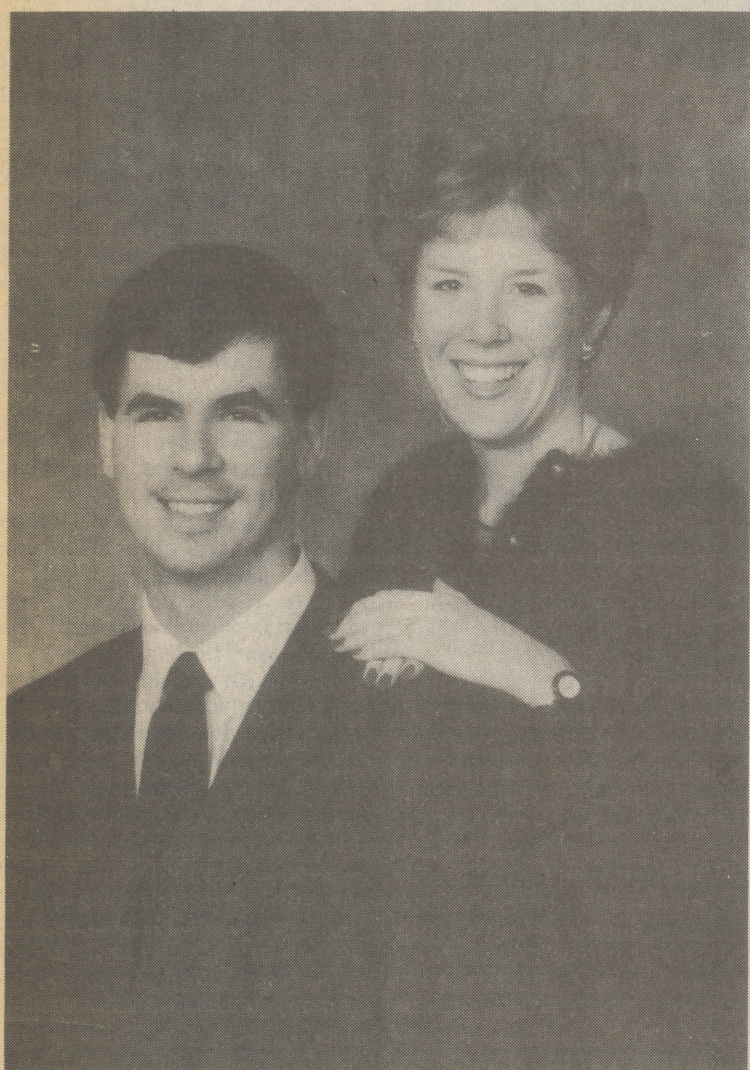


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COLLEEN CORBETT AND DALE FITCH

Colleen Corbett plans wedding to Dale Fitch

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Corbett Jr. of Lehman announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen, to Dale E. Fitch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Drew Fitch of Dallas.

Miss Corbett is a graduate of Lake-Lehman High School and will receive a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Wilkes University in May 1991.

Mr. Fitch is a graduate of Dallas High School and a veteran of the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne Division. He will receive a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Wilkes University in May of 1991.

A May wedding is planned.

Financial program to be offered

Gifts From Above, Christian Bookstore will sponsor a 16-week video series on principles of "Financial Freedom". The video course is taught by millionaire Jim Sammons.

The program deals with the importance of the family unit and the fact that debt and problems related to finances and money management are the most commonly given reasons for divorce.

Two-thirds of Christ's teaching through His parables deal specifically with finances. It is the intent of this program to teach the fundamental basics of finance, how to get out of debt, how to deal with compromises, how to make wise investments and many other skills that are helpful in becoming a successful person, marriage partner, parent and financial steward.

The financial freedom program begins Friday night, Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. and runs for 16 consecutive Friday evenings.

There is no charge for this program, all are invited. It will take place in the Conference Room facilities at Gifts From Above.

The interest level for this material is strictly adult.

For more information call 675-0354.

Gifts From Above is a non denominational, Christ centered ministry located on N. Memorial Hwy. in Dallas.



Lay leaders honored at Shavertown United Methodist Church

In a recent worship service at the Shavertown United Methodist Church three new lay leaders were installed and a retiring lay leader was honored.

Everell V. Chadwick was given a plaque to commemorate his 45 years of faithful service as lay leader of the church. Frank E. Paczewski, chairperson of the church's administrative board, made the presentation, and expressed appreciation on behalf of the congregation.

Keith D. Atherholt, new lay leader; and Susan E. Davis and David J. Jenkins, new associate lay leaders, elected to office at a congregational meeting, were placed in office by Pastors James A. Wert and Harriet L. Santos.

Two of the principals from left, are, Susan E. Davis and Everell V. Chadwick.

Vacation Bible School workshop

Gifts From Above will sponsor a Vacation Bible School Workshop on Saturday, Feb. 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Representatives and sample program kits will be available from Augsburg-Fortress, Concordia, David C. Cook, Gospel Light, Regular Baptist Press, Standard and Tyndale's new VBS based on the characters from McGee & Me.

