

SENIOR MENUS

Senior Citizens Centers sponsored by the Area Agency on aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties offers hot noon meals Monday through Friday to people 60 years of age or older.

MONDAY: Turkey a la king

with pastry shell, vegetable medley, apple.

TUESDAY: Pork ribette with BBQ sauce on sandwich roll, sweet potatoes, peas with mushrooms, oatmeal raisin cookie.

WEDNESDAY: Baked ham with cabbage, parsley boiled potatoes, mixed vegetables, cookie with ice cream.

THURSDAY: Stuffed peppers, whipped potatoes, peach cobbler, ice cream.

FRIDAY: Tuna salad on sandwich roll, cole slaw, vegetable soup, birthday cake.

OBITUARIES

JO ANN GORTO

Long-time ENCON employee

Jo Ann Gorto, 61, of Shavertown, died March 5, 2004 at her home.

Born in East Orange, New Jersey, October 10, 1942, she was a daughter of the late Joseph Stephen and Frances (Stevenson) Balla.

She was preceded in death by her son, Karl A. Gorto, in 1989 and by her step-mother, Laura Gorto.

Surviving are son, Andrew J. Gorto, Pittston; two grandchildren; brother, Joseph Balla, Luzerne.

Interment, Mt. Greenwood Cemetery, Trucksville.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Red Cross, 156 S. Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702.

MARK ZAPOTICKY

Supporter of youth sports

Mark S. Zapoticky, 43, of Lake St., Dallas, passed away March 5, 2004 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born November 1, 1960, he was the son of Stephen Zapoticky of Wilkes-Barre and Kathleen Shaver Zapoticky, Kingston. He was a 1979 graduate of Dallas Senior High School and was employed at Payne Printery, Dallas.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are his wife, the former Phyllis Bird; sons, Kyle and Keith, at home; sisters, Noreen Brzozowski, Plymouth; Diane Domzalski, Dallas; Susan Polinchak, Mountain Top; brother, Nicholas Zapoticky, Dallas; several nieces and nephews.

Interment, Oak Lawn Cemetery, Wilkes-Barre.

Memorial contributions may be made to Dallas Gridiron Club, c/o Michael Kelly, 150 Dug Road, Wyoming, PA 18644.

IDA MARIE MORRIS

Born in Philadelphia

Ida Marie Morris, 85, of East Overbrook Avenue, Shavertown passed away March 2, 2004 at Manor Care, Kingston.

Born in Philadelphia, she was the daughter of the late Samuel and Anna (Kelly) Coates. She was preceded in death by sister Caroline Shuster; brothers Washington, Jonas, Samuel, David, Joseph, Thomas, William and Robert Coates.

Surviving are daughter, Ida Marino and spouse, Michael, Shavertown; granddaughters, Pamela Wintersteen, Dallas; Melanie Marino, Oak Hill, Va; Valerie Marino, Fairfax Va; Annette Marino, Shavertown; great-granddaughter, Erika Wintersteen; brothers, James and Russell Coates, Philadelphia; several nieces and nephews.

Interment, Oakland Cemetery, Philadelphia.

Donations may be made to the Trucksville United Methodist Church, 40 Knob Hill, Trucksville, Pa 18708.

Q: Where do you find the most Back Mountain news each week? A: Only in The Post

FLORENCE LABAR

Operated Caddie LaBar's in Dallas with husband

Florence LaBar, 85, of Ransom Road, Franklin Township, passed away March 5, 2004 at Mercy Center, Dallas.

Born in Idetown, Lehman Township, she was the daughter of the late James and Myrtle Dymond Park. She was a graduate of Lehman High School, Bloomsburg Teachers College and attended Penn State University. In association with her husband, Caddie, she operated Caddie LaBar's Sporting Goods, Dallas.

She was preceded in death by brother, Robert Park; sister, Ruth Park.

Surviving are her husband of 54 years, Clarence E. "Caddie"; sons, Clarence E. Jr., "Caddie," Elgin, Ill.; R. Timothy, Dallas; Donald R., Franklin Township; Elwood A., Dallas; Larry L., Dallas; daughters, Ruth Wolfe, Lake Township; Linda Koeb, Stockbridge, Ga.; grandchildren, Jessica, Michael, Allyson, Timothy, Nathan LaBar, Carrie Kowalski, Danae LaBar, David LaBar, Valery Kinney, Benjamin Wolfe, Alicia and Abigail Koeb, Amber, Sean, Chad LaBar; great-grandchildren, Lisa, Nathan Jr., William LaBar, Nicholas Kowalski.

Interment, Idetown Cemetery.

Donations may be made to Mercy Center, Lake Street, Dallas, Pa. 18612.

KEITH BERRY

Bowling coach and director

Keith R. Berry, 50, of Powderhorn Drive, Dallas, and formerly of Wilkes-Barre and Midland Park, N.J., died March 6, 2004 at Hospice Community Care Inpatient Unit at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, where he had been a patient for two days.

