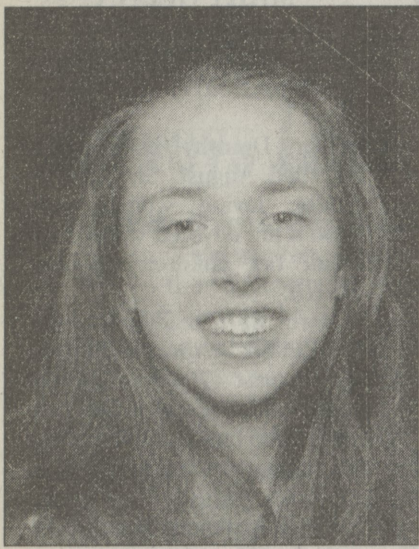


# Meet the 2004 Luzerne County Fair Queen contestants



Kristin Borger



Amanda Boytin



Grace Ciak



Elise Mosca



Cassie Sallus

## Winner will be crowned Friday, September 3

Five young women will vie for the title of 2004 Luzerne County Fair Queen.

Candidates will be judged on their accomplishments and achievements, their personality and knowledge of Luzerne County and the fair. Judging

will take place in private interviews, through an essay on the fair's importance and through an original public service announcement each candidate will present before an audience. They will also receive scores for poise, appearance and grooming.

The new queen will be selected on Friday, September 3 in conjunction with a reception that launches the annual event. The 2003 queen was the

late Carrie Martin of Dallas.

A \$1,000 endowment fund has been created in honor of Martin, who died earlier this year. The award will be given to the 2004 queen in addition to a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond donated by Pepsi-Cola and other prizes and certificates.

The first runner-up wins a \$100 Savings Bond. The 2004 queen will represent Luzerne County at the state level

competition in January, 2005.

## Princess applications available

The 2004 Luzerne County Fair Princess will be selected Saturday, Sept. 11 at the fairgrounds amphitheater. Female contestants must be between the ages of 6 and 12. All entrants receive a prize, and each will appear on stage for a panel of judges,

who will make their choice on interview, personality and poise, grooming and the contestant's knowledge of and ability to represent the fair.

The winner receives a tiara and banner. The reigning princess is Tanner Englehart of Trucksville.

To obtain an application form, call 675-1761. All entries must be received by Sept. 1.



Mallory Judith McGeehan

## Mallory Judith McGeehan baptized at St. Therese's

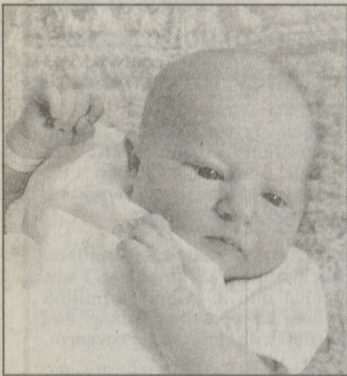
Mallory Judith McGeehan, daughter of Robert and Bonnie McGeehan, Shavertown, was baptized on July 25 in St. Therese's Catholic Church, Shavertown. Msgr. Peter Crynes officiated the ceremony.

Mallory was born on June 5 at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital. She has a brother Lucas, 2.

Godparents are Lynn Hauser, Wilkes-Barre and Robert McGeehan Sr., Plains Township.

Mallory is the granddaughter of Robert and Dolores McGeehan, Plains Township and the late Robert and Judith Adams.

She is the great-granddaughter of Thomas and Evelyn McGeehan, Mountain Top and Dolores Evans, Plains Township and the late Cyril Evans.



## Haylee Kernag enters the world

Haylee Christine Kernag was born Friday, Aug. 6 at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center in Wilkes-Barre. She is the daughter of Timothy Kernag of Hunlock Creek and Nichole Seiwel of Dallas.

Maternal grandparents are John and Christine Marshall of Dallas.

Paternal grandparents are Robert and Debra Kernag of Hunlock Creek.

She weighed 6 lb., 15 oz. and was 19 inches long at birth.

## Cub Scout signups

Cub Scout signups for Pack 155 will be held Wednesday, Sept. 8 between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the Trucksville United Methodist Church Education Building on Church Road in Trucksville. Boys in grades 1-5 may sign up that evening, or at the first pack meeting, which will be held Friday, Sept. 17 at 6:30 p.m. Scouts met twice monthly with their dens, and every third Friday as a pack.

## Siren test at prison

Federal Signal will perform maintenance August 30 on the siren system at the State Correctional Institute at Dallas. The sirens may sound periodically throughout the day.



## Cub Scout Pack 281 presents awards

Cub Scout Pack 281 of Dallas held its pack meeting and awards ceremony in the spring to end a successful year of scouting. The following boys received awards.

Tiger and Bob Cat Badges and/or Tiger Track Beads: (Tiger 1, Leader Mr. Connolly) Zachary Connolly, Jesse Goode, David Mallarkey, Nicholas Muldoon, Anthony Pace, Mark Pall, Jacob Plank, Morgan Salter, Jeff Strazdus, A.J. Sweppenheiser; (Tiger 2, Leader Mr. Drouse) Keith Baxter, Brian Butler, Brian Drouse, A.J. Hunter Bouchard, Dylan Parsons Bouchard and David Schnable.

