

### Ham dinner at St. Paul's November 1

An old fashioned family style ham dinner will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown on Nov. 1. Takeouts from 4:30. Serving 5-7 p.m. Adults \$6.50, child \$3. Tickets call 675-3859 or at the door.

### Prince of Peace craft show November 5

The Prince of Peace Episcopal Churchwomen are planning their 21st Annual Craft Fair to be held Wed., Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Parish House, Main Street, Dallas. Some of the featured craftspeople include: Bernardine Vojtko, Tina Urban, Eileen Sichter, Nulton & Kreller, Bonnie Bell Baker, Stephanie Marquette and Hugh Malone Sr. They will offer wares such as wood-working, ceramics, floral items, jewelry, and specialty painting. The women will have "Attic Treasures" (a booth of older items), in addition to their booths including Christmas crafts, needlework, hand-stenciled items, jellies, jams and baked goods. A special feature this year will be a display and sale of Guatemalan weavings, sponsored by Women for Guatemala of Wyoming Valley.

The kitchen will be open all day, offering home-made soups, sandwiches and pies. There will be free parking and no admission charge. The public is invited to this annual Back Mountain event.

### DM student council holds first dance

Recently the Dallas Middle School student council held its first school wide dance of the year. The dance proceeds will be donated to Matthew Rondina's family to help defray his medical expenses. Matt is a seventh grade student at the middle school. He and his parents attended the dance and were warmly welcomed by everyone. Banners of support and encouragement decorated the entrance. Over a \$1,000 was raised by the Dallas Middle School students for this worthy cause.

### Free x-rays of candy November 3

Penn State Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center will offer free x-rays of Halloween treats on Mon., Nov. 3, from 1p.m.-3 p.m. Participants are asked to take their treats to the radiology department, main floor of the hospital.

### Roads closed Oct. 29 & 30 in Jackson Twp.

The Jackson Township Board of Supervisors have announced the closing of Weaverton Road in Jackson Township on Wed., Oct. 29 and Thurs., Oct. 30, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The purpose of the closing is for pipe replacement work. Any questions or comments call John J. Wilkes, Jr. roadmaster/supervisor at 675-6008.

## WHAT A FRIGHT!

On October 24 Miss Norine Amesbury and the Student Council hosted the Halloween Dance for the Dallas Middle School 1997-98 school year. During this event, Mr. Daniel Flynn and his Science Club presented a "Haunted Walkthrough" in the school's courtyard. As the students entered, they were greeted by a narrator who told the story of a mad doctor and the summary of her life: "The Dallas Middle School Haunted Courtyard."

Many years ago, in the 1940's, Isabelle Monroe graduated from Harvard University with a Ph.D. in medicine. She excelled at her profession, but soon began declining because of missing patients. Her occupation ended with complaints of unwanted surgery and pains caused by missing parts of the human body - she kept these parts as souvenirs. Around 1949, Dr. Monroe chose a rather different occupation for herself, teaching. She loved children, especially middle school aged. Within a few years, the concerned friends and family mem-

bers of lost students and patients took their revenge on this insane woman. Now, journey back through time and follow the course of this sick doctor.

The students were then escorted into a haunted courtyard. The first stop was a horrifying doctor performing surgery. Then the students passed through pumpkin patch and approached a sensory station filled with items that represented Dr. Monroe's "souvenirs" - a kidney was represented by a cooked eggplant, a heart by a hard Jello ball covered in oil, a liver by a sweet potato drenched in oil, and peeled grapes represented eyeballs. The students were blindfolded before feeling the "souvenirs." A graveyard led the spooked students to a horrifying classroom scene. Mrs. Joan Rakowski represented the "mad" Dr. Isabelle Monroe. Toward the end, Dr. Monroe spoke a few words and had a last laugh from her coffin.

Written by Dallas Middle School students Elizabeth Eby and Laura Vodzak.



Mr. Dan Flynn attacked the "Spice Girls," from left, Kristin DeBuray, Vicky Tasselmyer, Camilla Conte, Erica Swatko, Kelly Blinn.



Kristin Vodzak held up one of the organs removed from John Walter.



Matt Carey woke from a "deep" sleep.

POST PHOTOS BY CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK

### Anthracite Trails Assoc. making progress on Back Mountain Trail

Anthracite Science Trails Association recently had a raffle drawing (August) for a handmade quilt donated by Judy Price of Trucksville.

Joyce Jobson of Senator Lemmond's office in Dallas won the quilt.

\$1,165 was raised from sales that will go to future construction of the Back Mountain Trail. For

information and volunteer opportunities, call Judy Rimple at 675-9016 or Julie McMonagle at 696-5082.

Update on Trail development: Right of Way is 90% secured for the first mile of the Back Mountain Trail from Luzerne Borough on Parry Street at the west end of Main Street and D.A.M.A.

On the United Way Day of Car-

ing, September 11, 33 corporate volunteers from Mellon Bank, Forty Fort Lumber, Wyoming Seminary, Governor Ridge's office plus Anthracite Scenic Trails members helped clear the first mile



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of the Back Mountain Trail from Luzerne to DAMA. On October 13, Columbus Day, 15 people cleared trees in the pathway, and widened the existing trail. The Borton Lawson Design drawings are completed. Construction of the first mile will begin this winter.

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