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You may or may not know them by name or where they live, but local firefighters, police officers, and emergency medical technicians are the ones called upon for help when an emergency or flood occurs. Above, Firefighter Tom George, from Tunkhannock's Triton Hose Company carried a 4-year-old boy evacuated from flood waters in Wyoming County. Photo by Bobby Zampetti

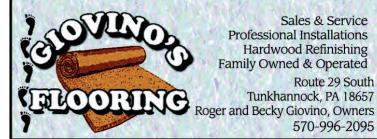
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Tunkhannock Locals create website to connect flood victims with neighbors who can help

New website makes it easier for flood victims to start over and lets neighbors help make their wishes come true.

While there are many great organizations such as the Red Cross who help flood victims with cleanup efforts and supplies, those affected often find difficulty starting over after cleanup is complete. Items such as refrigerators, furniture, flatware and other such possessions are often destroyed or unusable after flood waters ravage their homes.

A new local website, Our10.org, allows flood victims to create wish lists of the top ten items that they could use when starting over. Then, individuals who have items to donate can browse the wish lists that are posted, select items they can donate and click a button to connect with the person who is requesting those items.

Users are "connected" when an email is sent to the person donating with the phone number of the person requesting the items. From there, they can call the flood victim to arrange pickup or delivery of the items.

After an individual receives donations, they can remove received items from their top 10 list and replace it with other items that are needed. Visitors to the website looking to donate items can search for wish lists in their town, making delivery or pickup easier. Additionally, if they have a specific item they are looking to donate, they can search for lists that have that item in it and make a connection.

The concept and building of Our10.org was headed by Michael Cahill, a graphic designer and social media marketer residing in Tunkhannock, and Chris Mincarelli, a developer who lives in Maryland and is a Tunkhannock native. Once the September flooding occurred the two came up with the concept and decided that creating the site was the way to make the most impact to local relief efforts, even while Mincarelli is living in another state.

Use of the website is not limited to only current relief efforts; the two plan on leaving the website running so that it can be used for future natural disasters both locally and abroad. On the web: http:// www.Our10.org

On Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/ Our10.org.

If you would like more information about this topic, or would like to speak with Michael Cahill please contact him by phone at (570) 650-7315 or by email at michaeldcahill@gmail.com with the subject "Our10.org"..

The community comes together with volunteers



Tunkhannock Area students help clean marquee letters outside the Dietrich Theater. Above from left are: Katie Rincavage, Peter Horger, Gabrielle Buchter, Tim Mackiw, and Kelsey Rincavage.



Tunkhannock Area students Jordon Faux, Tyrin Alguire, Kory Callumm, and Matt Dymond take a break from removing mud from the Dietrich Theater.



Above from left: Bonnie D'Ulisse, Elizabeth D'Ulisse, and Sherri Kukuchka help remove mud from the thousands of items at the Bridgestreet Marketplace in Tunkhannock.



A truck owned by Ebb's Garden Center in Tunkhannock was complete submerged by recent flood waters. After several hours of work, volunteers Kyle Rogers (standing behind) and Glenn Fairbanks brought it back to life.

Above photos by Ron Kaskus



P&G Mehoopany Plant employees Kathleen Smith, Dawn Otten and Neil Traver volunteered to distribute Charmin Tissue to people in need after the recent flood. The products were generously donated by Procter & **Gamble Paper Products Company.**



"Loads of Hope" Sponsored by Tide, were stationed in the Walmart Parking area in Tunkhannock volunteering to wash and dry clothing during the first few days of clean-up. Above in photo are a few Pampers and Baby Wipes, Bounty Paper Towels and members of the Tide team field managers including: Kris Coughlin, Greg Navarro, Dylan O'Neil and Dan Bookmiller.

Local volunteers in photo were: Lora Seidel, Meshoppen and Noelle Arnold, Harveys Lake.

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Roslund Elementary PTO unveils new playground

Roslund Elementary School officially opened its new playground for third and fourth grade students with a ribbon cutting ceremony recently.

Parents of Roslund students joined teachers and other donors to mark the occasion. The new playground was made possible through donations from individuals and businesses throughout the community. Playground committee co-chairs Vanessa DiMeolo, Marcie Doster, and Renee Grove worked with other volunteers to raise the funds for the equipment. It includes a rock wall, free standing spiral slide, webscape, and a fitness cluster for the children.

Bill Gibbons of Mid Atlantic Park and Playground Concepts was instrumental in the selection of the equipment.

Local businesses who contributed funds, services, and volunteers include: Deer Park Lumber, Shadowbrook Inn & Resort, Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation, Chesapeake Energy, Robinson's Martial Arts, High Energy Fitness and Karate, Mountain Energy Services, the Chilson Clinic, Dr. Dan Williams, Stone House Investment Management, Bartron Supply, Capstone Wealth Management, Lochen and Chase P.C., Tunkhannock Jr. Women's Club, S. McClain Stone, Tunkhannock Auto Mart, Factoryville Equipment and Excavating, Reese's Florist, Benscoter Forest Products, Herron Lumber, Creekside Gardens, and Golden Living.

