

## Program to show youths the POWER of the library

A "Pizza, Pop, and POWER Library" presentation will be held Saturday, February 8, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Brian Fulton, head of circulation at the library, will discuss several of the databases available online in the POWER Library, a valuable study tool for middle and high school students. It gives access to thousands of full-text periodicals, newspapers, and a major

encyclopedia, plus photographs, pictures, and charts. Materials can be printed out at the library, or e-mailed directly to the student's computer at home.

Pizza and soda will be served. There is no charge for the program, but registration is required. Call the library at 675-1182, or come in and check out the new YA section and get a special Young Adults library card.

## Tax assistance for seniors

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteers will again be available to help seniors with taxes, PACE and Rebate Forms. There is no charge for this service. You must schedule an appointment for assistance at Senior Centers but do not need an appointment at the IRS.

Volunteers will be at the Dallas Senior Center on March 4. Please call the senior center for an appointment at 675-2179 or go to the IRS, the former Stagmaier Brewery, corner of Wilkes-Barre Blvd and East Market Street in Wilkes-Barre, beginning February 3. You must bring all W-2's, 1099's social security information and any other forms showing income and copies of last years' tax return and rent rebate.

## Kindermusik opens

Kindermusik by Michelle will open soon at Major Performing Arts Center in Trucksville. Kindermusik offers classes for children from newborn to age 5 that incorporate language skills, literacy, social skills and musicality. For more information, call 696-5589.

## Dallas UM Women begin new year

Dallas United Methodist Women began the new year with a kitchen-cleaning session at the church. After the work was done, they enjoyed a "hot-soup" lunch served by hostesses. May Chamberlain and Evelyn Weaver. A brief business meeting followed and the program was given by Mary Reese.



## Holiday decorating contest winners

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors recently presented the prizes for the annual Holiday House Decorating Contest.

The winners present for the award are:

From left, first row: Emily Lofing, Kelly and Alyssa Monahan.

Second row: Paul Sabol, Chair, Mary Lofing, Anita Grohowski, Christine and George Monahan.

Third row: Supervisor John Versari, Supervisor Chris Yankovich, John Grohowski, Supervisor Neil Allen, Vice-Chair, J. Carl Goodwin, and Edmund J. O'Neill, Township Manager.

The Kingston Township Recreation Commission judges the annual Holiday House Decorating Contest.

## Lions welcome new members

The Dallas Lions are looking for new members. Anyone interested in joining the club should contact any club member or they can contact Frank Rollman at 675-4485.

## Kingston Township seeks trustee

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors is currently accepting letters of interest for an existing vacancy on the Board of Trustees for the Kingston Township Police Pension Plan Fund.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for periodic review of the financial reports and portfolio analyses provided by the Plan Administrator. Information is provided to the Board of Trustees at quarterly meetings generally scheduled on the morning of the third Wednesday in March, June, September, and December. Following the presentation by the Plan Administrator, the Trustees advise the Board of Supervisors and manager on any specific items or areas of concern regarding prospective actions to maximize the financial stability and integrity of the Fund. Additional responsibilities include ensuring compliance with federal and state regulations governing such Plans.

Candidates with a strong background in Financial Management and Planning are desired due to the scope of responsibilities, but other qualifications will also be considered for the appointment.

Interested Kingston Township residents should send a letter to the Kingston Township Board of Supervisors c/o Township Manager Edmund J. O'Neill, 180 East Center Street, Shavertown, PA 18708.

Residents with questions about the vacancy may call the Township Manager, Eddie O'Neil at 696-3809.



## Pizza — the original fast food

In 1844, Francesco de Bourcard, a Neapolitan historian, said of pizza, "Pizza is a specialty of the Neapolitans and of the very city of Naples itself. If you want to know what a pizza is, take a piece of dough, roll it out, pummel it a bit with the flat of your hands, cover it with anything at all, moisten it with oil or lard, bake it in the oven and eat it."

That is truly a simple (and reasonably accurate) way to describe a food that is today well known and fully enjoyed around the world.

As the 19th century was coming to a close, pizza — pizza baked in coal-fired ovens that reached temperatures upward of 750 F — became as important to Naples as Sophia Loren was some 60 years later. The first known pizza shop was Antica Pizzeria Port Alba in Naples. It opened in 1830 and is still open today. It was in the 1830s, and beyond, that pizza was being sold from stalls and eaten on the street with great relish from midday until the wee hours of the morning. Pizza, in fact, became the first fast foods known to man.

In Naples, in the late 1800s, street vendors known as lazzari walked the city's streets selling pizza by the slice. A piece was folded in half lengthwise, and eaten on the run. The folded slices were called libretti, or "little books." To a pizza eater on the East coast, that same idea is known as a "folder."

Excerpt from "Home Base," *Pizza Today*, December 2002



## Winner for Week 1 Matthew Haddle

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will receive a \$35 gift certificate to the participating restaurant of his choice, courtesy of

THE DALLAS POST

**Fun Pizza Fact:** Some of the more popular international toppings are pickled ginger, minced mutton and tofu in India; squid and Mayo Jaga (mayonnaise, potato and bacon) in Japan; and green peas in Brazil. In Russia, they serve pizza covered with mockba; a combination of sardines, tuna, mackerel, salmon and onions. In France, a popular combo is called the Flambee with bacon, onion, and fresh cream. (Source: Domino's)

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**Fun Pizza Fact:** Each man, woman, and child in America eats an average of 46 slices (23 pounds) of pizza per year. (source: Packaged Facts)

**Fun Pizza Fact:** Manufacturers' sales of pizza cheese should top \$32 BILLION by 2004. U.S. per capita consumption of mozzarella cheese was 7.93 pounds in 1994 and is predicted to reach 12.51 pounds by 2004. (Source: Business Trend Analysts, BTA)

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