

People



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Brownies visit home

Members of Lehman Brownie Troop 641 recently visited the Maple Hill Nursing Home and shared Christmas carols and gifts with the residents there. The girls are shown here singing Christmas carols to the residents there. Brownies who participated in the visit were Kristy Mascalis, Jennifer Stark, Kristy Hozempa, DeeDee Alters, Kelly Komsisky, Joanna Arndt, Lisa Gunn, Christina Jones, Gina Traver, Betty Spencer, Lynn Turner, Karen Komsisky, Christina Conrad, Tracy Margellina, Janet Ruda, Shelly Andes, and Jennifer Heinbach. Charlene Cook is the troop leader and Judy and Helen Gunn are assistant leaders.



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Handmade designs

Joanne Ennis points to a handmade design available for purchase at her shop. Joanne is the proprietor of the recently-opened "Joanne's New Seasons" Shop on Route 309 in Dallas.

A 'new season' for Joanne Ennis

By JANE C. BOLGER
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If Christmas and winter bring to mind spicy hot tea, pine cones and warm quilts, you will enjoy visiting "Joanne's New Season Shop" on Overbrook Avenue.

Joanne (Mrs. John Ennis) of Spring Street, Dallas says the shop that opened the day after Thanksgiving represents to her "a new season in my life, working with my hands, creating something beautiful."

There have been many other seasons in Joanne's life - she taught English at College Misericordia, was the first Dean of Women at King's College, married John who is now Chairman of the English Department at King's and became a mother.

The Ennis' two active sons Erin 10, and Connor 5, are very much a part of the present as is Joanne is teaching in local schools and churches of Parent Effectiveness Training as well as teaching quilting and operating the new shop.

Hers is very obviously a busy life which could be one reason Joanne says, "I love quilting. It gives me an opportunity to be quiet and yet create something. When life gets hectic, quilting helps me get a focus and I like the idea that what I am making will last longer than I do."

Fortunately for those who have taken the quilting classes in the past and those who will do so in the future, Joanne also recognizes the social values in quilting. Her shop has the gentle, bustling atmosphere that you would imagine inspired old-fashioned quilting bees where generations of patient women sat side by side sewing.

A modern version of a quilting bee was performed recently when Joanne and 24 local women fashioned block by block a quilt that was requested as a gift to Dr. Leo Buscaglia from the Luzerne County Dental Society. The theme of the magnificent quilt was various leaf patterns in celebration of Dr. Buscaglia's prize winning best seller "Freddie, The Leaf." It is reported that both the beauty of the quilt and the thought behind it brought tears

to the noted philosopher's eyes when it was presented to him last week in Scranton.

Joanne praises the current vogue for the country look in decorating and the interest it has spurred in crafts. Her "New Seasons Shop" is a virtual treasure house of pine cone baskets, cross stitched children's poems, stenciled hoops, grape vine wreaths, raffia dolls, handwoven vests and countless other goodies that bring back the past.

They have all been fashioned by Back Mountain residents who share Joanne's love of the functional and the beautiful and are willing to share it with all those looking for a truly unique Christmas gift.

And when this holiday season is past and we move into the New Year, it seems a certainty that many more people will be joining Joanne's new series of quilting classes that start in January. There, they will be able to create their own heirlooms as they learn quilting that traditional method of self-expression that endures.

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