

## Shape Note Singers will gather

The Endless Mountain Shape Note Singers meet Sunday, Dec. 12, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Dallas. Singers and interested listeners are welcome, and there is no admission. The group sings a cappella four-part shape note music, and uses the "Sacred Harp," a collection of sacred songs, and anthems, published continuously since 1844 (loaner copies are available). The music is written in standard musical notation, but is supplemented by shaped note heads, originally intended to accommodate those who could not read music. The event is at Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, Main St., Dallas, off Rt. 309.

The musical tradition is for the singers to be seated in a hollow square, and to first sing the selected piece through using the syllables of the shape notation (fa, so, la, mi) before singing the words. The music includes 18th century New England fusing tunes, anthems, folk and gospel hymns, camp-meeting songs from the 19th century, and some modern tunes in these traditions. Shape note singers gather for enjoyment, not in preparation for performance. There is no need to proficiently read music, and all are welcome.

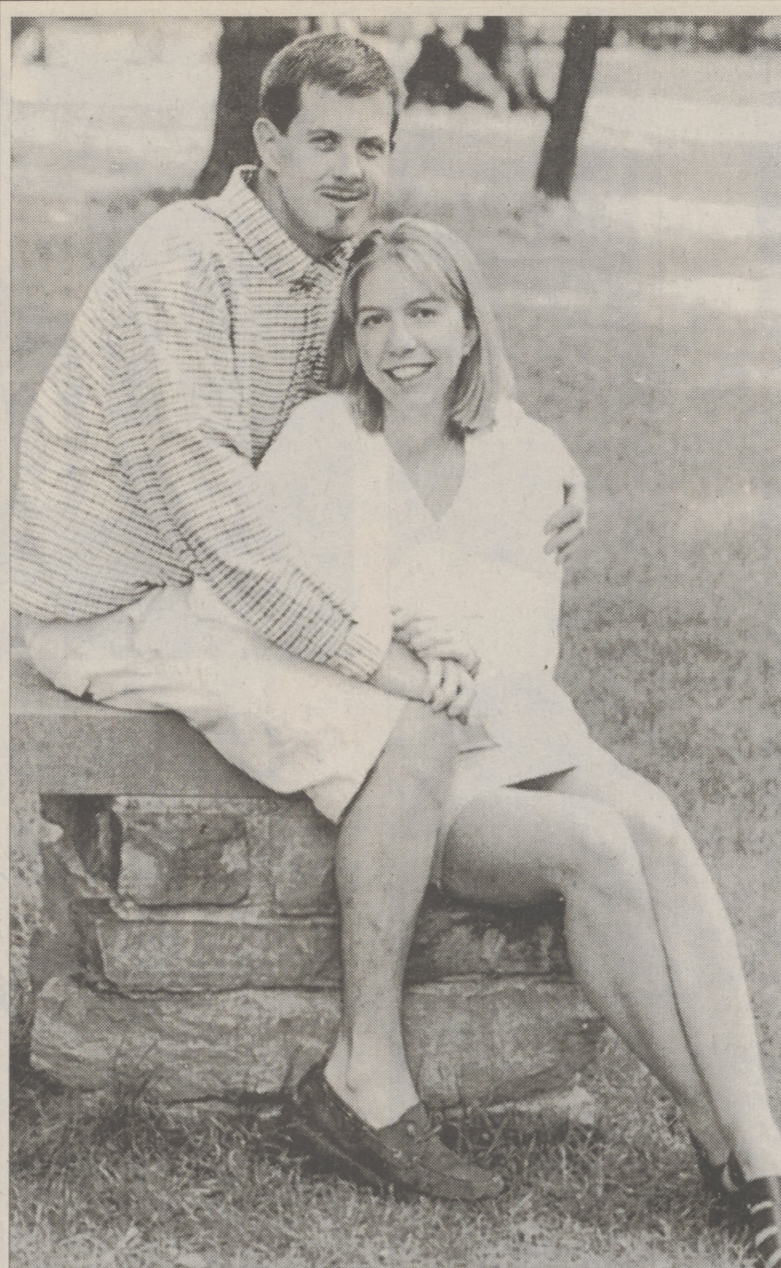
For further information contact David Martin at 333-4007.

## Kingston Township supervisors sponsoring holiday home contest

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors announce the arrival of the Annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest to be judged on December 16. The contest is sponsored annually by the Board of Supervisors and judged by the Recreation Commission. Residents interested in registering their home for the contest should visit the Municipal Building Ad-

ministrative offices or call 696-3809.

First prize is a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond. Second prize is a \$75 U.S. Savings Bond. When registering your home for the contest, please provide your name, address and social security number for the savings bond. The deadline for registering your home will be December 13, at 4:30 p.m.



ROBERT WOOD AND NICOLE MARIE STELTZ

## Nicole Marie Steltz and Robert Wood to marry

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Steltz, Dallas, announce the engagement of their daughter Nicole Marie to Robert Wood, son of Kathie McIvor, Tuscon, AZ and Max Wood, Memphis, TN.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Dallas High School and a 1998 graduate of Penn State University with a degree in Business Logistics. She is employed as rail operations supervisor by Cargill Inc., Memphis, TN.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of Mesa State University with a degree in mechanical engineering. He is employed as a field engineer for an industrial contractor in Memphis.

