paintings in many varied art contests and exhibits. Many of the students have studied art with Sue Hand since elementary school.

The graduates will be pursuing careers in various branches of art including art education, industrial design, fine art and illustration, animation, graphic design, as well as psychology, chemistry, biology, speech therapy and business and marketing.

The public is invited to view the exhibit Monday, May 21 from 9:00 – 8:00; and Tuesday, May 22 from 9:00 – 6:00. A meet-the-artist reception and graduation ceremony will take place

Monday, May 21 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

For additional information, contact Heather Hand Madeira, 675-5094.



Above in photo are the graduating seniors from Sue Hand's Imagery, first row, from left: Christine McCarthy, Sarah Pomfret, Kevin Yozviak, Danielle Patterson, and Kathryn Cohen. Second row from left are: Anna Fiske, Kristin Smith, Chelsea Martin, Rachel Madeira, Monique Kenia, and Kristen Boyle.



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How Does He Do It All?

By Kathy Burd Community News Correspondent

Joshua Holdredge, a 6th grade student at Dallas Middle School has accomplished more in seven years than most adults in their lifetimes. He started playing sports at the ripe old age of five. With the Back Mountain Baseball League, Josh and his teammates have acquired three district titles (2009, 2010, 2011), one sectional title (2011), and won the Northwest Tournament in 2010. He has also taken part in the Travel Baseball League for the last 3 years.

Then, there is basketball. He started playing basketball at age 5, as well. He first played through the Rock (an affiliation of the Back Mountain Harvest Assembly, Trucksville) and then with the third grade Dallas Youth Basketball Team. In fourth, fifth, and sixth grade he was part of Dallas Youth Basketball as well as the Travel Basketball team. He and his teammates were third and fourth grade champions, won the Newport Tournament, and placed second in both the Lehman Tournament and Oblates League.

Now, let us not forget about football. Josh has also been a part of the Kingston Township Raiders Football Team which went to two Super Bowls. He tells me, "Without my teammates none of this would have been possible. They are great guys, great friends, and great athletes." "My dream is for my teammates and I to one day make it to the Little League World Series."

That sounds like a lot already, but he's not done there. Josh loves to travel. With sports he has visited Old Forge, Latrobe (both in PA), and Rehoboth Beach, DE. On family vacations he has been to Disney World, Las Vegas, The Grand Canyon, Boston, and Miami. His family plays a huge role in his life. Dad is a teacher, baseball coach, basketball coach, football coach, and his biggest fan.

Mom works with children who have Autism and other

disabilities, as well as being Josh's biggest fan, team mom for all sports, and treasurer for the Luzerne County Autism Coalition. You can clearly see that hard work and caring run in the family.

The Luzerne County Autism Walk has been a yearly event which started in 2007. Ever since he was seven years old, Josh has made great contributions to the cause. He helps to get everything ready and set up for the Walk, as well as helping to clean up when it's over. He also goes to local businesses with posters, sells tickets, and looks for sponsors. All in his spare time. He says "I am glad to be a part of the Autism walks each year because I am trying to make a difference for such a good cause." "I was proud of being able to raise five hundred dollars by going around my neighborhood and getting others involved." The Autism Walk was held this year on April 21 at the Forty Fort Recreation Complex. Being a part of the Walk myself I have seen, year after year, how much time and effort is put into making it a success by Josh, his mom and dad, and all the others involved in this incredible event. There was a sense of accomplishment felt by all. You can find out more information at www.ACLAWalk. com. Hope to see you there next

Now, I would hope that you didn't think that I forgot about school. Even with how busy and involved this young man is, he has managed to receive the Presidential Academic Award by getting straight A's throughout his grade school years. Now in middle school, he has received First Honors for both semesters and is part of the Student Council. His parents have always told him to just do his best, and that is definitely one thing that he has done.

Josh, himself, has learned that anything is possible. His advice to others would be to "always stay focused and believe in yourself."



Above Josh at the walk with his fellow friends and volunteers. Gathering together are: Jack McLaughlin, Dylan Shaver, Josh Holdredge, Jack Koretz and Max McLaughlin.

