CALENDAR

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COMMUNITY

DEC. 19, CHILI & CORN BREAD SUPPER, Maple Grove United Methodist Church hall. Adults \$4.25; children under 12, \$2.25. Church is on the Sweet Valley Road in Pikes Creek, about 1/4 mile from the intersection of Routes 118 &

NEWSPAPERS for blind and elderly daily on WRKC-FM 88.5, 10 a.m.noon. Call Tom Carten at 826-

5811 for information FRIDAYS-BACK MOUNTAIN FREE MEDICAL CLINIC, at St. Therese's Church, lower level, corner of Pioneer and Davis St., Shavertown, welcomes all who are in need of medical care by competent doctors, nurses and staff. If uninsured or underinsured, we care to help. 6:30 p.m. Confidentiality assured.

BINGO every Thursday night at the Kunkle Fire Hall, Rte. 309, Kunkle. Jackpot, Early Birds, 5:45 p.m. regular games 7:15 p.m. BINGO every Sunday night at the

Shavertown Fire Hall, Main St., Shavertown, 6 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. Paperbingo. Jackpot, Magic Number. Smoking and non-smoking available. Refreshments.

BINGO, every Thursday, at St. Patrick Church Hall, Parrish St., (off Hazle St.) Wilkes-Barre. Early birds 5:30 p.m. Regular game 6 p.m. Food, refreshments, snacks. Contact Leona Flannery, 829-0449.

CHURCH

FELLOWSHIP EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH, Ladies Bible study Weds., 6:30-8 p.m. Thurs., 9-11:30 a.m. at Fellowship Evangelical Free Church, 45 Hildebrandt Rd., Dallas, (next to Dallas High School) For more information 675-

BAHA'I FAITH, The Baha'i Community of NE PA holds study classes every other Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Falls Twp. A social hour follows.

THE NORTH BRANCH FRIENDS (Quakers). Please call for summer hours. 824-5130.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

DEC. 12, CHRISTMAS, HANUKKA & KWANZA holiday readings, Back Mt. Memorial Library. Children four to eight invited. Students readers from the "America Reads" program at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus will be featured. "Holiday Storytime" is sponsored by Arts at Hayfield. For more info, call Linda Major at 717 450-3102.

DEC. 12, ALL ABOARD THE CHRISTMAS TRAIN at the Community College, train dealers, toy train displays, antiques and other items devoted to real and toy railroads. Campus Center Bldg., Luzerne County Community College, Nanticoke, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. 740-0424 or 1-800-377-LCCC, ext.

DEC. 13, CHRISTMAS CHORAL CONCERT, stucent concert, directed by John Vaida, veteran music department chair. Church of Christ Uniting, Market & Sprague Avenue, Kingston. Free.

DEC. 20. SILENT WAS THE NIGHT. Christmas Cantata, Kunkle United Methodist Church, behind the Kunkle Firehall, Rte. 309. 7:30 p.m. Information: Keith Benjamin,

THROUGH DECEMBER, 'PARADE OF TREES', vote for favorities, on display at Grotto Pizza, Harveys Lake. Contributions go to charity.

ATTHE KIRBY

DEC. 9, T'WAS THE NIGHT BE-FORE CHRISTMAS. The Children's Series, Series tickets \$18, individual \$7. Presented by the Kirby Center, 826-1100 or by Ticketmaster, 693-4100.

DEC. 11-12, "HOLIDAY SUR-PRISES!", NE PA Philharmonic, Fri., 7 p.m.; Sat., 2 p.m

DEC. 13, THE NUTCRACKER, David Blight School of Dance, 3 p.m., \$20, \$18, \$15, \$12.

DEC. 18-19, THE NUTCRACKER, ballet performed by Ballet Northeast. 7 p.m., \$12. 826-1100.

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Contra dance has cure for holiday rush Music

House and the Folklore Society will host the Harrisburg area band "Medicinal Purpose" for a New England Contra Dance Saturday, Dec. 12 at 8 p.m. The dance is held at the St. Therese's Church, Pioneer Avenue at Davis street in Shavertown, just

off Rt. 309. The event is promised as an elixir" for those who find themselves so rushed during the holiday period that they don't seem to have time to enjoy the special atmosphere that is part of the holiday season. Contra dancing is a community dance, and individual dancers become part of the co-operative effort that contra dancing repre-

sents. Medicinal Purpose has played for contra dances in the mid-Atlantic region since 1990, and they have produced a repertoire of music that includes Celtic, Appalachian, blue grass and swing tunes played with both drive and finesse. This performance will fea-

ture Ryck Kaiser on fiddle, Henry O'Brien on guitar.

