CALENDAR

Calendar items are published free of charge. Generally, items will appear the two weeks prior to an event. To submit material, send it to The Dallas Post, P.O. Box 366, Dallas PA 18612, or bring it to our office at 45 Main Road, Dallas. Deadline is Friday at 3 p.m.

COMMUNITY

SWEET VALLEY FIRE CO. LADIES AUX. CHRISTMAS COOKIES. $3 per dozen cookies. Orders must be in by Dec. 10. Pickup at the Fire Hall, Main Road, Sweet Valley Dec. 17, 4-6:30 .m. To order call 477-2176 or 477-5264.

SLIGHTLY READ BOOKSHOP, Bk. Mt. Memorial Library, Mon. & Wed., 1-8 p.m., Sat., 10-5 p.m. Fiction, non-fiction, children, juvenile, classic, cookbooks, mystery, sci-fi, travel & others at great savings.

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. Paper bingo. Jackpot, Magic Number. Smoking and non-smoking available. Refreshments.

KIDSTUFF

DEC. 18-19, "UNHAPPILY EVER AFTER" children's musical at the Showcase Theater, 54 Tunkhannock Ave., Exeter. 654-2555.

AT THE KIRBY

Kirby Center 71 Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, 826-1100, or Ticketmaster , 693-4100 or www.kirbycenter.org

DEC. 16-17, 17-18, THE NUTCRACKER, performed by Ballet Northeast, F.M. Kirby Center, 71 Public Square, Wilkes-Barre. Thurs., Fri., 9:30 a.m.; $5; Sat., Sun., 7:30 p.m. $12, children $10.

CLUBS/GROUPS

ACOA (Adult Children of Addictions) and other dysfunctional families Support Group meetings are held for one hour every Tuesday at 8 p.m. and every Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Clearbrook Bldg. Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort. Attendees should park and enter from rear of building.

2ND MON. EACH MONTH THE NURTURING COMMITTEE OF WYOMING VALLEY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY will sponsor a series of general interest courses, 7-9 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 35 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. All courses are open to the public.

IDETOWN UM CHURCH COUPLES CLUB meets every third Saturday of each month Jan. through June and Sept. through Dec. New members are always welcome.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meeting in the Back Mountain:
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. (OD) at the Lehman Fire Hall, Lehman
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. (OD) at Loyalville Methodist Church.
Friday, 8 p.m. (OD) at St. Therese's Church Rectory, Pioneer and Davis St., Shavertown. OD: Open discussion; OS, Open speakers.

SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS, for ACOA (Adult Children of Alcoholics) and other dysfunctional families are held every Sun., 8 p.m. Blue doors of Mercy Center at College Misericordia, Dallas. For more information, call the Help Line at 829-1341.

OUTDOORS

DEC. 18, CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT, sponsored by the Northeast Pennsylvania Audubon Society. Dorflinger-Suydam Wildlife Sanctuary, White Mills. 253-1185.

Susquehanna Trailers Hiking Club. Unless otherwise noted, hikes meet at Kirby Health Center, 71 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Verify if weather is questionable. 654-3323.

DEC. 19, CHRISTMAS LIGHTS HIKE, Berwick, four to five miles. Meet at Mark Plaza, Rte. 11, Edwardsville, behind Long John Silver's. 693-2152.

The Lyric Consort presents 'A Renaissance Christmas'

The Lyric Consort, northeastern Pennsylvania's professional vocal ensemble, will present "A Renaissance Christmas," showcasing the sacred music of 15th and 16th century Europe through texts of the Advent, Christmas and Epiphany seasons. The program will be offered at 8 p.m. on Sat., Dec. 16 in St. Luke's Episcopal Church of Scranton, and at 3 p.m. on Sun., Dec. 17 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Wilkes-Barre. Receptions will follow each concert. Admission is $10, with a discounted price of $7 for students, senior-citizens, and WVIA members. For ticket reservations or more information, call 752-3953.

SPECIAL EVENTS

STAR-GAZING, Friedman Observatory at Penn State Wilkes-Barre, begins 8 p.m. on clear Wed. and Fri. nights. Sessions are free and open to the public. Groups of 10 or more are asked to call for reservations. For more information, call 675-9278

BLOODMOBILE

DEC. 16, DALLAS UM CHURCH, Parsonage St., Dallas, 12:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

EXHIBITS

THROUGH DEC. 30, GRAYDON, MAYER, watercolors and collage, The Tudor Gallery, The Tudor Bookshop and Cafe, 651 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, 288-9697.

