

**OBITUARIES**

**REBECCA O. LONG**

Rebecca O. Long, 72, of Nescopeck, died March 29, 2000, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

She was born Feb. 15, 1928, in Dallas, daughter of the late William and Ann Reynolds Smith.

Sisters, Marion Wolfe and Dorothy Kibler, brother John Smith, preceded her in death.

Surviving are her husband, William T.; daughter, Nancy Oman, Orangeville; sons, James R., Berwick; Rand, Falls Church, Va; nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters, Eleanor DeRemer, Florida; Carolyn Bynon, Dallas; Kate Titus, Shickshinny. Interment will be in Bloomingdale Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania, 71 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701.

**DEBORAH A. GUNTHER**

Deborah A. Gunther, of Swoyersville, died March 31, 2000, in Hospice Community Care Inpatient Unit, Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

She was born in Wilkes-Barre, daughter of the late Joseph and Alice Juckowski Gayton.

Surviving are her husband, Warren; daughters, Kellie Connors, Sweet Valley; Alison Strouphauer, at home; two grandchildren; brother, Thomas Gayton, Wyoming; sisters, Patricia Yurko, Harding; Angie Fanelli, Shavertown; niece and nephew. Interment will be private.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society of Luzerne County, 71 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702.

**FRANCES MORAN**

Frances Moran, of Nanticoke, died March 28, 2000, at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

Born in Kingston, she was a daughter of the late Bernard and Frances Mary (Simonovich) Barry. She was a graduate of West Side Tech and worked in the home health care field.

She was preceded in death by her son, Jeffery Teetsel.

Surviving are her husband, Manus "Mike" Moran, whom she married in 1990; sons, David and Tim Teetsel, both of Noxen; sisters, Janet Heacock and Linda Whitehead, both of Harveys Lake; and Kathleen Gust of Lake Silkworth; brother, Bernard Barr, Luzerne, and several nieces and nephews.

Interment will be in St. Ignatius Cemetery, Pringle.

**JANE A. McMICHAEL**

Jane A. McMichael, 77, of Shavertown, died March 30, 2000, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

She was born June 18, 1922, in Wilkes-Barre, daughter of the late Edwin and Jane Joseph Eckart and was a graduate of Dallas Township High School.

Mrs. McMichael was active with, and employed by, the Back Mountain Memorial Library, Dallas. She was a member of St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

Her husband, Sterling, died in 1968. Brothers, Edwin and William; sisters, Christine Brejack, Louise Van Ecko, and Elizabeth Eckart, also preceded her in death.

Surviving are sons, Sterling William, Shavertown; Carl, Pringle, two grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; sister, Shirley DeLeo, Hopewell, NY; nieces and nephews.

Interment will be in Mount Greenwood Cemetery, Trucksville.

Memorial donations may be made to the Back Mountain Memorial Library or the SPCA of Luzerne County.

**MYRTLE W. NOON**

Myrtle W. Noon, 84, of Dallas, died March 29, 2000, at home.

She was born in Lyndwood, Hanover Township, daughter of the late George and Myrtle Bush Whitson. She resided in Dallas most of her life.

Before retiring, she was employed as a custodial aide for the residing Sisters of Mercy at College Misericordia. She was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas, and its Altar and Rosary Society. She was also a member of the Grand Region of the Catholic Daughters of St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

Her husband, Thomas P., and son, Joseph, preceded her in death.

Surviving are sons, Thomas P. Jr., Dallas; Martin F., Harveys Lake; Charles E., Plymouth; daughters, Catherine Moore, Dallas; Lorraine White, Florida; adopted children, Deborah A. Wilcox, Exeter; Lynn A. Fisher, Ohio; Joseph P. Noon, Muhlenburg; 17 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren.

Interment will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

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**Applicants sought for Lawson Art Scholarships**

Students from across Northeast Pennsylvania are invited to apply for a Dr. Millie S. Lawson Memorial Summer Art Scholarship. The scholarship program is open to any 10th or 11th grade student interested in pursuing a career in the visual arts who has not previously attended the Lawson Program.

