BMT Land Trust to sponsor tour of local historical sites

Once there was everything there-homes, schools, a church, a hotel, the livelihoods of hundreds of people. Now, little else but foundation stones and memories remains of the lumber towns of Ricketts and Stull, the tannery at Noxen and the ice-cutting industry at Mountain Springs.

Many of the thousands of forested acres that surrounded and supported Ricketts and Mountain Springs, the property of Civil War hero Col. R. Bruce Ricketts (whose stone mansion still stands at nearby Ganoga Lake), became the heart of Ricketts Glen State Park. Much of the land surrounding Noxen and Stull is now a part of State Game Lands No. 57 which is adjacent to Ricketts Glen State

On June 7, the Back Mountain Regional Land Trust wil sponsor a tour of the sites of Noxen, Stull, Mountain Springs, and Ricketts. Commentary will be given by F. Charles Petrillo, author of Ghost Towns of North Mountain: Ricketts, Mountain Springs and Stull, and by Jay Krothe, Ricketts Glen State Park naturalist.

There is no charge for this tour but donations will be welcomed. Funds raised will help support the land conservation activities of the Land Trust, a nonprofit group formed to assist landowners in Luzerne, Wyoming and Susquehanna counties who wish to preserve their land from development pressure.

The tour will be held weatherpermitting on Sat., June 7, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Grange Bank parking lot in Noxen, intersection of Routes 309 and 29. It should conclude by 12:30 p.m. Carpools and bring-your-own picnic lunches will be the order of the day. The tour's raindate will be Saturday, June 14. A word of advice is in order: there are no facilities along the way.

For reservations (appreciated but not required) or further information, call 675-2274, day and

Environmental day camps at Frances Slocum this summer

The popular Youth Environmental Learning Series will be conducted once more at Frances Slocum State Park. These programs run for nine hours over a three day period. The programs are set to run as follows: please specify which session you prefer when registering.

Ages 4-5, June 25-27 or July 9-11. Ages 6-8, July 16-18, or July 23-25. Ages 9-13, Aug. 6-8 or Aug. 12-14.

All the programs are free, but accommodate your needs.

class size is limited. All participants must pre-register.

Registration can be done by phone on June 4 and 5 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. For information or registration, contact Kathy Kelchner at 696-9105.

If you need an accommodation to participate in park activities due to a disability, please contact the park at 696-9105 or contact the Pennsylvania AT&T Relay Service at 1-800-654-5984(TDD). The Pennsylvania Bureau of State Parks will gladly discuss how to

Grange #567 will hold flea market

Mountain Grange #567 will hold a Flea Market on Sat., June 7, 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. at the Grange Hall in Carverton, across from Bodle Road. Lunch and snacks will be available. Whimpies, hot dogs, cole slaw, various pies, cakes and desserts, coffee, tea, soda.

To rent tables please call 696-1452 or 287-6354.

Hoagies, ordered previously, will be available at a cost of \$2.50 for either turkey or roast beef. To order call 696-1452, 287-6354, or 288-7496. Please specify turkey or roast beef and whether you want onions

Pasties, ordered previously, will also be available for pick up on this date. To order call 696-1452, 287-6354 or 288-7496.



NEAREA donates robes

NEAREA Telephone Pioneer Club donated several lap robes for use by the guests of the Star Hill Rest Home, Beaumont. Shown at the presentation ar Tanya Christ, Treasurer of NEAREA; Edith Robinson, guest and Barb Zacharias, proprietor of the home. NEAREA is affiliated with the Independent Telephone Pioneer Association of Washington, D.C. and more closely with the Independent Telephone Companies of the North East AREA of Pennsylvania mainly Commonwealth Telephone Co., of Dallas, The North-Eastern Penna Telephone Co. of Forest City, and North Penn Telephone Co. of Mansfield. The purpose of ITPA is to assist telecommunications industry associates (1) with a practical means to form enduring friendships, (2) to render service to others, (3) to build better communities, (4) to promote charitable activities that members can support and (5) to preserve the history, traditions, and ideals of the Independent telecommunications industry.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

