

# SOCIAL

## Idetown Methodist alumni choir fest Sunday

As part of their 125th Anniversary celebration the Idetown United Methodist Church will hold an Alumni Choir Fest on Sunday, Sept. 9 under the direction of Shirley Mahle. Beginning at 9 a.m. before church they will have a social time and enjoy coffee and donuts.

Church will convene at 10 a.m. and Sunday School will follow at 11:15 a.m. for all interested parties, especially those from out of town, there will be a covered dish luncheon in the church house at 1 p.m.

Following lunch there will be several practices and gatherings concerning the music for the day. Then from 3 to 4 p.m. they will feature the choral presentation, concluding with a choral communion service.

If you are a lover of music and want to enjoy a special day, please join the Idetown congregation for this festive occasion. All are welcome.

## Thresholds teaching program set for Sept. 8-9

The fall session of the Thresholds Program at the State Correctional Institution in Dallas is in need of community volunteers.

A training weekend for volunteer teachers is scheduled for September 8 and 9, at the Parish House of the Prince of Peace Church on Main Street in Dallas. The two sessions will begin at 9 a.m. and will end at 5:30 p.m. The weekend course will be taught by certified Thresholds teachers.

Thresholds has been in existence at the State Correctional Institution for the past 13 years. The administration of the institution is actively supporting this course in decision making and problem solving taught as part of their pre-release program.

In addition to the training weekend, the volunteers would have to make a time commitment of 10 weeks, for the most part one evening (or the equivalent time on Saturday morning or afternoon a week. The Thresholds course is taught on a one-to-one basis.

## Religious services

**COMMUNITY CHURCH OF DALLAS** (across from Chapel Lawn Cemetery on Harveys Lake Memorial Highway.) 675-3723. Pastor Dale S. Brown. SUNDAY, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Worship. (Jr. Church and Nursery); 6 p.m. Family Bible Hour. WEDNESDAY, 7:00 p.m. prayer and Bible Study.

**DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Bealla, Pastor. SUNDAY, Morning Worship 9:30 a.m., Church School 9:00 a.m.

**THE FELLOWSHIP EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH** - Hildebrandt Road, Dallas. 675-6426. Pastor, Rev. Dwight Hodne; Assistant Pastor - Minister of Youth, Rev. John Butch Jr. - SUNDAY, Morning Worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., also a Junior & Beginners Church; 9:45 a.m., Sunday School; 7 p.m., Informality & ministering to one another sets this service apart. Nursery is provided for all services; WEDNESDAY, 7:30 p.m., Prayer and Worship.

**FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH** - 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville. Pastor Tim Tanner. SUNDAY, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday, 6:30 p.m.; WEDNESDAY, Family night, 7 p.m.

**GATE OF HEAVEN CHURCH** - Machell Ave., Dallas. 675-2121. Pastor, William Cusick; Assistant Pastor, Michael Sullivan. Mass Schedule: SATURDAY, 5 p.m.; SUNDAY, 7, 8:30, 11 a.m., 12:15 p.m.; MONDAY, Novena Devotions and Mass, 7:30 p.m., Rosary at 7:15 p.m. CONFSESSION; Saturday, 4 - 4:50 p.m.

**IDETOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** - Pastor, Rev. Thom Morris; Layleader, Mr. Henry Bergstrasser. 10 a.m., Church Worship; Sunday School, 11 a.m.



MR. AND MRS. SAMUEL GARDNER

## Gardners to hold open house for 50th anniversary

Roberta and Samuel Gardner will be celebrating their 50th anniversary at an open house at their home in Orange on September 15. Robert and Priscilla Gardner will host the open house from 2-5 p.m. All family members and friends are invited to attend.

The former Patricia Eaton of Orange and Samuel Gardner of West Pittston were married September 14, 1940 at the Carverton parsonage by the Rev. Charles Gilbert. Janet and John Zarno served as attendants at the wedding.



## Bunney's hold reunion

The family of Thomas and Mary Bunney held their 15th annual reunion on August 11, at the home of their son John and his wife, Beverly. It was a day of fun, games, and relaxation. Approximately 55 family members were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunney are the parents of seven children, 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren, the newest additions to the family is Preston, the son of Brian and Tammy Bunney, and the twin daughters of Bob and Terri Besecker, Cecelia and Courtney. The next family reunion will be August 10, 1991 at the home of John and Beverly Bunney.