THROUGH DEC. 31, REJOICING AN EXHIBIT OF ART WORKS by Susan Teal, Studio Cultural Center, 175 Main St., Luzerne. Works include mix media on paper, hand painted furniture. Opening reception Dec. 11, from 4-7 p.m. Public invited. Gallery hours Wed., Fri., 2-5; Thurs., 4-7 and Sat., 1-5 p.m.

EXHIBITS

WYOMING HISTORICAL & GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY, 49 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Research library. Museum with permanent exhibit on the anthracite era and local American Indians. 822-1727. www.whgs.org

CHURCH

DEC. 19, GOD'S GREATEST GIFT, A Christmas Cantata, Emmanuel Assembly of God Church Adult Choir, Harveys Lake, 7 p.m.

DEC. 18-19, THE NIGHT CHRIST WAS BORN, Adult choir of the Sweet Valley Church of Christ, 7:30 p.m. (nursery provided); Dec. 24, at 7 p.m. children's choir will perform Jingle Bells a children's Christmas musical.

STAGE

DEC. 16-19, A CHRISTMAS CAROL, musical version Tickets are now on sale, for dinner/show and show-only. Call 283-2195 or 1-800-698-PLAY for reservations.

DEC. 18, THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS, a holiday revue by the Joan Harris Dancers, Irem Temple, 52 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. 1 and 5 p.m. $5 advance, $7 at the door. 287-7977.

DEC. 17-19, THE GIFT, Back Mountain Harvest Assembly musical nativity production. 340 Carverton Road, Kingston Twp., 7 p.m. Free. Seating on a first-come basis. 696-1128.

HEALTH

DEC. 16, DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP, 7 p.m. Kistler Learning Center, Geisinger Wyoming Valley. Peter Kaminski, D.P.M., Doctor of Podiatric Medicine will present "Care for your Feet: Discussion on Proper Guidelines and Possible Complications." For additona information and/or reservation, call 825-1051.

DEC. 16, PEDIATRIC PLUS course 1-4 p.m. or 6-9 p.m. in the Healthy Kitchen, Cross Valley Centre, 667 N. River St., Plains. Course is intended for individuals such as day care workers, lifeguards and other personnel who act as first responders in a pediatric setting. Participants will be instructed on injury prevention, infant and child CPR, proper use of barrier devices when administering CPR, and removal of foreign body airway obstructions. Upon completion of the course, participants will be issued an American Heart Association Pediatric Plus card valid for two years. Fee for the course is $15. To register, please call 1-800-838-WELL.

MUSIC

Chicory House concerts held in the community room of St. Stephen's Church, 35 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Public information 825-8772. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. www.chicoryhouse.org.

WYOMING SEMINARY PERFORMING ARTS SERIES. Performances at the Bank Building, 228 Wyoming Ave. or the Buckingham Performing Arts Center, North Sprague Ave., both in Kingston. 283-6090.

