

OBITUARIES

JOSEPHINE MATUKITIS

Franklin Township woman was 90

Josephine Matukitis, 90, of Franklin Twp., died December 16, 2004 at Mercy Center, Dallas.

Born in Courtdale, she was the daughter of the late Anthony and Frances (Yoycnik) Moreck.

She was preceded in death by husband, Alex; sister, Martha Handley; and brothers, Joseph and George.

Surviving is a son, Albert at home and nieces and nephews.

Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

MICHAEL SOJA

Veteran of U.S. Navy

Michael Soja of Root Hollow Road, Tunkhannock, died December 17, 2004 at Geisinger Wyoming Valley.

He was born in Carbondale on Sept. 10, 1958, a son of the late Edward R. and Mary (Randosh) Soja. He was a graduate of Tunkhannock High School, class of 1976, and was a U.S. Navy veteran and a graduate of Kansas State University. He was employed as a Land Research and Survey Tech for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of General Services.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Christopher Soja.

Surviving are his companion, Beth Long; brothers David, of Clarks Summit; Edward, of Factoryville; two nieces and nephew.

Interment, Fairview Cemetery, Lake Winola.

FRANK ZIEGLER

Had been area milk dealer

Mr. Frank R. Ziegler, Sr., 78, of Spruce Street, Kingston, died December 21, 2004 at Geisinger Valley Medical Center, Plains Township, after being stricken ill at home.

Born in Larksville, he was the son of the late Robert and Hedwiga Janashwski Ziegler. He graduated from Larksville High School. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the Philippines.

Mr. Ziegler had resided in Kingston for most of his life. Prior to his retirement, he worked as a milkman and a subdealer for Grablick's Dairy, Suburban Dairy and, earlier, Dallas Dairy.

Preceding him in death are his son, Thomas F. Ziegler, February of 2004; a sister, Elizabeth Dido.

He was a member of Saint John the Baptist Church, Larksville. He was also a member of VFW Anthracite Post 283, Kingston.

Surviving are his wife, Sadie Hawkins Ziegler; son, Frank R. Ziegler, Jr., and his wife, Bonnie, Trucksville; four grandchildren, Elizabeth, Victoria, Virginia and Frank Ziegler, III.

Interment, Denison Cemetery, Swoyersville.

Memorial contributions, if desired, can be made to Saint John the Baptist Church, Larksville.

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DEBORAH MARTINO

Lived in Shavertown

Deborah (Debbie) Martino, 53, formerly of Shavertown passed away December 16, 2004 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

She was born in Wilkes-Barre, daughter of the late George and Vera (Jones) Skiro. She attended Crestwood High School and earned a cosmetology license from the Empire Beauty School of Wilkes Barre. Debbie co-owned and worked in her family business, Choice Futon and Mattress in Luzerne.

She was a devout Catholic, talented artist, stay-at-home mother, who was generous and giving in all respects. Her dedication to her family was immeasurable. Debbie will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Her generosity, kindness and soft-spoken ways will live forever through her spirit. A beloved wife, mother, sister, and aunt, she will always be remembered.

She was preceded in death by an infant brother and great-niece.

Surviving are her husband of 24 years, Frank Sr.; daughter, Angela, and partner, Jonathan Higdon, of Allentown; sons, Frank Jr. of Las Vegas; and Albert.

Also surviving are brothers, George Skiro, Mountain Top; Michael Skiro, Wilkes-Barre; Mark Skiro, Luzerne; Tina Skiro-Flynn, Freeland; several nieces and nephews, and several great-nieces and nephews.

Interment, Mount Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.

FLORENCE SUTTON

Lehman High School graduate, owned Maple Hill Nursing Home

Florence E. Davenport Sutton, 94, of Outlet Road, Lehman Township, passed away December 19, 2004 at Manor Care, Kingston.

Born in Lake Township, she was a daughter of the late George and Edith (Oliver) Wientz. She was a graduate of Lehman High School. Before retiring, she owned and operated the former Maple Hill Nursing Home, Lehman. She was a member of the Lehman United Methodist Church, Dallas American Legion Auxiliary, Lehman Volunteer Fire Co. Auxiliary, and the Lady Rebecas. She was preceded in death by her first husband, James Fred Davenport, and her second husband, Lanceford C. Sutton.

Surviving are daughter Margo Oncay, stepsons Kenneth and Richard Sutton, all of Lehman; sister Marion Harvey, Dallas; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren.

Interment, Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Huntsville United Methodist Church, Victory Baptist Church or Lehman United Methodist Church.

