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Historical Society lists three holiday programs

The Wyoming Historical and Geological Society announces its Christmas, 1990 trio of events, November 29, 30, December 1, 2 will feature a living history, "Christmas Eve with the Swetland Family".

Set in 1860, the magical memories of Christmas Past come alive in candlelight at Swetland Homestead in Wyoming. The cast includes Marie Hollis, Jim Hart, Jessica Lawrence, Deborah Shoval, Katherine Shaw, Deirdre McLaughlin, Justin Bonito, and Michael Colangelo. Performances will run continuously evenings, 7-9 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

"The Legends of Saint Nicholas" scheduled for December 6-9 will take a guided walk through time and travel to distant lands to discover the legends of Kris Kringle, St. Nicholas, Soda Pop Santa, Victorian Santa and the Lord of Misrule. Traditions from different times and cultures will be explored on this special journey. Performances will follow the exact schedule at "Christmas Eve with the Swetlands". Cast members are Michael McLaughlin, Dr. Edward Gregorek, Joe Plummer, Jr., Raymond Bruder, Rhyse Mitchneck, Chris Burridge, Sean Healey, Theresse Plummer, Deborah Shoval, Maura Farrell, Marianne Slesinski, Maureen Farrell, Mary Mazzitelli, Jessica Lawrence, Matthew Clearfield.

December 14, at 8 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 47 North Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, Joe Plummer, Sr. will present a one-man "concert reading" of "A Christmas Carol".

Autism group will meet

The week of December 2-9 has been designated National Autism Week to make the public aware, and to provide information on this neurological impairment that is the fourth largest affliction to children.

During the week a local support group will be meeting for parents and friends of autistic children and adults. The local chapter of the Society Towards Autistic Research and Rehabilitation (STARR) will meet on Dec. 6 at the Church of Christ United on Sprague Ave. in Kingston.

Some Back Mountain residents are affiliated with the support group and they urge others interested in the group to attend the meeting and find out more about STARR.



MR. AND MRS. JACOB TAYLOR

Taylors celebrate Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob R. Taylor, 90 Grandview Ave., New Goss Manor, Dallas observed their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Thanksgiving Day. The couple was married on Thanksgiving Day, 1940, by the late Rev. J. Norman Martin in the church parsonage of the Luzerne Avenue Baptist Church, West Pittston. Their attendants were Ethel Newton, R.N., and James Markert.

The Taylors are the parents of two children, Robert of Chester, MD, and Judy, at home. They also have three grandchildren, Robert, Jr., Shannon and Kristen Taylor.

Mrs. Taylor, the former Elizabeth Tennant, is a graduate of West Pittston High School and Pittston Hospital School of Nursing, Class of 1940. She is the daughter of the late Martha Players Tennant and Ira Tennant of West Pittston.

Mr. Taylor is a graduate of Luzerne High School, Class of 1935. For the past 40 years he has owned an Advertising Specialty Agency. He is the son of the late Anna Thomas Taylor and Jacob Taylor of Luzerne.

In October, the couple marked the occasion of their anniversary with a South American Cruise aboard the ship, Voordam. The trip originated in Vancouver, B.C., and included passage through the Panama Canal.

On Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were honored by their children and grandchildren at a family dinner.

Ruby Elston celebrates 94th birthday

Ruby Elston, Overbrook Road, Huntsville, was recently honored by her family at a party celebrating her 94th birthday.

A daughter of the late B. Frank Bulford and Ellen Duckworth Bulford, she was born on Nov. 16, 1896 in the home where she resides.

She is a member of the Huntsville United Methodist Church and Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

She was married for 61 years to the late Clarence R. Elston, and has two children, Harold Elston, Huntsville and Nancy Schimmel, State College, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Guests were Ruth Wyrsh, Harold Elston, Bob Elston, Dale and Bonnie Elston, Cheryl Elston, Paul and Michael Elston, Nancy Schimmel, Rev. Allan Cease, Helen Franklin, Nettie Miers, Judy Lamoreaux, and George Schimmel.

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DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Bealla, Pastor. SUNDAY, Morning Worship 10:30 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. CONFESION; 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.

LEHMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Pastor, Rev. Thom Morris. Layleader Mr. Don Weidner; 10 a.m. Sunday School; 11:15 a.m. Church Worship.

JACKSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Pastor, Rev. Thom Morris. SUNDAY: 8:45 a.m. Church Worship; 8:45 a.m. Sunday School.

KUNKLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH-RD 1, (Kunkle) Dallas. 675-0556. Pastor, Rev. Michael Willis. SUNDAY Church service starts at 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Classes for all ages 10:45 a.m.

HUNTSVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH - (1 block west of Huntsville Reservoir Dam, RD 4, Box 197, Dallas. 675-0611, Pastor Cliff Jones. SUNDAY, Worship service 9:30 a.m., Sunday School 11 a.m.

PRINCE OF PEACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH - Main St., Dallas. 675-1723. The Rev. John S. Prater, Rector. SUNDAY, Holy Communion, 8 a.m., Holy Communion, 10 a.m., 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday; Morning Prayer, 10 a.m.; Church School 10 a.m.

SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., corner of West Center St., Shavertown. 675-3616. Pastors, Rev. James A. Wert, Rev. Harriet L. Santos. Music Director, Rosendo E. Santos. SATURDAY: 5:30 p.m., Chapel Service. SUNDAY 9 a.m. Chapel Service; 9:35 a.m. Church School; 11 a.m. Worship Service; TUESDAY: 7:00 p.m. Tough Love Meeting; WEDNESDAY: noon, Al-Anon meeting. First THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m. Alzheimers Support Group meeting.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - 196 N. Main St., Shavertown. 675-3859. Pastor, Rev. Harold R. Baer, Jr. Service of Worship, 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.; Church school 9:45 a.m.; Adult Bible study Wednesday evening 7:00 p.m.

ST. TERESE'S CHURCH - 94 Davis St., Shavertown. 696-1144. Pastor, Msgr. Kevin O'Neill; Deacon, James P. Feerick. DAILY MASS, 8:30 a.m. SATURDAY, 4:30 p.m.; SUNDAY, 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m.; Holy Day, Vigil: 7:30 p.m. Day: 9:00 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.; CONFESIONS: Daily at 8:15 a.m.; Saturday, 3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Rectory hours, M-F, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

TRINITY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 105 Irem Rd., Dallas. 675-3131. Rev. Robert M. Upton, Interim Pastor. Sunday School Superintendent, Roy Walter. SUNDAY: Morning worship at 11 a.m. (Nursery provided). Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

TRUCKSVILLE FREE METHODIST CHURCH, 370 Carverton Road, Trucksville, Pastor Rev. Warren W. Hoover, 696-2535. SUNDAY: Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Sunday Vesper Service 6:30 p.m. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

TRUCKSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Church Rd., Trucksville. 696-3897. Pastor, Rev. Shillabeer. SUNDAY, Morning Services 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School 9:15 a.m. all ages ; Coffee fellowship; 10:15 a.m. UMYF, 7 p.m. Sundays, Bible Study 10 a.m. Thursdays.

VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH, "Independent" Rt. 292, Vernon, RD 2, Box 114, Tunkhannock, Pastor, James A. Cummings, 333-4935. SUNDAY, Sunday School, 10:45 a.m., Morning Worship 10:45 a.m., Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY, Family night Bible studies and clubs, 7 p.m.

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH, Market St., Lehman, 675-0510, Pastor, Gregory R. Barny, Sunday School, 10:00 a.m., SUNDAY morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening, 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer/Bible study, 7:30 p.m.

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