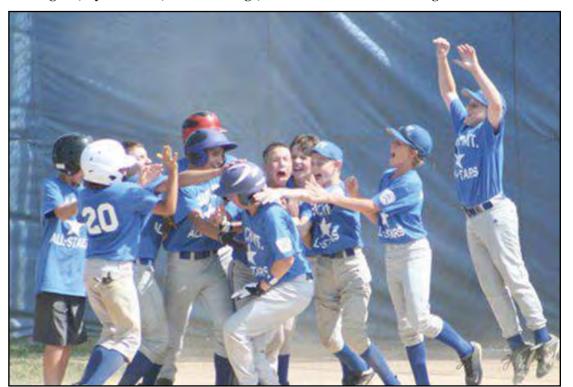


Photo above: Back Mountain All Stars team gather to celebrate a win with great excitement and tears of joy. Josh gives credit to his fellow teammates and looks forward to one day making it to the Little League World Series.

Back Mountain Community News Salutes Student and Volunteer Excellence

Do you know a student who has volunteered, excelled academically or athletically? Or an outstanding adult volunteer? Someone that has gone beyond the call of duty for the good of the community? The Back Mountain Community News wants to recognize these people on the pages of the Community News. Let us know who these outstanding students or adults are by sending an email to: **communitynews123@comcast.net** with your name, telephone number and the person's contact information you'd like to have recognized with a story and photograph.

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June rummage sale at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Dallas



Pictured at a recent planning meeting are Board of Deacons members, first row, from left: Linda Baines, Chuck Brandt, Diane Adams, President Mary Chappell. Second row: Sandy Peoples, Mary Morrison, Michele Steele, Karen Perzia. Deacons not available for photo are: Jim Snyder, Shirley Beck, Thelma Smith, Maria Stevens.

The Deacons have set June 1 and 2 for their gigantic rummage sale in the fellowship hall. The entrance is off the parking lot at the rear of the building. The sale will take place from 9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Friday, June 1, and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, June 2. Saturday will be bag day: all you can stuff into a large brown grocery bag for only \$2. Items available for sale are: clothing in good condition for men, women and children, costume jewelry, household items, knickknacks, collectibles, toys, books, various holiday items and much more. Trinity is located at 105 Irem Road, Dallas, across Route 309 from the Country Club Shopping Center.

Meadows Nursing Center celebrates volunteer recognition week



Above back row from left are: Cristina Tarbox, Administrator of Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center; Carl Noto, Executive Director of EEI; Cheryl Newberry, volunteer-5 years of service; Gary Kirk, Director of Finance, Meadows NRC. Front row from left are: Camille Fioti, Assistant Director of Community Services; Betty Sorchik, Director of Community Services; Florence Hozempa: 20; Irene Meren: 5; Geri Williams: 10; Carle Welter and her pet therapy dog "Opus": 5 years. Awardees not shown: Maria Barbose, Helen Bernick, Diana Ide and Mary Neely - all five years awardees and Phyllis Sappe - 20 years.

Volunteer Appreciation Week at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, was 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 10,650 hours with the residents this past year. Certificates of Appreciation and gifts were presented to each volunteer. Special awards were given to volunteers who have generously given 5, 10, 15 and 20 years of service.

Misericordia University, Pride Mobility team up to donate used wheelchairs to Wheels of the World

A collaboration between the Misericordia University Department of Occupational Therapy and Pride Mobility of Exeter, Pa., resulted in seven gently used wheelchairs being donated to Wheels for the World through a local contact at Joni and Friends International Disability Center.

The donation of 10 new wheelchairs to the occupational therapy department by Pride Mobility resulted in Misericordia University students exploring ways to ensure that the seven used wheelchairs were given to charities in order to provide mobility for those in need. Spearheaded by Jessica Harper, an occupational therapy major from Bethlehem, Pa., the University collected and stored the wheelchairs until a new use could be found for them.

With the assistance of Misericordia's Campus Ministry, Harper contacted Betsy Packer of Shavertown, Pa., who collects wheelchairs for Joni and Friends. Occupational therapy student Jim Miller of Ashland, Pa., transported the wheelchairs to Packer's home where they were shipped to Wheels for the World, which gathers donated wheelchairs from around the country and sends them to correctional facilities where they are refurbished by inmates. Wheels for the World then ships the wheelchairs to international countries.