There were numerous community volunteers who contributed their time as well. To assist with the cost, Roslund PTO conducted a bake sale and contributed additional funds to the playground.



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Board members were recently installed by the Endless Mountains **Barbershop Chorus**



Board members for the 2011-12 year were recently installed by the Endless Mountains Barbershop Chorus.

Taking time out from a planning meeting in Tunkhannock recently are, from left, Gil Lawrence, Program Vice-President, East Lemon; Raleigh Bloch, Membership Vice-President, Tunkhannock; Dave Comly, Music Vice-President, Springville; Don Overdorff, President, Tunkhannock; Ron Kline, Secretary, Tunkhannock; Paul De-Groat, Member-at-Large, Tunkhannock; and Dan Williams, Treasurer, Forksville.

Absent when the photo was taken were Jim Cooley, Springville and Miles Dooley, Tunkhannock, Members-at-Large.

Tunkhannock Baptist Church Celebrates 170 Years in November

Baptist Church of Tunkhannock was formed in order to reach out to the community of Tunkhannock with the good news of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and to equip its members in the Word of God. 170 years later TBC is celebrating God's faithfulness in this effort to reach Tunkhannock for Christ. Please join us for a special day as we gather to celebrate what God has done in our community through Tunkhannock Baptist Church.

Our special service will begin at 10:30 AM and will feature special music, testimonies of God's faithfulness in the lives of church members, and a special two-part message about the life and teaching of one of God's previous faithful servants, famous missionary William Carey. A free lunch will then be served for all at 12:00 PM with the second service beginning at 1:00 PM continuing the theme of God's faithfulness

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Church on November 6, 2011.







Boback offers information and assistance to area flood victims

Following the devastating floods that impacted much of the central and eastern portions of Pennsylvania, state Rep. Karen Boback (R-Columbia/Luzerne/ Wyoming) is providing information via her website, RepBoback.com, to help residents with recovery efforts.

"Thousands of residents and businesses across the district have a long road ahead of them in terms of physically, financially and psychologically recovering from last week's historic flooding event," said Boback. "My office staff and I are doing all we can to help those affected by providing important post-flood information on my website and helping connect residents with local and county agencies that may be of assistance to them."

Boback's website contains information on food and water safety; preventing and treating illnesses and injuries after flooding; and what precautions to take when re-entering/cleaning out homes and buildings. Insurance tips are also provided, as well as additional information on charity scams, road conditions and federal and state assistance.

State officials are advising residents that when it comes to food that has been exposed to flood waters, to throw it out. In addition, any crops that have been submerged in flood waters will be tested and restaurants affected by the flood will be inspected by the state prior to reopening.

When it comes to dealing with insurance claims, residents should contact their company or agent as soon as they are back in their home; keep a diary of all conversations with their insurance company; and keep a thorough record of damage due to the flood with photo or video documentation, if possible.

Boback said those residents who do not have access to a computer to view the information on her website can stop by her office to pick up the information or call and have it mailed to them. Residents can call toll-free at (800) 278-3930.

Family Fun Harvest Fest, Event Planned

Sunday, October 16th, will host three and a half hours of fun for children and their families with Harvest Fest presented by the Kevin Kitchnefsky Foundation for Spinal Cord Research at Shadowbrook Inn and Resort, Tunkhannock. From Noon until 3:30, kids can "guess the weight of the giant pumpkin", take part in the "paint your own pumpkin" contest, and enjoy a variety of crafts including sand art. Children will also enjoy jumping in the Moon Walk and Face Painting by Lollipop Party Services.

Seasonal Treats like Apple Cider will be on hand along with donuts, cotton candy, and ice-cream. Kids will walk away with a nice bag of goodies including their own homemade crafts after this event. The admission price to take part in these activities is only \$5 per child; adults are free when accompanied by their children. The first 100 paid kids receive a free McDonald's Happy Meal and a pass to the Shadowbrook Bowling Lanes.

A true family friendly event, Harvest Fest offers a Chinese Auction featuring an excellent selection of prizes plus a bake sale with incredible made-from-scratch treats including pumpkin bread, pies, and cookies trays. The Columbo Family of Hop Bottom will also have Pony Rides available with all proceeds going to the Kevin Kitchnefsky Foundation.

The Kevin Kitchnefsky Foundation for Spinal Cord Research was incorporated in January of 2000. The only organization of its type in Pennsylvania, to date, the foundation is proud to have risen over \$100,000 funds. The primary focus of the Kevin Kitchnefsky Foundation is to raise much-needed funds to support the scientists who are doing the research that will, in time, lead to a cure. The organization also helps families who have been affected purchase equipment to make their homes or vehicles more handicapped friendly. To learn more about the foundation or their events, you can call 570-836-1240 or visit their website www.helpkevinwalk.org.

