CALENDAR

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COMMUNITY

CHRISTIAN FAMILY ROLLER SKATING, The Noxen Bible Baptist Church and the Independent Bible Church of Duryea are sponsoring Christian Family Roller Skating at the Dallas Rollaway. Admission $2 per person, $5 per family. Skate rentals $1. There will be preaching from God's Word from 7:45 to 8 p.m. For information call 298-2030. Dates are: Tues., Jan. 9, Feb. 13, March. 13 and April 10, 2001.

NEWSPAPERS for blind and elderly read daily on WRKC-FM 88.5, 10 a.m.-noon. Call Tom Carten at 826-5811 for information.

BACK MOUNTAIN FREE MEDICAL CLINIC, Fridays 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.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY of the Wyoming Valley's Nurturing Committee will sponsor a series of general interest courses on the 2nd Monday of each month, 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.

CLUBS/GROUPS

S.P.A.W.N. (Society of Poets and Writers of the Northeast) meeting. Third Sat. of each month. Call Steve at 639-2320 for more information.

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.

EATING DISORDERS: Persons interested in forming an eating disorder support group in the Back Mountain, please call 696-3688 and ask for Barbara.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: Mercy Hospice Family & Friends Grief Support Group meets on the first Wednesday of each month in the Prayer Room on the first floor of Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre. Beginning with the Jan. 3, 2001 meeting date, the group will meet from 7-8 p.m.; previous meeting time was 3-4 p.m. For more information, call Millie Lloyd at 826-0102.

HEALTH

GEISINGER WYOMING VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS is conducting CPR and First Aid courses at the Chapter House, in Wilkes-Barre; evenings from 6-10 p.m. For more information, call 823-7161, ext. 37.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter 1360 meets every Thursday at the Shavertown U.M.C., 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. Weigh-ins from 5-6 p.m. followed by a brief informative meeting at 6 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome to join as a guest for the first meeting. Call Crys 675-4336 or Betty, 696-0106 for information.

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Winter Wonderland

Winter in the Back Mountain can be bitterly cold, but also quite beautiful, as In this snowy scene.

HEALTH

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, call 331-2422.

AT THE KIRBY

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

'NEW YEAR'S BASH WITH THE BRASS' Michael Levine and the Dallas (TX) Brass perform with the NEPA Philharmonic Fri., Jan. 5 at 8 p.m. Tickets $17-50; students 50% off. For information or to purchase tickets, call (570) 457-8301 or visit the website www.nepaphil.com

SESAME STREET LIVE Feb. 27-Mar. 4. Tickets on sale now.

MUSIC

CHICORY HOUSE concerts held in the community room of St. Stephen's Church, 35 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. For information 825-8772, www.chicoryhouse.org.

THE CULTURE CLUB meets Monday and/or Tuesday evenings at Evans Falls, Route 29. Piano, poetry and choral concerts. Admission is free, all are welcome. For information and reservations phone 298-2191.

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.

EXHIBITS

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

EXHIBITS

STUDIO III CULTURAL CENTER at 175 Main St., Luzerne. December's exhibit is Irish Impressions, featuring Jean Fader, Sue Lowcavage and Mary Lou Steinberg. The exhibit will run from Dec. 1 through 31. Gallery hours for this show are Tues. through Fri. 2 to 5 p.m., Wed. and Fri. evenings 6 to 8 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sun. 2 to 4 p.m.

KILBURN GALLERY, Sheehy Student Center, King's College, Wilkes-Barre. Jan. 24 through Feb. 23: "Susquehanna River Series: A Journey Through the Valley," featuring works by the En Plein Air Society. A "Meet the Artists" reception will be held Wed., Jan. 24, from 7 to 9 p.m., with a Gallery Walk at 8 p.m. For more information or gallery hours, call 208-5966.

EXHIBITS

SORDONI ART GALLERY, 150 South River St., Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre. Open daily noon to 4:30 p.m. For information call 408-4325.

OUTDOORS

SUNDAY MORNING BIRDING AT KIRBY PARK, Meet at 8 a.m. on the north side of Market St., near the dike in Kingston. Birding field trips will be held the fourth Sunday of each month, and are free and open to the public.

STAGE

MUSIC BOX DINNER PLAYHOUSE, Swoyersville. Thurs., Fri., and Sat., dinner at 6:30 p.m., curtain at 8 p.m.; Sunday, buffet at 1:45 p.m., curtain at 3:15 p.m. Tickets are $30 for adults, $22 for children. Show only: $17 adults, $15 students, $13 children. For more information call 283-2195 or 1-800-698-7529 or www.musicbox.org.