Harper hopes to work with the Mustard Seed in Medfield,



Misericordia University occupational therapy students Jim Miller of Ashland, left, and Jessica Harper of Bethlehem, Pa., right, deliver used wheelchairs from the occupational therapy program to Betsy Packer at her home in Shavertown, Pa. The wheelchairs are being donated to Wheels for the World which will refurbish them and give them to people who have a need for mobility.

Mass., and Kingston, Jamaica, in the future to send Joni and Friend's wheelchairs, through Joni and Friends' Harvest Program, to Jamaica where they have identified a need. She plans on conducting several fundraisers in order to raise enough money to have the refurbished wheelchairs sent to the island nation, where Harper recently completed a service trip with other Misericordia students.

Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction Plant Booth chairperson seeks volunteers and donations

Looking to spend some time making a difference volunteering this summer? The Back Mountain Library Auction Plant Booth chairperson is looking for volunteers to help during set-up and auction time at the popular and colorful plant booth.

If you would like to volunteer your time or have extra plants, flowers, hanging baskets, etc., you would like to donate to the Library Auction plant booth, contact Cheryl at (570) 256-0191.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend The Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction -- scheduled for Thursday, July 5 through Sunday, July 8, 2012 on the grounds of the Library, Huntsville Road, Dallas.

Kingston Township Spring Clean-up

Spring Cleanup will be held at the Kingston Township Public Works Facility, 225 E. Center Street, Shavertown, PA, starting Monday, May 7, 2012 through Saturday, May 12, 2012.

The cleanup is open to Kingston Township residents only. Hours are 11:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Monday, May 7th, Wednesday, May 9th and Friday, May 11th. Hours are 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Tuesday. May 8th and Thursday, May 10th Hours on Saturday, May 12th are 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

The following items will not be accepted: household trash or garbage; recyclable items such as newspapers, plastics, bi-metallic cans, clear and colored glass, tree stumps, rocks; construction debris; toxic substances but not limited to paints, solvents, automotive fluids, fertilizers, medical waste or any chemicals. Other items not accepted include All electronics such as TVs, computers etc; Tires, washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, furnaces, stoves, microwaves, water heaters, or other large appliances. Air conditioners or dehumidifiers that are not tagged with a certified sticker from a professional stating that the freon has been removed will not be accepted. Please present tattered American Flags to the staff for proper disposal.

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Upcoming Meetings

Spring Road Inspection – Sunday, May 6, 2012 beginning at 9:00 am. Beginning at the Kingston Township Administration Building. **Public Work Session** - Monday, May 7, 2012 at 7:00 pm, Supervisors Meeting Room, Township Admin. Bldg.

Regular Supervisors Meeting – Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at 7:30 pm., Supervisors Meeting Room, Township Admin. Bldg.

Dallas Area Municipal Authority – Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 7:00 pm, DAMA Building's Meeting Room 530 S. Memorial Highway, Shavertown.

A tasty, chocolate pretzel fund raiser recently held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church



In photo above, back row from left are: Brenden Ehret, Scott Bean, Frank Henry and James Duffy. Front from left are: Maggie Michael, Michelle Thompson, Josh Weaver, Clara Grube and Marissa Miller.

Members of the Senior High Youth Group of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dallas, met recently to make chocolate covered pretzels. The proceeds from the fund raiser benefited their trip fund for the National ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans in July.

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 honored essay winners and members



Above are: Jim Baloga, Drew Harding, Kayla Koziol, Jim Spencer, Commander and Clarence J. Michael, Essay Chairman.

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 recently honored Drew Harding, first place winner; and Kayla Koziol, second place winner for this year's Essay Contest. They were given a certificate, medal, and monetary awards of \$200 and \$100. Their parents were also recognized. Refreshments were provided. The Essay Topic this year was "Should the Electoral College Be Changed in Presidential Elections?" Jim Spencer is Post 672 Commander.



Above are: Jim Baloga, Carl Moyer, Herb Dreher, Jim Spencer Commander, and Clarence J. Michael, Past Commander.

