

COMMUNITY



Dallas Boy Scouts collect food for Back Mountain families

Recently members of Dallas Boy Scout Troop #281 participated in the "Food for Scouts" collection in the Back Mountain Area. Over 1400 assorted food products were collected. Shown at the time of collection are, 1st row, from left, Michael Dancheck, David Ertley, Matthew Kutish, Jarod Dukas, Justin Kerr, Scott Townsend and David Townsend, Senior Patrol Leader; 2nd row, Tom Reich, John Achuff, Assistant Scoutmaster, Tom O'Neil,

Paul Kutish, Troop Chairman, Jeff Polley, Neil Seidel, Troop Treasurer, Craig Bowersox, Eric St. Clair, Aaron O'Neil, Paul Reich, Assistant Scoutmaster, Alan Horridge, Tom O'Neil Assistant Scoutmaster and Jeff Townsend, Assistant Scoutmaster and Project Coordinator. Absent at time of photo: Jarod Ambrosino, Chris Pelton, Jonathan Bradbury, David Parks, Ben Sappe and Brian Bayer.

The 'Y' invites teenagers to Saturday night activities

The Greater Wilkes-Barre Family YMCA, a United Way Agency, is offering to junior and senior high school students ages 13 to 18 years old an alternative for Saturday nights. This year the YMCA will be open on Saturday nights for junior and senior high school students. Junior high nights will be the first and third Saturdays of each month. The senior high nights will be the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. Hours for the programs will be 6:30-9:30 p.m. for

the junior high and 7-10 p.m. for the senior high. Activities will include basketball, volleyball, wallyball, racquetball, weight lifting and swimming. "Teen Night" is designed to give area junior and senior high students somewhere and someplace to go on Saturday nights. It gives them a chance to meet new friends and have fun with old friends. "Teen Night" participants will have exclusive use of the YMCA facilities. For more information call the "Y" at 823-2191.



Buy-a-Book tree set up at the library

The Back Mountain Memorial Library's "Buy-a-Book" tree has been set up at the library for the Christmas season. Donations of \$5, to be used solely for the purchase of books, are acknowledged by gingerbread carolers with the donors' names on them. Pictured are Susan Frey, librarian, left; and Polly Wielage, project chairperson, right, hanging gingerbread men on the tree.

Combined UMC choirs will present Christmas Cantata

The combined choirs of Albright and Dallas United Methodist Churches will present the cantata "Christmas! I Love To Tell The Story" arranged by Russell Mauldin. Performances will be given on Sunday Dec. 22, at 3 p.m. at Albright United Methodist Church, Dana and Grove Streets, Wilkes-Barre, and 7:30 p.m. at Dallas United Methodist Church, Parsonage Street, Dallas.

The 45-voice choir is under the direction of Cathy Palfev and Bill Blannett, Directors of Music at Dallas and Albright, respectively. Instrumentalists will also include Dee Dee Lawrence on flute and Al Blannett, Jr. on trumpet. The afternoon musical program will also feature the Albright Singers, a youth choral group from Albright Church, under the direction of Juanita Locker. The evening program will feature the Praise and Alleluia Choirs, the children and youth choirs from Dallas United Methodist Church, under the direction of Cathy Palfev. Rev. William K. Locker is pastor of Albright United Methodist Church and Rev. Michael Bealla is pastor of Dallas United Methodist Church. The cantata emphasizes the story of the birth of Christ through favorite hymns and Christmas carols. It is a story of wonder and awe; a story of Angels and Shepherds; the story of a Savior. The public is cordially invited to join the choirs as they celebrate the story of His glorious birth in Bethlehem.

Back Mountain Senior Citizens will meet Dec. 19

At the last meeting of the Back Mountain Senior Citizens, presided by Lillian Soveroski, a raffle of Christmas items was held. Winner of a sled made by John Bosak was Florence Precone; wreath donated by Lil Soveroski, won by Pat Baloga; musical figurine donated by Else Maugham, won by Sophie Kapral. The next meeting will be on Thursday, Dec. 19, at 1 p.m. at St. Therese's auditorium, Shavertown. A Christmas fun fest will be held and members are requested to bring snack food items, cookies, and a favorite beverage. The usual desserts and coffee will be served. Bring games, cards, Christmas music tapes and a craft item to demonstrate, if desired. The Jan. 2, meeting is cancelled. The first meeting of the New Year will be on Thursday, Jan. 16. New members are welcome.

Legion will hold children's Christmas party

Daddow-Isaac Post 672, The American Legion, will hold its annual Christmas Party for the children, to age 12, at the Legion Home Memorial Highway, Dallas, Saturday, Dec. 21, starting at 2 p.m. Santa will arrive on the Dr. Henry Laing fire truck. Legionnaires Home Association members and auxiliary members will be Santa's Helpers. Al Hudak will provide Christmas music.

Fair Board will meet Dec. 18

The Dallas-Luzerne County Fair Board meeting will be held Wednesday, December 18, 8 p.m. at the Horseshow Building. Election of officers will be held and an update of business will be discussed. President Ed Kelly will preside.

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