Up to seven recipients of the scholarship will be chosen and will receive the opportunity to enroll in up to six summer art courses at Sue Hand's Imagery, during June, July and August. In addition, two-hour group work sessions and consultants concerning career studies and portfolio preparation will be provided. All Lawson Scholars and Imagery instructors will participate in an

art exhibit at the end of the summer program.

Interested students may apply in person at Sue Hand's Imagery on or before Saturday, May 13. Students must submit a 1-2 page narrative (types and double spaced), and a working sketchbook plus 4-8 examples of the student's best art work in any medium which will be reviewed at a short, informal, interview at Sue Hand's Imagery. For a list of questions to be answered in the essay and an appointment call 675-5094. All winners will be notified by Saturday, May 20.

The scholarship is in memory of the late Dr. Millie S. Lawson who was a tremendous influence in the lives of many individuals locally.

**Silence of the Lambs investigator to speak at Penn State Wilkes-Barre**

Dr. Patricia Kirby, a veteran FBI investigator who was represented in the book and portrayed by Jodi Foster in the movie "Silence of the Lambs," will speak at Penn State Wilkes-Barre in Lehman on Tuesday, April 11, at 7 p.m. Dr. Kirby served as a special agent in the FBI's Behavioral Science Unit. Before serving with the FBI, Dr.



DR. PATRICIA KIRBY

Kirby was the first female homicide detective with the Baltimore Police Department. She holds a Ph.D. in Sociology and Justice from American University. She has taught at the FBI Academy, the Baltimore County Police Academy, the University of Baltimore, and the College of Notre Dame. She continues to work as a consultant to homicide investigators and prosecutors throughout the country.

Dr. Kirby will speak in the Science Building's Bierly Auditorium. This program is free and open to the public.

**SCID will test sirens**

Superintendent Ben Varner announced that the State Correctional Institution in Dallas will be repairing siren sited on Thursday, April 6. The "Siren Test" may be sounded periodically throughout the entire day.

The purpose is of this day long "Siren Test" is to update our emergency equipment used to notify the community in the event of an escape of other emergency. No public action is required. Any phone calls related to the "Siren Test" should be withheld during the testing period.

**Lake Twp. recycling center open April 8**

The voluntary recycling drop-off center for Lake-Township will be accepting items on Saturday, April 8, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the township building on route 29. The following items may be dropped off: aluminum and bi-metal cans, clear, brown and green glass, plastic #1 and #2 only. No scrap aluminum or motor oil containers can be accepted. No newspaper collection this month. Please do not leave items before the center opens.



POST FILE PHOTO

Millie Zarambo waved as she and Jane McMichael rode in the parade celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Back Mountain Memorial Library in 1995.

**McMichael**

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While she didn't work with the children's programs, McMichael loved small children, and took great pains to decorate the children's area for special programs. She also set things up for book clubs, said Martha Butler, library director. "She loved to set out the silver serving pieces. She took care to make it a special occasion for the book club ladies."

Other talents were put to good use keeping the books in good shape. "She was our resident book repairer," said Butler. And, "she was very particular about the children's books," added Rudolph, even creating a "swinging pocket" to hold the date-due cards, which prevented them from being ripped by eager little hands.

But perhaps Jane McMichael's most endearing quality was the attention she paid to other people. "She was very personable," said Charlotte Bartizek, associate publisher of The Dallas Post and a member of the library's board of directors. "She knew the little details of your life and would ask about your kids, or what you were

*"She never missed a birthday for other staff members. She would make sure we had their favorite cake."*

Millie Zarambo  
Co-worker and friend

doing around the house." Butler said she especially cared for the children who visited, in particular a little girl whose mother had died from cancer.

Her co-workers saw this concern firsthand. "She never missed a birthday for other staff members," said Zarambo, and not just to attend. "She would make sure we had their favorite cake," even baking them herself in recent years.

Her family has asked that memorial donations be made to the library. Cookbooks would be very appropriate, said Rudolph.

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