

Nominations sought for environmental award

The Pennsylvania Environmental Council's Northeast Regional Office, on behalf of the NE PA Partners, is pleased to announce that plans are underway for the Eighth Annual Environmental Partnership Awards and Dinner to be held in October of 1998. From its humble beginnings, the Environmental Partnership Awards and Dinner has become an outstanding annual event to honor the environmental movement in NE PA. The Awards Dinner has had many outstanding keynote speakers in the past, including John Oliver, Secretary of the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and John Sawhill, President of The Nature Conservancy. We hope to continue on this path of excellence as the years progress and the public support increases.

In presenting these awards, the NE PA Partners join together to recognize outstanding accomplishments and teamwork in pro-

tecting and conserving our environment. One criteria for award selection is a demonstrated quality of involving and working successfully in partnership with others. This theme of partnership is most pronounced in the Awards Dinner itself. The dinner presents a common gathering place where private citizens, organizations, government officials and businesses with an interest in environmental issues come together in partnership to honor individuals and/or organizations for excellence in environmental protection or conservation in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

A Call for Nominations for the Environmental Partnership Awards will be publicized by mid-April. Should you have any questions about the Award or the Dinner, please contact the Pennsylvania Environmental Council at 717-408-4997. We look forward to seeing you at the Awards Dinner.

BMT Senior Club holds meeting

The Back Mountain Senior Citizens Club, under Project Head, met recently at St. Therese's, Shavertown.

The April business meeting was brought to order by Lillian Soveroski, president. A prayer poem was submitted by Kay Hudak followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reports were given by Sophie Kapral, recording secretary, Joseph Baltrushes, treasurer, Ethel Baltrushes, membership, Irene Katyl, Fosco representative.

The birthday table for the month of April was hosted by Kay Hudak, vice president of the club.

Honorees were Peg Adamitz and Elsa Maughan. The decor was in keeping with the Easter season.

Also winners of 50/50 raffle were Chet Molley and Lamer Fiorini.

Members are reminded of the "Sleeping Bag" project, under the

direction of Lillian Soveroski held each meeting day (first and third Thursdays) from 11 a.m. to meeting time of 1 p.m. Help is needed, and most welcomed.

Also the club is still collecting used eye-glasses, discarded greeting cards and Sure-Fine labels.

The club will hold a photo contest April 16, with members bringing in their own pictures from infancy to young adult age, with all members guessing the identity of each photo. Prizes will be awarded.

The Back Mountain Senior Citizens Club is a nondenominational organization under Project Head, and is open to all seniors, 50 years of age and older.

All meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of each month at Father Sammons Hall, St. Therese's Church, Shavertown a 1 p.m. unless otherwise announced.

The meeting was brought to a close with Nick Pericci rendering a poem entitled *Friendship*.



Beth Gardner places at talent competition

Beth Gardner takes home medals from Talent Explosion

Elizabeth Gardner, a dance student of tap, jazz, funk, ballet and pantomime with Bob and Kris Oberst, owners and directors of Back Mountain Dance Studio, Dallas, recently competed at the Calvacade of Stars Talent Explosion in Somerset, NJ.

Competing in solo categories, Beth received a bronze medal in tap, silver medals in photogenic, funk and novelty, and a gold medal in pantomime. She received first place trophies in solo funk, pantomime, and novelty, which were given to the highest scoring overall winner in each category, regardless of age.

Competing with her partner, Elizabeth Ryan, daughter of Bob and Theresa Ryan, Harveys Lake, the girls received a silver medal and first place trophy in Duo Pantomime. They also received the High Point Duo Award, which

was given to the highest scoring duo of the competition, in any group or category.

Beth and Beth are also members of the award winning group Locomotion, which has won many trophies and medals in jazz, tap, pantomime and novelty while competing in various competitions throughout Pennsylvania and New Jersey. They will be competing again in dance competitions in McCaffey, NJ and King of Prussia, within the next few months.

Beth Gardner is the daughter of Christine Gardner, Dallas and Brian Gardner, also of Dallas. She is the granddaughter of Henry and Christine, Forty Fort and Pat and Fred Gardner, Dallas, and is the great granddaughter of Helen Wentz, Nanticoke and Catherine Polacky, Dallas.

Beth is a third grade student at Gate of Heaven, Dallas.

New books at BMT Library

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

FICTION

"With This Ring" by Amanda Quick
 "The Offer" by Catherine Coulter
 "Thorns of Truth" by Eileen Goudge
 "Here on Earth" by Alice Hoffman
 Also, "The Long Road Home" by Danielle Steel

NON-FICTION

"Greentown: Murder and Mystery in Greenwich, America's Wealthiest Community" by Timothy Dumas
 "Quick-Method Quilts"
 "Joy of Quilting" by Joan Hanson and Mary Hickey
 "Patchwork Quilting and Applique" by Jenni Dobson
 Also, "The Classic American Quilt Collection - Quilting Made Easy" edited by Karen Costello Soslits
 "Classic Country Quilts" by Jane

Townswick

Also, "Country Living's Country Quilts" by Mary Seehafer Sears
 "Better Homes and Gardens Great Patchwork Collection"

MYSTERY

"Murder on the Prowl" by Rita Mae Brown

LARGE PRINT

"Dazzle" by Judith Krantz
 "The Notebook" by Nicholas Sparks
 "Jack and Jill" by James Patterson
 "Total Control" by David Baldacci
 "The Ghost" by Danielle Steel
 "The Invitation" by Jude Deveraux
 "Sense and Sensibility" by Jane Austen
 Also, "Small Town Girl" by LaVyrle Spencer
 "Mrs. Washington and Horowitz, Too" by Henry Denker
 "At Home in Mitford" by Jan Karon
 "A Light in the Window" by Jan Karon



Annual Card Party and Bingo April 19

An Annual Card Party and Bingo, sponsored by OLMC Women's Society, will be held at Our lady of Mount Carmel Church, Route 29, Lake Silkworth on Sun., April 19 at 2 p.m. Doors open at 1 p.m. Activities include, 15 games, cash prizes, door prizes, food and refreshments and a raffle. Donation is \$1.50. Pictured at a recent planning session, from left, Kathy Sukaloski, asst. chair; Lois Dropko, Chairman.; Lorraine Patlo, asst. chair.



Post Office presents stamps to Hand

The United States Postal Service recently made a stamp presentation of the "Alexander Calder" stamps to Sue Hand, area artist and the students of Sue Hand's Imagery, in recognition of their participation in March is Art Month. During the month, students from the region displayed their art at the Wilkes-Barre Post Office. The stamps feature Calder's kinetic sculptures and were designed by Derry Noyes. Postmaster Bill Brady, at right presents Sue Hand, at left, with the stamp presentation.

SENIOR MENUS

Senior Citizens Center 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 week of April 20. All meals include margarine, milk and coffee.

MONDAY - Sausage w/peppers, oven brown potatoes, carrots, whole wheat bread, fruited cookie.

TUESDAY - Liver and onions,

whipped potatoes, spinach w/lemon, whole wheat roll, peanut butter tandy cake.

WEDNESDAY - Baked fish w/creole sauce, parsleyed rice, vegetable medley, cranberry juice, rye bread, fruit cup.

THURSDAY - Barbecue rib, shells w/broccoli, buttered corn, grapefruit juice, sandwich roll, chocolate pudding.

FRIDAY - Cottage cheese and fruit platter, gelatin, carrot sticks, asst. crackers, vanilla cupcake, Manhattan Clam Chowder.

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