

MR. AND MRS. EDWIN BURNELL

Burnells note 50th anniversary

Edwin Burnell and the former Ione (Pony) Sorber, were married January 31, 1948 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Fort Montgomery, NY. Their best man was Gerald Burnell and their matron of honor was Irene Rose. Edwin and Ione now reside at Outlet Road, Harveys Lake.

A party was given in their honor by nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. The party for 50 guests was held at Faux's Countryside Inn, Lower Demunds Road, Dallas.

Mardi Gras for youth at St. Therese's

The 2nd Annual Mardi Gras celebration will again be hosted by the High School Youth Ministry of St. Therese's Church Sunday, Feb. 23 from 6-? p.m. in Father Sammons hall. Along with other fun activities for people of all ages, there will be a contest for the best hat and best mask in each of three age groups: youth, teen and adult. If attending, please bring with you a covered dish for six and a wrapped "gift" (can be serious or silly) for the Nonsense Auction, funny hats and masks also encouraged as the entire event is intended to be just plain fun. For more information please contact Paulette Dougal at 675-4389 or Jamie Kozemko at 696-3595.

Genealogical Soc. slates beginners workshop

The Northeast Pennsylvania Genealogical Society will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room located on the second floor of the Wilkes-Barre Veterans Hospital.

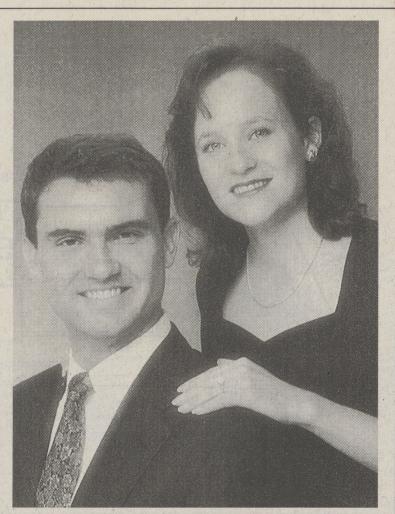
This meeting will be in the form of a workshop for beginners - "How to get started and where to look for records." New and experienced genealogists are invited to attend the workshop which is free and open to the public. For further information, call Tammy Lamb, 779-4643.

World Day of Prayer service at Shavertown UMC Mar. 6

This year is the 111th World Day of Prayer Service hosted by Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. Thirteen Back Mountain chuches will gather together for worship and prayer on Fri., March 6 at 1 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to join in this celebration that is observed by Christian Communities all around the world and this year has been written by the Christian Women of Madagascar. The Gospel came to their island in 1818 by the missionaries who taught them about Christian love and relationships, which is ingrained in their culture to be good neighbors. Their

selected theme for this service is "Who Is My Neighbor?" This service is sponsored by Church Women United of Wyoming Valley. Child care will be provided and a Fellowship Tea will follow the service.

The following churches will be



JEFFREY DRAKE AND KIMBERLY SMITH

Jeffrey Drake will take Kimberly Smith as bride

Announcement is made of the engagement and approaching marriage of Kimberly Lynn Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Smith of Elk Rapids, Michigan and Jeffrey Allen Drake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Drake of Baton Rouge, Louisina. Mr. Drake is the grandson of the late George F. and Ruth (Morgan) Swartwood of Dallas.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Elk Rapids High School, Elk Rapids, Michigan. She earned a bachelor's degre in French and German from Western Michigan University in 1992. She is employed by Pfizer, Inc. as a healthcare consultant in Dallas, Texas.

The prospective groom is a 1987 graduate of Episcopal High School in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering in 1991 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology He will graduate in the spring of 1998 with a Master of Business Administration from the University of Michigan.

The couple will exchange vows on May 9, 1998 in Saline, Michigan.



BACK MOUNTAIN BRIEFS

Trucksville UMC pork, sauerkraut dinner

The United Methodist Women of the Truckville United Methodist Church will serve their annual pork and sauerkraut dinner on Feb. 28. The menu will consist of roast pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, applesauce, homemade apple and cherry pie, hommade biscuits and a beverage.

