

# Cookbook

## Unique Recipes Featured at Local Restaurant

**BY JOAN KINGSBURY**  
Good old-fashioned cooking is what Sharon and Jim Cunningham, owners of the Town House Restaurant, located in Dallas next to Rea and Derick's Drug Store offer their customers.

Sharon and Jim's main objective is to provide their patrons with an enjoyable meal at a reasonable price. Open each day for breakfast at 6 a.m., the Town House serves breakfast, lunch and dinners closing at 7 p.m. (except on Sundays when it closes at 2 p.m.). Jim's Chili is a house specialty, with not even Sharon knowing the secret recipe. Homestyle soups,

Grandma's Rice Pudding and a variety of tasty meals, both hot and cold, are available. For dessert, various flavors of ice cream and pie provide a delicious way to end your meal.

"Tasty Chowder," a recipe created by Sharon's mother, Vera Weisoly and "Seafood Salad" have been two popular menu items. Tasty Chowder combines haddock and whitefish chunks with clams, vegetables and seasonings for a delicious soup. Canned tomatoes can be added to it if desired.

Seafood Salad is a new recipe recently tried by Sharon and which proved to be a customer pleaser.

The recipe, which makes a large amount of salad, can be cut down for family use. Sharon's recipe calls for sea legs and a mock crab product (but crab can be used). Sharon serves her seafood salad with lettuce, tomato slices and hard boiled eggs as a platter or in pita bread, which she says is also delicious.

Sharon is no newcomer to the restaurant business, having worked as a waitress for 15 years before she and her husband purchased the Town House two years ago. The staff at the Town House enjoys a close relationship with its customers.

Sharon describes

operating the Town House as "a lot of work," but adds "We've met a lot of nice people."

The Cunninghams, who have five children, Scott, 18; Kimberly, 16; Michael, 15; Amanda, 3 and Matthew, 1, naturally enjoy children and young people. In her spare time, Sharon sells Avon while Jim is an avid hunter.

Sharon and Jim do the bulk of the cooking, although they do have a cook who assists them. Their staff, Michael, Kimberly and Sharon's mom Vera, all help make things run smoothly.

In addition to serving food, the Town House offers its customers newspapers, video games

and a juke box are available for the customer's enjoyment. Lottery tickets can be purchased at the Town House. In fact, one of their regular customers was recently a \$5,000 winner. Although the Cunninghams have owned the Town House for two years, the restaurant itself has been in operation for over 20 years. One feature that is almost unheard of today is their case of nickel candy. If you want to give your children a real treat, let them take their pick from the Town House glass candy case filled with inexpensive goodies.

A corner restaurant with friendly owners and

good food. Sounds nice, doesn't it? That's the Town House!

**TASTY CHOWDER**  
2 lb. white fish and haddock cut into chunks  
3/4 c. celery, chopped  
3/4 c. carrots, chopped  
1 can clams  
1 can chopped mushrooms  
potatoes peeled and quartered  
salt, pepper, garlic salt, chopped parsley to taste  
1 can tomatoes, optional  
Combine all ingredients in a large pot. Cover with water. Simmer 20-30 minutes until done. May be made with or without tomatoes.

**SEAFOOD SALAD**  
5 lb. Sea Legs (mock crab) or crab  
3 lb. diced celery

1 qt. heavy mayonnaise  
1 bunch green onions, diced, tops included  
1 t. black pepper

Mix all ingredients together, chill and serve. Good served on a salad platter or in pita bread.



### Vets Will Meet

Veterans of the Vietnam War, Post 2, will meet Thursday, April 7, at 8 p.m., at the Coral Lounge, 245 Owen St., Swyersville.

A film on Vietnam will be shown and free refreshments will be served after the meeting.

The Veterans of the Vietnam War is a full service organization open to all veterans.

### Set Hymn Sing

A Community Hymn Sing is planned April 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Noxen Community Center (Old Schoolhouse). It is sponsored by the Independent Bible, Lutheran, Free Methodist, Assembly of God, and United Methodist Churches. All are invited.