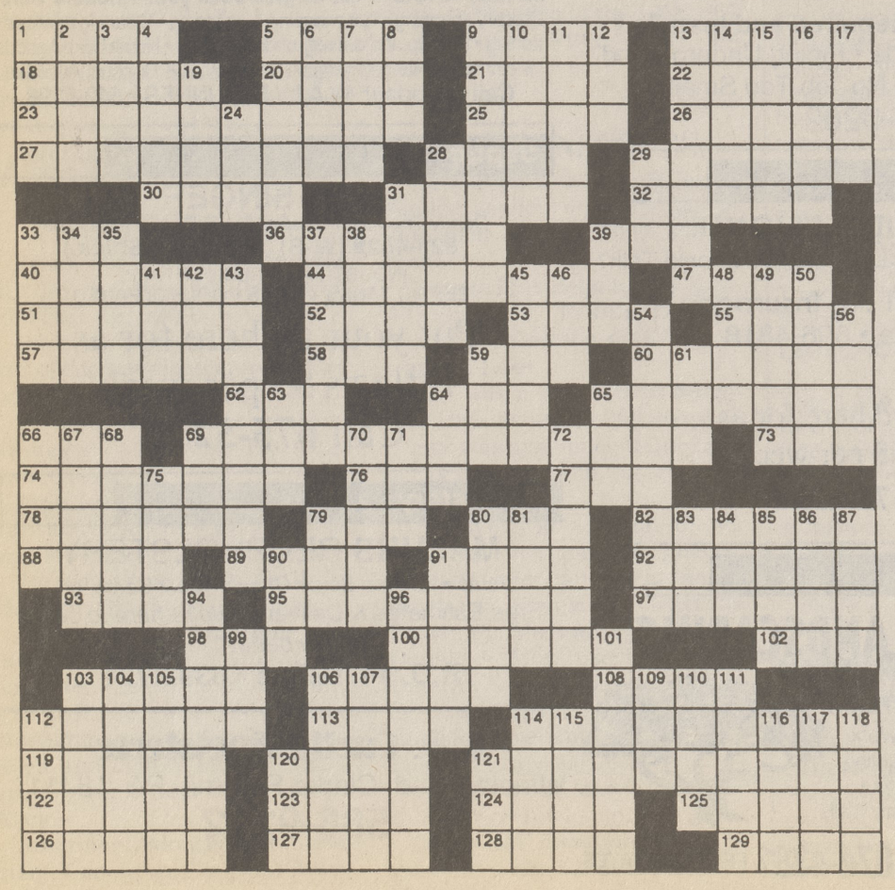
WILKES UNIVERSITY MUSIC DEPT., Dorothy Dickson Darte Center, W. River St., Wilkes-Barre. 408-4540.

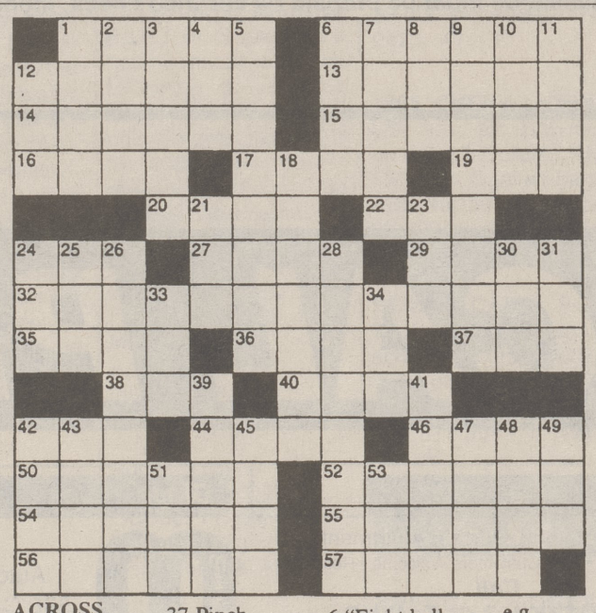
DEC. 12, ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MUSICAL at Fairmount Springs United Methodist Church, 2:30 p.m. Organ selections by Jill Kliamovich at 2 p.m. Everyone invited.

CROSSWORD CORNER

ACROSS
1 Zhivago's love
5 Touch up the text
9 It should be square
13 "Don't — it!"
18 Act like Etna
20 Birdbrain
21 Garfield's pal
22 Fragrance
23 Tennessee cry of denial?
25 "— Shuffle" ('77 song)
26 Long walks
27 Pleasant
28 Jeroboam contents
29 Way up
30 Vend
31 Get — (be successful)
32 Mikita and Musial
33 Find the sum
36 Spring holiday
39 TV's "— Sharkey"
40 Mature
44 North Carolina cry of encouragement?
47 Seizes suddenly
51 Join the leisure class?
52 Item for 37 Down
53 Live on lettuce
55 Coasted
57 Texas cry of sympathy?
58 Feel wretched
59 Writer Rand
60 Second Triumvirate member
62 EMT's skill
64 Everything
65 Dickens character
66 Yak
69 Pennsylvania cry of disgust?
73 — Moines, IA
74 He'll bend over backward for you
76 Grazing ground
77 Permit
78 Witch doctor
79 Hoopsters' org.
80 Exec's deg.
82 Utah cry of revulsion?
88 Chihuahua dough
89 Chihuahua snack
91 Italian port
92 Dwell
93 "Scat!"
95 Illinois cry of surprise?
97 Sampras and Rafter
98 Weeding tool
100 Duration
102 Chemical suffix
103 Buy off
106 See 129 Across
108 Orient
112 Uproar
113 Mr. Diamond
114 Least liberal
119 Gravel-voiced
120 Thailand, formerly
121 Michigan cry of chagrin?
122 Senator Kefauver
123 Cultural grp.
124 Nautical adverb
125 Concluded
126 Hackneyed
127 Big man on campus
128 Cunning
129 With 106 Across, legendary drummer

