

'Grandma Merriman' will talk about American Girls

Calling American Girl fans: Come join in the fun with Grandma Merriman. Felicity's grandmother will be talking about all of your favorite characters from Pleasant Company and their time periods:

Felicity from 1774 and the early days of the American Revolution

Josefina from 1824 as the Sante Fe Trail pushed America west

Kirsten from 1854 living in the adventure of the American frontier

Ady from 1864 in her flight to freedom in the North and Civil War

Samantha from 1904 and the fast developing era of the Victorian times

Molly from 1944 on the homefront during World War II.

Explore these exciting time periods of American history and celebrate the lives of the brave girls who lived through them by joining Grandma Merriman to talk about your favorite characters and stories.

Grandma Merriman will be appearing Saturday, April 17 from 2-3 p.m. courtesy of the Tudor Bookshop at the Columbian Vol. Fire Station Social Hall located on Union St. - just off Wyoming Ave. (Parking available next to the Fire Station. Reservations are required to guarantee seating. For reservations call 288-9697.

Mozart Club concert April 19

The Mozart Club of Wilkes-Barre invites music lovers to attend its monthly concert which will take place on Monday, April 19 at 8 p.m. at Church of Christ Uniting in Kingston. The Mozart Club is pleased to present an evening of music by the Strauss family.

The concert will feature member Andrea Bogusko pianist and guest artists Enzo Liva, cello, Lynn Hurst, violin and Laura Heidt, soprano in music of both composers. The public is invited to

attend this event without charge. A social hour will follow the concert. Members are requested to be present at 7:30 p.m.

Ruth Martin is program chairman for the evening with Marilyn Banas and Julie Bojarcik serving as hospitality chairmen. The Mozart Club is a member of both the State and National Federation of Music Clubs. Mozart sponsors a Junior club for students and welcomes new members in both clubs. Interested parties may call 654-2162 or 472-3250.



Roast pork dinner at Gate of Heaven

Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas, will sponsor a Family Style Roast Pork Dinner on Saturday, April 24. The dinner includes salad, roast pork, stuffing, mashed potatoes, vegetable, applesauce, rolls, homemade cakes, pies, and beverage. Serving and takeouts will be available from 5-7 p.m. cost is \$6.50 adults, \$3.50 children younger than 10, and free for children under 5. Shown, first row, from left, Rev. John Lambert, Peg Canfield, Pat Manorek, Mary Darling. Second row, Linda Scholl, Marilyn O'Connell, Mary Weeks, Josie Bomberger, Dorothy Brennan and Irene Michaels.

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. William D. Lewis, Pastor. Sunday School 9 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

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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., Family Oriented Service; 11 a.m. Traditional Service. Sunday Classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Sunday Child Care Provided. 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 & 11 a.m., Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Phone 675-3859 or e-mail: stpaul@epix.net for more information. Everyone welcome! Rev. Charles H. Grube, Pastor.

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'Honest Abe' visits local group

Abraham Lincoln (in the person of Mitch Tullai) recently addressed the Wyoming Valley Civil War Round Table at its monthly meeting. Honest Abe is flanked here by Secretary Reese Pelton and Vice President Maureen Follmer. This Thursday, April 15, the Round Table will hear accounts of Colonel Porter Alexander's Artillery, particularly in landmark engagements including Gettysburg.

The Civil War Round Table is open to all persons with any degree of interest in America's defining event; expertise is definitely not required. The monthly meetings take place at 7 p.m. in the Dallas American Legion, and any interested person is invited to attend. For further information phone Ed Brewer at 675-3803 or Maureen Follmer at 735-2988.

JT Vol. Fire Dept. fund drive underway

The 1999 fund drive for the Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department is now underway. Carl Moyer has been selected to serve as the chairman for this year.

The fund drive is the only appeal that we ask the taxpayers of the township to support. Our members are committed to provide you with quality emergency services.

It is through the generosity of the Jackson Township residents that keep this volunteer organization a well equipped and efficient fire department, but we need more donations.

Please send in your donations, it may just save your life.

Audubon Society will meet April 19

The Greater Wyoming Valley Audubon Society will meet Monday, April 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dallas United Methodist church. Wildflower Folklore will be the program presented by Bob Wasilewski, vice-president of the Society. The presentation will include Bob's photographs of wildflowers of northeastern Pennsylvania, the origin of their common names and how early residents used these plants. It is free and open to the public.

Geranium sale aids Victims' Resource Ctr

The Victims Resource Center, which provides a variety of services to victims of violent crime in Luzerne and Wyoming Counties, has launched its Annual Geranium Sale. The geranium was selected by VRC for this annual fund raiser because of its hardiness and ability to produce flowers of striking beauty in the face of harsh weather and other adversity. The flowers are locally grown and are available in red and pink. The cost is \$2 each and the deadline for placing orders is Friday, April 23. Plants will be ready for pick-up on Thursday, May 6. Free delivery is available for orders of more than 50 plants. For more information contact VRC at 823-0765 (Wilkes-Barre) or 836-5544 (Wyoming County).

Hunter's art on display at Hoyt Library

Dallas resident Keith A. Hunter will show his paintings and watercolors at a one man retrospective at the Hoyt Library, Kingston, Sunday, April 18.

