

TAX HELP

Dallas Borough

The 2005 Luzerne County and Dallas Borough real estate tax bills were mailed on Feb. 15. The tax rebate period runs through April 15, 2005. Dallas Borough Tax Collector Mark Van Etten will have office hours during the rebate period at the Dallas Borough Building on Saturday April 2 and April 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and on Wednesday, April 6 and April 13 from 6-7:30 p.m. Collection times are also available by appointment. If mailing payments, send to: Mark W. Van Etten Dallas Borough Tax Collector PO Box 447 Dallas, PA 18612

Residents who need to contact VanEtten can do so by calling 675-1878 or by e-mail at DallasBoroughTax@aol.com.

Kingston Township

Taxpayer assistance will be provided for all Kingston Township residents for the filing of 2004 local tax returns. Payments must be postmarked no later than April 15 to be eligible for the rebate amount.

Any property owner who did not receive a tax bill must notify the tax collector so records can be changed.

A representative from J.P. Harris will be available at the township municipal building, 180 East Center St., Shavertown, from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on March 23. In addition, state tax return filing assistance will be provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue at the Wilkes-Barre Office for the Aging, located at 5 East Market St., Wilkes-Barre. A state representative will be available from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on March 23, 24, 25, 30, 31; and April 1, 6, 7, 8 (Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays).

Regular hours for the Kingston Township tax collector's office are Mondays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Payments may be dropped off any time in the mail slot located in the vestibule of the township building.

Residents with questions may call the township administrative office at 696-3809.

Lake Township

Lake Township property tax bills were mailed to the property owner. It is their responsibility to forward statements to a mortgage company or bank for payment.

In addition to the hours and office location printed on the tax bills, taxes may be paid in person at the municipal building on Saturday, March 26 and April 9 between 10 a.m. and noon.

Office visits are available for anyone needing their PA-1000 property tax rebates completed. Call 639-1522 for an appointment, or with any questions about the county, municipal, school or per capita taxes.

Girl Scouts celebrate World Thinking Day



Junior Girl Scouts enjoyed learning about traditions from around the world. In front is Skye Sciandra. Standing from left are Laura Zimmerman, Alex Kijek, and Arianna Brennan.

They learn about other Scouts in other cultures.

Over 135 Girl Scouts from Service Unit 119 in the Back Mountain met Feb. 25 at Dallas High School to celebrate World Thinking Day, a day set aside to remember and learn about Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from around the world. Throughout the evening, the girls attended stations where they learned about games, traditions, languages, clothing and food from other countries. In addition, they discussed world hunger and brought in contributions for the Back Mountain Food Pantry.

Brownie scouts earned the Playing Games Around the World Try It and Junior Scouts earned the World Neighbor badge. Cadette Girl Scouts helped out during the evening by escorting groups of scouts from one station to another.

Cadette Troop 2654 from



Senior Girl Scout Debra Ketchner presented a section on world hunger and foods from around the world at Thinking Day. She is pictured with Brownie Girl Scouts, Sara Pizo, left, and Kara Hockenberry.

Dallas made a presentation to the group about the World Trefoil Pin that all Girl Scouts wear. The scouts ended the evening by linking arms to form a Friendship Circle around the cafeteria and singing "Taps."

Senior scouts who organ-

ized and ran the program are Katie Gilligan, Stephanie Gonczol, Debra Ketchner, Nicole Madden, Samantha Marquart, Alyssa Miller, Amanda Musto, Amanda Touey, Amy Vodzak, Megan Youells, and Lauren Yurko.

Dallas Class of '95 plans reunion, seeks classmates

The 10-year reunion of the Dallas High School Class of 1995 is scheduled for Saturday, July 2, at Irem Temple Country Club's outdoor pavilion in Dallas. Organizers are seeking mailing addresses for members of the class, to send invitations. Addresses may be sent by e-mail to freekatie@hotmail.com or call (540) 951-3342.

Memorial, honor books are donated to library

Back Mountain Memorial Library announces the addition of new memorial books.

