

8 DAYS A WEEK

SUMMER STORYTIME PROGRAM CONCLUDES



Children attending the final Storytime summer session at the Back Mountain Memorial Library enjoyed a special Back to School program. Story selections included Froggy Goes to School, Caillou and the School Bus, The Kissing Hand, and Seven Froggies Went to School. Registration for the next Storytime program begins Sept. 7, with the new session beginning Sept. 19. To register, call the library at 675-1182. Attending the event, from left, first row are Christina Schuler, Lauren DeRemer, Jordan Spencer, Megan Lyons, Samantha Sorokin, Erin Dunn and Carly Cavanaugh. Second row: Stephanie Lyons, Robert Evans, Jeffrey Kozlowski, Sarah Kozlowski and Nicole Cavanaugh.

They'll snout it out in 'Kiss the Pig' contest

The Dallas Harvest Festival Committee has announced the contestants for the third annual "Kiss the Pig" contest, which is held annually in conjunction with the Dallas Harvest Festival. The annual street fair on Main Street in Dallas will be held Sunday, Sept. 18.

Four Back Mountain professionals have chosen to vie for the enviable honor, with all proceeds being donated for good cause. This year, the event proceeds will be donated to Dallas Fire & Ambulance Co.

The contestants are state Senator Charles D. Lemmond, Dallas postmaster Kristen Tucker, Dallas businessman Drew Fitch of R.N. Fitch & Sons, and Dallas School District superintendent Frank Galicki.

Ballot jars are located at the following locations: Ochman's Coin & Jewelry, Church Street, Dallas; J&J Deli, Route 415, Dallas; Citizen's Bank, Main Street,

Dallas; Unimart, Route 309, Dallas; Pizza Perfect, Carverton Road, Trucksville; Lemmond's office in the Dallas Shopping Center; Hilbert's The Tractor Store, Route 415, Dallas; Fino's Pharmacy, Dallas; Dallas Fire & Ambulance Co. station, Church Street; and the Dallas High School, Conyngham Avenue.

A donation of \$1.00 must be included with each submitted ballot. Voters may purchase as many ballots as they wish

through Saturday, Sept. 17. Additional ballots will be available throughout the festival.

The identity of the winning "kisser" is scheduled to be announced at the Harvest Festival. The person with the most ballots will kiss "Rocco Rooter," a 2-year-old potbelly pig owned by 4-H educator Marge Bart of Dallas.

Last year's "kisser" was Kingston Township Police Chief James Balavage.

How to get your listings published

Calendar items are published free of charge. Generally, items will appear the two weeks prior to an event. The best way to submit material is by e-mail, to thepost@leader.net. You may also send it to The Post, 15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA, 18711, or drop it in the box at Uni-Mart, Rt. 309, Dallas. Deadline is Tuesday at 5 p.m.

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**Through Oct. 9 - ART EXHIBIT,** Lizza Studios, 155 Bridge Street in Tunkhannock. The exhibit Talking Hearts will feature the work of Marylou Chibirka. A Meet the Artist reception will be held from 2-5 p.m. Aug. 28. For more information, call 836-8806.

**Sept. 4 - NUTS ABOUT SQUIRRELS,** beginning at 2 p.m. at Frances Slocum State Park. Preschoolers ages 3-5 and adults will learn about squirrels during this short program in the campground amphitheater. For more information, call Kathy Kelchner at 696-9105.

**Sept. 4 - NATURE BINGO,** beginning at 7 p.m. at Frances Slocum State Park. Learn about local plants and animals in this fast-paced game in the campground amphitheater. For more information, call Kathy Kelchner at 696-9105.

**Sept. 4 - OWL PELLET EXPLORATION,** beginning at 4 p.m. at Frances Slocum State Park. Young people can learn about the food chain up-close at the campground amphitheater. For more information, call Kathy Kelchner at 696-9105.

**Sept. 8 - PA REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS,** beginning at 6:30 p.m. The cost is free. Kathy Kelchner, environmental educator from Frances Slocum State Park, will share the natural history of our local amphibians and reptiles. She'll introduce some live specimens, having the participants guess the calls of frogs and toads, and share some interesting "hands-on" materials.

**Sept. 10 - MEATLOAF DINNER** from 5-7 p.m. at the Trucksville United Methodist Church on Knob Hill Road. The dinner includes meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, apple sauce and dessert. The dinner is eat-in only and tickets are \$7. To purchase tickets, call 696-3897.

**Sept. 10 - BIRDING AT FRANCES SLOCUM STATE PARK,** beginning at 8 a.m. The cost is free. We'll meet in the parking lot at the Environmental Education Center and boat rental. Bring your binoculars and have fun looking for birds, listening, looking, and identifying the various birds in our area. Hosted by Wild Birds Unlimited.

