Happy birthday to you!



AMBER JO NICELY

AMBER JO NICELY will celebrate her 7th birthday on February 16. She is the daughter of Ed and Pat Nicely, Sterling Ave., Dallas. She has a big brother, Adam.

Amber is a first grader at Dallas Elementary School. She is a cheerleader for the Back Mountain Wrestling League. She likes to sing at her church - Fellowship Evangelical Free in Dallas.

BENJAMIN RICHARD



BENJAMIN BROWN

BROWN will celebrate his 6th birthday, Feb. 3. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Brown of Chase.

His grandparents ae Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Brown of Chase. He has a brother Brett who is 3. Ben's godfather is Mr. John Stone of Plymouth.

Ben attends kindergarten at Lehman-Jackson Elementary School. He also attends Sunday School at Trucksville United Methodist Church. A party will be held in his honor at home and at school.



ADAM NICELY

ADAM NICELY will celebrate his 11th birthday on Feb. 23. He is the son of Ed and Pat Nicely, Sterling Ave., Dallas. He has a sister, Amber.

Adam is a fifth grader at Dallas Elementary School. He is a wrestler for the Back Mountain Wrestling League, plays soccer, and softball and is a member of Pack 281 Webelos. He attends Fellowship Evangelical Free Church. He likes to play video games and collect base-

Helping hands needed

The Dallas Elementary Playground Committee promised an all out effort one and one half years ago.. and we delivered! Thanks to the tireless efforts of people, too many to mention, and of course contributions of money and materials, we have raised the \$30,000.00 necessary to bring this dream of a pretty, fun, child-proof playground to a reality.

The leg work is done and now it is time to think about applying the muscle needed to build our playground. A new site has been chosen which the architect and committee feel will suit our needs even better. It has been all staked out and next month we hope to erect a sign at the new site. Drive by and check it out!

Our construction manager has been chosen. Her is Larry Dauksis of the Dauksis Construction Company and he will be coordianting the building effort. Kathy Graham and Mary Blaze have volunteered to act as coordinators for our volunteers (and we hope to sign up many people) during the Major May Day Weekend. A meal

after every shift - what more could you ask?

Construction will be scheduled for May 12, 13, 14 and 15. Shifts will be scheduled through the morning and during the day. It will be a major undertaking, but think of it as an Amish Barn Raising. People building similar playgrounds around the country have nothing but great things to say about spending time creating an attractive, safe play area for their children. It has been proven to be a lot of fun for everyone and think of the people you will meet working side by side. We have something for everyone to do. It's not too early to mark May Day Weekend on your calendar. More information will follow as our weekend draws near.

So, as you see, muscle at this point in time is as important as money. We will need your help, so please look for the detailed information to be mailed home in February. Pick a time to work,

and have a wonderful feeling to boot!

Love Fund established

Amber Jo Nicely, daughter of Edwin and Patsy Nicely, 121 Sterling Avenue, Dallas, needs our help.

Amber Jo is bravely battling cancer. She needs your prayers and encouragement. Please send cards or letters to brighten her day and help her know she is loved by all.

Amber will celebrate her 7th birthday on February 16 and her brother Adam will be 11 years old on February 23. Please remember both of them.

"AMBER NICELY LOVE FUND" has been established to help defray the overwhelming number of expenses. Friends of Amber and her family have started the love fund in cooperation with Northeastern Bank.

Please send your contributions to: Amber Nicely Love Fund, co Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, Route 309, Dallas, PA



AUXILIARIES HOLD FASHION SHOW — Shown modeling the casual segment are, from left, June DeSalva, Shavertown; Debi Zielinski, Harveys Lake; Sharon Bonawits, owner, The Apple Tree; Bonnie Dombroski, Dallas; Barbara Watkins, Dallas; Jan Labbatte, Shavertown and Mary Ann Naughton of Malcom's, Dallas.