Sponsors for the Harvest Fest Event at Shadowbrook Inn and Resort on Sunday, October 16th include Wisnosky Jewelers, Logo Design, Bayada Nurses, and Pride Mobility Corp. Shadowbrook Inn and Resort is located on Route 6 just east of Tunkhannock.



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Tunkhannock Junior Women's Club Fall-Fest Craft Show Announced

As the doors open on Saturday, October 22, 2011 at the Tunkhannock Area High School, the ladies of the Tunkhannock Junior Women's Club (TJWC) will be welcoming everyone to join them in celebrating the 25th Anniversary of their annual Fall-Fest Craft Show.

The event will run from 10am - 3pm and parking is free. Admission is just \$1 for anyone 13 and older; children 12 and under are free.

Over the past 25 years, thousands have shopped the well-respected Craft Show which is also the largest annual fundraiser for the TJWC. Over 120 vendors are expected this year with a large array of handcrafted and homemade gifts, primitives, home décor, candles, jewelry, clothing accessories and food items.

Love a game of chance? Be sure to stop by the front hallway and purchase a ticket for



Tunkhannock Junior Women's Club, 25th Anniversary, Fall Fest Craft Show to be held on October 22, at TAHS. Shown above in photo are from left: Lynn Eden, Melissa Bunnell, Brenda Publik, Sarah Hallock and Jodi Boock.



The Nicholson Heritage Association sincerely appreciates everyone's help that made us a winner of a Pepsi Refresh grant. Everyone's strong support to vote and collect yellow Pepsi caps from friends, strangers, and dumpsters, as well as drink Pepsi, ensured our success. Thank you all! **Nicholson Heritage Association**

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one of the hourly basket raffles. mention a few.

Show-goers can continue to support the TJWC and local community as they take a break from the hustle and bustle of their shopping extravaganza to grab a bite to eat as lunch items are available for sale in the cafeteria, which includes the alwayspopular homemade pies and baked goods! There's surely something for everyone!

Through the success of their fundraisers, TJWC has continued to support programs and charities such as the Wyoming County Cancer Society, Victim's Resource Center, Interfaith Friends, Endless Mountains Habitat for Humanity and the Dietrich Theater, just to through constructive actions

In 2010 over 1,000 visitors

supported their annual Fall Fest which raised \$6500 to be disbursed to over 25 local charities and community programs as well as \$1000 in student scholarships. Without the generosity of the community, funding these organizations and scholarships would not be possible.

Tunkhannock Junior Women's Club is a communitybased, non-profit service organization in Tunkhannock, PA that has been supporting local charities both financially and by way of direct service since 1967. With an objective to unite the influences of women and

help build, serve, improve and enjoy the local community, their membership remains strong with a diverse group of women aged 18-80+. Although based in Wyoming County, TJWC welcomes women from all surrounding areas.

Interested in joining or learning more? TJWC meets on the 4th Tuesday (September-May) at Perkins Restaurant on Route 6 in Tunkhannock. Join them at 6pm for dinner & socializing (optional) and at 7pm for the business meeting!

For more information contact Jodi Boock at 836-5582 or jodiboock@epix.net.



A Taste of Classical Guitar from Argentina

Jay Steveskey, classical guitar virtuoso, returned to the Dietrich Theater recently and this time taking the audience on a musical tour of Argentina.

Jay Steveskey is active as a soloist, chamber musician and teacher. He is founder and president of the Classical Guitar Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania and runs the Fiddle Lake Classical Guitar School located in Susquehanna County amid the beautiful Endless Mountains of Northeastern Pennsylvania.



Jay's last concert at the Dietrich explored the many moods and styles of Argentina music. This was a wonderful opportunity to see and listen to a musical master up close and personal.

For more information on upcoming performances, call the Dietrich Theater at 570-996-1500.

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Endless Mountain Zendo, 104 Hollow Rd., Stillwater. To Register please contact: 570-925-5077 or endless@epix.net www.endlessmountainzendo.org

Fine Art & Craft **Festival planned**

A Fine Art & Fine Craft Festival will be held on Friday, November 4 and Saturday, November 5 at Triton Banquet Hall in Tunkhannock.

Sixteen juried artists from 2 states have been selected to participate.

Friday's show will be a gala opening from 5 - 9 PM with hors d'oeuvres, finger foods, beverages, and cupcakes for dessert.

Patrons will have first choice to purchase items from the artists. Tickets for Friday are \$7.50 in advance and \$10.00 at the door. Saturday's admission will be \$2.00 for adults and children 12 and older. The show will benefit Eatonville UMC. For Friday tickets, call 836-1881 evenings or 836-2441 days.

