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THIS WEEK

BLOOD DRIVES

Feb. 21 - IREM TEMPLE COUNTRY CLUB, 1-6 p.m. Info, reservations, 823-7161.

COMMUNITY

Mar. 12 - CRAFT FAIR, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Eastern Star building, Foster St., Dallas. Pre-order soups by Mar. 7; chicken noodle or vegetable beef, \$4 per quart. Welsh cookies will be on sale. Vendor spaces available at \$10 each table. Call 675-1367 for reservations.

DANCE

Feb. 27-Mar. 20 - HIP-HOP DANCE LESSONS, Sundays, 5-5:45 p.m. Cost, \$80. "Latin Dance Lessons," 6-6:45 p.m. Cost, \$80. At College Misericordia. Info, 674-6289 or www.misericordia.edu, "Non-Credit Courses"

EXHIBITS

Feb. 27 - ROSSETTI ART CONTEST opening reception, 1 to 4 p.m. at the MacDonald Art Gallery, College Misericordia, Dallas. Art by students in grades 7-12 residing in or studying art within, the geographical boundaries of the school districts of Dallas, Lehman, Tunkhannock and Northwest Area. Various media. Continues through March 23. Info, 675-5094.

GROUPS

Feb. 22 - DALLAS COMMUNITY VISIONING and Harvest Festival Committee will meet at 7 p.m. in the Dallas Borough Council Chambers, 25 Main St. New volunteers and anyone interested in learning about these programs are welcome. Info, 675-1389.

HEALTH

Feb. 22 - INTRODUCTION TO ZEN MEDITATION, 7:30-9 p.m., Mercy Center, Dallas, pre-registration required. To register or for information call 675-1872, free will offering.

KIDSTUFF

Feb. 21 - HOLIDAY CAMP 9 a.m.-4 p.m., swimming, gym activities, arts and crafts, movies and more. Wilkes-Barre Family YMCA, 823-2191, ext. 129.

MUSIC

Feb. 21 - K.J. JAMES, singer, songwriter and acoustic blues guitarist, noon in the Cafe Commons, Penn State Wilkes-Barre. James is one of the country's most celebrated bluesmen. His credits include five consecutive NACA Campus Entertainer-Of-The-Year nominations and national acclaim for his contribution to the internationally recognized "Salt City Blues" project. Free. Info, 675-9284.

Feb. 23 - UNSUNG HERO, Top Brass Ensemble including vocalists and a narrator in a program mixing music, poetry and song. At 7 p.m., Snyder Room, Third Floor, Sheehy-Farmer Bldg., King's College, Wilkes-Barre.

Irish Film Festival at Misericordia

College Misericordia will celebrate the Irish culture throughout February and March during its annual Irish Film Festival. The event is sponsored by Dr. Rebecca Steinberger, assistant professor of English. All films will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Walsh Auditorium on the campus. The event, which will include a pre-film discussion, is open to the public; admission is \$3.

The film festival schedule is as follows:
Feb. 21: "In America," directed by Jim Sheridan.
Feb. 28: "Bloody Sunday,"

OUTDOORS

Feb. 24 - WILDFLOWERS & PLANTS: 12 MONTHS OF COLOR, 6:30 p.m. Join Rick Koval, Land Protection Specialist with the North Branch Land Trust, for a slide presentation of wildflowers and plants. Free. Wild Birds Unlimited, Dallas Shopping Center.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Feb. 20 - WINTER WONDERLAND WEEKEND, at the Kiwanis Wyoming County Fairgrounds in Meshoppen. Ice sculpture exhibition, ski trail, snowmobile demonstration, ice skating, biggest snowball contest, sleigh riding, sledding, tubing, face painting and small games. Live bands. Gates open at noon. Tickets at the gate \$4.

Feb. 25 - BEST IN SHOW, musical, movie-themed gala to aid SPCA Capital Campaign, 7 to 11 p.m., Genetti's in Wilkes-Barre. Open bar, passed hors d'oeuvres and buffet stations, bands, comedians, auctions. Tickets \$75 per person or \$650 for a table of 10. Purchased by calling 472-0365 or 970-SPCA.