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 recently honored two of their 50 plus year members. Herb Dreher and Carl Moyer have a combined membersship of more than 100 years of dedicated service to the American Legion. Refreshments were served to all in attendance. Jim Spencer is Post 672 Commander.

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The Zinc Saucier team wins Ultimate Campus Chef Competition



The winning team in the Misericordia Ultimate Campus Chef Competition was The Zinc Saucier, shown from left, siblings John Whitesell and Ruth Whitesell, of Harveys Lake, Pa.; and Matthew Zito, of Freeland.

Misericordia University students recently competed in the Ultimate Campus Chef Competition sponsored by Metz & Associates, the dining management services company for the campus community.

The team named The Zinc Saucier, featuring brother and sister duo John Whitesell and Ruth Whitesell, of Harveys Lake, Pa.; and Matthew Zito, of Freeland, Pa., won the fast-paced competition by preparing a three-dish menu that included hand-crafted cream of mushroom soup, Panko encrusted chicken in raspberry sauce and Crème Brulee.

The Ultimate Chef Competition is similar to the spirited cooks-offs featured on the Food and Bravo networks. During the frantic culinary battle, each team had one hour to prepare three dishes using a mystery market basket of ingredients that included a unique array of items, and present them to the judges. The judges, Christine Somers, director of Campus Ministry, Glen Bozinski, director of Admissions, and Paulette Wolanski, administrative specialist in Student Activities, evaluated the dishes on taste, presentation, originality and name.



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"American Pickers" - makes a stop at Kunkle Motors recently



"America Pickers" as seen on the History Channel and Lifetime, spent hours picking through the Kunkle Motors building, on Kunkle Road recently. Above in photo are: Tracy Agnew standing with Mike Wolfe from the show. American Pickers is a reality television series where a team of "Pickers" travel across the country, visiting towns and seeking American treasures, antiques, collectibles and sometimes rare finds.

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Legendary Lake-Lehman Black Knights Marching Band Director, John Miliauskas, inducted into Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Hall of Fame

John Miliauskas of Dallas was inducted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Hall of Fame at the PMEA Annual In-Service Conference Awards Luncheon held on April 20, 2012 at the Lancaster Convention Center in Lancaster.

During his tenure at Lake-Lehman High School, Miliauskas developed a reputation for winning after his Black Knights Marching Band won parade and concert competition after competition up and down the east coast.

The achievements that John Miliauskas and his students brought to the area were remarkable considering the fact that they came from a high school located in a small rural community here in the Back Mountain.

Accolades throughout his tenure as Lake-Lehman High School Marching Band Director include being named Atlantic Coast Champions four times, taking first place in festival parades in New York and Canada, taking first place at the Six Flags Festival of Music in Atlanta, Georgia in 1979, and the title of "Best Band in the United States," and being named Grand National Champions in the 1985 Festivals of Music in Atlanta, Georgia, earning three superior ratings in concert, field and parade band.

Clearly John Miliauskas was the main reason that the Lake-Lehman High School Black Knights Marching Band received acclaim. He maintained high standards and expected discipline in learning. He demanded that his students respect others regardless of ability.

"I was totally committed to the students," he said. "Music was my life. I spent day and night working on the program to insure that my students achieved success. We were totally committed to winning."

As a teacher, John Miliauskas, stated that he was very fortunate to have had the students he had back then. "Many band leaders out there today were my former students," he said. "Some of my students even went on to become doctors and lawyers, and some carried the discipline they learned in band on into the military."

Mary Ann Lugiano was one of those students who benefitted from having Miliauskas as a teacher. She was so grateful for his teachings that she nominated him for the PMEA Hall of Fame award. "I firmly believe that Mr. Miliauskas' influence on young people cannot possibly be calculated. A strong work ethic and professional approach to discipline with the innate ability to understand each individual's needs continuously produced one of the highest achieving bands in PA history during that era." she said.

Miliauskas said he couldn't have given his students what he did without the support of the Lake- Lehman School Board, Lake-Lehman High School Administration, Faculty, and Staff, and the Parents. He said that he couldn't have done it without

the Lake-Lehman Band Parents group that supported the band program year after year.

