

CHURCH BRIEFS

St. Paul's Lutheran plans Sept. 24 roast beef dinner

St. Paul's Lutheran Church will hold a family-style roast beef dinner from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 at the church on Route 118 in Dallas/Lehman Township. The church is wheelchair-accessible. Takeouts will be available at 4 p.m. Dinners are \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children.

There are a limited number of dinners. For reservations, call 675-3859.

Prince of Peace men hosting breakfast

The men of the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church will hold a pancake, sausage breakfast from 8 a.m. to noon, Sunday, Sept. 25 at the church's parish hall, 420 Main Street in Dallas. The public is invited. There is no charge, but a free will offering would be appreciated.

Study of Mark begins Sept. 14

St. Paul's Lutheran Church will hold an eight-week Bible study each Wednesday beginning at 7 p.m. Sept. 14 at the church on Route 118 in Dallas/Lehman Township. The study will focus on the Gospel of Mark. For more information, call the church at 675-3859.

Bus trip going to conference

The women of the Shavertown United Methodist Church will host a bus trip to the Women of Faith conference Saturday, Sept. 17 at Wachovia Spectrum in Philadelphia. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 6 p.m. and the departure time from Philadelphia will be approximately 5:30 p.m.

ST. THERESE'S SECOND IN PENNY WARS



The sixth annual Penny Wars for the Poor raised \$3,666.72 to help end childhood hunger in local communities. The event was founded by Denise Murphy of the St. Therese's Church in Shavertown. St. Therese's took second place among churches with more than 1,000 members. St. Luke's Reformation Lutheran Church of Noxen also participated. Thirteen churches took part in the competition, in which congregations set pennies aside to help families with children locally. This year's donations were given to the Commission on Economic Opportunity's People Helping People program to help end childhood hunger. The pennies are contributed and counted by children. Participating in the event, from left, are Fran Paciga, St. Clement & St. Peter Episcopal Church, Wilkes-Barre, second-place winner, under 1,000 member category; Ruthanne Kovatch, Deacon Gene Kovatch, St. Jude Parish, Mountain Top, first-place winner, above 1,000 member category; Dave Ritter, Commission on Economic Opportunity staff; the Rev. James Quinn, Immanuel Baptist Church, Edwardsville, first-place winner, under 1,000 member category; Denise Murphy, St. Therese's Church, Shavertown, second-place winner, above 1,000 member category; and Gene Brady, Commission on Economic Opportunity executive director.

For more information about the trip, call Bev at 696-2658, Deb at 288-2490, or Carol at 333-4363.

The Mount Zion United Methodist Church will hold a chicken barbecue from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17 at the church on Mount Zion Road in Harding. The dinner will include a half-chicken, baked potato, corn on the cob, cole slaw, dessert and beverages. Takeouts will be available at 4:30 p.m.

Dinners are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Reservations may be made by calling 388-6324.

Our Lady of Victory Church of Harveys Lake will hold its annual crabfest Friday, Sept. 30 and Saturday Oct. 1 in the church hall. The dinner includes all-you-can eat Baltimore hardshell crabs, clam chowder, french fries, beer and soda. The cost is \$35 per person and you must be at least 12 years old to attend. For reservations and the time of the event, call the church office at 693-1535. Specify which night you will be attending.

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Dallas Baptist Church ministers to children

The Dallas Baptist Church will begin its weekly Caraway Street Children's Theater program at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14 at the church on Route 415. The program uses actors and actresses to interact with children in kindergarten through fourth grade. There is no admission charge. For more information, call 639-5099.

Sunday school program celebrating 225 years of service

Plans have been made for the 225th Sunday school anniversary celebration at the Center Moreland United Methodist Church. The celebration will start Sunday, Oct. 2. The Sunday school will be making a special 225th anniversary banner and it will be picture day. Sunday school class pictures will be taken and refreshments will be served.

On Sunday, Oct. 23, the students will present the banner during the 11 a.m. worship service.

There will be special music by the Sunday school children and youth, who will take part in the worship service. Special music will be provided by Nancy Jones.

The Rev. Mary Jean Simonin will have a message about Sunday school and following the worship service there will be a potluck birthday dinner.

Area churches are urged to hold celebrations at their respective churches.

For information, visit www.sundayschoolhelp.com. Churches may also call the state Sunday School Association at 1-800-358-2303 or e-mail psssa@epix.net for complete information.

Center Moreland UMC holding two services

The Center Moreland United Methodist Church will hold two services. The first service will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will be more informal with praise songs, scripture and a message. The 11 a.m. service will be more traditional. The church is located on Creamery Road in Center Moreland. It is handicapped-accessible. There is also Sunday school for all ages beginning at 9:45 a.m. For details, call 333-4354.

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sentation to Rudolph on behalf of the Friends of the Library. First Lady Laura Bush, a former librarian, sent a letter and an autographed picture to commemorate the event. The letter congratulated Rudolph on her retirement and noted, in part, "I hope you find great satisfaction knowing of the many young readers who have learned to love reading books because of your guidance."

Rudolph was visibly touched by the evening's events.