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Everyday 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. 36 Main St., Nicholson (570) 942-4404

Come and enjoy Fun, Food, Friends and all the activities going on throughout the evening. Special Guest Speaker, Andy Mehalshick, WBRE-TV, will present a program on "Stranger Danger" and they will have a live-feed on the evening news from the Open House. Many community representatives will be present to share information about programs and happenings in the county while also providing fun activities for the children.

The PA CHIP (Childhood Identification Program) will be available to put together an emergency identification kit on your child. The kit includes fingerprinting and a short video of your child done while you wait that you can put in your kit. A Children's Art Show will be displayed with artwork from child care providers throughout the county.

The Art Show is part of a Keystone STARS Recognition Event that recognizes those programs that go above and beyond to provide the best quality early childhood care and education possible for children. Keystone STARS is a quality rating system put into place by the state to ensure programs are safe, clean, and developmentally appropriate and staffs are well educated on best practices for children.

There will be free food and drinks, lots of giveaways, games, activities and entertainment throughout the evening. The Open House: Children's Fair is completely free and for those residents who have been suffering through the results of the recent floods, it may be just what you need to relax and enjoy an evening out. So come out, enjoy the evening and have fun! For more information or to reserve a community table call 570-836-2350.

Fine Art & Craft Festival planned for November

Triton Banquet Hall, Tunkhannock Cupcake Contest announced

Area bakers are invited to compete in the first area Cupcake Contest to be held November 4, 2011 during the Festival of Fine Art and Fine Craft to be held at Triton Banquet, Hall in Tunkhannock.

The contest will consist of cupcakes that must be created from scratch. Each contestant will create their own special recipe and deliver 1 dozen of them along with a special judging plate to the banquet hall on November 4.

Three judges will award framed certificate prizes to first, second, and third places. The grand prize of a crystal vase will also be awarded. To join the fun and enter this contest, please call 836-2441 for a contest application and

rules sheet. Applications must be received no later than September 30 to be eligible.

There is no fee for entry. Judges decisions will be final and prizes will be awarded during the evening reception of the Fine Art and Fine Craft Festival. Contestants wishing to attend the event may purchase advance tickets by calling 836-2441.

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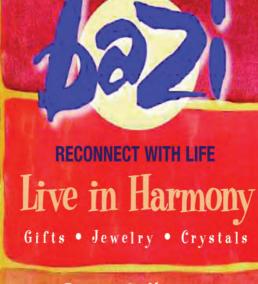




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October Events

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Tuesday, October 11, 9:15 am to 10:15 am and Wednesday, October 12, 9:15 am to 10:15 am Riverside Park, Tunkhannock

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Bird Watching Walk

Friday, October 14, at 9 am

Meet at Russell Hill Methodist Church, Tunkhannock. Join an experienced bird watcher to search for migrating birds in some of Wyoming County's bird watching hot spots. Bring binoculars and a field guide (some available on hike).

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Tyler Memorial Hospital Volunteers Received Wheelchair in Memory of Doris M. Brown

The Family of Doris M. Brown gathered recently to present a new, heavy duty, wheelchair to the Tyler Memorial Hospital Volunteers, to be used in their duties of assisting patients of the hospital. Doris worked and later volunteered at Tyler Memorial Hospital for a total of 34 years, retiring at the age of 80 years of age. She was also very active with the Lower Wyoming County Tyler Auxiliary. Doris was the proud mother of eleven children, nine still living, and all her one hundred and two grand, great and great-great grandchildren. Doris was very kind, and considerate, and did all she did with great love. She made numerous friends, wherever she went.

Many of those friends paid a final tribute to Doris with a gift to the Tyler Health Foundation. The family was pleased to direct these funds to the purchase of the wheelchair, a need identified by the hospital volunteers. The Brown Family also made a donation in Doris's name to the Respiratory Department of Tyler Memorial Hospital and presented a plaque to the hospital in her memory.



Gathered for the presentation are: Seated, Rebecca Smith-Daughter, Makaya Russick-Granddaughter, holding Mya Williams- Great Granddaughter, Mary Lou Smith-Daughter and Laura Lee Baker-Daughter. Standing front row: Helen Reynolds-Friend & Hospital Volunteer, Diana Schoonover-Daughter, Beverly Marlatt- Friend and Hospital Volunteer, Connie Williams Lippner-Daughter, and Karen Russick-Daughter. Back row: Marion Hartman-Friend and Hospital Volunteer, Ronnie Schoonover-Son-in-Law, and Peggy Baranes-Granddaughter.