The Cultural Arts Committee of the Hoyt Library is sponsoring the exhibit as a part of its Cultural Arts Series. Guests will have an opportunity to meet the artist a reception to be held from 2-4 p.m.

Churches sponsor April 22 visit by Fr. Joseph Girzone

The Churches of the Back Mountain will sponsor an Evening with Father Joseph Girzone and Sister Dorothy Ederer on Thursday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Dallas Area Middle School Auditorium on Hildebrandt Road.

Father Joseph Girzone has gained an international popularity through his writings, which include the universally acclaimed Joshua series. Father Girzone was ordained for the Carmelite Order and held several teaching positions throughout their school system including several years in Pottsville, PA.

Father Girzone founded the Joshua Foundation in order to continue his ministry of bringing the story of Jesus to our day and

time. Sister Dorothy Ederer is a Grand Rapids Dominican Sister from Saginaw, MI. Her professional career included teaching on the junior high, secondary and college levels.

She presently serves as the Co-director of the Joshua Foundation, traveling and giving talks with Father Girzone. She has also written a number of books, including companion study guides to "Joshua" and "Who Will Teach me."

Admission to the evening is free of charge, although a ticket must be presented at the door. Tickets are available from the Rectory of St. Therese's Church, Shavertown, or by calling 696-1144.

Craft show, golf tournament will aid Boy Scout troop

"Bound for Britain" craft show will be held May 8 at Lehman Fairgrounds, Lehman 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Areas still available. Call Sue Lazur at 477-5012 or Dollie Hinton at 639-3291.

A "Bound for Britain" golf tournament will be held Friday, June 4 at Mill Race golf course in Benton. Many great prizes, includes game, cart, lunch and a prime rib dinner

buffet afterwards and also a commemorative T-shirt. Flight trophies and closest to hole prizes. Also hole in one on the 18th hole wins a free 3-year leased car from Wyoming Valley Motors.

For an application call Brian Suder at 639-5800, Sue Lazur 477-5012 or Dollie Hinton 639-3291. These fundraisers benefit area Boy Scouts and families going to England this year.

Young artist wins award

Robert John (R.J.) Tomascik, a fifth grade student at Sue Hand's Imagery, Dallas, has recently been named the recipient of the Hank Doran Memorial Art Award for an Outstanding Young Art Student of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Sponsored by Beth and Dick Dearden, the award was given to R.J. has studied art with Sue Hand for the past 5 1/2 years. He has won numerous awards for his artwork and exhibits regularly. He works in ink, colored pencil, watercolor, mixed media, gouache, acrylic, graphite and pastel. Besides art, R.J. enjoys playing baseball and soccer. He is a fifth grade student at the State Street School, and is planning a career in art. He resides in Courtdale with his parents, Robert and Susan Tomascik and sister Bethany. The award provides art supplies for a deserving young artist. Sponsors Beth and Dick Dearden, are both artists and former residents of the area. The late Hank Doran of Shavertown was a well-known pastel artist.



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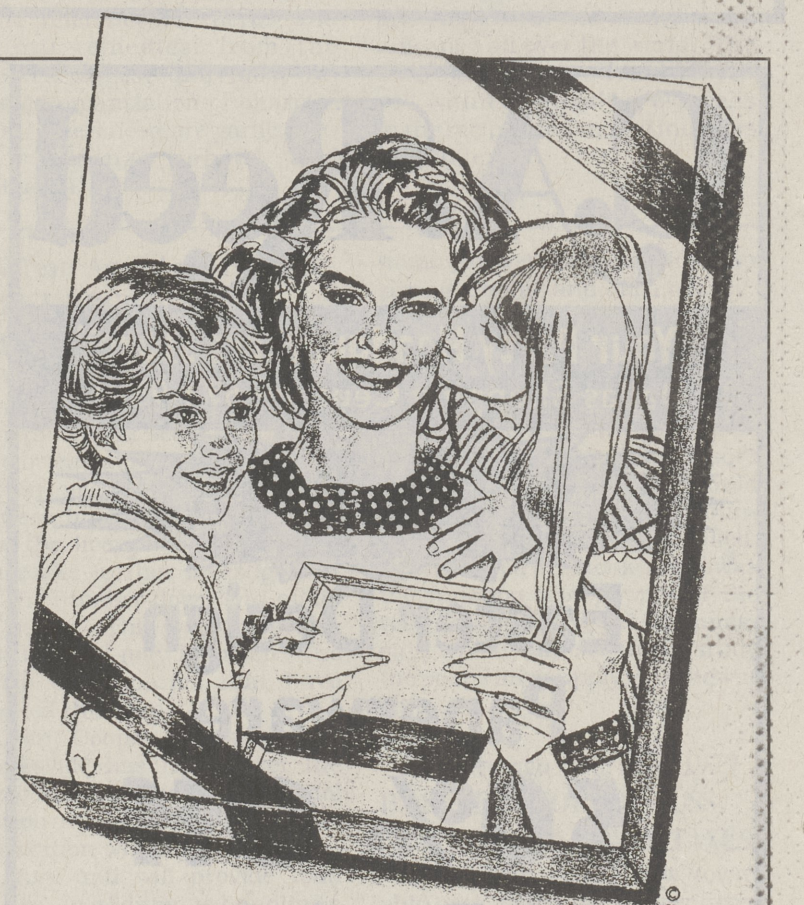


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