**Sept. 10 - NOXEN RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE,** 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Noxen United Methodist Church basement.

**Sept. 10 - SPECIAL EDUCATION**

**INCLUSION FORUM,** from 1-3 p.m. at the Henry Student Center on the Wilkes University campus in Wilkes-Barre. The event is being sponsored by the Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18 and the Luzerne/Wyoming Counties Local Right to Education Task Force. There is no admission charge, but reservations are required no later than Sept. 1. For reservations, call 762-8905.

**Sept. 10-11 - CPR/AED CERTIFICATION AND RECERTIFICATION,** classes from noon to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 10 and 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sept. 11 at the Greater Pittston YMCA on Main Street in Pittston. The cost is \$65 for certification and \$35 for recertification. Students should bring a professional rescuer book and pocket mask. The materials may be obtained at the Wyoming Valley American Red Cross in Wilkes-Barre.

**Sept. 10 - KINDERMUSIK** for infants to age 6, from 11 a.m. to noon at the Dietrich Theater in Tunkhannock. There is no admission charge. The class will be held under the direction of Tonya St. Clair. The event, which features music and movement, is appropriate for children ages six and younger. To learn more about Kindermusik classes, call St. Clair at 836-5098.

**Sept. 17 - A FALL HALLOWEEN AND THANKSGIVING SALE,** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Community Room of the Back Mountain Memorial Library. The sale will feature an assortment of fall wreaths, centerpieces, wall hangings, indoor and outdoor decorations, lighted Halloween novelties, Halloween costumes, Thanksgiving decorations and tableware, and other items.

For more information call the Library at 675-1182

**Through Sept. 23 - JAZZART 2005,** opening reception from 4-7 p.m. at the Wyoming County Courthouse Gallery, Tunkhannock. The event features artist Joe Weldon.

The gallery hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 836-3200.

**Sept. 24 - STARS 'N PARKS,** 8 p.m., Ricketts Glen State Park. The event features an astronomical evening under the clear skies with Dave Cole. Bring a blanket or lounge chair. Telescopes will be provided, if needed. The program starts at the Visitor's Center and will proceed to the western boat ramp area. For more information, call Judy at 477-7780.

**Sept. 30 - FILM FESTIVAL GALA NIGHT,** 6 p.m. at the Dietrich Theater in Tunkhannock. The \$25 admission includes two films, hors d'oeuvres from the town's finest restaurants, dessert and guest speaker Jeffrey Jacobs. Jacobs is a filmmaker, Dietrich Theater film buyer and manager of the Paris Theater in New York City. Reservations are required for the gala night. For tickets, call 996-1500.

**Sept. 30-Oct. 13 - 2005 FALL FILM FESTIVAL,** at the Dietrich Theater in Tunkhannock. For festival movies and show times, visit www.dietrichtheater.com. The theater will present 14 days of 14 foreign, independent, and art films. For festival information, call 996-1500.

**Through Oct. 30 - YOGA AT NIGHT,** from 7-8 p.m. every Monday. Accommodations will be made for beginners, experienced practitioners, and those with special needs. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel. The cost is \$10 per class. To confirm dates, call 996-1500. The instructor is Mary Frances Godano, certified Hatha yoga instructor.

**ONGOING - WRITERS GROUP,** 7-8:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Dietrich Theater in Tunkhannock. Love to write? Join the writers group, which celebrates all different types of writing styles and formats. Join any time. Admission is free. To register, call 996-1500.

Dietrich Theater holding open house

The Dietrich Theater will host a "More Than the Movies Open House" from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10 at the theater in Tunkhannock. The event will highlight the many classes and events for adults, children, and families scheduled to be held at the theater this fall. Some of the events include art classes, jewelry making, and painting on glass. The Dietrich will also feature intergenerational classes in quilting, pantomime, and an open studio for painting, drawing, and pottery. Family members and friends are encouraged to take the classes together. For more information about the open house call the Dietrich at 996-1500 or visit the Web site www.dietrichtheater.com.



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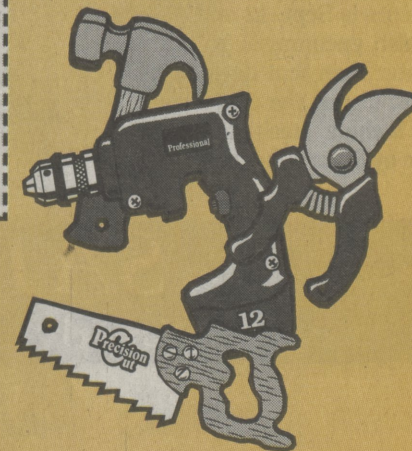
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