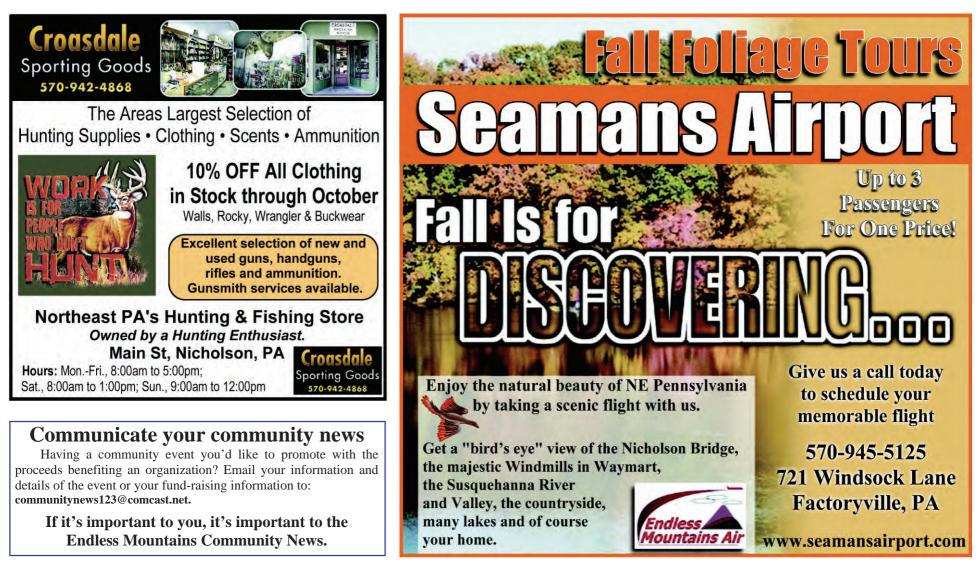
Endless Mountains Nature Center

Pumpkin Fest

Sunday, October 17, 1 to 4 pm., at Endless Mountains Nature Center. Celebrate the season and the wonderful EMNC volunteers. An EMNC volunteer will be surprised with the EMNC Volunteer of the Year Award. The day's festivities will include: guided nature walks, treasure hunt, pumpkin painting, refreshments, a bake sale, and the live birds of prey! Open to the public and free of charge.

Star Gazing

Tuesday, October 26, 6 pm., at Endless Mountains Nature Center. Gaze through a telescope at the distant planets, galaxies, and nebulas.Learn some constellations visible this time of year. This event is FREE. Arrive at the EMNC lodge.



Fall Foliage Trip to Grey Towers

Dingman's Ferry & Milford. Bus departs from the Dietrich Theater in downtown Tunkhannock on Wednesday, October 12. Bus to depart at 7:45 a.m. and return at about 6:00 p.m.

Guided by: Jane Frye, naturalist, admission: \$100. Join us on a fall foliage trip to Dingman's Ferry and Milford. First we will tour Grey Towers (the Gifford Pinchot Estate). After a delicious lunch at Mount Haven Resort, we will visit Dingman's Falls and walk McDade Trail (2 miles), if time permits. At the end of the day, we will have free time in Milford's Historic District for antiquing, walking and shopping. Space is limited. Call 570-996-1500 to register.







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The show must go on ... at the Dietrich Theater



After days of grueling clean-up (that continues), the Dietrich Theater was still able to hold their Fall Film Festival. Beth O'Malley and Anna Jenkins get ready to serve Nimble Hill's wine and Nimble Hill's first beer batch.



Ladies of the Dietrich get set for the crowd with the Fall Film Festival Gala Night.



Gary Toczko of the Nimble Hill Winery gets ready to premier the new Nimble Hill Beer at the Dietrich Theater's Fall Film Festival, here he is with long time Dietrich Theater/Wyoming County Cultural Center supporter and artist Steve Colley on Gala Night.

Tunkhannock High School graduate named 'Campus Ambassador'



Misericordia University business management major Rachael Ayers of Dallas, Pa., left, poses for a picture with Kevin R. Palmiter, C.L.T.C., managing director, in the offices of The Palmiter Financial Group in Wilkes-Barre.

Like a lot of people, Rachael Ayers of Dallas, formerly of Tunkhannock, is quick to acknowledge that it took her a little extra time to find out what she wanted to be when she grew up.

The 2002 Tunkhannock High School graduate completed beauty school and enjoyed being a successful hair stylist for eight years. Ayers' budding career was detoured somewhat when she enrolled in Misericordia University's business management program in order to gain the expertise and knowledge she would need to own and operate her own salon in the future.

Two years into her Bachelor of Science studies, Ayers's career path came into focus with the assistance of a competitive internship program with The Palmiter Financial Group of the Northwestern Mutual Financial Network — one of the top 10 internship programs in the country, according to the Princeton Review.

With the hands-on business experience she gained as a financial advisor during her internship, Ayers believes she now has found her place in life and in business. "There is so much that I learned from a business perspective," she acknowledges, "but I also learned a lot about myself and who I want to be.

