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THIS WEEK

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BLOOD DRIVE

Jan. 27 - MEADOWS NURSING CENTER, 1-6 p.m., 55 W. Center Hill Rd., Dallas, in the multi-purpose room, first floor. Info, 675-8600, ext. 195.

Feb. 1 - GATE OF HEAVEN CHURCH, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., 10 Machell Ave., Dallas. For appt., 823-7161.

COMMUNITY

Jan. 25 - VENISON GAME DINNER, 2-5 p.m. at Ardee's Foodrinkery, Rt. 92, Falls. Raffle at 4 p.m., 1st Prize - Winchester gun safe. Proceeds benefit the Falls Lions Club charities. Info, 388-6107.

Jan. 31 - NOXEN DEPOT OPEN HOUSE and winter sleigh ride. Call the North Branch Land Trust at 696-5545 for directions and information.

Jan. 31 - NIGHT AT THE RACES, 6:30 p.m., Idetown Fire Hall, Rt. 415. Admission \$6, horse sponsor \$10, includes food and beverages. door prizes, 50/50s, high/low games, more. Info, 675-8662 or 674-2253. Fundraiser for the Back Mountain Wrestling Club and Dallas Wrestling Booster Club.

HEALTH

Jan. 25 - CPR/FIRST AID COURSE, for adults to use on youths, 12 to 4 p.m., Dallas American Legion. Sponsored by the Back Mountain Wrestling Club and American Red Cross. Info, 675-8662 or 674-4653.

KIDSTUFF

Jan. 31 - GYMNASTICS competition, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Wilkes-Barre YMCA, 40 W. Northampton St., Wilkes-Barre. Teams from across PA will be on hand, including the local Shooting Starz.

OUTDOORS

Jan. 25 - SUNDAY MORNING BIRDING, in the Kirby Park Natural Area, Market St., Kingston. Meet at 8 a.m. on the north (upriver) side of Market St. Free. Info, 542-5948.

STAGE

Jan. 25 - KISS ME KATE, Tony Award winning musical by Cole Porter. Scranton Cultural Center. Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$25.50, \$37.50, \$49.50 at Ticketmaster or charge by phone at 693-4100.

Kickoff for next phase of Noxen Depot restoration

Under the stewardship of the North Branch Land Trust the old Noxen train depot as undergone substantial work to secure and reinforce the structure, and prepare the station to be used as a museum, meeting house and center for conservation. With Phase 1, the exterior, nearly completed, the public is invited to visit this historic structure and help launch Phase 2 — the volunteer effort to complete interior restoration.

In the 19th and early 20th centuries, Noxen was a bustling community — a center for ice, tanning and timber products that helped this region prosper. Through the old Noxen station, thousands of tons of material, workers and their families were transported to the cities of Wilkes Barre and Scranton, and throughout the region.

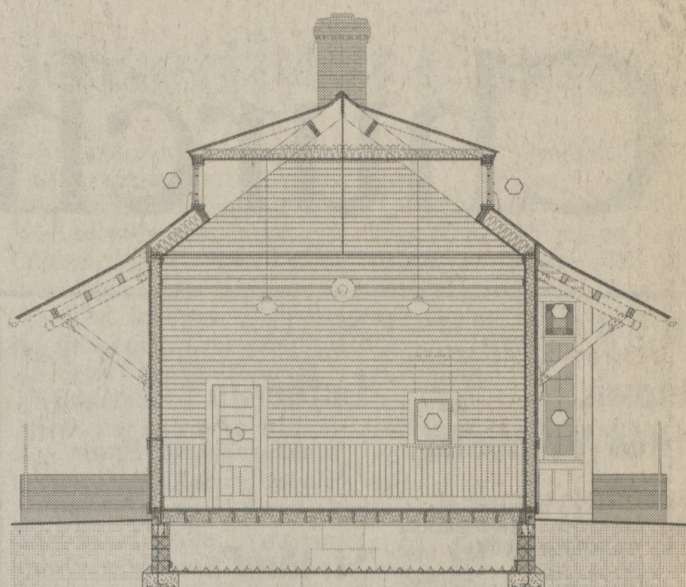
Closed around 1960, the station slowly deteriorated, as no funds were available to maintain it. It was donated to NBLT

in 2003 by Dave and Elaine Dembowski.

