CALENDAR

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COMMUNITY

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.

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.

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.

HEALTH

WYOMING VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS is conducting CPR and First Aid courses at the Chapter House, 156 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, 6-10 p.m. For more info, call the Health Services Dept. at 823-7161, ext. 37.

TOPS CHAPTER #PA 1396, Lehman meets at the Lehman United Methodist Church on Wednesday evenings. Weigh in is from 5:30-5:55 p.m. Meeting from 5:55 to 6:30 p.m. For more information call the Chapter Leader Karen Laskowski at 639-5207.

TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) Chapter 1360 meets every Thursday at the Shavertown Methodist Church, Shavertown. Weigh-ins from 5-6 p.m. followed by a brief informative meeting. Anyone interested is welcome to join as a guest for the first meeting. Call Crys Jennings 675-4336 or Margie Hislop 696-1212.

RECOVERY INC.: Self-Help Mental Health Since 1937, Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m. Shavertown U.M. Church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. This is a self-help group for people who suffer from anxiety, fear, panic attacks, depression, obsessions and other nervous symptoms. For more information, 331-2422.

EXHIBITS

MacDONALD ART GALLERY, College Misericordia, Dallas. Tues.-Thurs. noon to 5 p.m., and 6-8 p.m.; Fri., noon to 5 p.m.; Sat. Sun., 1-5 p.m. Free. 674-6250.

SHARING OUR ART, annual members exhibition. Opens Jan. 30 with a reception from 2 to 5 p.m. and continues through Feb. 25.

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

JAN. 9 - FEB. 13, SOUP TO NUTS: POP ART AND ITS LEGACY, Sordoni Art Gallery, Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre. Daily, noon to 4:30 p.m. 408-4325.

Musical tells USA's story

A reviewer of the current "*1776*" national-touring production wrote: "From the opening drum beats and cacophonous debate in the humid, fly-besieged chamber of the Continental Congress to the surprisingly stirring conclusion, there's hardly a dull moment in this production that proves how compelling a history lesson can be."

"*1776*", originally, opened on Broadway in March of 1969 and became a popular hit winning three Tony Awards including Best Musical and the prestigious NY Theatre Critics Circle Award.

After 30 years it has returned to tour the nation and will appear at the F.M. Kirby Center on Saturday, Jan. 29, at 8 p.m. The reason for its continues success is simple. To this comfortable , complacent, distracted nation, this comes as a reminder of our nation's origin and of the courage, commitment and determination of a remarkable group of men who created a new, democratic nation, free of subordination and released from obligation to any foreign power. The "*1776*" story is a reaffirmation that "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights; and among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

See "1776" at The Kirby Center in Wilkes-Barre on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2000 at 8 p.m. Tickets are $28, $38, and $45. For tickets and more information call the Kirby Box Office, 570-826-1100 or any Ticketmaster outlet 693-4100.

MUSIC

MOZART CLUB OF WILKES-BARRE, The club meets the third Monday of the month at Church of Christ Uniting, Market St., Kingston with a concert following each meeting at 8 p.m. and sponsors a Junior Club for students. For more info, call 472-3250 or 655-3184. Concerts open to the public.

NORTHEAST PA DOO-WOPP SOCIETY seeks new members. Meeting/social hour at Lispi's Lounge, Fox Hill Road, Plains Twp. first Tues. of every month, 7 p.m. for details call 842-0730 or 696-4325 nights.

CHORAL SOCIETY of College Misericordia, Dallas, is currently accepting tenors and basses. Rehearsals every Tues. beginning Aug. 31, 7-9:30 p.m. 674-6739.

MUSIC

NEW ENGLAND STYLE CONTRA - Dance with music By The Up-Hill String Band. Caller: Kate Charles. St. Therese's Church, Pioneer Ave. and Davis St., Shavertown. Feb. 12, 8 to 11 p.m. $6. 3330-4007.

THE ENDLESS MOUNTAIN SHAPE - Note Singers will meet Jan. 16, 4:30 p.m. at the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, Main St., Dallas. All singers, as well as listeners, are welcome. The group sings a capella four part shape note music. 333-4007.

YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION - Sponsored by the Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic Orchestra. Open to grades 7-12. First rounds on April 15-16; final rounds on May 6. Cash prizes. Applications: 457-8301. Website: www.Nepaphil.com.

MUSIC

THE CHORAL SOCIETY OF Northeastern Pennsylvania invites adult singers to join its Symphonic Chorus. Rehearsals are Mondays, 7 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Scranton or Tuesdays, 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Membership is $40. 969-1203.

SPECIAL EVENTS

SWETLAND HOMESTEAD, 885 Wyoming Ave., Wyoming. Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m. $3, $1 children 12 and under. Free for members of the Historical Society, 823-6244.

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; or leave a message at the Observatory at 675-9149.

MUSIC BOX PLAYERS 1999 SEASON, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville, Thurs., Fri., Sat., 6 p.m. open; buffet dinner 6:30 p.m.; 8 p.m. curtain; Sun. matinee, open 1:15 p.m.; dinner at 1:45 p.m.; 3:15 curtain. Adults $30, $22 children 12 and under. Show only, $17 adults, $15 students, $13 children. 283-2195 or 1-800-698-7529. www.musicbox.org

COLLEGE MISERICORDIA - 301 Lake Street, Dallas Twp. 674-6372. "Legacy of Galileo," by American Playwright Rusty Bynum. Jan. 28, 8 p.m. Free.

COLLEGE MISERICORDIA - will sponsor a trip to the New York City Opera's performance of "Porgy and Bess" on March 25. 674-6764.

THE MUSIC BOX PLAYERS will open their 200 Season with the Musical OLIVER! based on the novel OLLIVER TWIST by Charles Dickens.

Performance dates are: Feb. 4 to 6, 10 to 13, and 17 to 20, at the MUSIC BOX DINNER PLAYHOUSE, Swoyersville. Thursdays through Saturdays: bar opens at 6 p.m., buffet dinner served from 6:30 p.m., curtain at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees - bar opens at 1:15 p.m., dinner served from 1:45 - curtain at 3:15 p.m. Tickets on sale for Dinner'show or show-only. For ticket information and reservations, please call 283-2195 or 1-800-698-PLAY. Visit the web at www.musicbox.org

OUTDOORS

YMCA HIKES, All hikes meet at the YMCA, Dunmore at 9:15 a.m. Bring water, food and sturdy footwear. 343-5144. or email info@HikingJane.com

SIERRA CLUB

Unless otherwise noted, hikers meet 8 a.m. at the Dunmore YMCA parking lot, Exit 55 off I-81.

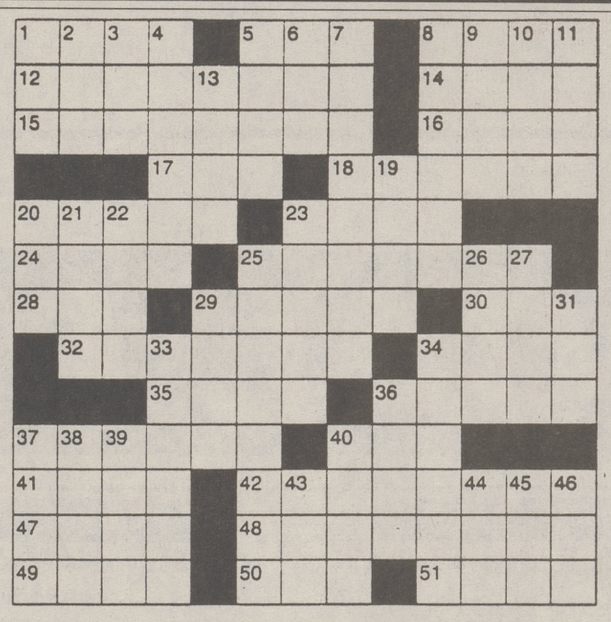
A FIELD TRIP to see **Wintering Bald Eagles** near Rio, N.Y., will be sponsored by the Greater Wyoming Valley Audubon Society, Saturday, January 15. Bring lunch. Meet at the Park & Ride across from K-Mart by Blackmun St. at 7 a.m. Driving time is about 2 hours each way. Call Bob at 829-6230 to register. Free and open to the public.

