

COMMUNITY

Craft market December 3-11

The Art Gallery's annual Holiday Craft Market at College Misericordia, December 3 through 11, will include an array of hand-crafted items. Some of the items have never previously been shown in this area. Shopping hours are: weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and weekends from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

An opening preview on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 1-4 will provide holiday shoppers an early opportunity to choose beautiful and unique gifts.

Admission is free. The Art Gallery is located on the fourth floor of Misericordia's Administration building. Call 675-2181 for details.

Kington Twp. winter parking

Kingston Township Police Chief Paul M. Sabol would like to remind residents that the Winter Parking Ordinance became effective on November 1, 1988 and will be in effect through March 31, 1989. Under this ordinance residents are prohibited from parking vehicles on township streets between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. each day.

The ordinance is designed to keep the township streets open and clear so that snow removal measures can be effectively undertaken by the Road Department.

The Chief urges all township residents to cooperate in complying with the Township Ordinance.



Penn State Veterans blood drive

The Penn State Wilkes-Barre Veterans Club recently held their annual Blood Drive on campus in association with the Wyoming Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross. Sixty-seven pints of blood were collected. Shown are donors: student Tim Lamont, Troy, left; Bernie Banks, Trucksville, right. Standing, Mary Beth Leggett, drive coordinator, Wyoming Valley Chapter, American Red Cross; Esther Stiles, R.N., Head Nurse, Red Cross NEPA Regional Blood Services; and Veterans Club members Seth Krogoll, Shavertown; John Kieler, Harveys Lake; Jim Favaron, Lehman; Cindy Witner, R.N., Red Cross NEPA Regional Blood Services Staff Nurse.

Interfaith Resource Center to sponsor Merton Retreat

The Interfaith Resource Center for Peace and Justice will sponsor an afternoon of study and reflection on the life of Thomas Merton, the peace monk, on Saturday, December 10, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Mercy Center, on the campus of College Misericordia, Dallas.

"Discerning the Monk (Center of Solitude) and the Peacemaker Within" will commemorate the 20th anniversary of Merton's death and explore one of the major themes of his life: the complementary roles of action and contemplation.

The retreat will include a video on Merton's life, along with prayer, discussion, and a monk's coffee break.

Merton, a Trappist monk, poet and mystic, wrote extensively on the monastic life and its place in the modern world. In over two dozen books - many of them best-sellers, he discussed prayer, peacemaking and ecumenism. He died on December 10, 1968, while meeting with Asian religious leaders in Thailand.

Retreat facilitators will be Patience Leiden and Sr. Constance Kozel, RSM.

The retreat is co-sponsored by the Mercy Justice Coalition. Registration may be made until December 2 by calling the Resource Center at 823-9977. Donation is optional.



Children learn about asthma

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital's Education Department recently held an Asthma Class for children ages 4-12 and their families.

The two-hour program, based on materials from the American Lung Association and other sources, is designed to help families in learning more about asthma, a health problem which affects about 1.5 million children in the U.S.

Participating families receive "Super Stuff" activity packages for the child with asthma as well as printed educational materials for the parents.

Shown are participants in the recent Wilkes-Barre General Hospital Asthma Class. From left, Jennifer Cole, Dallas; Beth Daniels, Warrior Run; Karen Cole, Dallas; Sara Reishstein, Wilkes-Barre; Nicholas Cromer, Warrior Run. Second row, Donna Cole, Dallas; Georgia Daniels, Warrior Run; Christine Popeck, Nanticoke; John Popeck, Nanticoke; Joseph Cromer, Warrior Run. Third row, John Cole, Dallas; Wayne Daniels, Warrior Run; Gail Marshall, R.N., instructor, Wyoming; Diana Morgan, R.N. instructor, Ashley; Allen Reishstein, Wilkes-Barre.



Adopt-a-pet

King is an eight-week-old Shepherd Mix puppy looking for someone to love her and take her home.

The young black and tan puppy was found in Kingston where someone had evidently dropped her off. King has been wormed and is a well-behaved puppy for such a young age.

Visiting and adoption hours at the SPCA in Plains are weekdays, 11-3 and 5-7; Saturday 11 to 3 and Sunday, 1-3.