STAGE

Feb. 21 - FREEDOM BOUND, a play with music about the Underground Railroad, performed by the Mad River Theater Works at 7 p.m. in the Buckingham Performing Arts Center, North Sprague Ave., Kingston. Free. Info, 270-2190.



Jacob Baker, Shavertown, plays Kurt, one of the von Trapp children, in *The Sound of Music*. He is shown rehearsing with Marcelle McGuirk, who plays Maria.

Feb. 24-Mar. 13 - THE SOUND OF MUSIC, the great Rodgers & Hammerstein musical. Thurs-Sat., bar opens 6 p.m.; dinner at 6:30, curtain at 8. Sundays, bar opens 1 p.m., dinner at 1:30, curtain at 3. The Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville. Info and reservations, call 283-2195 or 1-800-698-PLAY, or visit www.musicbox.org.

Feb. 27 - VACANCY IN PARADISE, Winter Dessert Theater presentation by The Wyoming County Players. At the Shadowbrook Inn & Resort, Tunkhannock at 3 p.m. Guests will sample six slices of dessert, choose two and enjoy a flavorful coffee or tea along with the show. Tickets are \$15. Call 836-6986 for reservations.

directed by Paul Greengrass.
March 14: "The Boxer," directed by Jim Sheridan.
March 21: "Dancing at Lughnasa," directed by Pat O'Connor.

The traditional acoustic/folk music and three-part harmony of the group Gopher Baroque will be featured during a concert on March 18 in the Walsh Auditorium. The concert, which begins at 8 p.m., is free of charge and open to the public.

For more information on the film festival or the concert, call 674-6423.



Pictured is the Best In Show planning committee. From left, seated: Tara Boyce Dudick holding a stray Husky mix, Maureen Gallagher holding Boo Boo, a Lab mix, Tammie Sciacca, holding a stray Terrier mix, Jill Gildea and Isaiah, a Pyrenean Mastiff. Standing: Paul Nardone, Kristie Grier, Jess Cronauer, Joe Student, Lesley Plank, Ed Gross and Ruth Corcoran.

UPCOMING

BLOOD DRIVES

Mar. 3 - TRITON HOSE COMPANY, in honor of Doris W. Sherwood, sponsored by Geisinger Medical Groups-Wyoming County. Donations taken 1-6 p.m. Triton Hose Company is located at 116 West Tioga Street, Tunkhannock. Info, 836-2121.

CLASSES

Feb. 28-Mar. 19 - CREATING SCULPTURE, introduction to sculpture. Students will work in a studio setting utilizing tools and equipment to create pleasing three-dimensional objects of art. Beginning through Intermediate students welcome. Saturdays 9 a.m.-noon. At College Misericordia. Cost, \$59 plus \$20 materials fee. Info, 674-6289 or www.misericordia.edu, "Non-Credit Courses"

COMMUNITY

Feb. 28: VACATION BIBLE PREVIEW WORKSHOP, 7 p.m., presented by Gifts

ONGOING

CLASSES

Through March - COLORS OF WINTER, art classes. Mon., Wed., Thurs. 6-7:30 p.m. All mediums and styles. Ages 6-adult, \$16 per class. New Visions Art Studio, Shavertown, 696-5515.

COMMUNITY

PUBLIC SWIMMING, 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 required.

EXHIBITS

Through Mar. 4 - MICHAEL KENNA: JAPAN, surreal and haunting photographs of the Japanese landscape. Daily noon-4:30 p.m. Sordoni

Wine tasting at Tunkhannock Library

Tunkhannock Public Library will hold its second annual wine tasting on Saturday, March 5 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at the Tunkhannock Public Library, 220 West Tioga St., Tunkhannock. The evening's refreshments will include wine as well as non-alcoholic beverages, hors d'oeuvres, coffee and dessert. There will be raffle tickets, and door prizes. Admission is \$30 per person and tickets will be limited. Proceeds will benefit the library. Call the library at 836-1677 for tickets.

From Above at the Fellowship Evangelical Free Church, Hildebrand Rd, Dallas. Call 675-0354.

