

## Back Mountain briefs

### Free Medicare info available

The Keystone Peer Review Organization, Inc. (KePRO) helps Medicare enrollees in Pennsylvania to understand their basic rights. Enrollees can call KePRO's toll-free hotline, 1-800-322-1914, if they have questions concerning their Medicare rights, or to register complaints about the quality of medical care they received in Pennsylvania hospitals or nursing homes, or through home health care. KePRO's services are free to Medicare enrollees. KePRO provides free brochures and wallet cards that describe enrollees' rights, and information about where they can turn for help. KePRO also has a free Speaker's Bureau, available to talk to groups about Medicare rights. Call toll-free 1-800-322-1914.

### Named to VNA Hospice board

Back Mountain residents Maureen Moran, Dr. Charles Krivenko and Robert Matley have been named to the initial Board of Directors of Hospice Care of the VNA, a new nonprofit home health care program from the Visiting Nurse Association. Hospice care is a medical program designed to provide comfort and support, physical, emotional and spiritual for terminally ill patients and their families. For more information about Hospice Care of the VNA or any other VNA home care services, call the VNA at 283-0681 or 1-800-432-0791.

### Fly-tying courses start Jan. 16

The 8th annual Stanley Cooper Sr. Fly Tying Classes are scheduled to begin on January 16 for eight weeks. Beginners and advanced tyers also benefit from instructors' experience and may learn some new techniques. The course begins with an introduction to hooks and materials. Students will tie a Woolly Bugger. Later sessions will cover wet flies and nymphs, streamers and dry flies and terrestrial patterns. The cost of the course is \$40, which includes instruction and materials. All students must bring or may buy a set of tools. Enrollment is limited to 25 students and always fills fast. For more information, call course chairman Mike Romanowski at 287-3981 or 287-2127 evenings.

### Genealogical Society slates film

At its January meeting the Northeast Pennsylvania Genealogical Society will present a workshop designed to help those who are just becoming interested in researching their family history. A film outlining beginning steps will be shown, and experienced genealogists will offer additional information and answer specific questions about how newcomers can get started in their search. Everyone is welcome. There is no charge. The program will be held January 24 at 7 p.m. in the second floor meeting room at the Veterans Administration Hospital, East End Boulevard, Wilkes-Barre. For further information, call Marge Sawyer at 288-7609.

### Group forming for parents of autistics

A group of parents of children with autism is planning to organize in order to meet, exchange information and provide support for one another. All local parents of autistic children are welcome. The first meeting is set for Thursday, Jan. 19 at 7 p.m. at Lowe's Restaurant (near the Sterling Hotel), 35 West Market Street in Wilkes-Barre. Parking is available in the rear. For more information, call 675-0992.

### Lake-Lehman school board meets Jan. 17

The Lake-Lehman Board of School Directors will hold their regular monthly meeting for general purposes January 17, at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

### Lake Twp. recycling center open Jan. 14

The voluntary recycling drop-off center for Lake Township will be accepting recyclables January 14, from 10-12 noon at the township building. The following items may be dropped off: aluminum and bi-metal cans, clear, brown and green glass, plastic #1 and #2 only. No motor oil containers can be accepted.

### Employees of two firms aid Make-A-Wish

The employees of the Ken Wallace Dealerships and Jack Williams Tire & Auto Service Centers, recently contributed \$3,400 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northeastern Pennsylvania. The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northeastern Pennsylvania grants wishes to children with terminal illnesses and life-threatening medical conditions. Founded in 1989, the local foundation has granted nearly 110 wishes in Northeastern Pennsylvania. For more information or to contribute contact the Make-A-Wish of NEPA at 480 Scott Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 or call 829-3235.



### Were you a good little girl?

The GFWC-Harveys Lake recently held "Santa Photos" at the Rave's Store in Shavertown, coordinated by Libby Bryant, Jane Balavage, and Jennie Valick. Donations were taken to fund the cheer baskets delivered to the elderly at Harveys Lake during the Christmas season. Autumn Galka, daughter of Susan and Michael Galka of Noxen, had her photo taken with Santa.

## Officers of Trucksville U.M. Women are installed

The Rev. W. Charles Naugle, pastor of Trucksville United Methodist Church, installed the officers of the Trucksville United Methodist Women at the 11 a.m. Worship Service on January 8. Officers are: president, Bonnie Pajka; vice president, Evelyn Roberts; secretary, Margaret Johnson and treasurer, Barbara Glowach. Mission coordinators are: Christian personhood, Eleanor Coolbaugh; Christian social involvement, Nancy Dukes; supportive community, Lorna Laskowski; Christian global concerns, Cora Porter; program resources, Dorothy Williams; membership chairman, Elsie Johnson; publicity, Barbara Glowach; key woman, Blanche Atherholt; sunshine secretary, Kay Palmer and kitchen coordinator, Betty June Mathers. Kitchen Committee members are Betty June Mathers, chairman; Joan Meehan and Maude McHenry. Nominating committee members were Barbara Glowach, Helen Gaylord, Betty Reese and Nancy Dukes.

## Rev. Lucinda Stafford-Lewis appointed by Trinity Church

The Session of the Trinity Presbyterian Church, Dallas, announces the appointment of the Rev. Ms. Lucinda Stafford-Lewis as Parish Associate. Her ministry will be in Christian education, working closely with Sunday School teachers and youth fellowship advisors. She also looks forward to working with the Board of Deacons in their ministries and will participate in worship leadership on a weekly basis. Trinity Presbyterian Church is located at 105 Irem Road, Dallas, next to the old junior high. The Rev. Robert Murdock is pastor. Rev. Stafford-Lewis is a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary and was the protestant chaplain at Mercy Hospital in Wilkes-Barre. Prior to that appointment, she served as the Associate Pastor of the Church of Christ Uniting in Kingston. She lives in Plymouth with her husband, John and their children Rachel and Taylor.

## VNA begins hospice

The Visiting Nurse Association has developed a hospice care program, which will begin services in early 1995. Hospice care is a medical program designed to provide comfort and support, physical, emotional and spiritual for terminally ill patients and their families. Hospice care neither hastens death or prolongs life. When a patient with advanced disease realizes that curative treatments are no longer of benefit, the patient may elect to

utilize hospice care. The goal of the care is to enable the terminally ill patient to live at home, as comfortably as possible, making the last stages of life as meaningful and fulfilling as possible. Hospice Care of the VNA will recruit a group of volunteers from the community to assist the professional staff. For more information about volunteering call the VNA at 283-0681 or 1-800-432-9791.

## Religious services

**BACK MOUNTAIN HARVEST ASSEMBLY** - 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville. 696-1128. Pastor, Daniel S. Miller. Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Saturday, 7 p.m. prayer. Wed., 7 p.m., "Out of Bounds" youth service. Midweek home groups; call for days and times. Weekday prayer 6:30-7:30 a.m. Visitors welcome.

**DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Bealla, Pastor. Sunday School, 9 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** - 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. 675-3616. Pastors, Rev. James A. Wert, Rev. Harriet L. Santos. Music Dir., John Vaida. SATURDAY: 5:30 p.m., Chapel Service. SUNDAY: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services. Visitors expected. Sunday study classes, 10 a.m. PHONE-A-PRAYER 675-4666.

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH** - 196 N. Main St., Shavertown. Rev. Harold R. Baer, Jr., Pastor. Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Church School for all ages 9:45 a.m. Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month and festivals. Everyone Welcome! Office Hours: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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