The Vacation Bible School (VBS) is an educational, evangelical program designed specifically to meet the spiritual needs of children. Each year the different companies develop new fun themes for children to keep the material exciting. The sample kits allow each church to evaluate the programs and choose what is right for their circumstances.

There is no charge for this workshop, all interested churches are invited, reservations are suggested. For more information call 675-0354.

Shavertown UMC Ash Wednesday services

The schedule of Communion services for Ash Wednesday, Feb. 3, at the Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 N. Pioneer Avenue, Shavertown, is as follows:

12:15 p.m. - Chapel service of Holy Communion, a 30 minute worship time for the business community and for others who prefer to attend during the daytime.

7:30 p.m. - A Contemporary service with Holy Communion emphasis will be on a creative

expression of self-evaluation, pardon, and renewal before God. It will conclude with special prayers for peace and God's direction for His people and His world.

During this evening service, the Chancel Choir, directed by Ros Santos will sing and other musicians will contribute special music. Pastors Harriet L. Santos and James A. Wert will be liturgists.

All persons are invited to partake in the Holy Communion as preparation for the Lenten Season.

Religious services

BEAUMONT UNION GOSPEL CHURCH - Route 309 (five miles north of Dallas), Pastor Jim Cummings. SUNDAY, 9:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service; 10:15 a.m. Sunday School; 7:00 p.m., Evening Service; WEDNESDAY, 7:00 p.m., includes children's good news club, teen youth group and adult's prayer and bible study.

COMMUNITY CHURCH OF DALLAS (across from Chapel Lawn cemetery on Harveys Lake Memorial Highway.) 675-3723. Interim pastor Joe Schloegel. SUNDAY, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Worship, (Jr. Church and nursery); 6 p.m. Family Bible Hour. WEDNESDAY, 6:00 p.m. AWANA club for ages 3 yrs. through 6th grade. THURSDAY, 7:00 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study.

DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Calla, 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 Hutch Jr. - SUNDAY, Morning Worship 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.; also 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 - Lachell 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 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 - 64 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 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, Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.; Sunday School 9:30 a.m. all ages; Regular worship 11:00 a.m. UMYF, 6:30 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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Baldness: Is there a cure?

What are the causes of baldness, and are there any cures available?

Hair loss has many different causes. Heredity is the most common reason for hair loss that develops fairly gradually. Hair can also fall out and not grow back for a variety of medical reasons. And, although we often think of the scalp as the only place affected by hair loss, any place on the body is susceptible. Whatever its cause, the loss of hair, especially sudden loss, can be traumatic.

The Greek word alopecia (al-oh-pea'-sha) is used by doctors to describe hair loss or baldness. One condition that causes temporary hair loss is the result of inflammatory fungal disease. Ringworm, for example, causes the hair follicles to lose their ability to grow hair. Anti-fungal medications are used to treat fungal infections, and the alopecia is usually cured within a few weeks.

Alopecia areata refers to localized hair loss in particular areas of the scalp. These areas generally are the size of a nickel or quarter. The causes of the condition are not known, but doctors suspect that the immune system develops an allergic reaction to a part of its own body--in this case, hair--resulting in the loss of patches of hair. Alopecia areata can affect the eyebrows and eyelashes as well as the scalp.

Although there is no cure for alopecia areata, this type of baldness is temporary in 99 percent of all cases. Some doctors believe that stress contributes to alopecia, but others maintain that the disease is so traumatic that it induces stress, which can result in further hair loss.

In the case of hereditary hair loss, which is the most common reason for baldness, men are more likely to develop the condition than women. Although women

also can exhibit hereditary hair loss, they usually will experience hair thinning rather than complete hair loss.

Hair that is constantly exposed to chemicals (through perming or coloring) or overzealous combing is more likely to break off or fall out than "virgin" hair. A deficient thyroid, blood thinning medication, chemotherapy, or crash dieting also can cause hair loss.

There are treatments available for baldness and thinning hair. A drug called minoxidil has been approved for use in a liquid topical form. Originally used in pill form to treat high blood pressure, it was discovered that one of the medication's side effects was excessive hair growth. The topical form of minoxidil must be used early in hereditary baldness to be successful.

In the early stages of baldness, hair follicles are still present as they must be for hair growth. Once treatment with minoxidil is stopped, the new hair falls out, including hair that would have fallen out had the drug not been used. Although minoxidil is not known to have any side effects when used as a topical solution, the drug will not be available in this country as a treatment for baldness until it receives FDA approval.

The surgical correction of baldness, which is done through hair implantation, has become a popular method of treatment for many years. Performed in a doctor's office, transplants involve transferring the skin that contains hair follicles from an area of dense hair growth near the balding spots to the bald areas. Twenty to 30 plugs of hair can be transplanted in one visit; correcting a bald condition generally requires four to five visits. Transplants, which work well in the early to moderate stages of baldness, remain permanently in place.

This health awareness is brought to you as a service to the Back Mountain community by Robert Greenhalgh, M.D. Dr. Greenhalgh is a Back Mountain physician who offers general pediatric, gynecology, and geriatric medical care, on a personal basis. Board-Certified in Family Practice, he is on staff at Mercy, Nesbitt, and Wilkes Barre General Hospital.

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