"The values brought to the table by Northwestern Mutual brought my life into perspective for my future. Passion, integrity, love, family, purpose, courage, impact — these are all values that

Northwestern strives to achieve every day. The amount of growth, both personally and professionally, available to me through this process has made me want to continue to grow," adds Ayers, who is scheduled to graduate in 2013.

Ayers' overall growth during her internship led Northwestern Mutual Financial Network to name her a "campus ambassador" - one of only two interns hired for the fall semester by The Palmiter Financial Group in the Wilkes-Barre, PA area. In the new position, she will be responsible for introducing the company's paid internship program to prospective student interns and representing the firm at upcoming college career fairs and collegiate club meetings.

"Rachael's maturity, her demonstration for not being afraid to work hard and her discipline were what we found the most attractive," says Kevin R. Palmiter, C.L.T.C., managing director of The Palmiter Financial Group, outlining the qualities that led to her appointment. "She demonstrated how she wanted to have a positive impact in our local community. An intern in our program can continue the intern experience in any state in the country, however, Rachael's desire to stay local and to consider starting her own practice here upon graduation was a big plus with our local company."

The internship program with Northwestern Mutual

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Financial Network is very rigorous. Select students are required to complete a two-week training exercise and become licensed and registered financial advisors in the state. Afterward, they have the same responsibilities as a full-time representative.

"Our internships are extremely

competitive and the selection process is very rigid," explains Kevin R. Palmiter, C.L.T.C., managing director of The Palmiter Financial Group and a 1990 graduate of Misericordia University with a bachelor's degree in marketing and a minor in management. "It's a real-life, real-work, paid internship that provides real - world

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The daughter of Denise and George Gross of Forkston, began the internship program in May 2011 after listening to Palmiter make a presentation in a Misericordia marketing class in the spring. His talk made her curious and the eventual experience gave

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her enviable accomplishments to build her resume around. "I grew with the company with support from all angles when needed and the push to succeed," Ayers says. "I just had to want it. I thank Mr. Palmiter every day for walking into that classroom because I love my job. It is not just an internship to me. I could see it as my career."

"My main goal and responsibility is to find the value that I can bring to each and every client I sit down with," Ayers says, summarizing her job duties. "There is no one holding a brick over your head demanding that you do it. You just do. Being a financial representative creates discipline because you have to learn to be your own boss and manage your time wisely."

A lot of the tools she needed to successfully secure and complete the internship were acquired as an undergraduate student at Misericordia. Ayers says the small class sizes, personable professors and close-knit campus atmosphere have contributed to her success. "The class sizes are perfect and it allows for professors to attend to students when they need help," she says.

"Dr. (John) Kachurick has set a standard of professionalism and I love that. I know I want to be taken seriously and he starts that in the classroom. I like to be able to walk the halls and stop and have a casual conversation with my professors about how life is going and also be able to have a serious one with them when needed about help with class work or even life," Ayers adds.

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Trash to Treasures Together

For ages 3 & 4, at the Dietrich Theater. Fridays, November 11, 18, December 2, 9 from 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Instructor: Amy Colley. Admission: \$35

Young artists and their moms, dads, grandparents and caregivers will learn how to turn household items into an artistic treasure. Children will explore this 3-D form of collage as they learn about recycling.

Call 570-996-1500 to sign up.

Endless Mountains Nature Center --October Events

Nature Ramble w/ Rebecca Lesko, Tuesday, October 18, 2011, 9 am. Meet at Russell Hill Methodist Church, Tunkhannock. Wander some of Wyoming County's natural areas with naturalist, Rebecca Lesko. Search for seasonal treasures- plants, butterflies, birds. Bringbinoculars and a field guide (some available at hike). FREE to EMNC stewards and \$3 for others. Call (570) 836-3835 if attending.

Saturday, October 22, 2011, 11 am to 2 pm. Meet at EMNC, Camp Lackawanna. Rebecca will wander the forest looking for animal signs and at the health of the plants, flowers and trees. Look for bald eagles along the river and discuss seasonal changes and wildlife habits. Easy pace, but up and down hill. Wear hiking shoes and bring a water bottle. Bring your lunch for a scenic picnic! Canceled if inclement weather. FREE to EMNC stewards, \$3 for others. Call (570) 836-3835 if attending.

Bird Watching Walk

Friday, October 28, 2011, 9 am. Meet at Russell Hill Methodist Church, Tunkhannock and join an experienced bird watcher to search for migrating birds in some of Wyoming County's bird watching hot spots. Bring binoculars and a field guide (some available on hike). FREE to EMNC stewards, \$3 for others. Call (570) 836-3835 if attending.

For more information contact Rebecca Lesko, EMNC, Executive Director - (570) 836-3835 or EMNCinfo@yahoo.com.