Soccer Club plans banquet

The November meeting of the Dallas High School Soccer Club was held recently. President Rich Ursiak presided. Among the items on the agenda were the annual banquet to be held on December 4 at Genett's Motor Inn, and the team's participation in the Gloucester International Soccer Tournament in Ottawa, Canada.

Jackets will be presented to all freshmen and junior members of the soccer team and officers for 1989 will be installed at the banquet. Guest speaker will be Jim Miller, sportscaster from WBRE TV and Coach John McCafferty will comment on the 1988 season. Reservations may be made by contacting Mrs. Kate Swain, chairperson.

Plans for the Canadian tournament were also discussed with arrangements for the event being made by Mr. and Mrs. David Morris. Coach McCafferty is preparing team rosters and will enter a team in the 18 and under division along with a team in the 16 and under bracket. The tournament is scheduled for July 13-17 and the soccer club is planning several fundraisers to assist in financing the four-day event.

Back Mountain Senior Citizens group plans Holiday events

The semi-monthly meeting of the Back Mountain Senior Citizens, under Project HEAD, met recently at St. Therese's Auditorium, Shavertown, with President Joseph Precone, presiding.

Vicki Leo, membership chairlady, introduced a new member, Elizabeth Rome.

December 5 is the deadline for reservations for the first Annual Christmas dinner party which will be held December 13 at Pickett's Charge, Dallas. Co-chairladies of this event are Sophie Kapral, 696-2856 and Mary Sitkowski, 696-2852. Members are asked to bring a \$2.00 gift exchange. There will be a cash bar, with cocktail hour beginning at 6 p.m. Dinner will begin at 6:30.

Mary Ann Daley, Project HEAD coordinator, requested that a delegate be chosen to represent the club

at future FOSCCO (Federal Organizations of Senior Citizens Clubs and Organizations) meetings. Nicholas Pericci was chosen as the club's representative.

Trip co-chairpersons, Kaye and Al Ray, are planning a spring trip to Inner Harbor, Md. Call 477-5203 for further details.

Josephine Kotch, "Family Living" agent with the Penn State Extension of Luzerne Co. will be the guest speaker at the December 5 meeting.

Meetings are held on the first Monday and third Thursday of each month at 1:30 in St. Therese's Auditorium, Shavertown. Persons over 50 of age are eligible to join. Guest speakers are scheduled for the Monday meetings and the Thursday meetings are set aside for Arts and Crafts projects. New members are always welcome.

Back Mountain Jaycees selling Christmas Eve candles

On Saturday, Dec. 10 and Sunday, Dec. 11, the Back Mountain Jaycees will be selling "Christmas Eve Sand Candles" at the Country Club Shopping Center from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The annual Jaycee fundraising project is a major source of revenue for the local club. As in years past, the cost for one dozen sand candles is \$2.50. Pre-orders can be placed by calling project Chairperson John J. Jablowski, Jr. at 825-0599.

The Christmas Eve Sand Candles are placed along residents driveways

on Christmas Eve to "light the path for Christ" to come into the home.

Rain dates for the sand candle sales are set for Saturday, Dec. 17 and Sunday, Dec. 18 at the Country Club Shopping Center in Dallas.

Shavertown Fire Co. selling candles

Shavertown Fire Company will sell sand candles Mondays 6:30 to 9 p.m. and at the Shavertown Acme on Weekends. Cost is \$2.50 per doz.

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Solo Club lists calendar of events for December

The Solo Club of Luzerne County announces the following schedule for the month of December.

December 3, dancing at Chets in Moosic.

December 10, dancing at V.F.W., Dupont.

December 16, Christmas party at Convention Hall, Pittston. Buffet dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Please make reservations with John Dermako.

December 17, dancing at V.F.W., Dupont.

December 24, dancing at Chets in Moosic.

December 31, New Years Eve party at Dupont V.F.W. See Ed Luksa for tickets.

The club is open to membership to any single, divorced or widowed person 35 years or older. New members are always welcome. For more information on club activities or club membership, please contact Gene Schray at 675-1704 or Mickey Finn at 287-4365.

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