The open house will take place Saturday, January 31 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will feature tours of the station (still under construction but very much accessible), horse drawn wagon rides, a light lunch and a bake sale featuring homemade cakes, pies and old-fashioned apple cider. Visitors will also be able to view old railroad memorabilia, much of it from the train station itself.

Tours begin at the Noxen School, with wagon rides from there to the depot. Do not go directly to the depot.

NBLT's All Aboard Committee would love to hear from anyone who would like to join this effort. Volunteers are needed to help plan and execute the rehabilitation, furnishings and operation of the station. Volunteers of time, money or memorabilia are welcome, as well as ideas to make



An architect's rendering of the exterior detail on the Noxen Depot building.

the station project more successful.

The cost to attend the open house is \$5 per person, (children under 12 free) and all proceeds go to help rehabilitate

and launch the Noxen Train Depot into the 21st century.

For more information on this event or the NBLT in general, call Linda Thoma at 696-5545 or e-mail thoma@nblt.org.

ONGOING

COMMUNITY

EVENING PUBLIC SWIM, Wednesdays and Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; Sundays 2-5 p.m. Dallas Middle School pool is open to the public for lap and recreational swimming. No one under 18 admitted without a parent or guardian. Proof of residence and a \$2 daily fee.

EXHIBITS

Through Feb. 29 - **A SHARED VISION**, Photographs by

Bernice Abbott and Hank O'Neal, Sordoni Gallery, 150 S. River St., Wilkes-Barre. Reception and gallery talk Jan. 24, 5-7 p.m. Exhibit hours daily noon-4 p.m. Free. Info, 408-4325.

Ongoing - THE LIGHT & THE LAND, ongoing project by Sue Hand, Dallas. Final collection will be over 1,000 drawings and paintings. Allied Services-John Heinz Institute, 150 Mundy St., Wilkes-Barre. Info, 826-3800.

HEALTH

BLOOD PRESSURE TESTING, first Wednesday of each month, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy, Dallas Shopping Center. Free, service provided by Personal Care Home Health Services.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP every Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. offered by the Hospice Care of the Visiting Nurses Association. Facilitat-

ed by Rev. Jeffrey Klasek, chaplain of Wyoming Valley Health Care System. Thomas P. Saxton Medical Pavilion Health Enhancement classroom, 468 Northampton St., Edwardsville. For info or to register, call 552-1391.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY, Bible-based addition recovery group. Every Monday 7-8:30 p.m., Christ Community Church, 100 W. Dorrance St., Kingston. Info, 283-2202.

UPCOMING

BLOOD DRIVE

Feb. 5 - IREM TEMPLE COUNTRY CLUB, 1-7 p.m., Country Club Rd., Dallas. For appt., 823-7161.

Feb. 8 - SWEET VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST, 2-7 p.m., 5439 Main Rd., Sweet Valley. For appt., 823-7161.

COMMUNITY

Feb. 7 - 44th ANNUAL PIG ROAST, American Legion Post, Dallas. Serving 5-8 p.m., dancing 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Donation \$7, pick up tickets at the Legion Post, Memorial Highway.

Feb. 7 - ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT SUPPER, 4:30-7 p.m., Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Mt. Zion Rd., Hard-

ing. Adults \$5, children under 12 \$3.

GROUPS

Feb. 3 - BACK MT. MEMORIAL LIBRARY ASS'N, annual meeting, 8 p.m. at the library. Open to the public.