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The dinner will be served in the fellowship hall of the Educational Building of the Trucksville United Methodist Church, Church Road, just off Rte 309, Trucksville. Takeouts will be available from 4-5 p.m. and serving in the hall will be from 5-7 p.m. The cost of the dinner is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 11 years old and under. Tickets may be purchased by calling the church office, 696-3897 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. or from any U.M.W. member.

The proceeds will be used in the many mission projects of the United Methodist Women, local, national and global.

Jr. Bowlers selling candy bars

Back Mountain Junior Bowlers will be selling candy bars on Fri., Feb. 20 from 4-7 p.m. and Sat., Feb. 21 from 1-4 p.m. at the BiLo food store in Dallas. We are selling M & M's, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, Kit-Kats, Snickers and Jolly Ranchers. These will be sold at \$1 each. We thank you in advance for your support.

New Civil War reenactors to meet

The 1st Maryland Cavalry, Company C., C.S.A. (dismounted), the area's newest Civil War reenacting organization will hold an organizational meeting at the Hoyt Library, Wyoming Ave., Kingston, on Sat., Feb. 21 at 11 a.m. All those wishing information on the group and reenacting in general are urged to attend.

As a reenactor, members will take on the persona of a 19th century individual and actually live the life of a person of this time (1860's) in camp and on the Civil War battlefield. The 1st Maryland Cavalry Co. C. portrays a dismounted cavalry group belonging to Army of Northern Virginia 1862-65.

Membership is open to anyone with a serious interest in America's Civil War who wishes to actually live the event and not simply talk about it.



Piano concert Feb. 23 for the arts

Arts at Hayfield will be hosting a dessert reception Mon., Feb. 23, at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Raymond Jackson Piano Concert which will be held at 7 p.m. at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus in Lehman. Both are free and open to the public. Standing from left, are Louise Hazeltine, Karen Brace-Hodle, Mary Reddy, Anita Singer, Tom Robinson, Janis Winter, Dolores Leehan, Pat Smith, Barbara Scavone, (bottom) Bobby Steever, Dr. David Chin, Joan Diana, Gerald Leehan, Mary Ghilani. For more information, please call or RSVP at 675-9228.

participating: Dallas Trinity Prebyterian, Dallas Methodist, Gate of Heaven Roman Catholic, Huntsville Christian, Huntsville United Methodist, Idetown United Methodist, Lehman United Methodist, Prince of Peace Episcopal. St Frances Cabrini Roman Catholic, St. Paul's Lutheran, St. Therese's Roman Catholic, Trucksville United Methodist.

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. Sunday School 9 a.m., Morning Worship 10:30 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. <u>Visitors expected</u>. 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 School 9:45 a.m. Rev. Charles H. Grube, Pastor. Phone 675-3859 for more information. Everyone Welcome!

Lions Clubs learn about eye surgery

The Dallas and Harveys Lake Lions Clubs recently hosted the monthly meeting of the Lower Wyoming Valley Eye Bank at the Castle Inn, Dallas. Dr. Jay Tanner, a member of the Dallas Club gave an informative presentation on radial keratotomy and other recent innovations concerning eye surgery.

Shown in the above picture from left are: Bob Koch, Eye Bank Treasurer. Jack Williams, President, Dallas Lions; Bernie Walko, Eye Bank Treasurer; Violet Kravabloski, Eye Bank Secretary; Rosemary George, Eye Bank Pledge Chairman and Dr. Jay Tanner.

Meadows seeks weekday volunteers

The Volunteer Department at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, is seeking volunteers to fill the following positions:

Tues, Thurs., Fri., 9:30 a.m. -11 a.m. - help the Activities Department by reading to residents - polishing nails - make up, coffee hour, or escorting residents in wheel chairs to and from activities. Tues. and Wed., 2 to 3:45 p.m.

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call the Volunteer Dept. at 675-8600, Ext. 138.



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