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In contra dancing the caller actually done to the music. This gives everyone an idea of what to

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Smukler, from Syracuse, NY, will be the caller. He has been dancing since the mid-60s, and calling for dances since 1981. No partner or previous experience is necessary. Contra dancing is a moderately aerobic dance form, so dancers are encouraged to dress in light weight, casual clothing. A few waltzes and square dances are also usually part of any evening of contra dancing.

The Chicory house is an all volunteer nonprofit coffeehouse, sponsoring folk music and dance in the Wyoming Valley. Admission to the dance is \$6 for adults and \$15 for families. Dancers are asked to wear softsoled shoes and to bring a snack to share at intermission. Call 333-4007 for more information.

DEC. 14, CHRISTMAS MUSIC, Mozart Club of Wilkes-Barre. At Church of Christ Uniting, Kingston. Junior Mozart Club members will perform songs, poetry and instrumental music. 8 p.m. Free. Call 654-2162 for information.

BLOODMOBILE

DEC. 9, BLOOD COLLECTION, Lake-Noxen Elementary School, West Point Ave., Harveys Lake, 1-

EXHIBITS

THROUGH DEC. 12, CIDER PAINT-ERS OF AMERICA, 1998 National Exhibit of Miniature Art. The Waterlily, 103 Overbrook Ave... Shavertown. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

THROUGH-DEC. 19. FERDINAND BAUER: Australian Flower Painting. MacDonald Art Gallery, College Misericorida, Dallas. Tues.,-Thurs., noon-5 p.m and 6-8 p.m.; Fri., noon-5 p.m.; Sat., Sun., 1-5 p.m. 674-6250

THROUGH DEC. 20, "BUILDING A COLLECTION: A QUARTER CENTURY AT THE SORDONI ART GALLERY" from the permanent collection. Daily noon-5 p.m. Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre. 831-4325.

THROUGH JAN. 15, 1999 BEHOLD THE CHILD, The Everhart Museum, Nay Aug Park, Scranton. Special holiday exhibition of art from the Museum's permanent collection depicting children and the world of childhood. Portraits, toys, clothing and sculpture. Poems, riddles, games and storybook characters throughout the exhibition provide a special historical view of childhood. Wed.-Fri., noon-4 p.m.; Sat., Sun. noon-5 p.m. 346-7186.

DEC. 11, MARTIN SIMPSON, (Ancient Celtic Carols of the Season, British folk blues), acclaimed as the finest guitar player on the planet. In keeping with the season, Martin will perform ancient christian, pagan and apocryphal carols along with his usual blues and folk repertoire. Tickets \$8, (\$7 for supporting

Music

members.) Community Room, St. Stephen's Church, 35 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. All concerts begin at 8 p.m. doors open at 7:30

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DEC.13. HOLIDAY CONCERT, Wyoming Seminary Music Dept. continues a holiday tradition with a performance by the Madrigal Singers and the 100-voice Chorale. Under direction of John M. Vaida, the choirs will perform Vivaldi's "Gloria" as well as seasonal carols. This concert will take place in the Bank Building of Wyoming Seminary, 228Wyoming Avenue, Kingston, just north of Kingston Corners, at 3 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public. For further information, call Wyoming Seminary at 283-



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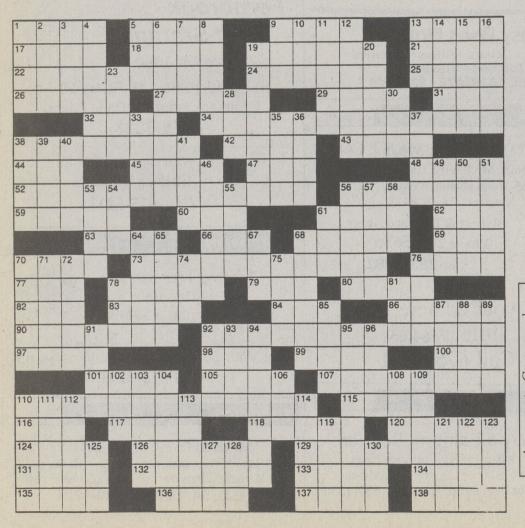
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