BACK MOUNTAIN HARVEST ASSEMBLY - 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville. 696-1128. Pastor, Daniel S. Miller. Christian Education for all ages, 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wed., 7 p.m., 'Genos" 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. Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. 675-3616. Pastors: Rev. Douglas and Janet Bryant Clark. Music Dir., John Vaida. SATURDAY: 5:30 p.m., Chapel Service; SUNDAY: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services. Visitors expected. PHONE-A-PRAYER 675-4666.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - 196 N. Main St., Shavertown. Sat. Worship 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Worship 8:30 and 11 a.m.; Sunday Church School 9:45 a.m.; Cry Room and Nursery available. Bible Study 9 a.m. Tues. mornings and 7 p.m. Wed. evenings. Rev. Robert K. Bohm, Interim Pastor. Phone 675-3859. Everyone Welcome.

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH OF LEHMAN - Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday morning service 11 a.m.; Sunday evening service 6:30 p.m.; Wed. night prayer meeting 7:30 p.m.



UM Trucksville holds salad dinner

Recently the Susanna Children and Family Fellowship of Trucksville United Methodist Church held their annual salad supper to honor mothers, daughters, and their friends. The evening began with a silent auction. Each year the moneys realized from the auction support the mission activities of the Fellowhip. This year a contribution will go to the Zimbabwe Ministries for the support of Africa University. Lois Gross, President of S.C.F.F. greeted the 100 guests who enjoyed the salad supper. The entertainment which followed was provided by the Moran Sisters. This group of children from the Back Mountain sang selections from "The Sound of Music." Among the guests, seated from left, were: Ruth Perkins Pritchard and her sister, Minera Perkins Owens, both 50 year members of the Church and standing: Ruth Owens Roberts and her daughter,

Children's worship service June 1

The Children's Day Worship Service will be held at Trucksville United Methodist Church June 1 at 10 a.m. Children's Day has been a tradition in the Methodist Church since 1868. The first one was held at Trucksville 75 years ago. This year the service will focus on "Learning The Scriptures of Our Faith." In addition to the regular Sunday School lessons and activities during the year, each class and age level has been learning and memorizing various Scriptures or parts of the Bible such as

The Ten Commandments, The Beatitudes, The Books of the Bible, The 23rd Psalm and other selected texts. They will share these with the congregation at the Sunday Service.

Following the service, everyone is invited to the Educational Facilities from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for games, prizes and the year end

The Sunday School Superintendents are Tania Reinert and Sandy Race. Rev. W. Charles Naugle is Pastor.

Trucksville UM covered dish dinner

The United Methodist Women of the Trucksville United Methodist Church will gather in the Fellowship Hall of the Educational Building at 6:30 p.m. on June 3 for their annual covered dish supper. Dessert and beverages will be provided by the serving commimttee consisting of Margaret Johnson, Nancy Dukes, Lorna Laskowski and Barbara

Following the meal, Nancy Dukes, coordinator for Spiritual Growth will lead those gathered in devotions. A special program entitled "Sunday School in Zimbabwe" will be presented by Florence Krieger. Florence is the president of the Scranton District United Methodist Women and has made several trips to Zimbabwe to help train members of the Zimbabwe Conference in Christian Education

The Annual Back Mountain luncheon will be held at the Irem Temple Country Club at noon on June 4. Reservations can be made through your local unit.

Campus Ministry collecting bags

Members of the Salt and Light Committee of College Misericordia's Campus Ministry are collecting backpacks and assorted bags to send to refugees and potential refugees in African countries.

The committee is looking for new or used backpacks in good condition or other bags made of canvas or other sturdy material, not plastic or paper. The bags will be sent to people in African villages who are in danger of being attacked and need to have bags to take their clothing and other necessities with them as they flee.

The committee will collect bags until May 30. All donations may be brought to the Campus Ministry lounge in McAuley Hall, or the College Chapel in the Administration Building.

For more information call the Misericordia Campus Ministry at 674-



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Luzerne County Women's Conference to be held June 7

Shakti Gawain, the internationally known writer, lecturer and teacher in the world consciousness movement, will be the featured keynote speaker at the 1997 Luzerne County Women's Conference. Gawain will be presenting her own life and work, along with the ideas and tools she set forth in her book, Path of Transformation and her new book, The Four Levels of Healing. Shakti will also be presenting a two hour workshop, which will include guided meditations and a question and discussion time.