Committee sponsors food drive

The Martin Luther King Committee for Social Justice will conduct a Food-Fuel Collection in area congregations the weekend of Saturday, Feb. 13 and Sunday, Feb. 14. The drive is designed to help those needy individuals who have been lost the safety net of government gulations regarding human

Participating congregations ill collect canned goods, dried oods and money for cash assistance with fuel bills. The drive, an annual winter time event for the Martin Luther King Committee, is being conducted by congregation leaders and laymen and women. Food and money collected will then be distributed to the Wyoming Valley Council of Churches and they, in turn, will give them to the Commission of Economic Opportunity, a United Way gency, for storage and deliv-

Rev. Anita J. Ambrose, Executive Director, Wyoming Valley Council of Churches, spokesper-son for the Martin Luther King Committee says, "The best way of seeing the food and fuel collections get to those truly in need is through one of the United Way's own member agencies, CEO. They have documented the need and can respond quickly and most efficiently. Wyoming Valley should be indebted to the good intentions of our religious community. They see a need and are nity. They see a need and are responding to it."

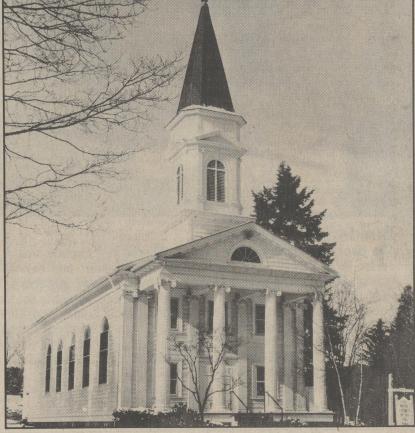
Rev. Ambrose, Chairperson of the Food-Fuel drive calls the effort a very important community undertaking. "There is need out in this community; we see it on the streets and hear about it all the time. This si the chance, the opportunity to help someone stop hurting if even for a short time. The religious community is asking its members to show the true spirit of working together by aiding in this

effort." Food collections can be brought to your respective congregations. Envelopes for Fuel. collections will also be available

places of worship.
The Food-Fuel Collection is being sponsored by the Martin Luther King Committee for Social Justice, a group of lay and clergy people dedicated to the human dignity of men and women. Contributions may be sent to the Wyoming Valley Council of Churches, 35 S. Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701 marked for Martin Luther King Committee.

Helgemo degreed

Kathryn R. Helgemo has fulfilled requirements and has been awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia College in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Kathryn graduated with a degree in the Teacher Educational program. Kathryn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Helgemo, Sr., of Dallas.

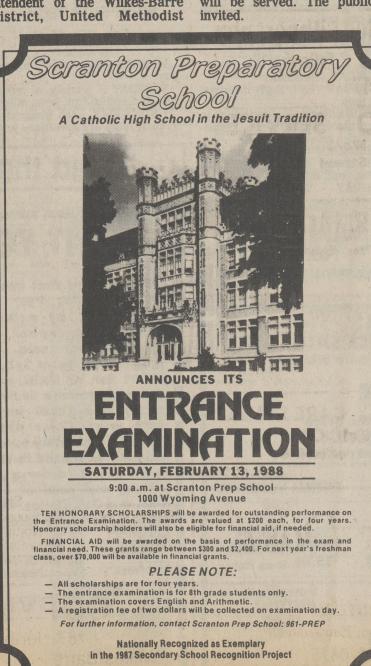


Church will celebrate - The Trucksville United Methodist Church will celebrate the re-dedication of the pipe organ, totally rebuilt, after 55+ years of continuous use. This event will take place Sunday, Feb. 14 at 7:30 in the sanctuary.

Rededication set Sunday

of St. Stephens Church, Wilkes-Barre, will give a concert at the dedication. Participating in the event will be the District Superintendent of the Wilkes-Barre District, United Methodist

Mark Laubach, a well-known organist and minister of music Trucksville U.M. Church, The Rev. Charles Gommer, Jr., Kingston and the host pastor, The Rev. H. James Shillabeer. After the concert, refreshments will be served. The public is



Interclub luncheon meeting held

The Luzerne County Dental, Legal and Medical Auxiliaries recently held their Eighth

Apple Tree of Stroudsburg. Sharon Bonawits, proprieter, presented contemporary cloth-Annual Interclub Luncheon at the Woodlands an Inn. The program for the afternoon was a fashion show givien by The male of the street contemporary cloth ing for spring and resort.

Makeup and hair fashions were done by Mary Ann Naughton of Malcolm's Haircutters, Dallas.

Committee members were Debi Zielinski and Ann Marie Lawrence, Dental Auxiliary; Nancy Carey, Medical Auxiliary and Valarie Grabiec, legal Aux-



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