



Setting up

Several of the 40 regional antiques dealers who will display furniture, tools, glassware, china and unusual decorating items at the annual Spring Market at The Barn in Lehman the weekend of May 22-23 are, front row from left: Al Pfeiffer of Green Acres Antiques in Lewisburg; organizer Gary Baker of The Barn; back row: Harry Price, Sr., Esther Price, Helen F. Barna of Plains and Helen S. Barna of Hudson. Food and baked goods will also be available for sale. Parking and admission are free.



Library news

Carved birds flock to library's display area

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK

The display case at the Back Mountain Memorial Library is showing an interesting display of birds and bird houses borrowed from John Paul of Shavertown. John was superintendent of Buildings and Grounds at the Dallas School District for 12 years, retiring in 1973. He has enjoyed his 20 retirement years by working on his hobby of carving birds and making bird houses and feeders. He has a farm in Cambra, about 30 miles north of Benton where he spends a lot of his time and gets much of the wood for his birds from trees on the farm. He has always loved birds and trees and enjoys feeding them. He saw so many natural birds on the farm and said to himself: "I can carve those birds from wood". He works on his hobby at the farm and at his home in Shavertown. The display is showing a Blue Bird house and a Wren house.

The carved birds include a Night Heron, a Dove, gray with down beak; a Woodcock made out of native chestnut; the wood is 70 years old; a Skimmer with a special large beak, found in salt water made of natural butternut; a black Skimmer, which was painted with a red beak; an exceptionally large bird; a yellow leg Shore Bird that feeds on natural woods and in salt water; a Puffin from Nova Scotia; a short legged Shore Bird, some of which live underground; a small Wren made of Butternut. John has been carving birds for 10 years and is now working on an owl and a swan. The Cowbird in the display made of butternut is nine years old. He also carves duck decoys. He has carved the dates he finished each bird on the bottom of them. We also have a novel climbing woodpecker which will delight the children. The display includes some small wren eggs set on grass and some colorful flowers. The display will

be at the library until June 9. The library is accepting books for the library auction with the exception of text books; and odds and ends for that booth. These may be brought into the library anytime the library is open. The auction will be held July 8-11. New books at the library: "Juggling The Stars" by Tim Parks is the story of Morris Duckworth who teaches English to the pampered rich of Verona, and Morris is not pleased. He lives a meager existence in a squalid apartment and regards his students with envy, first wreaking revenge by petty theft and then grander larceny. A nightmare of deception. "Diamonds Compass" by P.H. Liotta is a pilot's story and he recalls how, as a troubled cadet on summer vacation from the U.S. Air Force he traveled to Iran during the last days of the Shah and found himself drawn into the great adventure of his life.

Letters

Wyoming family seeks lost collie dog

Editor:
To Someone With a Heart:
Have you or your neighbor found Cubby, a black and white Collie with one brown leg and little brown eyebrows? Cubby does not like rain or thunder. It frightens him. He likes to swim in our pond with the ducks and play with the cats and the birds. He loves to go for a ride and sleep in our bed, until he gets too warm.

He waits until the cows are fed to eat his breakfast with his master. He also loves to be brushed and play ball.
We miss him, love him and know he is missing us. Please call us to pick him up, no questions asked. Maybe we can help in some way or reward you somehow, just by you sending him home. He was

last seen at Frances Slocum Dam on Carverton Road. Our phone number is 696-4502. We don't want someone to shoot or beat him.
God Bless you for being kind to him while you had him, but he is all we have. We need him.
Mrs. Arthur Holtzman
Wyoming
696-4502