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. Sometimes we'll be able to tell you about the event and the people in the frame, and sometimes we'll be clueless. That's when you can help —

if you know names and details, please get them to us and we'll do our best to fill in the blanks for our readers. E-mail is the best communication method, so if you can, send info to: thepost@leader.net. Otherwise, send a fax to 675-3650, call 675-5211 or drop a note to: The Post, 15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre PA 18711.



Name this band

There is not date or location written on this photo, taken by C.F. Cook, Photographer. It has the appearance of a late-19th century print, and perhaps was taken at Irem Temple Country Club. Names listed on the back of the photo, from left: Elmer Shaver, John Gordon, Harry Shaver, Joe Johnson, Ernie Rummage, Will Neely, Charles Hall, Charles Cooke, Frank Schoonover, Robert Perriga, John Lanahan.

More about the blacksmith shop

Dorothy Bulford called The Post last week to fill us in on the photo of Bulford's blacksmith shop that appeared in last week's issue. The shop was owned by Joseph Bulford, her husband's uncle. She said it was located near the present-day Route 309 in Trucksville, up a little from Carverton Road. Joseph Bulford ran the shop from 1875 to 1948. The photo was taken in 1916, and careful viewing reveals an automobile parked in the ell, and an early gasoline pump out front. She thinks the little girl in the photo was Thelma Bulford. In those days, Bulford family members had a farm in Dallas, on land behind what was then the train station and is now the post office. Another blacksmith shop was located there, Dorothy said. Another branch of the family operated Bulford Farm in Jackson Township.

Junior Mozart Club welcomes new members

The Junior Mozart Club is accepting members. Student musicians under the age of 18 are welcome. The club is sponsored by the Senior Mozart Club. The junior organization gives students the opportunity to perform in studio recitals and in public several times a year. The junior club is also a member of the National and State Federation of Music Clubs and enjoys all of its rights. Joanne Herron and Lorraine Portelli, both Senior Mozart members and professional musicians, are counselors for the juniors.

The club meets monthly from September to May with at least two of those occasions being public appearances. For information, call 654-2162 or 655-3184.

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. Donations from participants are gratefully accepted and needed in order to expand this program. The following is the menu for the week of Dec. 27-31. All menus include margarine, milk and coffee. The Senior Center is located at 22

Rice St., Dallas.
MONDAY: Picnic burger on roll, hash brown potatoes, wax beans, granola.
TUESDAY: Baked pork chop, sweet potatoes, peas, vanilla pudding.
WEDNESDAY: Veal parmesan, pastawith tomato sauce, vegetable medley, banana.
THURSDAY: Chili con carne, tossed salad with Italian dressing, corn bread, pears.
FRIDAY: Closed.

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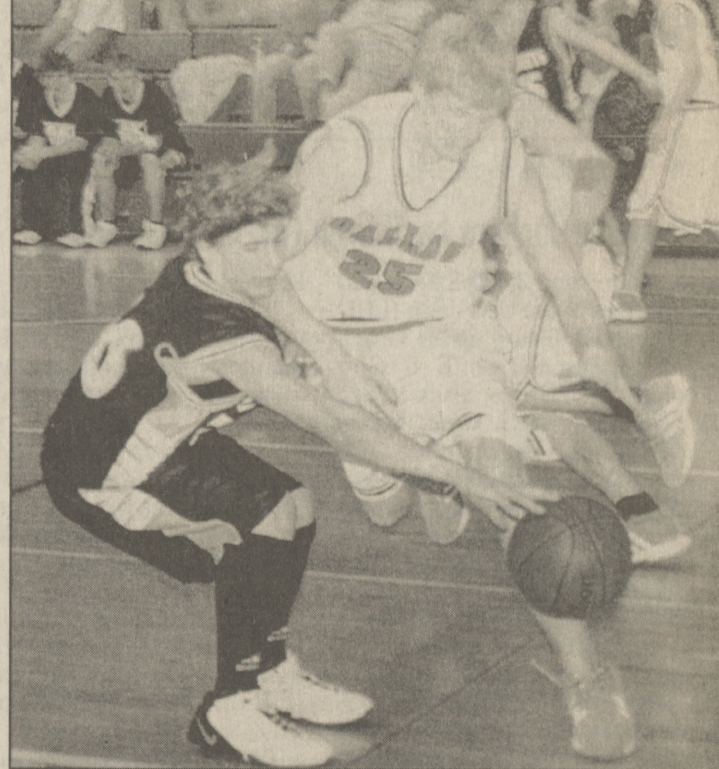
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King Crossword Answers

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