The Greater Wyoming Audubon Society has scheduled **Members Night,** on Monday, January 17, at 7:30 p.m., at the Dallas United Methodist Church. Bring your favorite slides or video, and interesting story, or something else related to birding or wildlife you wish to share. The program is free and open to the public.

CROSSWORD CORNER

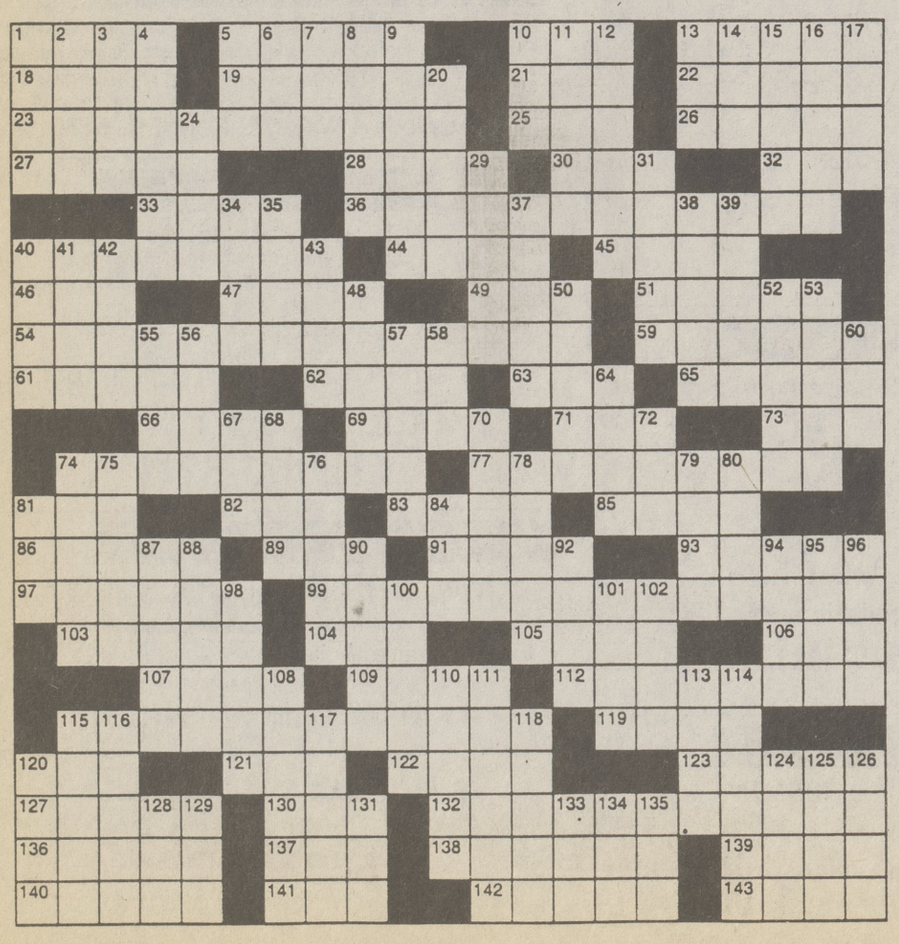
ACROSS
1 Actress Adams
5 Computer catastrophe
10 Hen or pen
13 With __ breath
18 Press
19 Sarge, e.g.
21 Rocker Gillan
22 It's down in the mouth
23 "Mr. Television"
25 Cavity
26 "The __ Bug" ('65 film)
27 Diva Bidu
28 Latin I word
30 "Whether __ nobler in the mind . . ."
32 __ roll
33 Petrograd potentate
36 "America's Sweetheart"
40 Single-minded guy?
44 Local theater
45 Tombstone lawman
46 Essen exclamation
47 Got off
49 Private pension
51 Abounds (with)
54 "The Little Tramp"
59 Proof-reader's list
61 Neighbor of Uganda
62 Roads scholar?
63 Inc., in England
65 De Valera of Ireland
66 Helper
69 Moves like mad
71 __ bran
73 Bikini part
74 "The Swedish Nightingale"
77 "The Great Pacificator"
81 Actor Brynner
82 Antiquity, archaically
83 Depraved
85 Actor Morales
86 Toddler's transport
89 __ carte
91 Responsibility
93 Peter of Herman's Hermits
97 Excessively fond
99 "The Belle of Amherst"
103 Couch potato's woe
104 __ Branco, Brazil
105 "The Time Machine" people
106 Kapaa keepsake
107 Articulated
109 Stocking mishap
112 "Die tote Stadt" composer
115 "Bubbles"
119 Mortgage, for one
120 Mil. rank
121 Chou En-__
122 Burn remedy
123 Boxer Archie
127 Biggs' instrument
130 With 55 Down, "Sleepless in Seattle" star
132 "The Desert Fox"
136 Lithe
137 Ring legend
138 Sib's kids
139 Pass catchers
140 Belief
141 60's campus org.
142 Writer Rogers St. Johns
143 French fries, e.g.