HEALTH

Mar. 9 - LIVING WILLS AND ADVANCED DIRECTIVES, with guest speaker Mary Cummings, Esq. At the Thomas P. Saxton Medical Pavilion Auditorium, 468 Northampton St., Edwardsville, 2-3 p.m. Free health screenings, stroke risk assessment and a risk test for pre-diabetes will be provided from 1 to 2 p.m. Free and open to the public. Refreshments provided. Registration is required by calling 552-1250.

Mar. 19 - VASCULAR SCREENING, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Thomas P. Saxton Medical Pavilion Auditorium, 468 Northampton St., Edwardsville. For people between 40 and 70, without known heart disease or in high-risk groups such as diabetics, smokers and people with high blood pressure and high blood cholesterol. For more info or to register, call 552-1706.

MUSIC

Mar. 11 - LEX ROMANE & JOE RILLO, acoustic swing, 8 p.m. Chicory House, 35 S.

noon-4 p.m. Luzerne County Historical Society, 69 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Info, 823-6244.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Through Feb. 24 - WYOMING COUNTY READS reading, viewing and discussion series based on the novel "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. Book discussions and movie screenings are free and open to the public.

Growing Up in Small Town, U.S.A., Feb. 9, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Tunkhannock Public Library
Parenting in America, Feb. 17, 7 p.m., Dietrich Theater
Justice, Race, & Class in America, Feb. 23, 7 p.m., Tunkhannock Public Library
Movie and Discussions, Feb. 24 at 3 and 7 p.m., Dietrich Theater
Refreshments will be provided. Call the Dietrich Theater, 996-1500, or the Tunkhannock Public Library 836-1677 for details.

'Best In Show' gala will benefit SPCA

A team of volunteers is planning Best In Show, a large fundraising gala to benefit the Paws to Help capital campaign of the Luzerne County SPCA. The musical, movie-themed event will be held on Friday, Feb. 25 at Genetti's in Wilkes-Barre from 7 to 11 p.m. It will include open bar, passed hors d'oeuvres and buffet stations. Entertainment will be provided by the Little Sister Band, Soul Busters, Nevada and Richard Jenkins, with special appearances by comedian Chris Barnes and producer Robert May. A large live and silent auction will feature a variety of packages, including spa parties, Penguins luxury boxes, golf passes, gym memberships, catered events, wine and cheese tasting parties, pet items, a day on the set of movie and much more.

Tickets are \$75 per person or \$650 for a table of 10 and can be purchased by calling 472-0365 or 970-SPCA. Proceeds benefit the SPCA Capital Campaign, to provide needed renovations and additions to the SPCA shelter. To date, \$500,000 has been raised towards the \$650,000 goal.

Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Admission \$12, members \$9. Info, 825-8772 or www.chicoryhouse.org.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mar. 5 - WINE TASTING, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at the Tunkhannock Public Library, 220 West Tioga St., Tunkhannock. Refreshments will include wine and non-alcoholic beverages, hors d'oeuvres, coffee and dessert. Raffle tickets, and door prizes. Admission \$30 per person, tickets limited. Proceeds benefit the library. Call 836-1677 for tickets and info.

STAGE

Feb. 28, Mar. 1 - AUDITIONS, for Children of Eden, a musical depicting tales of Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel and Noah and his family. Auditions at The Music Box Playhouse Feb. 28, 7-8 p.m. for children ages 6-16; Feb. 28 and Mar. 1, 7 p.m. for adults. The play will be presented in April. Info, 283-2195 or 1-800-698-PLAY.

Land Trust plans annual dinner

The North Branch Land Trust will hold its annual dinner, which will be held on April 28 at Genetti's Hotel in Wilkes-Barre. Tom Diez, internationally-known wildlife cinematographer, will highlight the evening with a presentation on Pennsylvania wildlife. The 2005 Stewardship Award honoree is Stan Sowa.

The Land Trust is accepting advertisements in the dinner program. The 2004 dinner raised nearly \$10,000, money used to work with landowners and the public to protect wildlife habitat, preserve farmland and rural character, reserve open space for recreation and to promote responsible development. More information can be found at www.nblt.org.

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