What to do this Fall in the Endless Mountains: Fall Foliage Tours



John Lesniak with Instructor Randy Palmer after 3 beautiful solo landings at 9N3.

Pick your schedule, available 7 days a week. Location: Seamans Airport, Windsock Lane, Factoryville

Highlights of Event: Enjoy fall foliage tours from the best view in the sky! You can travel from the Wyoming Valley into Wyoming County and all throughout the Endless Mountains. You can even get a bird's eye of the Statue of Liberty and travel into the Hudson Valley, with a personal tour from Seamans Airport. Many people, like yourself, choose to see their own home before the hover above Lake Carey, Harvey's Lake, and Lake Winola.

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Bearing Creative Fruit

For ages 5- 12, at the Dietrich Theater. Tuesdays, October 11, 18, 25 from 4:00 - 5:00 pm.

Instructor: Everhart Museum Educator. Admission: Free

Come plant the seeds of ideas, water your creative spirit and grow some art with us in this class inspired by the Everhart Mueseum's fall exhibit Buds, Blooms and Berries. Students will work on plant themed art activities including: Flower Magic; Garden Guardians; Terrific Trees; and the Power of Paper.

Call 570-996-1500 to register.

Quilting for Kids

Ages 6 and up, at the Dietrich Theater. Wednesdays through December 14 from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Instructors: Terry Keller, Peggy Lane and Ingrid Rogler.

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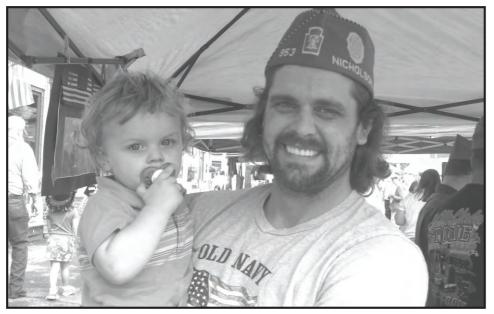
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Nicholson Women's Club Annual Bridge Day -- celebrated as planned

Despite the recent flooding, on Sunday September 11th, The Nicholson Women's Club was able to hold their annual Bridge Day celebration as planned.



Mayor Ann Marie Aylesworth and her husband Joe enjoy the Bridge Day celebration.



Nicholson Bridge Day was a very family friendly event with kids of all ages taking part. Pictured Jay Robinson.



Mom, Jen Robinson and daughter Peyton take a break during the Bridge Day activities.



As part of the Guitar Studio's entertainment, Rachel Clark performs at Nicholson Bridge Day.



Even though two branches of Peoples Neighborhood Bank were effected by the flooding and just two days earlier Nicholson was worried about their own, the Nicholson girls, Misty Mecca and Wendy Semken were able make the best of their surrounding circumstances by being part of the Nicholson Bridge Day fun.



Marion Sweet and the Nicholson Heritage Association share the history the area with attendees of Bridge Day.



"Excuse me, Kylie Wood--there's something on your head!" A wide array of vendors offered everything from arts, jewelry and crafts to this conversation piece of a hat.

Barbershop Vocal Clinic

At the Dietrich Theater in downtown Tunkhannock on Saturdays, October 29, November 5 and 12 at 10:30 a.m. Presented by: the Endless Mountains Chorus. Admission: Free. Call 570-836-8595 to sign up. Pre- registration is not required.

Do you line to sing? Would you like to sing better? Do you enjoy harmony? Does the fact that you can't read music keep you from singing? If you said yes to any of these questions, these vocal clinics are for you. Here is what you will experience: see and hear internationally ranked quartet "Anything Goes" express themselves by singing four part harmony on the Dietrich stage. Actually hear and learn how to make four voices sound like five or six.

Receive a "Learning CD" and music that will allow you to learn a song in four-part harmony without reading music. This clinic is for the new a well as the experienced singer, and it's free.

Drawing and Painting

Ages 5 to 8, at the Dietrich Theater on Fridays, October 14, 21, 28, November 4 from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Instructor: Amy Colley. Admission: \$35

Students will explore the basic concepts of drawing and painting including line, shape, texture, value, color and space while creating their own masterpieces. Call 570-996-1500 to register.

Drawing from Life, ages 9 -12 on Thursdays, October 27, November 3, 10, 17, December 1, 8 from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Instructor: Steve Colley. Admission: \$50.

The human figure offers every challenge one could require - line, tone, perspective and composition. Explore the linear aspects of figure drawings, from gestures to pure contour.

Call 570-996-1500 to sign up.

Rudyard Kipling's Just So Stories

At the Dietrich Theater in downtown Tunkhannock. Friday, October 14 at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. & Saturday, October 15 at 11:00 a.m.

A play performed by the Dietrich Children's Theatre. Admission: Free Sponsored by: the Pennsylvania Humanities Council.