### Meet Canceled

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Club of Printing House Craftsmen's April 7 board meeting has been canceled and rescheduled for April 14 at the Carriage Stop at 7 p.m. The meeting is open to all members.

### Flea Market

The Maple Grove United Methodist Church is holding a Flea Market on Saturday, April 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Baked goods will be for sale and refreshments will be served.

### Tax Collecting Hours

Kingston Twp. Tax Collector, Janice Castellani, announces the following expanded hours before the end of the rebate period on April 15.

She will be available at her office in the Kingston Twp. Municipal Building on Friday, April 8 from 6-9 p.m., Saturday, April 9, from 9-noon, and Friday, April 15, 6-9 p.m.

She will also be at the Shavertown Branch of Wyoming National Bank on April 6, 9-noon and 1-2 p.m.

### Lake Clean-up

The Luzerne County Office of PennDOT, in cooperation with various Harveys Lake Associations, including the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Bass Masters, Borough Council, and Mayor Picchi, will effect a spring litter pick-up campaign.

The target date scheduled is April 9, the Saturday before the start of the Trout Fishing Season.

Participants will assemble at the Sunset Section of Harveys lake at 9 a.m. Interested individuals, organizations are asked to join in this worthwhile project.

Volunteers are invited to join in a hot dog and soda party sponsored by the Harveys Lake Protective Association following the close of the campaign.

Rain date is April 23.

### Board to Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Lake-Lehman School Board will be held on Tuesday, April 12, at 8 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Ross Elementary School, Sweet Valley.

Kenneth A. Williams, will preside.

### Arthritis Clinic

The Arthritis Clinic sponsored by Nesbitt Memorial Hospital will be held on Wednesday, April 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Medical Arts Building on Wyoming Avenue adjacent to the hospital.

Patients, referred by their physician, can make an appointment for the clinic by calling the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Outpatient Registration Office at 288-1411, Ext. 4130 Monday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Alfred R. Schaub, professor of Management Development, Penn State, will conduct a personal development seminar for the Northeast District of the Pennsylvania Home Economics Association on Wednesday, April 13, at the Woodlands Inn.

Entitled "Serving a Less Than Perfect World - A Major Challenge for Home Economists," the event will begin at 4:15 p.m. with registration followed by two sessions and dinner.

Member and non-member professionals and guests can obtain additional information by contacting Audrey Ide, 639-5652 or Margaret Borton, 675-5636.

### Rummage Sale

A spring rummage sale, sponsored by the Dallas United Methodist Women, will be held at the Dallas United Methodist Church, Church Street, Dallas, on Thursday, April 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, April 15, "dollar-a-bag" day, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. New and used items will be for sale including clothing, toys, jewelry, household items and electrical appliances. There will be books and records for children and a white elephant table. A snack bar and bake sale will be held in conjunction with the rummage sale on Thursday only.

### Church Softball

All churches in the Back Mountain area interested in playing softball in the Back Mountain Church Softball League please call Rev. Donald Baker, Tunkhannock, 298-2137 or Rev. Kenneth Boston, Sweet Valley, 477-5608 by April 15.

### Fire Co. Dinner

The Fairmount Twp. Volunteer Fire Company will be hold a spaghetti dinner on April 16, 1982 from 4 p.m. till 7 p.m.

The menu will include spaghetti with meatballs, salad, bread, jello, coffee, tea and Kool Aid.

There will be a \$3.50 donation for adults and for children under 12, a \$2. donation.

The Fire Company is located on Route 118, one half mile east of Ricketts Glen State Park.

### Basketball Benefit

The Back Mountain Police Association will play the N.Y. Playboy Club Bunnies in a benefit basketball game for the March of Dimes.

The game will be played on Sunday, April 17, at 6 p.m. at the Dallas Senior High Gym. Transportation of the Playboy Bunnies will be courtesy of Martz Trailways.