The economic viewpoint

Business works to prevent drug abuse

By HOWARD J. GROSSMAN

A relatively new organization could have significant impact on the goal of substance abuse prevention. The Foundation for a Drug Free Pennsylvania was created through the joint efforts of Governor Robert P. Casey and Attorney General Ernest E. Preate, Jr. and Pennsylvania private industry through the Pennsylvania Business Roundtable and the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry as well as other business and professional organizations. Currently, chaired by Robert M. Valentini, President and CEO of Bell of Pennsylvania, the Board of Directors of this Foundation includes leading corporate executives, the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO, and the Pennsylvania Medical and Bar Associations, as well as others.
The vision of the Foundation is to bring labor and management, the educational system, existing drug and alcohol programs and resources, the media and government together in support of a coordinated effort working toward the goal of having Pennsylvanians live and work in an environment free of drug and alcohol abuse.
Formal operations of the Foundation were initiated in August 1991. Since that time, the Foundation has employed a full time Executive Director and has created a number of new programs mainly dealing with drug abuse in the workplace. Among its accomplishments have been the following:
Seven regional commercial workplace seminars were presented across the State. These seminars addressed both substance abuse problems in the workplace and program skills development aimed at dealing effectively with these problems. More than 600 individuals, representing both management and labor, from 300 small and medium sized Pennsylvania businesses and non-profit health and human service organizations attended. Follow up calls were made to every participant company within a four to six week time span. The data secured from these

calls demonstrated that one third of all participating companies have already initiated written drug free workplace policies, employee assistance programs and in several cases, pre-employment drug testing. Others are requesting technical assistance from the Foundation.
The Foundation has already been singled out as a model private/public partnership program by the President's Advisory Council on Drug Abuse.
The Foundation is currently developing a full protocol for school districts to assist them in complying with federal and state drug-free school mandates to establish drug and alcohol abuse free workplaces in each of their schools.
National materials which have been produced by both the Partnership for a Drug Free America and the Advertising Council are being adapted for statewide use with a small start-up grant from Pennsylvania State funds to launch this initiative. Private funds are also being sought to expand this program.
The Foundation will be developing a model Small Business Employee Assistance Program for businesses with less than 100 employees.
Efforts will continue to assist employers and employees in creating drug and alcohol free workplaces through seminars, written materials and technical assistance.
The Foundation Board of Directors has developed a five year strategic plan. Some of the characteristics of the strategic plan include the following:
Continuation of the Drugs in the Workplace seminars.
Providing free on-site technical assistance to organizations that have attended the seminars.
Instituting a comprehensive, multi-tiered "Drugs Don't Work Here" employer program which will involve four different points of contact on the part of employers. These contact points are as follows:
—Employers that commit to becoming a drug free work environment to receive Foundation support materials.

—Employers that agree to become drug free worksites and that attend Foundations seminars.
—Employers that have published and disseminated drug and alcohol policies, that offer employee assistance programs and conduct pre-employment drug testing that meet standards set by the Foundation.
—All of the above plus giving preference in contracting and subcontracting to other "Drugs Don't Work Here" employers.
Insuring that employee assistance programs and drug testing consortia are available throughout the State.
Developing relationships with insurance carriers, the Department of Labor and healthcare providers with the longer term goal being the securing of discounted rates for "Drugs Don't Work Here" employers.
Serving as a facilitator in fostering cooperation or resolving disputes between diverse segments of the drug-alcohol program and resource community.
Eventually developing a directory of drug programs and resources.
Developing a comprehensive and statistically valid survey of Pennsylvania employers for use in measuring progress in future years.
The above represents some of the 20 strategies that have been developed by the Foundation's Board of Directors.
The Foundation for a Drug Free Pennsylvania has much to offer the employer community of the Commonwealth. As it seeks to create awareness and to focus attention on a variety of strategies designed to eliminate substance abuse, the Foundation needs the support of the Commonwealth employer community of over 264,000 of which 250,000 are businesses with 0 to 50 employees. Anyone interested in learning more about the Foundation can contact the organization at 105 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101, (717) 232-0300.
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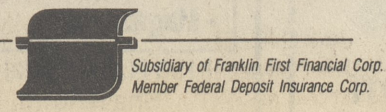


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