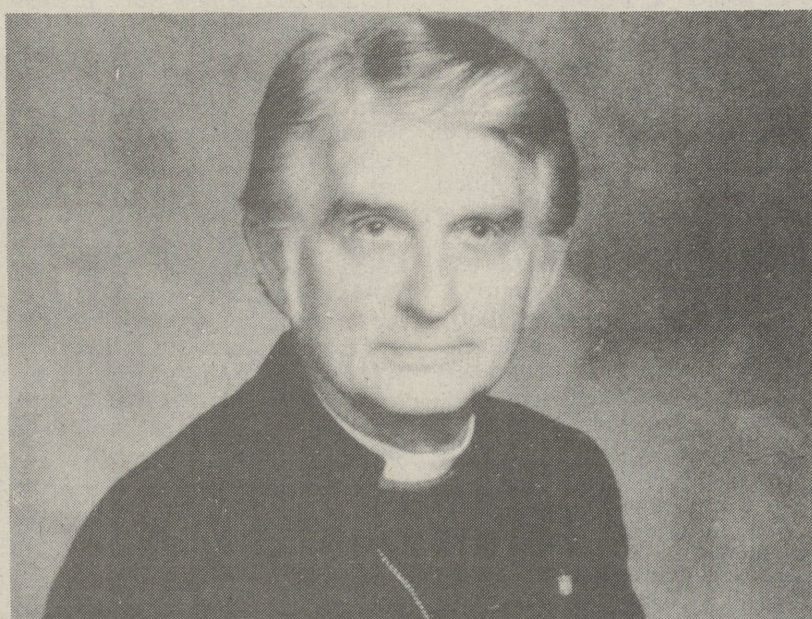
## Bishop to speak at church centennial

Bishop James Mase Ault, former spiritual leader of the Wyoming Conference of The United Methodist Church, which includes the area north from Wilkes-Barre to Cooperstown, N.Y., will be the preacher at the Centennial Worship Service of Celebration on Sunday, September 9 at 11 a.m. as the congregation of The Shavertown United Methodist Church celebrates the 100th Anniversary of its founding.

Also participating in the service will be the Rev. William B. Lawrence, Wilkes-Barre District Superintendent and Pastors Harriet L. Santos and James A. Wert, liturgists. Nancy Kozemchak will be a lay reader. Senator Charles D. Lemmond, Jr., will present a certificate of commendation from the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Three choirs will participate in the service. The Festival Choir of 28 voices, directed by Ros E. Santos; the Children's Choir of 20 voices, directed by Barbara Zarambo and Bonnie Ziegler; and the Handbell Choir, directed by Peggy Knapich.

Bishop Ault, now retired, has been named interim Dean of The Theological School, Drew University, Madison, N.J. until a search committee installs a new dean. He is a native of Sayre, Pa. and former professor at Union Theological Seminary, New York City. His wife, Dorothy, will accompany him on his Shavertown visit.



BISHOP JAMES MASE AULT

In addition to the service, the congregation will hold a Historical Banquet on Friday, September 7, at Irem Temple Country Club. 6:30 p.m. George McCutcheon will be master of ceremonies. Mary Lou Swingle will present a pictorial review of the heritage of the congregation. Dr. Robert Bearley will present a report, "Anticipating the Future."

On Saturday evening, at 7 p.m., a reception will be held in the Lounge, followed by the dedication of the Dr. Malcolm J. Borthwick Memorial Historical Room that will house papers and memorabilia of

the church's history. At 8 p.m., a concert will be held with music presented by vocal and instrumental ensembles from Wilkes University's Department of Music, Arts, and Theater, under the direction of Jerome Campbell.

On Sunday, September 23, at 9:30 a.m., a memorial tree and a time capsule will be planted as a Centennial event. On November 4 through 7, a New Life Mission will be held with the Rev. Allyn Foster, Fairport, N.Y., as the missionary-preacher, as an additional Centennial happening.



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