### Jackson Sale

A Rummage Sale at the Jackson United Methodist Church, Smith Pond Road will be sponsored by the Jackson UM Women, on Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30, beginning at 9:30 p.m. both days. A bake sale and refreshments will be sold.

### Church Meeting

Church members of Maple Grove watch for D.P.F.L. meeting to be held beginning May 1 to May 8, inclusive.

### Auto Discounts

A greater number of retired persons will be eligible for discounts on motor vehicle registration fees as a result of a law passed last year by the General Assembly.

Rep. Frank Coslett said that retired persons who meet the income eligibility standard will be required to pay only \$10 for their registrations, instead of the usual \$24 fee. The new law raised the income-eligibility ceiling from \$7,500 to \$9,000.

This is the first time many senior citizens will be able to take advantage of the new limit since a large number of registrations expire in March. PennDOT has already sent these individuals renewal forms.

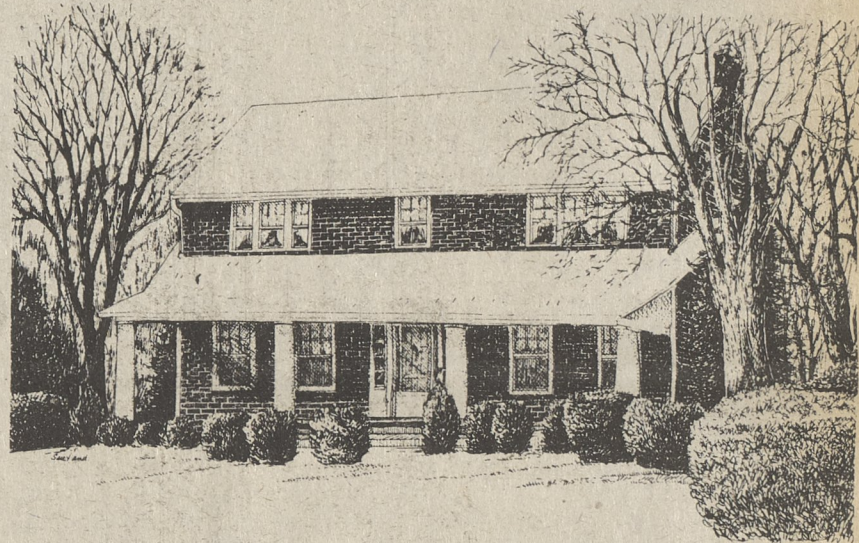
Persons who have part-time employment are still entitled to the reduced fee if they are retired from their principal occupation. Persons receiving unemployment compensation or welfare benefits are not eligible.

Coslett said that some citizens may not be aware of the new ceiling because some of the old forms listing \$7,500 as the maximum income are still in circulation.

The Luzerne County legislator said that PennDOT has informed him that the old forms cannot be used.

The new forms may be obtained from Rep. Coslett's office at 1265 Wyoming Ave., Forty Fort. Phone 288-3990.

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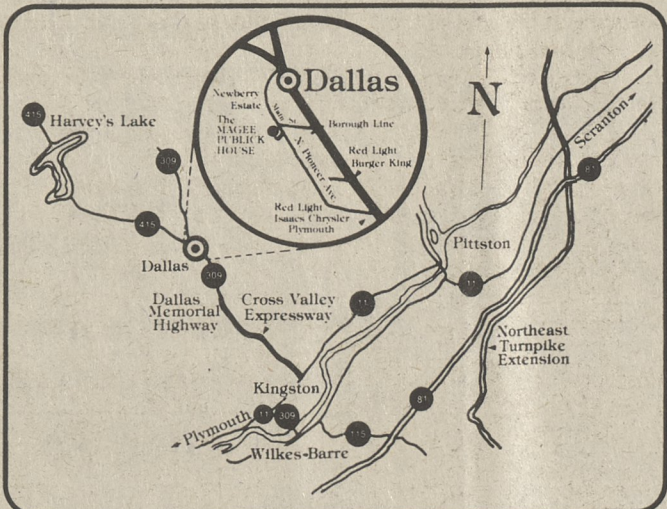
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