

Geraldine Nesbitt Orr gives \$3 million to Wilkes University

Mrs. Geraldine Nesbitt Orr, whose family has been associated with quality health care and philanthropy in Northeastern Pennsylvania since 1912, donated \$3 million to the Nesbitt School of Pharmacy at Wilkes University in honor of Abram Nesbitt 2nd.

Mrs. Orr named the school in honor of her first husband who died in 1982. The gift is the largest one-time gift in the 66-year history of Wilkes University. "Our family has always had an interest in the health of our community. This gift allows us to identify the Nesbitt name with one of the area's newest health care initiatives," said Mrs. Nesbitt Orr.

The Nesbitt family began their involvement with health care in 1912, when Abram Nesbitt donated the land for the West Side

Hospital. Abram Nesbitt and his brother Dr. Samuel Nesbitt helped build a new hospital on the west side of the Susquehanna River in 1928. In 1929, the name of the hospital was officially changed to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. In 1930, he married Geraldine Turner Townend and they had a son Abram Nesbitt 3rd.

The School of Pharmacy is named for Abram Nesbitt 2nd, a man who continued his family's dedication to improving life in the Wyoming Valley. He attended Wyoming Seminary and later graduated from Princeton University in 1930. Upon returning to the valley after graduation, he assumed a seat on the Governing Board of Directors of Nesbitt Memorial Hospital and served as its president until his death in 1982.



Dallas Twp. High School classmates gather for reunion

The Dallas Township High School class of 1945 held a luncheon at Picketts Charge restaurant in Dallas on September 9.

Attending were, back row, Wayne Elston, Melvin Compton, of Dallas; Jack Cook, Shavertown; Joseph Hardisky, Tunkhannock; Charles Gelsleichter, Silver Springs, MD; Russell Muchler, Luzerne; Leona Adams Hunter, Dallas; Daniel Koze (Kozemchak), Ashley.

Second row, Thelma Gelsleichter Husband, Rockville, MD; Carrie Phillips, Dallas; Carol Jean Mitchell Hilbert, Kunkle; Martha Hadsall Reese, Dallas.

Front row, Josephine Worbleski Matenus, Dallas; Helen Welsh Dymond, Dallas; Audrey Morris Lutsey, Dallas; Marie Polachek Bellas, Dallas; Pauline Rade Smith, Beaumont.

Not pictured, Edith Anderson Daron, Dallas; Irene Major Sittler, Dallas; Marylin Davis Reese, Dallas.

Huntsville UMW schedule meeting

Huntsville United Methodist Women will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Huntsville Methodist Church.

Ms. Dorothy Earl of the Windsor, New York United Methodist Church will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be "Global Mission".

Ms. Earl is a past president of the United Methodist Women of

the Wyoming Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church and represents the conference on the General Board of Global Ministries assigned to the Health and Relief Unit.

United Methodist Women from neighboring churches have been invited as guests to hear what it means to support the Global Mission.

Trucksville UMW will host craft show

The United Methodist Women of the Trucksville United Methodist Church will sponsor their 5th Annual "Autumn Harvest" craft show on October 16, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Education Building. Space is very limited, however there are still a few spaces available. Spaces are \$15 each and a table is provided. Anyone interested in reserving a space may call the church office at 696-3897 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. or by calling Barbara Glowach at 696-1093.

The United Methodist Women will serve luncheon beginning at 11 a.m. The proceeds from the show will be used in the many mission projects of the United Methodist Women, local, national and global.

St. Therese's Altar Society plans meeting

St. Therese's Altar and Rosary Society will meet in the social room at 7:10 for Rosary followed by discussion of final plans for the annual Birthday Tea, to be held October 10. All women of the parish are invited to attend. Hostesses will be Alice Hudak, Lillian Soveroski, Dell Luke and Jane Wallace.