The couple will be united in marriage April 1, 2000 at St. Peter's Church in Memphis, with a champagne brunch reception to follow at the Woodruff-Fontaine House Museum.

### 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 December 13. All meals include margarine, milk and coffee.

**MONDAY** - Chicken parmesan, pasta w/tomato sauce, spinach, Italian bread, chilled pears, lemon.

**TUESDAY** - Beef stew, butter-

nut squash, buttermilk biscuit, orange juice, ice cream.

**WEDNESDAY** - Baked veal patty w/creamy mushroom gravy, whipped potatoes, sliced beets, whole wheat bread, Fig Newton, tomato juice.

**THURSDAY** - Stuffed chicken breast, stuffed baked potato, glazed carrots, dinner roll, chocolate ice cream w/cookie.

**FRIDAY** - Tuna noodle casserole, peas w/mushrooms, whole wheat bread, peach cobbler, grapefruit juice, birthday cake.

### Grief support group to meet Dec. 17

Hospice Saint John will be holding its monthly grief support group meeting on Friday, Dec. 17 from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Shavertown.

The meeting is free of charge and open to the public, will be facilitated by Rev. Peter Kuritz, chaplain.

For further information, call 603-7380 or 1-800-622-3315.



CHRISTOPHER R. GRAVER AND BRANDI FLEISHER

## Brandi Fleisher to wed Christopher Graver

Pastor and Mrs. Harry M. Fleisher, Jr. of Hummelstown announce the engagement of their daughter Brandi to Christopher R. Graver, son of Mr. Robert J. Graver of Wilkes-Barre and Nancy E. Graver of Shavertown.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Mountain View Christian School and Elizabethtown College, where she earned a degree in Business Administration.

She is currently employed as a Case Manager for BISYS Insurance.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Dallas High School and Lebanon Valley College, where he earned a degree in Political Science.

He is currently employed as a Process Supervisor for Morrison Knudsen Corporation.

The couple will be united in marriage on September 16, 2000, at Grace and Truth Bible Church in Hummelstown.

### Trucksville Nursery to perform 'Frosty'

Trucksville Nursery School's Parent Enrichment Group would like to invite preschoolers and their parents to their holiday performance of "Frosty the Snowman". The performance is open to the public Dec. 11 at 11 a.m. and admission is free. Santa will be there to hear Christmas wishes after the performance!

Trucksville Nursery School is located on Church Road in Trucksville. Any questions please call 696-3899.

### Shavertown Fire Dept. planning party

The Shavertown Volunteer Fire Department will be having their annual children's Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 11, from 1-4 at the Shavertown Fire Hall at 170 North Main Street. Santa will arrive by fire truck promptly at 1. Each child will receive a special stocking from Santa and goodies and refreshments will be served. Please call the fire hall at 675-1302 with any questions.

## Auction benefits GOH school

Gate of Heaven Elementary School, Dallas, hosted the 14th Annual Fall Auction on November 12 in the school auditorium.

More than 250 people turned out to bid on 150 donated items, including a vintage breakfast tray and dressing table hand painted by Lisa DeGraba. Tickets to the Rosie O'Donnell Show and the Wilkes-Barre Scranton Penguins prompted competitive bidding, as did a framed autographed photo of Joe DiMaggio which sold for \$325.

The auction, sponsored by the Gate of Heaven PTG, netted more than \$12,000 to benefit the school.



John Thompson, auction coordinator is shown organizing items at the 14th annual Gate of Heaven fundraiser.

### Lake Township taxes due December 15

Ruth Orloski, Lake Township Tax Collector reminds taxpayers that the last day to pay 1999 County-Municipal and School Property Taxes plus Per Capita taxes is Dec. 15. All taxes are now due at penalty value. Unpaid Property Taxes will be returned to Tax Claim Office, Luzerne County Courthouse for collection. An additional collection fee will be added.

All unpaid Per Capita Taxes will be forwarded to Berkheimer Assoc., for collection. An additional collection fee will also be added.

### RELIGIOUS SERVICES

**BACK MOUNTAIN HARVEST ASSEMBLY** - 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville. 696-1128. Pastor, Daniel S. Miller. Christian Education for all ages. 10:00 a.m. Worship 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 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. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m., Sunday School at 9 a.m.

**PRINCE OF PEACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**, 420 Main St., Dallas. 675-1723. The Rev. Robert A. Nagy, Rector. Sunday Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 a.m. Adult Forum 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School pre-K thru high school 10 a.m. Midweek Holy Eucharist Tues. 7 p.m. & Thurs. 10 a.m. Both are healing services on the second Tuesday and Thursday of the month. Bible Study Tues. 7:30 p.m. All are welcome!

**SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** - 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. 675-3616. Pastors: Rev. Douglas and Janet Bryant Clark. Music Dir., John Vaida. Saturday Services: 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Services: 9 a.m., Family oriented Service; 11 a.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary. 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 a.m. and 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.

### Sweet Valley Auxiliary selling cookies

The Sweet Valley Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary are baking Christmas cookies again this year. Orders must be in by Dec. 10. Pickup is on Dec. 17 at the Fire Hall, Main Road, Sweet Valley, from 4-6:30 p.m. To order, call 477-2176 or 477-5264.

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