### BITUARIES

#### **ELWOOD CONDEN**

Milkman and bus driver, he was a Marines veteran of WWII

Elwood J. "Chuck" Conden, 85, of Kunkle, passed away March 2, 2005 in East Mountain Manor, Plains Township.

Born at Harveys Lake, he was the son of the late Jacob and Florence Thompson Conden. He was a graduate of Dallas Township High School. Before retiring, he was a milkman for Dallas Dairy and previous to that had been a bus driver for Wilkes Barre Transit Co. He was a veteran of World War II, having served with the Marines. He was a member of the Alderson United Methodist hurch, the Harveys Lake nerican Legion Post 967, Teamsters Local 401, Wilkes

He was preceded in death by his wife, Doris Kunkle Conden; son, Jay and Charles; brother,

Surviving are daughters, Jennie Weaver and Louise Nulton, Harveys Lake; foster Truman Crispell, Edwardsville, IL; daughter-in-Frances Olmstead, Harveys Lake; sister, Dorothy Lord, Dallas; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren. Interment, Warden

Cemetery, Dallas Township. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kunkle Fire Co.

#### STANLEY LIPINSKI

Founded and owned Trail Implement Co.

Stanley R. Lipinski, 81, of Inkhannock, died March 6, 005 at the Community Medical Center in Scranton. He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna M. (Surowiec) Lipinski, and a brother, Walter Benny.

He was born in Falls, Pa., on March 14, 1923, a son of the late Benjamin and Victoria (Phillips) Lipinski. He worked as a dairy farmer and at the Aldovin Dairy in Lemon, Pa., and also for the Schnelly Distillery and in the plumbing department at the Murray Co. in Tunkhannock. In 1956, he bunded Trail Implement Co. in Factoryville and was the

owner until 1978. He retired from the maintenance department of the Tunkhannock Area School District. He was a member of the

Church of the BVM in Tunkhannock, 4th Degree Knight of Fr. Francis Perkosky Knights of Columbus Council 5942, and a member of the Triton Hose Co. Tunkhannock. Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Kovalchick

Tunkhannock; sons David, of West Chester; Thomas, of Indianapolis, Ind.; sisters Helen Ann Lipinski of Falls; Regina Woloszn of Falls; Genevieve Matylewicz of Clark Summit; nine grandchildren; one great-grandson; several nieces and nephews. Interment, Pieta Cemetery,

Tunkhannock. Memorial contributions n be made to the American Heart Association or to the American Diabetes Association.

### MERRILL O. THOMAS

Ran produce stand in Dallas for decades

Merrill O. Thomas, 87, of Rice Street, Dallas, passed away March 9, 2005 at his

Born in Dallas, he was the son of the late Arthur and Winifred Gates Thomas. He was a graduate of Dallas Borough High School. He was a farmer and operated a produce stand on Memorial Highway in Dallas. He was preceded in death by a sister, Rhoda Bisbing.

There are no survivors.

#### ANNA WALLENT

Born at Lake Carey

Mrs. Anna Julia Wallent, 83, of Tunkhannock died February 28, 2005, at Tyler Memorial Hospital, Tunkhannock. She was born at her home at Lake Carey, Tunkhannock, on February 28, 1922, the daughter of the late Vincient and the

late Theophelia Blickert Wallent. She was employed as a cook at the Prince Hotel and also worked as a garment worker at Rocar and Bocar Dress

She was preceded in death by three sisters, Sophie, Pauline and Constance Bunnell; two brothers, John and Joseph.

Surviving are her niece, 'Tiki' Lyons of Theophelia ` Tunkhannock and nephew, Arthur R. Bunnell of Meshoppen; two greatnephews and one great-niece.

Funeral will be Monday, March 14, 2005, at 10:45 a.m. from the Harding-Litwin Funeral Home, 123 W. Tioga St., Tunkhannock, with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at Nativity BVM Church, 99 E. Tioga St., Tunkhannock, with the Rev. Jeffrey J. Walsh officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday, March 13, 2005, from 2 to 5 p.m. Interment will be in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Tunkhannock.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Laboratory at Tyler Memorial Hospital, Route 6, West Tunkhannock.

# LOUISE FRANTZ

Science teacher with degrees from Univ. of Pennsylvania

Louise W. Frantz, 84, formerly of Machell Ave., Dallas, passed away March, 4, 2005, in the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas. Born in Dallas, she was the daughter of the late Donald and Beulah Whipp Frantz. She was a graduate of Dallas Borough High School and the University of Pennsylvania, where she received her bachelor's and master's of science degrees. She had been a teacher in Wesley Junior College, Dover, DE. She was a member of the Dallas United Methodist Church, Dallas Chapter 396, Order of the Eastern Star, volunteer at the Meadows Nursing Center, and had taught water safety in Delaware.