DOWN
1 "__ the word"
2 Merrill melody
3 Hard on the eyes
4 Free
5 TV station
6 Pinch
7 Chemical suffix
8 "Beat it!"
9 Basketball coach Nat
10 Use a straw
11 Half of Hispaniola
12 Tempt
13 Kramden's vehicle
14 Clark's "Mogambo" costar
15 Teach on the side
16 Endangered animal
17 Comic Carvey
20 Stiller's partner
24 Slimy stuff
29 Astrologer Leek
31 Ray
34 Game ending?
35 Part
37 Problem for Pauline
38 Brother, to Bizet
39 La Scala production
40 Support
41 Flu symptom
42 Biggers detective
43 Loaded
48 Sticky problem?
50 Author Chekhov
52 Cobra kin
53 Bedtime reading
55 See 130 Across
56 Sprawled
57 Tolerate
58 Weasel word?
60 Literary collection
64 Challenge
67 Salon supply
68 Joyce of "Roc"
70 Lustrous
72 Cobb and Hardin
74 One of twelve
75 Top-drawer
76 Gentleman of leisure?
78 Lose one's tail?
79 "How __ Be Sure?" ('67 song)
80 A roaring success?
81 Accounting abbr.
84 Cubic meas.
87 Ballet company
88 Harden
90 Wrong
92 TV's "__ Stalkings"
94 European capital
95 Playwright Coward
96 "Idylls of the King" character
98 Knot
100 Ancient Aegean area
101 Self-possessed
102 Soprano Te Kanawa
108 Alpaca relatives
110 Ludden or Funt
111 Singer Estefan
113 Verne captain
114 Folklore figures
115 Comic pianist
116 Illinois city
117 Produce
118 Put in stitches
120 Winter wear
124 Word form for "all"
125 Funnyman Foxx
126 In addition
128 Bristol brew
129 Ensnare
131 "Saving Private Ryan" extras
133 Cola cooler
134 "__ Blu, Dipinto Di Blu" ('58 hit)
135 Pretoria's loc.



ACROSS
1 Female counterpart of 1-Down
5 Pump up the volume
8 Battering devices
12 Marco Polo lander
14 Tend texts
15 Scorn
16 Frilly
17 Fetch
18 Culmination
20 Doctrine
23 Great Lakes native
24 Ambience
25 Post-diet shape
28 X-ray
29 Team alternative
30 Tease
32 Some are rock stars
34 Suitable
35 Incursion
36 Pivot
37 Rule
40 Ovine remark
41 He loves (Latin)
42 Charm
47 Long cut
48 Work out
49 Neighborhood
50 Morning moisture
51 Will- — -wisp

DOWN
1 Highland youth
2 Draft offering
3 Round Table
4 Mark on one's reputation
5 Hit bottom
6 "O Sole —"
7 Insulin maker
8 Depended (on)
9 Leading man
10 Laminate mineral
11 Charon's waterway
13 On the briny
19 Offer temporarily
20 Weir
21 What we share
22 Sand
23 Informed
25 Strained to see
26 Moran of "Happy Days"
27 Boxers' arena
29 Luminary
31 Hive denizen
33 "Queen of Soul"
34 Super-failure
36 Barber's concern
37 Enthusiastic, plus
38 The Tentmaker
39 Florist's vessel
40 Lost intentionally
43 Chopper
44 Caltech rival
45 Tray contents
46 Born



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