Shavertown UMC plans garage sale

Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown annual garage and bake sale will be held Oct. 16 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. donations for the sale (no shoes/boots; clothing must be cleaned and wearable) will be accepted from Oct. 10-15. Bake sale items will be available, there will be a children's pumpkin patch and a silent auction featuring a beautiful white afghan, a one of a kind watercolor print, a glorious Christmas wreath and autographed pictures of the famous, Jean Parris, and Madalaine Volpetti, are looking for volunteers to help them get organized and to work the day of the sale. For more information, call 675-3616.

Carverton UMW holding fall sale

The Women of the Carverton United Methodist Church will have their fall sale, Oct. 9 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Spaces can be rented. Please bring your own table. \$5 for outside, \$10 for inside. Call 696-3715 for reservations. Public is invited.

SENIOR MENUS

Senior Citizens Centers 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 October 11. All meals include margarine, milk and coffee.

MONDAY - Centers closed in observance of Columbus Day.

TUESDAY - Roast beef w/ mushroom gravy, whipped potatoes, vegetable medley, whole wheat bread, rice pudding.

WEDNESDAY - Ham & cabbage, boiled potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, oatmeal cookie.

THURSDAY - Sweet and sour chicken, Oriental vegetables, parslid rice, whole wheat bread, chilled pineapple.

FRIDAY - Picnic salad, lettuce-tomato, tomato juice, sandwich roll, mayonnaise, tapioca pudding, chili con carne.

Medicinal Purpose to perform at contra dance

A New England Contra dance sponsored by the Chicory House and the Folklore Society will feature the band "Medicinal Purpose" with Bob Nicholson as caller. The event occurs on Saturday, Oct. 9 at 8 p.m. at St. Therese's Church, Pioneer Avenue, Shavertown.

Medicinal Purpose includes Ryck Kaiser, on fiddle, Jamie Williams, guitar and Henry Koretzky on mandolin and hammered dulcimer. Their first recording "Uncorked!" has been widely praised by prominent folk music publications and radio show hosts.

The Chicory House is an all volunteer-non-profit coffeehouse, sponsoring folk music and dance in the Wyoming Valley. Admission to the dance is \$6 for adults and \$15 for families. No previous dance experience is necessary. Lightweight clothing is recommended.

Dancers may bring a snack to share at intermission. Information, 333-4007.



Medicinal Purpose will play in Shavertown

BIRTHS

PENN STATE GEISINGER

ELLIOTT, Dawn and Dale **BUTLER** Jr., Harveys Lake, a daughter, Sept. 4.

NESBITT

SERAFIN, Adam and Terry, Shavertown, a daughter, Sept. 15.

PERRY, Randy and Susan, Dallas, a son, Sept. 18.

JASKULSKI, Christopher and Ellen, Harveys Lake, a son, Sept. 19.

KENNEDY, James and Carole,

Trucksville, a daughter, Sept. 20.

BUCKMAN, Fred and Dana, Shavertown, a daughter, Sept. 23.

LONDON, Marisa and Walter TROY, Trucksville, a daughter, Sept. 23.

MERCY

PRICE, James and Megan, Trucksville, a son Sept. 24.



Volunteers spruce-up auction block

On September 9 the United Way of Wyoming Valley sponsored a Day of Caring as part of the kick-off for their 1999 campaign. Nearly 1,000 people went out into various communities and helped with 91 projects at non-profit organizations.

The Back Mountain Memorial Library was one of the beneficiaries of this program when the PNC Bank sponsored a group of volunteers who painted the auction block and the antique room. The volunteers came from bank branches in both Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties. Part of the day's program included a presentation about the library and its importance to the community. Grotto Pizza provided lunch for the workers.

Pictured are the PNC painters: Joe Boris, on the roof; on the ground, from left, Ed Levandowski, Linda Krumsky, Lori Charnogursky, Kay Evans, Anne Angelella, Mike Morgan, Natalie Gdovin and Sandy Derwin.

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