

Special church services

The Brethren in Christ Church on Hartman Road will hold its annual Christmas play, *Conrad*, December 17, at 6:30 p.m. followed by refreshments and fellowship.

The play, which includes original set design, will be performed by members of the church's youth group.

There is no admission charge and the public is invited to attend. For directions or further information call 477-3637.

A Candlelight Vesper Service, sponsored by the Friendship Class of the Lehman United Methodist Church will be held December 17 at the church.

A music prelude by organist Dorothy Dawe, will begin at 4:10 p.m. The service beginning at 4:30 p.m. will be given by the Reverend Richard Santella.

The choir directed by Linda Pinenio will present an introit and two special anthems.

The public is welcome.
The Adult Choir of the Sweet Valley Church of Christ will present a musical entitled "Joy, the Gift of God", a journey into the heart of Christmas, which has, and always will be joy, the centerpiece of Christian life.

"Joy, the Gift of God" will be presented December 16 and 17 at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited.

The Sweet Valley Church of Christ is located on the left hand side of Main Road, Sweet Valley approximately 2.5 miles from Route 118 (Sheldon's Lunch).

For more information concerning other Christmas celebrations call 477-2320.

The Back Mountain Harvest Assembly invites the community to attend the third annual Outdoor Live Nativity.

The event will be held at the Back Mountain Harvest Assembly Church, 340 Carverton Road, Trucksville, December 21 and 22 at 7 p.m. Raindate is Saturday, December 23.

Free refreshments will be provided including hot chocolate, cookies and hot dogs and marshmallows roasted over an open bonfire.

For more information call Pastor Daniel Miller at 696-1128.

The children of the Shavertown United Methodist Church will present a Christmas musical, "Wise Guys and Starry Skies," by Kathie Hill, December 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Barbara Zarambo will direct the musical production, which portrays the Magi from the East who followed the star that led them to the Christ Child.

Parents of children are assisting with directing, costumes, scenery and choreographing. This presentation is open to the congregation and the community.

Following the program, members of the church will go caroling in the community.

The Dallas United Methodist Church would like to invite the community to a special afternoon of music and worship on December 17 at 4 p.m.

The service will feature music of the season by soloists and instrumentalists, as well as the Chancel, Praise and Alleluia Choirs of the Dallas church and the choir of the Albright United Methodist Church from Wilkes-Barre. A brass ensemble will also perform.

Also participating in the service will be the children and youth of the Sunday School featuring the reenactment of the Nativity. Refreshments will follow the service in the fellowship hall served by the youth.

The community is also invited to attend the traditional Candlelight Communion Christmas Eve Service set for 7:30 p.m. on December 24, with special music beginning at 7:15 p.m.

The Children's Choir of the Sweet Valley Church of Christ will present a musical, "Rip Van Christmas," Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.

"Rip Van Christmas," based on the fairytale of "Rip Van Winkle," is a heart-warming drama of a brother's and sister's prideful argument over a Christmas program. Everyone is invited.

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Kristy Rice recently received a special award commemorating her record four consecutive years as top artist in the Suzanne Mariati Memorial Art Exhibit. The award was presented by Joseph Mooney of the Pinebrook Inn.

Kristy Rice honored for years as top Rosetti artist

Kristy Rice of Trucksville recently received an engraved plate by Joseph Mooney of the Pinebrook Inn. The plate commemorates Rice's record three-year span as the Rossetti Art Exhibits highest award.

The Suzanne Maria Rossetti Art Exhibit is an annual juried art competition sponsored by Joseph and Sue Hand each March and is open to all 7-12th grade students who reside in, or study art in, the Back Mountain, Tunkhannock or Northwest School Districts.

The Pinebrook Inn has sponsored Rossetti's most prestigious Award for the past several years. Rice is an art education major

in her freshman year at Penn State University's main campus, State College. She was chosen as the winner of the Pinebrook Award for Excellence by three different teams of judges over a period of three years for works produced in a variety of media.

No other student in the 15-year history of Rossetti has achieved this multiple record.

The daughter of Fulton and Linda Rice of Trucksville, Kristy is a 1995 graduate of the Dallas Area School District. She has received numerous artistic honors and awards and she plans a career in the visual arts.

Memorial books donated

The Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas announces the addition of the following memorial books to their collection.

In memory of Georgine Petroskas Shamis "Women's Bodies, Women's Wisdom", "Our Health, Our Lives", "The Good Housekeeping Illustrated Guide to Women's Health" presented by Robert and Margo McGilvrey.

In memory of Eleanor Barnes "First Ladies" presented by Duncan and Kay Whitehead.

In memory of Elizabeth Volpetti "Stories and Early Novels. Vol. 1", "Later Novels and Other Writings. Vols. 2" presented by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Romanowski.

In memory of Frank E. Parkhurst III "Count Me In" presented by Dr. Charles B. Reif.

In memory of Homer Moyer "Rubenstein: A Life" presented by Bruce and Beth Rosenthal. "Charles Kural's America" presented by Robert and Mildred Krum.

In memory of Edward Natt "Poet's Market 1996" presented by Class of 1942 Kingston Township High School.

In memory of Catherine Brace Newhart "Statistical Abstract of the United States 1995" presented by Class of 1942 Kingston Township High School.

In memory of Florence Tremayne Crump "Prayer and Poems for Christmas" presented by Nancy Kozemchak.

In memory of Florence Tremayne Crump "Wanderer-Fantasia Symphonies Nr.4", "Missa Solemnis" presented by Wilfred Adams Jr. and Betty Sue Adams. "Midnight In the Garden of Good and Evil" presented by Elin Northrup. "The End of the Nation-State" presented by Jean and Henry Otto. "Ireland and the Irish" presented by Dorthea and George McCutcheon. "The American Musical Theatre Song Encyclopedia" presented by Laurel and John Ichter and Robert and Eleanor Fleming.

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DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Bealla, Pastor. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9 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 Valda. SATURDAY: 5:30 p.m., Chapel Service; SUNDAY: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services; WEDNESDAY: 7 p.m. mid-week Chapel Service. Visitors expected. PHONE-A-PRAYER 675-4666.

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