SPECIAL EVENTS

THE PENNSYLVANIA ANTHRACITE HERITAGE MUSEUM, McDade Park, off Keyser Ave., in Scranton. Open all year-round Mon.-Sat. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sun., noon to 5 p.m. Admission is charged. For more information call 963-4804.

SWETLAND HOMESTEAD, the recently renovated historic home reopens for tours. 885 Wyoming Ave., Wyoming. Thurs. and Fri., 1-4 p.m.; Sat. and Sun., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. $3; children 12 and under, $1. 823-9011.

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.

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ACROSS
1 Composer Schifrin
5 Nom de crime?
10 Theatrical Joseph
14 Exclude
19 Way off base?
20 Mete out the minestrone
21 "God's Little —" ('58 film)
22 Lose one's tail?
23 English talk-show host
25 "The Alamo" actor
27 Kitchen utensil
28 Arboreal animal
30 Jai —
31 Trombonist Winding
32 Took a shot at
34 Salve
37 Chinese principle
38 Fit for farming
42 "Ligeia" author
43 Conductor Jeffrey
45 Thurman of "Final Analysis"
48 Southern staple
50 PC key
52 Make wine divine
55 Drives and drives?
58 '87 Warren Beatty film
60 Word game
65 Ol' Blue Eyes' birthplace
67 Church area
68 Apple variety
69 Mauna —
70 Coeur d'—, ID
71 Skater Midori
72 Actress Nell
73 "The King and I" refrain
74 Subordinate to
75 "It Was a Good Day" rapper
78 Pithy
80 Hazel's boss
81 Add color
83 Quiet — mouse
84 Jeweler's weight
85 Novelist Kobo
86 "— homo"
87 Neighbor of Neb.
88 Author France
91 Film site
93 Forceful
95 Neiman or Anderson
96 — Dinh Diem
97 Broadway letters
99 Director von Stroheim
101 Curly poker?
102 Singer Wooley
106 TV's "My — Dads"
108 Swift savages
111 — Cob, CT
114 Strauss opera
117 Japanese porcelain
120 Recite a soliloquy
121 Pants measurement
122 Addis —
126 Mythical weeper
128 "Poetry Man" singer
132 "Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure" star
134 A Muse
135 California resort
136 Become boring
137 Warty one
138 Talk out of
139 Fluff the flour
140 Used a whetstone
141 Humorist Bombeck

