

Church & Community

CHURCH NOTES

Dallas United Methodist

4 Parsonage Street, Dallas

Idetown United Methodist

Idetown Rd., Lehman
The Idetown Congregation will be joining with their sister congregation Lehman UMC at Lehman from December 2003 through March 2004 for Worship services and Christian Education on Sunday's - the Idetown Church is not closed, only joining with Lehman for these months as we journey on as the church of Jesus Christ and please note the times for worship and Sunday school under Lehman Methodist below.

Lehman United Methodist

1011 Mt. View Drive, Lehman
Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sundays, Youth group at 7:30

Shavertown United Methodist

163 North Pioneer Ave. Shavertown
Prayer time Wednesdays, 7-7:15 p.m.

Hasay's Tunkhannock office 'til Jan. 5

The Tunkhannock district office of Rep. George Hasay will close from through Friday, Jan. 1 for staff vacations. The office will reopen Monday, Jan. 5.

The office in Sweet Valley will be open during that time, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

For assistance, call there at 477-3752 or the Harrisburg office at 717-787-1117.

St. Luke's Reformation Lutheran

Tunkhannock Rd., Noxen
Sunday School is 9:30 a.m. and Church Service at 11 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran

RR 4 Box 627A (off of 118), Dallas
Saturday Evening Service at 5:30 weekly.

St. Therese's

64 Davis Street, Shavertown
Back Mountain Youth Council accepting new members for junior high grades 6-8 and high school grades 9-12. For more info. call Denise at 696-1144.

Trinity Presbyterian

105 Irem Rd., Dallas
Special Saturday evening worship weekly at 6:30 p.m.

Trucksville United Methodist

40 Knob Hill Rd., Trucksville
Sunday Services are at 8:30 and 11 a.m.
Sunday School classes for all ages are held at the Educational Facility on Sundays, 9:45-10:45.



Frank and Sally Wagner

Wagners celebrate 50th

Frank and Sally Wagner, Dallas Township, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

They were married December 26, 1953 in the East Dallas United Methodist Church by the Rev. Thomas Davis.

Mrs. Wagner is the daughter of the late Reuel and Mary Lasher. Mr. Wagner is the son of the late Frank and Elva Wagner.

They have three sons, William, Robert and Barry and five grandchildren, Kelly, Jason, Marcus, Courtney and Robert.

A family dinner marked the occasion. The couple's children surprised their parents with tickets for a Caribbean cruise.

Master Gardener signup deadline is January 2

The Penn State Cooperative Extension of Luzerne County will be offering a Master Gardener Training program for Volunteers beginning February 4 and running through April 7.

In exchange for 30 hours of indoor instruction, candidates must agree to donate 50 hours of volunteer service to Penn State Cooperative Extension within the first year.

There is a program fee of \$75. Applications must be returned no later than January 2. For more information call 825-1701.

IN THE SERVICE

Army Reserve Pvt. Bryan J. Barletta has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Barletta is the son of Joseph Barletta of Meadowcrest Drive, Trucksville.



Rotarians decorate triangle

Several Rotarians braved the elements to place the traditional "Happy Holidays" sign and decorations at the triangle at Routes 309 and 415. From left: Larry Hilbert, Bill Nafus, Diane Considine, Eric Martin, Karen Martin, Jim Alexander, Art Peoples.

Back Mountain Senior Citizens

The Back Mountain Seniors meet on the first Thursday of the month, starting at 1 p.m. in St. Therese's Hall at Pioneer Ave. and Davis Street in Shavertown.

For information call Lil at 696-1828 or Marie at 696-3095.

Spend Saturdays "At Home" In The TIMES LEADER

Autumn prime tree time

PICK OF THE WEEK
If you're not a vegetable expert, you might be forgiven for shuffling and thinking, "Oh, look at the white carrots" as you pass through Farmers Market. But these are parsnips, a root vegetable with an entirely different taste. And we've found a recipe that treasures to turn them into a side dish you'll love.

SWEET AND GOOEY PARSNIPS

INGREDIENTS
1 pound parsnips
2 tablespoons butter
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

DIRECTIONS
Scrape or peel the parsnips, then cut them into sticks about the size of your little finger. Dry well with paper towels. In a heavy skillet, melt the butter, then add the parsnips, stirring to coat. Sprinkle with nutmeg. Cover the pan and sauté on medium heat for 10 to 20 minutes. The parsnips will become soft and sticky and fragrant. Add salt and pepper to taste.

PLANT OF THE WEEK: GOLDEN ASTER
Botanical name: *Chrysopsis* sp. (There are many similar species.)
Attributes: A long-blooming, non-invasive, low-growing perennial that blooms from late August to late October. It has a wide range of colors, including white, yellow, orange, red, and purple. They are easy to grow and are a great choice for late summer and fall gardens.

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Cook a parsnip?
Design a garden?
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