Take a ride down the great, grey-green, greasy Limpopo River as we travel back in time to see how some of the animals we know today were different in ancient times. Watch how the curious Elephant got gets his trunk; how the lazy Camel earns his hump; and why the Cat still walks alone in the wet wild woods. Tickets are available by calling 570-996-1500 or at the door while they last.

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Semi-Public Executions: Tunkhannock and Wilkes-Barre from 1893-1909

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History, unfortunately, offers numerous examples of grisly forms of entertainment. The semi-public hangings. which took place in the United States during the 19th and 20th centuries fall within this category. Northeastern Pennsylvania had its share of spectacles, and Dr. Sheldon Spear will examine the legal and social environment that surrounded them between 1893 1909. Call 570-996-1500 for details.

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Instructor: Amy Colley. Admission: \$20

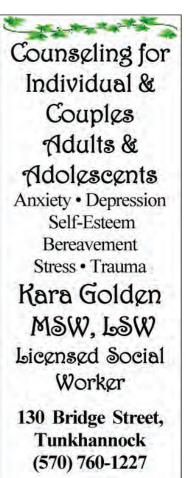
Students ages 5 - 8 years old will explore the medium of clay as they work on potter's wheels and learn hand-building (coil and slab construction) and sculpting techniques.

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Back to school Wellness

By Dr. Jason Maskaly Optimum Health Family Chiropractic www.opthealthchiro.com

Well, it's "back-to-school" time. Unfortunately, also means carrying books (usually in backpacks). I'd like to take a minute and talk to you about backpacks and your Children's spines. Improperly fitted and improperly carried backpacks often contribute to spinal misalignments, muscle strains and even sclerosis. These problems are caused by poor distribution of compressive loads (because the backpacks are seldom light) on their developing spines and muscles.

So what steps can be taken to avoid the pitfalls of overweighted school bags? Here are a few tips that will help your children:

Don't carry your bag or backpack over one shoulder. This is a habit that will pull your upper torso to one side and cause your body to compensate by tightening muscles. Over time this can contribute to Scoliosis.

If possible, have a bag with wheels. This way any time there is smooth ground, the load can be taken off the body and pulled along the ground. (also try to alternate arms that you pull the bag with to create balanced stress throughout the day

A backpack with lumbar support will help keep the load close to the body and alleviate some of the "pulling" by the pack.

A waist belt can help take some of the load off the shoulders and spine.

Wide padded straps ease some of the pressure on the shoulders.

We hope that you find these tips helpful. Make it a healthy and safe school year!!!

For more information contact Dr. Jason Maskaly, at Optimum Health Family Chiropractic or visit online at: www.opthealthchiro.com Event: Halloween Festival Date: Saturday, October 22 Time: 2PM until 8PM

Location: Dunlap's Grove, Route 87, Mehoopany

during Hurricane Irene

Highlights of Event:

Haunted Walks and Hayrides, Haunted Baseball Game at 5PM. Games, Food, and Fun.

Fireworks by Coney Island Fireworks at 8PM.

Food: Chicken BBQ and bake sale.

What does this event benefit? FWM Little League to rebuild the baseball fields which were destroyed during Hurricane Irene.

Organizers: FWM Little League

For more information:

Call Elizabeth 570-996-7409 or visit www.hdwaste.com.

Jewelry Making Basics

For ages 16 and up at the Dietrich Theater, Tunkhannock. Monday, December 5 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Instructor: Esther Harmatz. Admission: \$60.

Have fun learning about different types of jewelry attachments and easy wire wrapping techniques. How to make neat loops and coils, add bead embellishments, and how to use a peg template will be included. Students will create a bracelet and a pair of earrings to take home. All materials will be supplied.

Jewelry Making: Intro to Glass Fusing on Mondays, October 24 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. and November 7 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., for ages 16 and up. Instructor: Esther Harmatz. Admission: \$60

Learn the basics of small piece fused glass work. Each student will create a fused glass item, which will be finished, polished and wire wrapped. All materials will be supplied. Call 570-996-1500 to register for either or both classes offered.



FWM Little League to rebuild baseball fields destroyed

Austin, Taylor (skeleton) & Troy Burke get ready for the Halloween Festival Fundraiser to benefit the FWM Little League.



Halloween is a time for people young and old to enjoy a little mischief and mayhem. To make the holiday even more enjoyable, revelers can heed a few tips to make Halloween as safe as it is fun.

Tips for safety: Use face paints instead of masks that obscure vision. Wear reflective tape on darker costumes or when trick-or-treating at night or LED lights or glow sticks are a safer alternative. Trick-or-treat in a group and never alone. Take a planned route and don't wander off the path. Be sure costumes are not tripping hazards and costumes on young children should be age-appropriate and free of hazards, such as strings that can strangle or small parts that can choke. Stick to trick-or-treating in trusted neighborhoods and be extra-cautious of cars when walking at night.

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