John Miliauskas and his wife Dorothy have four grown children, Debbie, Nancy, John Jr., and Jimmy. They also have nine grandchildren. His son, John Jr, played trumpet in the Lake-Lehman Band under his father's tutelage, and went on to become Director of the award-winning Tiger Marching Band at Towson University in Maryland. "I always told Johnny that when he came into the room for his lessons, I was his teacher, and when he left, I was his father."

John Miliauskas served as Band Director at Lake-Lehman High School for 35 years prior to his retirement in 1989.



Photo by Bobby Zampetti

John Miliauskas above sits at his desk reminiscing of years gone by and proudly smiles while sharing his stories about his 35 year career at the Lake-Lehman School District.



Photo by Bobby Zampetti

John Miliauskas above shares the history of some of the plaques proudly displayed on his wall. The above plaque he points out was awarded in 1988.

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 announces annual American Legion Golf Tournament



Above in photo, from left are: Clarence J. Michael; Jim Spencer, Commander; Jean Skaff; Jim Baloga, Chairman; Ginger Spencer and Sally Mock.

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 is holding their annual American Legion Golf Tournament on June 2, 2012, at Stone Hedge Golf Course in Tunkhannock. Monies raised will support a Scholarship Fund for Back Mountain students. The tournament is open to members and non-members. The format is Captain and Crew. Amenities include an outdoor steak dinner, beverages, and door prizes. For a \$50 donation businesses and individuals can sponsor a hole. Donations of door prizes will also be accepted. Jim Baloga is chairperson of the Tournament.

For further information contact Clarence J. Michael at 675-0400. Jim Spencer is the Post Commander.



Spring BBQ planned

The Trucksville United Methodist Church Annual Spring BBQ is planned for Friday, May 4 & Saturday, May 5, 2012, from 5 PM to 7 PM with Take-Outs available from 4:30 at our Educational Building, 40 Knob Hill Road, Trucksville, left off 309 at Carverton Road. Tickets are on sale now: adults - \$8.00 ~ children - \$4.00.

Enjoy half a chicken, all the fixings and homemade desserts and beverages. Call the Church Office at (570) 696-3897 to reserve your tickets.

Dallas Borough Lawn Care

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.

Dallas Borough requests that all property owners comply with the Borough Ordinance to maintain their properties. Please refer any questions pertaining to the enforcement of Borough regulations to the Dallas Borough administrative offices at 675-1389.





The Back Mountain Memorial Library was proud to display the Civil War memorabilia of Richard Urban of Harvey's Lake. Richard's collection was exhibited on the Library's Gallery Art Wall for the month of April.

Civil War collection by Richard Urban Pack 281 Tiger Cubs Attend Globetrotters Game



Pictured, left to righ are: Den Leader Aric Gingo, Maxim Gingo, Andy Goodrich, James Antall, Parker Bolesta, Charlie Kappler, Matthew Maxfield, and Den Chief, Ivan Gingo.

The Tiger Cubs of Pack 281 recently enjoyed the antics of the Harlem Globetrotters Game at the Mohegan Sun Arena. The Tigers are part of Pack 281 in Dallas PA, chartered by the Dallas United Methodist church.

Road closures, detours in place

Residents are reminded that the E. Center Street Bridge is closed due to the bridge replacement project. Currently there are detours in place to by-pass the construction. To access E. Center Street from SR 309 north-bound, take Main St. by the "Pool Place". To access E. Center Street from SR 309 south-bound turn onto E. Franklin Street then right on Main St. Please note that the detour roads tend to get congested during rush hour times. Also be reminded that the detours will change as the project progresses.

Hillside Road near the Farmers' Inn in Jackson Township continues to remain closed. The road repairs will take approx. four (4) months to complete.

S. Pioneer Avenue from Darrow Lane to Sutton Road and the lower section of Wardan Avenue will be closed periodically for the Watermain replacement project by PA American Water.

Be advised to allow extra time to reach your destination, and to seek alternative routes aside from the detours to avoid the construction whenever possible.





Baker Bill to Help Soldiers with Custody Changes Signed Into Law

A bill to allow military parents to change their custody arrangements more easily before they are deployed was signed into law by Governor Tom Corbett today, according to Senator Lisa Baker (R-20), who sponsored the measure.