DOWN
1 The Four —
2 Expect
3 Sweetheart
4 "Twelfth Night" role
5 Landon or Kjellin
6 Ulrich of Metallica
7 Matinee —
8 As well
9 Brief brawl
10 Part of PST
11 Cologne cry
12 Paris' pop
13 Small shot
14 One of the Clintons
15 Yalie
16 Like some sweaters
17 Dwight's competition
18 Varnish ingredient
24 Mailer's "The — Park"
26 Natalie's sister
29 With-it
33 Mr. Hammarskjold
35 — Dame
36 It's in the bag
39 Feta marinade
40 Fleur-de- —
41 Racial
44 Jug part
45 "Gross!"
46 Bovine bellow
47 "Wozzeck" composer
49 Chihuahua or Tabasco
51 Freighter
53 "My Little Margie" star
54 Ham up "Hamlet"
56 Pleat
57 Singer Davis
59 Guacamole base
61 This instant
62 "The Kitchen God's Wife" author
63 Common
64 Cul-de- —
66 Physicist Fermi
74 Metropolitan
75 Stuff
76 Grammarian's concern
77 High-rise building?
79 Be important
80 Irate
82 Member of the mil.
84 Snag
87 Crab's expression
89 Card game
90 Spud bud
92 Ring stats
94 Long or Peeples
98 Hwy.
100 — polloi
103 Port
104 New York county
105 Met men
107 Slangy suffix
109 Word form for "all"
110 Sault — Marie, MI
111 Like Batman
112 Paint pigment
113 Summer ermine
115 Dog star
116 Humiliate
118 Turbine part
119 Steel support
123 Palo —, CA
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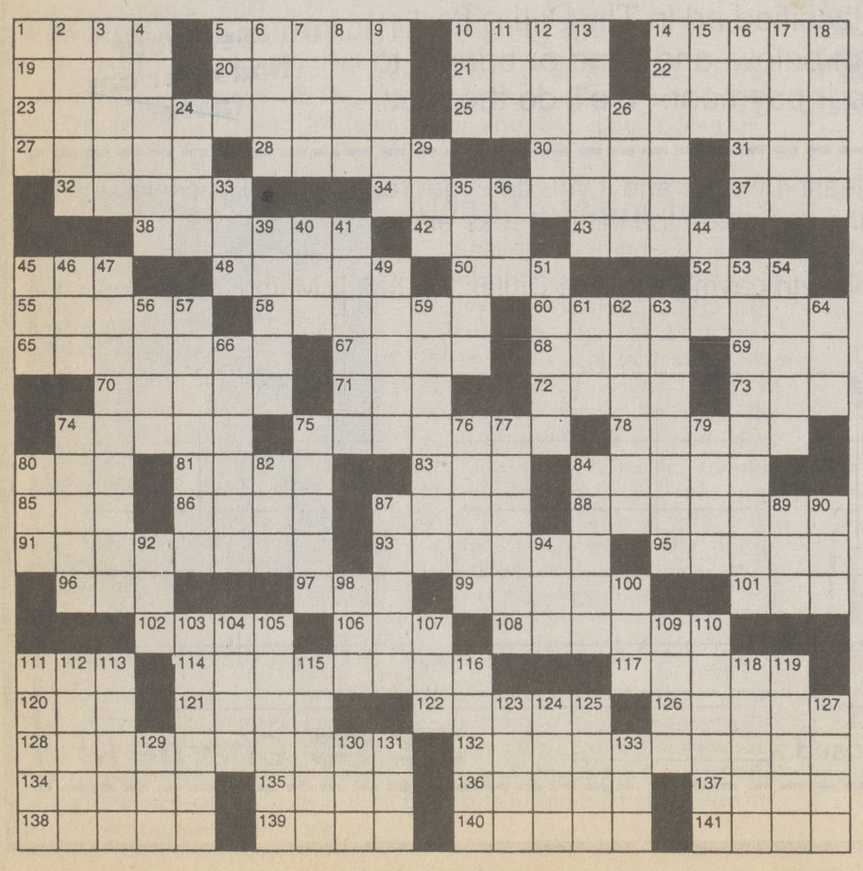
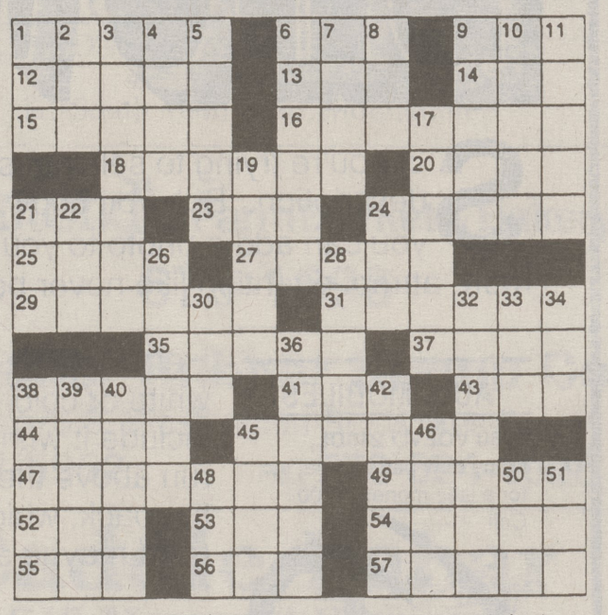
127 The Valkyries' mom
129 When Satie sweltered
130 Klutz
131 Humor
133 Tie the knot





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1 Detox facility
6 __-jongg
9 Shot-put path
12 Hersey's bell town
13 Pub potable
14 One-customer link
15 Harbor cities
16 Ahab's weapon
18 String instruments
20 Sax variety
21 "__ been had!"
23 Gibson or Brooks
24 Beat
25 Go over
27 Lennon hit
29 "Army" creatures
31 Left a lasting impression
35 "Star Wars" weapon
37 Head light?
38 Detest
41 Serbian city
43 Manipulate
44 __ gin fizz
45 Baby cat
47 29th President
49 Rep
52 Type squares
53 Oft-tattooed word
54 Also-ran
55 Witness
56 Sch. group
57 English homework, maybe

DOWN
1 LL Cool J's genre
2 Tokyo, once
3 Reap
4 Oppositionist
5 Intimate, as a friend
6 Thank you, in Hawaii
7 "Wellaway!"
8 LBJ beagle
9 Coral structure
10 Haley book
11 Hiawatha's craft
17 Pot belly
19 "Nutty Professor" star
21 Stock report abbr.
22 Housecleaning appliance, for short
24 Margarine serving
26 Emulated Lindbergh
28 Earn
30 Standard
32 Sulky attachment
33 Inventor Whitney
34 Pooch
36 Riddle
38 "Angela's __"
39 Point the finger at
40 Wearer of 32-Down
42 Hackneyed
45 Gordian -
46 Freudian subjects
48 Little demon
50 Teachers' org.
51 Take a whack at

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