Surviving are cousins. Interment, Lehman Center Cemetery, Lehman.

#### ETHEL YURKO

With husband, owned PIkes Creek Nursery

Ethel A. Yurko, age 65, of Pikes Creek, died March 9, 2005, at the Hospice Community Care, Mercy

Hospital, Wilkes-Barre. She was born Edwardsville, October 25, 1939, and was the daughter of the late John and Dorothy Dougal Gilmore and had resided at Pikes Creek for the

Prior to retiring, she and her husband, George, owned and operated Pikes Creek Nursery for 10 years.

She was preceded in death by a brother, John Gilmore and granddaughter, Amanda Bednarsky.

Surviving, in addition to her husband of 44 years, George, are daughters, Elizabeth Carmer, Champaign, IL; Jennifer Curran, Quarryville; Catherine Monahan, Exeter; sister, Betty Harring, Wilkes-Barre; five grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held Monday at 11 a.m. from the Curtis L. Swanson Funeral Home, Inc., corner of Routes 29 and 118, Pikes Creek, with Rev. Timothy V. Cappucci, pastor of the Community Bible Church of Sweet Valley, officiating. Interment will be in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Pikes Creek. Friends may call 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

#### 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 March 7 to 11. All menus include margarine, milk and coffee. The Senior Center is located at 22 Rice St., Dallas. MONDAY: Veal with mushroom sauce, sweet potatoes,

cauliflower, orange sherbet. TUESDAY: Bee bracioli with stufing and gravy, whipped potatoes, Roman vegetable medley, peaches.

WEDNESDAY: Chili con carne, steamed rice, tossed salad, banana.

THURSDAY: Baked ham and cabbage, parslied potatoes, cookie, chocolate ice cream.

FRIDAY: Crab cake, baked potato, carrots, birthday cake.

# Fire department web addresses

Five local fire departments now have web pages where anyone who is interested may find out more about the departments and how to become a volunteer. Thye are: Shavertown:

http://go.to/shavertownfire Trucksville: http://www.trucksvillefire.co

Kunkle Fire & EMS: http://home.usnetway.com/~

kunkle Harveys Lake Fire & EMS: http://www.geocities.com/har veyslakefire

Northmoreland Fire: http://www.geocities.com/sta tion140

# 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.



Once upon a time, Dallas had two train stations, one for passengers, in the foreground of this photo, and one for freight. They stood in the area where the Dallas Post Office is now located. A separate trolley line ran to Harveys Lake.

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and tomatoes in the fields around Huntsville dam, at the top of West Center Hill Road, in the VanHorn's field where BiLo is now," he said in June 2004.

At one time he worked for Danny Richards' Economy Store, a brick building on Main Street.

Thomas at one time brought produce from the

A connection, now gone, to a Back Mountain most would not recognize

Thomas C. Thomas produce company in Wilkes-Barre and was good friends with George Thomas, but there was no family relationship. He preferred to buy produce from local farms.

Thomas got his start more than six decades ago. In 1940, someone told him about something called a "produce stand."

"I had never heard of such a thing, so me and the Waters brothers put out two crates and a half-inch board with produce. We sold it all," he said.

# Nominees sought for historic preservation awards

The Luzerne County Historical Society is currently accepting nominations for its annual Historic Preservation Awards. The awards are intended to recognize successful examples of restoration, rehabilitation or adaptive re-use of historic buildings and/or properties in Luzerne

The winning nominations will be presented and awards conferred at the society's annual dinner and meeting in April. Nominations will be accepted until April 8.

Private, public, commercial and residential buildings are eligible. Nomination forms and information about the dinner or membership are available at the society's office at 49 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, or by calling 823-6244.

# Dallas Borough tree pickup

Due to the recent winter conditions, many of Dallas Borough's residents Christmas trees have not been collected. Because of the snow and icy conditions the trees are now frozen and snow covered. In order to facilitate collection, the borough is asking residents to uncover the trees and free them from the frozen areas. The Dallas Borough Road Department will collect trees that are uncovered and placed at the curb. The trees remaining beneath the snow will need to be left until early spring. Residents may call the road department at 674-5362 to pick up a tree or with questions pertaining to the tree collection and removal.

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call Kelli Myers-Gottemoller 215-881-6800 ext. 116 or Frank Castano 570-655-9715 by March 11, 2005.



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