Born on January 12, 1954, in Ridgewood, N.J., he was a son of Catherine (Kleiverda) Pintak, of Vernon, N.J., and the late Charles Berry. He graduated from Westwood, N.J., High School in 1972. He was last employed as an account executive at Mid-Atlantic Communications, Avoca, for three months. He previously was employed in the same capacity at Norstar Networks Communications, Wilkes-Barre, for five years. While living in N.J., he was an active firefighter and EMT and was Assistant Fire Chief of the Midland Park Volunteer Fire Department, a Midland Park fire marshal and a member of the Bogota, N.J., Fire Department. Mr. Berry attended New Life Community Church, Orange; was Eastern Area Director of Pennsylvania State Bowling Association; a vice president of the Wyoming Valley Bowling Association; and Youth Director and bowling coach at Stanton Lanes, Wilkes-Barre.

He and his wife, the former Roxanne DeVoss, were married on July 1, 2001.

Surviving in addition to his mother and wife are a daughter, Dawn Marie; a son, Keith Robert Jr.; stepfather, August Pintak, Vernon, N.J.; stepdaughter, Rachael; stepson, Jonathan; a sister, Linda Keller, Vernon, N.J.; two nieces and a nephew.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in New Life Community Church, Orange.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Hospice Community Care, 385 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, PA 18704.

Remember When

We've been digging through our pile of old photos, and thought it would be fun to share some of them with you. Space allowing, we'll publish a scene from the Back Mountain's past each week on this page.



Down by the old mill stream

In 1957, the Trucksville mill building was about to be demolished. It was located in the area that is now Frances Slocum lake. One of the advertising signs was for Lay or Bust chicken feed.

OBITUARIES

HOWARD EHRET

Life member of Lehman United Methodist Church

Howard R. Ehret, 85, of Dallas, died March 7, 2004 at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born July 15, 1918, in Lehman, he was a son of the late Arthur and Irene (Pollock) Ehret. He was a graduate of Lake-Lehman High School. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Ehret was employed as a truck driver for the Cornell Family, Pikes Creek, as a school bus driver for the Lehman School District and as a crossing guard at the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School. He was a life member of the Lehman United Methodist Church and was active with the Dallas Senior Center.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Janice Ehret; brothers, Glenn and Stewart; sister, Alberta Foss.

Surviving are his brother, Sheldon Ehret, Lehman; sisters, Pauline Calkins, Pike Creek; Alice Walsh, Sweet Valley; companion, Betty Gale, Dallas; nieces and nephews.

Interment, Maple Grove Cemetery, Pikes Creek.

Memorial donations may be made to the Lehman United Methodist Church, Box 1, Mt. View Drive, Lehman, PA 18627.

JOSEPH PATALONIS

Veteran of U.S. Marines

Joseph A. Patalonis Jr., 66, of Lehman, went home to be with the Lord March 7, 2004 at home following an 18-year battle with cancer.

Born in Plymouth, Aug. 27, 1937, he was a son of the late Joseph and Genevieve (Cheponis) Patalonis. He received an associate's degree in business from Penn State University, Lehman Campus. He served in the U.S. Marines as a radio man. He was a member of the Landmark Lodge #442 F&AM, Wilkes-Barre. He was employed as a supervisor by Burlington Industries, Wilkes-Barre, and Eberhart Faber, Mountain Top.

He was preceded in death by brothers, Leonard and Gerry.

Surviving are his wife of 29 years, the former Linda Prutzman; daughters, Lori Lee, Virginia Beach, Va.; Jennifer VanGorder, Sweet Valley; two adoring granddaughters, Rose Lee and Chloe VanGorder.

Memorial contributions be sent to House of Care, c/o Geisinger Medical Center, 100 N. Academy Ave., Danville, Pa. 17822; or Hospice St. John, 1007 Oak St., Pittston, Pa. 18640.

MELBA E. WEBBER

Daughter lives at Harveys Lake

Melba E. Webber, 85, of Harveys Lake, died March 2, 2004, in Mercy Center Nursing Unit, Dallas.

Born in Blakely, daughter of the late James and Rachel Morgan Gibson. She was a graduate of Hanover High School, a member of the Auxiliary of the Purple Heart and Patriotic Brotherhood of Americans.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Paul Parsons; second husband, Edmund Webber; and brothers, Carl, Richard, Edward and George.

Surviving are daughters, Lorraine Parsons Coburn, Harveys Lake; Pamela Parsons Hummel, Drums; son Frederick Webber, Kingston; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; sister, Edith Stedley, Houston.

ELEANOR KISTLER

Member of Dallas UMC

Eleanor S. Kistler, 90, of Midway Lane, Dallas, passed away March 9, 2004 at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Born in Hickory Corners, Northumberland County, she was the daughter of the late John and Blanche Corman Spotts. She was a graduate of John Harris High School, Harrisburg. Before retiring, she was a department manager for W.T. Grant's Department Store, Harrisburg. She was a member of the Dallas United Methodist Church and its United Methodist Women.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John F.; brothers, Robert and Ralph Spotts.

Surviving are daughters, Elizabeth Krupa, Dallas; Rosemary Zarlenga, Hershey; sister, Adeline Mummert, Carlisle; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

Interment, Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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Rational Numbers answers

Grid of numbers for Rational Numbers puzzle.

King Crossword - Answers

Grid of letters for King Crossword puzzle.

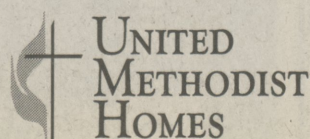
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