Vision Transformation Harmony, the theme for this year's 13th annual conference, was inspired by Shatki's work.

This year's conference planning committee, is pleased to announce that there will also be 65 workshops in addition to Gawain's, which is the most to date. Seventy four presenters from N.E.PA, as well as the Philadelphia area and NJ, will be gathered at Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus, Lehman, for this day of networking for women, men and young adults. The 67 workshops fall under the headings of Go Creative, Taking Care of Business, Frequent Flyers, Lighten Up, To Life, and Self-Transformation.

Registration brochures for this year's conference can be acquired at local public libraries, colleges, many businesses in the area, and city, state and county representatives offices. Registration fee is \$26, lunch if desired, is being offered for an additional \$6, senior citizens, 65 or over, get a \$5 discount and teens, under 18 are invited free of charge. For more information, call 717-675-9114.

The conference will be held Sat., June 7 starting at 7:45 a.m. with opening session beginning at 8:15 a.m. in the Recreational and Athletics Building on PSU Wilkes Barre Campus, Lehman.

Drew Harding will be two

Drew Robert Harding, son of Brian and Dawn Harding, Dallas, is celebrating his second birthday on Sat., May 31. Drew is the grandson of Robert and Faye Geisinger, Plymouth and Ken Harding, West Chester, PA and the late Barbara Harding. Drew is the great-grandson of Thomas Meyers, Plymouth and Esther Harding, West Chester. Drew has a brother, Brandon, who is four years old.



St. Therese's Altar and Rosary will meet

St. Therese's Altar and Rosary Society will meet on Wed., June 4 in the social room at 6:30 p.m. for a covered dish dinner, followed by the monthly meeting. Plans for the Dinner and Theatre trip to the Music Box on August 14 will be discussed as well as volunteering at the Mercy Center. Everyone attending the meeting should bring their favorite covered dish and place setting. Krazy Bingo will follow and items should be gift wrapped for the game. Dessert will be served by Band #3 consisting of Monica Mickiewicz, Terry Brown, Fran Ochman and Carole Paxton. Every woman from the parish is cordially invited to attend and participate in the fellowship of food and fun.

Methodist Women's lunch set for June 4

The annual Back Mountain Methodist Women lunch will be served at 12 noon at the Irem Temple Country Club on Wed. June 4. Entertainment will be provided by Catherine Bolinski and Virginia Swanson. Their program will be entitled "Blessed Assurance: A Woman and Her Music" (Fanny Crosby).

Host churches are Centermoreland Charge, Dallas, Kunkle and

DHS class of '77 reunion July 5

The Dallas Class of 1977 is holding their 20th class reunion on Sat. July 5, at Four Seasons Golf Club, in Exeter, at 5 p.m. Those who have not yet sent in their response please do so now. Deadline is by June 1, 1997. Any questions call Nan Parry at 287-5546 or Barb Burkhardt at 696-1601.

SENIOR MENUS

Senior Citizen Centers sponsored by the Luzerne/Wyoming Counties Bureau for the Aging offer hot noon meals Monday through Friday to people 60 years of age or older. Donations from participants are gratefully accepted and needed in order to expand this program.

The following is the menu for the seek of June 6. All lunches include margarine, milk and cof-

MONDAY - Turkey divan, apple cobbler, sliced beets, whole wheat bread, cinnamon applesauce.

TUESDAY - Pasta w/meatballstomato sauce, green beans, Italian bread, chilled fruit cup, tossed salad/Italian dressing, parmesan

WEDNESDAY - Pierogies w/ onions-butter, hot fruit compote, broccoli, whole wheat bread, sher bert, cottage cheese salad.

THURSDAY - Baked chicken, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, chocolate chip cookie, cranberry sauce.

FRIDAY - Corner Deli Day Deli hoagie w/lettuce-tomato, chips, mayonnaise, pineapple chunks, minestrone soup.

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