In memory of Gloria McCartney, "The Next Great Bubble Boom" by Harry S. Dent, Jr., presented by Charles Scrimale;

In memory of Gloria McCartney, "Inside the Kingdom" by Carmen Bin LadIn, presented by Harry and Debbie Cooper;

In memory of Gloria McCartney, "Little Women; Little Men; Jo's Boys" by Louisa May Alcott, presented by The Priscilla Circle of the Shavertown Methodist Church;

In memory of Gloria McCartney, "King Lear" by William Shakespeare (DVD), presented by Susquehanna Preparatory School & Apple Tree Nursery and Primary School;

In memory of John Daily, "Kill Patton" by Leo Kessler, presented by Margaret Lyons;

In memory of Bruce Dodson, "101 Things to do with Your Private Pilot's License" by LeRoy Cook, presented by Phyllis Kirchner;

In memory of Betty Gregson, "First American Art", presented by Charles M. Epstein;

In memory of Betty Gregson, "The Travel Book: a journey through every country in the world", presented by Louise Schooley Hazeltine;

In memory of Arlene Rogers, "Last-Minute Knitted Gifts" by Joelle Hoverson, presented by Stephen and Estella Killian and Family;

In memory of Arlene Rogers, "Barefoot In Paris: easy French food you can make at home" by Ina Garten, presented by Mr. and Mrs. C.K. Parker;

In memory of Winston Taylor, "The Great Tree of Avalon" by T.A. Barron, presented by Barbara Lemmond, Gene Wert, and Joanne Runner;

In memory of Winston Taylor, "New Found Land: Lewis and Clark's voyage of discovery" by Allan Wolf, presented by Barbara Lemmond, Gene Wert, and Joanne Runner;

In memory of Mrs. RegIna

Sapak, Godmother and Aunt, "With Courage and Cloth" by Ann Bausum, presented by Janet Bauman;

In memory of Debbie Balonis, "A Charlie Brown Christmas" by Charles M. Schulz, presented by Mrs. Bernie Mihal;

In memory of Debbie Balonis, "Why Charlie Brown, Why?" by Charles M. Schulz, presented by Mrs. Bernie Mihal;

In memory of Mrs. Ann Bauman, "The Race to Save the Lord God Bird" by Phillip Hoose, presented by Matt Dubovick, Pepsi Bottling Group;

In memory of Linda Wasley, "The Stories of English" by David Crystal, presented by The Sixth Grade Class of 2004 Lehman Jackson Elementary;

In memory of Bruce Dodson, "The Boys of Winter" by Wayne R. Coffey, presented by Phyllis Kirchner;

In memory of Dorothy T. Rinehimer, "If Not for the Cat: haiku" by Jack Prelutsky, presented by Marilyn Rudolph.

HONOR BOOKS

In honor of Courtney Kryston, "The Decoration of Houses" by Edith Wharton, presented by John and Jill Kryston;

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Niskey and Mr. and Mrs. Hans Dreher, "The Mountains Know Arizona" by Rose Houk, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Michael;

In honor of Joyce Youren and Mary Lou Swingle, "Queen of Hearts" by Mary Engelbreit, presented by Kathleen M. Reiss;

In honor of Mrs. Marilyn C. Rudolph on her retirement as Children's Librarian, "Welcome Brown Bird" by Mary Lyn Ray, presented by Kathleen M. Reiss;

In honor of Mrs. Marilyn C. Rudolph on her retirement as Children's Librarian, "Love and Roast Chicken: a trickster tale from the Andes Mountains" by Barbara Knutson, presented by Kathleen M. Reiss.

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. The following is the menu for the week of March 21 to 25. All menus include margarine, milk and coffee. The Senior Center is located at 22 Rice St., Dallas.

MONDAY: Roast beef with

gravy, whipped potatoes, spinach, vanilla pudding.

TUESDAY: Spaghetti and meatballs, tossed salad with Italian dressing, mixed fruit.

WEDNESDAY: Bar-B-Q ribette, butternut squash, corn, vanilla wafers.

THURSDAY: Dutch fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, broccoli, pineapple.

FRIDAY: Closed for Good Friday.

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