Feb. 5 - GFWC HARVEY'S LAKE December meeting, 7:30 at Lake-Noxen School. Questions, call Maryanne Finch, 639-2910.

Feb. 9 - HARVEYS LAKE CRIME WATCH, meeting, 7:30 p.m., Municipal Building.

Feb. 3-24 - DIABETES SELF-MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, four parts, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24, 1-3 p.m. each

day. Fr. Streit Enrichment Center, Mercy Hospital, 25 Church St., Wilkes-Barre. Physician referral required. Info, registration, 826-3532.

MUSIC

Feb. 17 - ACADEMY OF ST. MARTIN IN THE FIELDS chamber ensemble, 7:30 p.m., The Mellow Theater, Lackawanna College, Scranton. Tickets \$35, \$25 and \$15 for students, through Scranton Community Concerts, 342-4137, Scranton Cultural Center box office, 344-1111 or ticketmaster.com.

OUTDOORS

Feb. 8 - ICE GOLF TOURNAMENT, tee times noon to 3 p.m., registrator at Grotto

Pizza. \$50 per person fee includes nine holes, a buffet dinner and prizes. Long-drive contest at \$5 per shot. Proceeds benefit Harveys Lake community projects. Info, registration, 639-2078 or 655-5507, ext. 320.

STAGE

Feb. 7 - PAST HAPPY, a dinner theater with a twist. Displays of memorabilia, cash prizes in a trivia contest, oldies but goodies by the Wyoming County Players' version of the Andrews Sisters, Red Skelton, Dean Martin and more. One show, 7 p.m., Shadowbrook Resort, Rt. 6, Tunkhannock. Info, reservations, 836-6986 or www.wyomingcountyplayers.com.

Feb. 13-14 - THE MAN WHO WAS THURSDAY, a new drama by the Wyoming Seminary Players, 8 p.m. both days in the Buckingham Performing Arts Center, North Sprague Avenue, Kingston. The play is a dramatization of the well-known G. K. Chesterton novel by the same name. \$3 for adults, \$2 for students; available at the door. Open to the public.

Info, 270-2190.

Feb. 21-Mar. 14 - HELLO DOLLY!, musical by Jerry Herman, Thursdays through Sundays. Curtain at 8 p.m., buffet served 90 minutes prior on Thursdays-Saturdays. Sunday matinees at 3:15 p.m., buffet 90 minutes prior. Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville Info, 283-2195.

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FEBRUARY CLASSES

CLASSES FOR KIDS

MIXED MEDIA (Age 5-12)
Feb. 9, 16, 23, Mar. 1 or Feb. 13, 20, 27, Mar. 5 • 4-6:30 pm • \$25

ART CLASS FOR PRE-SCHOOLERS (Age 4-5)
Feb. 9, 16, 23, Mar. 1 • noon-12:45 pm • \$20

QUILTING FOR KIDS (Age 6+)
Wednesdays through Apr. 14 • 3:30-5 pm • \$10 per project

CREATIVE WRITING FOR EIGHTH GRADERS
Thursdays through Feb. 12 • 4-5 pm • \$20

CLASSES FOR ADULTS

DRAWING FOR ADULTS (Age 13+)
Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 • 10-11:30 am • \$40

DRAWING AND PAINTING FOR ADULTS (Age 13+)
Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25 • 6:30-8 pm • \$40

DECORATIVE PAINTING FOR ADULTS (Age 13+)
Wednesdays through Mar. 24 • noon-3 pm • \$15 per class

WATERCOLOR FOR BEGINNERS (Age 13+)
Feb. 10, 17, 24 • 10 am-noon • \$15 per class

YOGA FOR YOU (Age 9 to adult)
Wednesdays Feb. 10 to Mar. 24 • 10-11 am • \$10 per class or \$50 for all six

POTTERY AND SCULPTURE (Age 13+)
Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25 • 8:30-10 am or Feb. 9, 16, 23, Mar. 1 • 6:30-8 pm • \$40

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