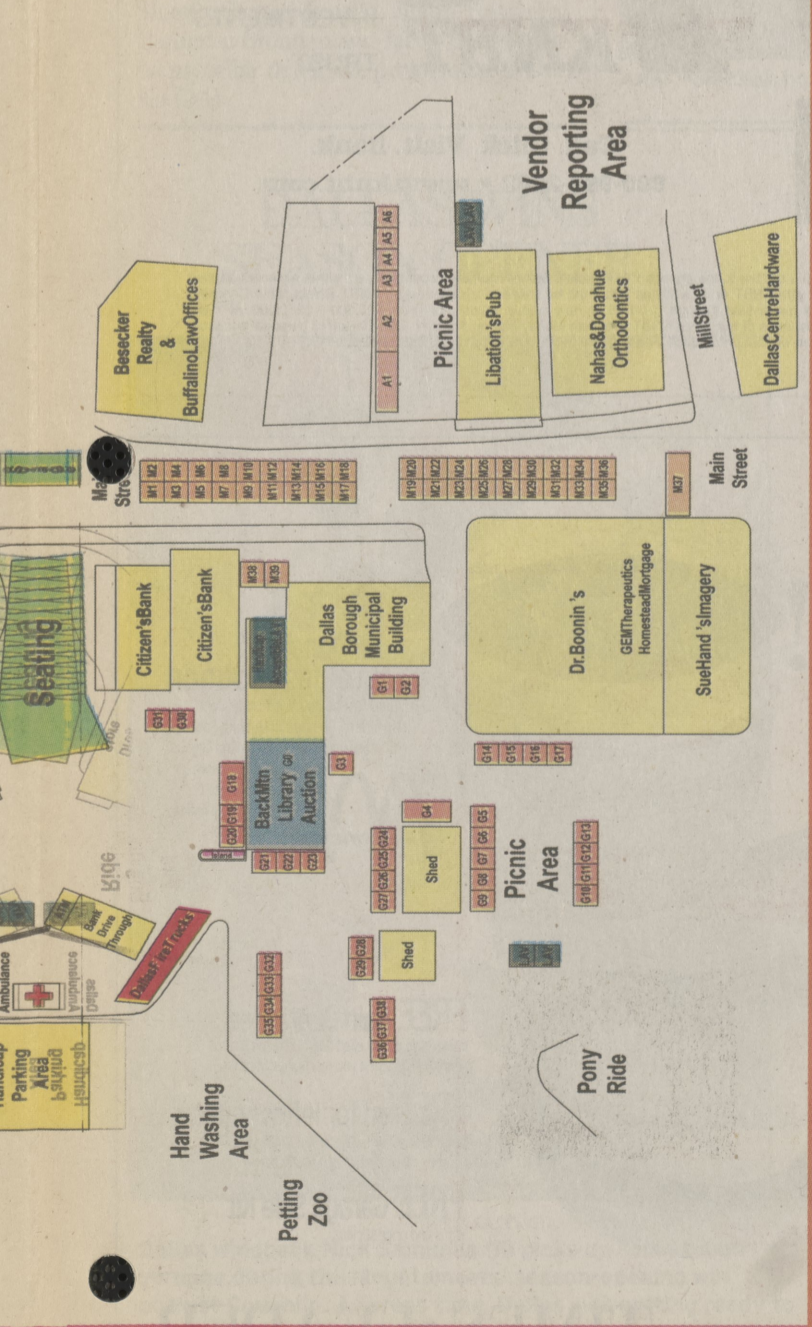
"It's very special," said Rudolph after receiving the items, which were framed by Joe Hand for the occasion. "I miss the kids and their families but I am enjoying myself."

The gazebo can be seen on the Huntsville Road side of the library. There is a dedication plaque on the wall noting Rudolph's 35 years of service to the library.

"I think it's a beautiful tribute to her," said Stager. "She was always so dedicated to the children."



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 - M13 Outrageous
 - M14 Discovery Toys and UPS Store
 - M15 Dallas Chapter #396 O.E.S. Bldg. Association
 - M16 Mary Kay
 - M17 Skyline Sales (Eddie Fufaro)
 - M18 Rifa Ann Busch
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 - M23 Back Mountain Floral by Tami
 - M24 Prissy's of Vidalia
 - M25 Emily Machovec
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 - M27 Nancy McDonald - Cub & Boy Scouts
 - M28 buka and Bathologie
 - M29 Olde Country Candles (Marilyn Shaffern)
 - M30 Holiday Treasures (Maryann Barna)
 - M31 Prince of Peace Episcopal Church
 - M32 Back Mountain Bloomers Garden Club
 - M33 Luzerne National Bank
 - M34 Zina's Homemade Fudge
 - M35 Valentine's
 - M36 A & M Sportswear (Carol & Andy Strutko)
 - M37 Hillside Farms, Inc.
 - M38 Mr. P's Potato Pancakes
 - M39 Mayor's Club (Mayor Tim Carroll)
 - Behind Dr. Boonin's Pony Rides
 - Behind Boro Bldg. & Petting Zoo
 - G0 Back Mountain Memorial Library
 - G1,G2 Carl & Rita Zekoski
 - G3 The Country Frog
 - G4,G5,G6 Brace's Orchard
 - G7 Awnings By Ruckno
 - G8,G9 Misty Morning Maple
 - G10,G11,G12 JR's Texas Style BBQ
 - G13 John O'Connell Caricature Artist
 - G14 Penn State 4-H of Luzerne County
 - G15 Penn State Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners
 - G16 Anthracite Scenic Trails Association
 - G17 J. Dietz Productions
 - G18 Story's Concessions
 - G19,G20 Darling & Sons Farms & Greenhouses
 - G21,G22,G23 Creekside Farm and Nursery
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 - G26,G27 Ayers Orchard
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