Bear Arrow Badges and/or Activity Segment Badges: (Den 1, Leaders Mrs. DiMaria, Mrs. Pilger and Mr. Wagner) Anthony DiMaria, Dante DeAngelo, Ryan Deremer, James Delpriore, Tyler Evans, Brian Goode, Ryan Leonardo, John Murray, Cory Parsons, Jeremy Peters, Dylan Pilger, Michael Podskoch, Greg Strazdus, Damon Szatowski, and Marcus Wagner.

Wolf Arrow Badges, World Conservation and/or Activity Segment Badges: (Den 3, Leader Mrs. Blat) Jacob Arnold, John Blat, Chad DeBona, William Gately, Lenny Javick, David Matcho, Brain O'Donnell, Peter Shaver; (Den 4 - Leader Mrs. Moody) Dominic DeLuca, Joshua Evans, Ryan Frania, Patrick Gelso, Jarad Hoats, Steven Kirk, Lucas Leonardo, David Madl, Jacob Moody, Aaron Napkora, Taylor Newhart, and Patrick Newhart.

Webelos Activity/ Achievement Pins, Compass Point Emblems and/or Activity Segments: (Den 4-1, Leaders Mrs. Pizzo and Mr. Rogers) Matthew Blom, Anthony Pizzo, Tommy Rogers, Andrew Smith, Dakota Spritzinger; (Den 4-2, Leaders Mr. and Mrs. Terninko and Mr. and Mrs. Santora) Andrew Arnoldi, Patrick Dockeray, Jeremy Geisinger, Joseph Kapolka, James Kelly, Thomas Lynch, Andrew Santora, Michael Terninko, Alex Zubko; (Den 5-1, Leaders Mr. and Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Scherer and Mr. Culver) Gary Anderson, Carl Baxter, Travis Culver, Morgan DeArmitt, Brian DeLuca, Richard Evans, Mathew Gilbert, Sergey Ivanov, Kevin Muldoon, Scott Napkora, Steven Scherer; (Den 5-2, Leaders Dr. and Mrs. Goeringer) Christopher Clemson, Travis DeBona, Nick Dennis, Christopher Dillon, Zachery Dirs, Adam Goeringer, Mark Luksa, Tyler Morgan, Christian Pyros, Drew Schaub and Christopher Tamini.

The Webelos 5-1 and 5-2 participated in a bridging ceremony led by Scoutmaster Dr. Glicini and Assistant Scoutmaster Mr. Luksa of Troop 281.

District Boat and Frog Race winners were recognized. Ryan Hogan received a third place finish for the boat race and Jacob Plank received a second place finish in the frog race.

Certificates of appreciation were given to families and friends of Pack 281 Scouting, Den Chiefs, Den Leaders and Mrs. Nancy McDonald.

For information about joining the Cub Scouts, contact Mrs. McDonald (Dallas) at 675-3133 or Mrs. Mathers (Trucksville) 696-2214.



## Meadows Nursing Center Gets Helping Hands

The Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, wishes to thank those who assisted the center in beautifying the grounds during the annual "Day of Caring". The United Way of Wyoming Valley sponsors this community-wide volunteer event that is coordinated by the Volunteer Action Center. Staff from the Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania and Convergys, are, from left, seated, Dawna Gardner and Diane Hoerst. From left, standing, are Marilyn Gregorski, Meadows volunteer coordinator; Jennifer Sangston, Convergys; Alyson Kolojchick; Debbie Darling and Ron Collins.

## Back Mountain Seniors meet Sept. 1

The Back Mountain Senior Citizens will meet Thursday, Sept. 1 at 1 p.m. in Mercy Center, College Misericordia, Dallas. Due to renovation work, the club will not meet at St. Therese's Church hall until further notice.

Club members are encouraged to attend to plan for future programs, activities and projects and the annual Christmas party. Signup sheets and dates will be available for volunteering at St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen and to help residents to play bingo at the Meadows Nursing Center.

"Pull Tabs for Dialysis" and "Cancelled Postage Stamps for Veterans Hospitals" are still being collected.

Celebrating September birthdays will be Irene Katyl and Florence Stella. Bakers will be Sophie Kapral and Genevieve Albosta.

To reach the meeting place, enter the Misericordia campus through the arch on Lake Street, then follow signs to the Mercy Center parking lot. The receptionist will direct visitors to the meeting room.

For more information, call 696-3095 or 696-1828.

## Back Mountain Food Pantry needs donations

Many months have gone by since the postal workers and Boy Scouts had food drives to collect nonperishable food items to restock the shelves at the Back Mountain Food Pantry.

Individuals, churches and civic or service organizations are encouraged to call the volunteers at the food pantry at 696-2917 to arrange a mutually convenient time to deliver any donations they are able to collect, or food may be dropped off on Tuesday or Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. until noon.

The food pantry is located in the Dickson Educational Facility at the Trucksville United Methodist Church.

## Halloween fundraiser welcomes support

The committee for the Back Mountain Memorial Library Halloween fundraiser, the

Haunted Library, met recently to formulate plans for the event. The Haunted Library will be presented October 22-24 and October 29-30 in the basement of the library at a cost of \$5 a person. Food and a bake sale will be available each night. There will also be face painting, children's games and a maze.

About 30 people are needed each night to work in various capacities. Interested adults may call the library at 675-1182 to volunteer. A signup sheet is also posted in the library.

Donations of pumpkins, gourds, apples, baked goods, cornstalks, bales of hay, Halloween lights and decorations, and adult costumes are greatly appreciated. Nadine Young and Lou-Ellen Zekas are co-chairs.