"This bill was inspired by grandparents who were prevented from seeing their grandchild when their son was deployed to Iraq," she said. "A military separation can compound the heartache of a marital separation. This legislation will ease the difficult process of assigning temporary custody when a military parent must leave a child behind to serve our nation."

The enactment of this law is a priority of the state Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the U.S. Department of Defense.

"It is difficult enough for a child to say goodbye to a parent who is leaving for combat," Baker said. "Current law should not add to that difficulty by preventing children from seeing their grandparents or other loving family members, or by preventing soldiers from transferring their custody rights to a trusted relative. At all times, the best interest of the child remains paramount."

A new section allows military parents to testify by phone, internet, videoconference, or other electronic means if they cannot appear in person in a courtroom due to a deployment.

During the legislative process, the bill was amended to clarify when a mental health evaluation must be conducted for parents who have prior criminal convictions and who are seeking custody.

"Our military personnel willingly face great dangers in the name of freedom. One way we can support them here at home is to cut through some of the red tape arising from deployment and custody issues," Baker stated.

Answers In Genesis at Cross Creek Community Church

Cross Creek Community Church located at 370 Carverton Road, Trucksville (2 miles from the traffic light), is pleased to announce that Bodie Hodge, a speaker, writer, and researcher for Answers In Genesis will be speaking at Cross Creek on Sunday, May 6 and Monday, May 7. Answers In Genesis Outreach prepares Christians to defend and share their faith with boldness and confidence. Their speakers bring the message of biblical authority as well as creation-apologetics materials and educational resources to churches and communities across the United States. Coupled with the efforts of local churches and pastors, Answers Outreach provides a highly effective means for training thousands of people in the "lines and precepts" of our faith.

The times and titles for Sunday are 9am and 10:45am "Is Genesis Relevant in Your Daily Walk, 6pm "The Flood: Who Should You Trust", and 7:30pm "Dinosaurs, Dragons, and the Bible". Times and titles for Monday are 11am for children in grades K-6 "Dinosaurs for Kids", 12:10pm for children in grades 7-12 "The Seven C's of History", 6:30pm "The Tower of Babel" and 8pm "Creation Evangelism". Admission is free. For more information, please call the church office at 570-696-0399, or online to www.crosscreekcc.org.

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The Commedia Voyages of Sinbad to be held at the Back Mountain Memorial Library

The "Take The Stage Players" will begin their second season of community plays on May 18th and 19th with the presentation of a creative and funny tale of the seven voyages of "Sinbad the Sailor". The "open-air" performance will be held at the Back Mountain Memorial Library in Dallas with lawn seating and proceeds benefit the Library. The summer shows are for the whole family. Tickets are available the night of the show at "the door" and are \$3.00 for children 10 and under and \$5.00 for Adults.

The story of Sinbad's adventures is narrated by four "poor travelers", Arlequin (the trickster) played by Karl Kleist; Punchin (a big nosed boaster) played by David Sebolka; Columbine (the clever troupe leader) played by Caitlyn Metz and Rosetta (a prissy lady) played by Allyson Sebolka. In the commedia genre, the actors will delight the audience members with their witty portrayal of the many characters they meet during Sinbad's voyages. There are some additional antics by the actors who have decided to "change the

During the 2011 summer season, the "Take the Stage Players" donated over \$1000.00 from the four shows held between May and August to the Back Mountain Memorial Library.



Above in photo, back row: Allyson Sebolka as Rosetta, and David Sebolka as Punchin. Front from left are: Karl Kleist as Arlequin, and Caitlyn Metz as Columbine.

More than thirty children, (ages 5 to 18) participated in the shows - "The Commedia Princess and the Pea", "Tiny Thumbelina", "The Rockin' Tale of Snow White" and "Captain Bree and Her Lady Pirates". All shows were produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., Englewood Colorado. Anyone interested in participating in the shows for July and August can contact

Christina Metz at 690-5439 or visit - www.takethestagepac. com. Mrs. Metz is the show director and owner of Take The Stage Center for the Performing Arts located at 5 Dug Road, in Trucksville.

Again this year, the Back Mountain Memorial Library will benefit from the shows with the proceeds being donated to the Library.



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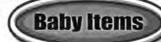


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