DOWN
1 Horne or Olin
2 "He's — Picker" ('14 song)
3 German valley
4 Church areas
5 Fit to feast on
6 Barbie or Ken
7 Unemployed
8 Sock part
9 "Le Misanthrope" playwright
10 Minneapolis suburb
11 Helped
12 Composer Delibes
13 Massachusetts cry of contempt?
14 Author Jong
15 Symbol
16 Forebodings
17 "Boss" Tweed's nemesis
19 What you used to be
24 Actor Kilmer
28 Baby basset
29 Egyptian viper
31 Playwright Fugard
33 Taj town
34 Sleuth Nancy
35 Kids connect them
37 Jockey giant
38 Darjeeling dress
39 Revolutionary Guevara
41 Drollery
42 Psychic Geller
43 Inclination
45 Tennyson tale
46 — rummy
48 About
49 Bank deposit?
50 Burn a bit
54 Quiet
56 Colors
59 Maugham's "Cakes and —"
61 Pro-gun grp.
63 Saucepan
64 Drillers' org.
65 TV's "Murder, — Wrote"
66 Huff and puff
67 Feels sore
68 Impertinent
69 Cops' org.
70 — grease
71 Indeed
72 Grievance
75 "Typee" sequel
79 Sgt. or cpl.
80 — Carta
81 Improve oneself, in a way
83 Turn right
84 DDE's predecessor
85 Tiny coin
86 Genesis setting
87 Hawaii's state bird
90 Veneration
91 Freeway sounds
94 Idaho cry of excitement?
96 Jack of "The Odd Couple"
99 Poetic preposition
101 "Hiroshima" author
103 Good time
104 Dread-locked one
105 Set in motion
106 Kevin of "In & Out"
107 Range rope
109 Actress Meyers
110 Seafood selection
111 Accent feature
112 Mus. directive
114 — contendere
115 Summit
116 "The Never-Ending Story" author
117 WWII gun
118 "The — Is High" ('80 hit)
120 Crestfallen
121 Lummox





ACROSS
1 Drizzles
6 New pop's handouts
12 Tesserae array
13 Weak
14 Founder of the Shakers
15 Most up to date
16 La, e.g.
17 Jodie Foster movie
19 Gun the engine
20 She's often thanked
22 Wahine's gift
24 Cleo's vanquisher
27 Shoe holder
29 Foul film
32 Mall
35 Football's Rote
36 Olfactory offender
37 Pinch
38 Letterhead abbr.
40 Harrow's rival
42 Heathcliff, for one
44 California city
46 Ardent
50 Tolerated
52 Leave the country?
54 List in a log
55 Khamenei's capital
56 Inventories
57 Oscar Madison's emulators

DOWN
1 Stereo counterpart
2 "– It Romantic?"
3 "The Crucible" setting
4 Draw
5 Plot outline
6 "Eight ball in the corner," e.g.
7 Sans omission
8 Comprehend
9 Cheese selection
10 Respond to yeast
11 Comedy show with Candy, Short, et al.
12 Beatnik's interjection
18 Made revisions
21 Cell energy source
23 Course for immigrants: abbr.
24 Request
25 Retiring
26 Senator, e.g.
28 Boastful types
30 9mm submachine gun
31 Navigator's aid
33 Corral
34 Expert
39 Office worker
41 Topped tortilla
42 Indy entries
43 Help, sneakily
45 Tote-board tally
47 Predicate
48 Tarbell and Lupino
49 Iniquity venue?
51 Happy companion?
53 Potential sushi

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By Louis Maurer

DIRECTIONS:
Fill each square with a number, one through nine.
- Horizontal squares should add to totals on right.
- Vertical squares should add to totals on bottom.
- Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE SOLUTION

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Time 6 Minutes 18 Seconds
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4				23
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	1			23
		9		29
26	28	29	22	23

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