

Gilligan is newly-fledged Eagle Scout

John Gilligan, 15, of Dallas was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout at a recent Court of Honor. John is a member of Boy Scout Troop 155 of Trucksville United Methodist Church. His Eagle Scout project was to clean, paint, organize and build shelving units for a large basement storage area at St. Therese's Church in Shavertown.

He has served as Troop Guide, Quartermaster, Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader throughout his years with Troop 155. He has also earned several Uniform Awards.

John has attended Boy Scout camp, camporees and Polar Bear weekends at Camps Achahela, Minsi and Goosepond, Moon Lake Park, Lackawanna State Park and Camp Lackawanna. He also attended Northeastern PA Boy Scout Council camping trips to Ottawa, Canada in 1996 and to Niagara Falls in 2000. He is scheduled to



JOHN GILLIGAN

attend the National Jamboree in Virginia in July.

John is the son of Marty and Mary Barbara Gilligan and is the sophomore class president at Dallas High School.



Back Mountain Black Belts

On Saturday, Oct. 28, three Junior students of Barnes Kenpo Karate, 132 Memorial Hwy., Dallas, tested for and attained the coveted rank of Black Belt. Justin King, 11, of Dallas; Amanda Touey, 11, of Dallas and Bruce Mosier, 10, of Hunlock Creek were all promoted. The students have been training for the last four and five years.

Testing was conducted by a panel of Black Belts, including school owner/head instructor Gary R. Barnes; and 4th degree Black Belt Paul Motter (Barnes' instructor, who administered the final promotions) of American Kenpo Karate, Clarks Summit; and Steven Weber of Dallas, who last year became the first student at the school promoted to Black Belt. Also sitting on the session as an observer was Angela Wagner of Lehman, the first female Black Belt promoted by the school.

Front row: Justin King, Amanda Touey, Bruce Mosier, Angela Wagner; back row: Paul Motter, 4th degree Black Belt; Gary R. Barnes, school owner.

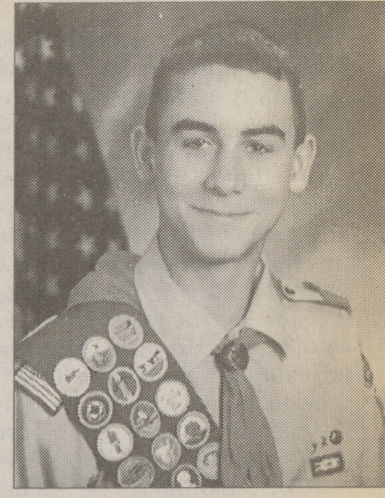
Murphy earns Eagle Scout status

Robert Edward Murphy III, 15, a member of Boy Scout Troop 281 sponsored by the Dallas Methodist Church, was recently awarded the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank attainable from the Boy Scouts of America. The award ceremony took place at an Eagle Court of Honor on Nov. 12 at St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

For his Eagle project, Robert refurbished the statuary of the Christmas Creche for St. Therese's Church. He organized the project design, the collection of materials, and supervised volunteers in the repair and painting of the statues and the rebuilding of the manger.

Murphy, the son of Robert and Denise Murphy of Dallas, has been a Scout since 1991, when he joined as a Tiger Cub. He continued as a member of Scout Pack 281 in which he earned the Catholic religious award, *Parvuli Dei*, in 1994 and the Cub Scouts' highest award, the Arrow of Light, in 1996.

In May 1996, Murphy joined Boy Scout Troop 281 and began his trail to Eagle. He achieved the ranks of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star and Life. He has earned 47 merit badges. During his Scouting tenure, he has served



ROBERT EDWARD MURPHY

as Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Den Chief, Scribe and Senior Patrol Leader. Robert has attended National Boy Scout High Adventure at Sea Base in Florida and Philmont Scout reservation in New Mexico.

Robert is a sophomore at Dallas Senior High School. He is an honor student and a member of the swim team. He is an avid camper, backpacker and skier. In addition, he is a member of St. Therese's Church in Shavertown, where he has been an altar server for the past 6 years.

PEC hosting trail development workshop

The Pennsylvania Environmental Council is hosting an evening workshop to present information on management of municipal/non-profit liability regarding trail development, as well as information on the new handicap-accessible requirements for public recreational facilities. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend. It will be held at the Luzerne County Community College on Wednesday, Nov. 15 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Contact the Pennsylvania Environmental Council for reservations: (570) 408-4997. The registration fee will be \$5 for Municipal Employees, and \$12.50 for all others.



FEFC Holds Fall Celebration for Kids

The Fellowship Evangelical Free Church in Dallas held a Fall Celebration for Kids on Friday, Oct. 27. Over 90 children enjoyed a puppet show, illusionist, ventriloquist, cotton candy machine and much more. The "Treasure Island" theme was reinforced through the message of ventriloquist Susan Klein of Nanticoke. Mary Shenk of Dallas, event coordinator, was very pleased with the turnout. Even the parents enjoyed the evening as they shared refreshments in the "Parents' Cafe". When the children were asked what their favorite part of the night was, the answer was unanimous: "Cotton candy!"

In photo, left to right: Alexa Decker, Dallas; Megan Stayer, Shavertown; Allison Hardwick, Dallas; Cierra Plesnar, Dallas; Courtney O'Brien, Dallas; Ariel Weidler, Wilkes-Barre.

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 a.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. Sunday School 9 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 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. 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 Service, 5:30 p.m., short, informal casual worship; Sunday Service, 9 a.m., family oriented worship with children's sermon and Jr. Church; Sunday Service, 11 a.m., traditional service. For more information call the office at 675-3616.

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.

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The following is the menu for the week of Nov. 16-22, 2000. All menus include margarine, milk and coffee.

THURSDAY - Thanksgiving Special Dinner - Roast turkey w/ stuffing, gravy, sweet potatoes, peas w/ mushrooms, tomato juice, orange cranberry muffin pump-

kin pie.

FRIDAY - Chipped ham sandwich, lettuce-tomato, mayonnaise, cole slaw, cream of potato soup, sandwich roll, birthday cupcake.

MONDAY - Barbecue chicken, potato croquette, corn on the cob, grapefruit juice, whole wheat bread, sugar cookie.

TUESDAY - Rotini & meatballs w/ tomato sauce, tossed salad w/ Italian dressing, parmesan cheese, broccoli, Italian bread, mixed fruit cup.

WEDNESDAY - Fresh ham, au gratin potatoes, green peas, apple dressing, cranberry juice, dinner roll, vanilla cupcake.

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