

**CIVIC BRIEFS**

**Nature program at Frances Slocum**

The preschool story time series for children ages 3-5 will be held at 10 a.m. Nov. 11 and Nov. 17 in the Environmental Education Building at Frances Slocum State Park in Kingston Township. The preschoolers will listen to a nature story, take a short walk and make simple crafts during the 45-minute program.

For more information, call 696-9105.

**Breakfast to aid local food pantry**

George M. Dallas Lodge No. 531 Free and Accepted Masons will hold an all-you-can-eat breakfast from 8-11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 13 at the Dallas American Legion Post Home on Route 415 in Dallas. The breakfast includes scrambled eggs, pancakes, hash browns, sausage, biscuits, danish, coffee, tea and orange juice. Tickets are \$5 and will be available at the door. Proceeds from the breakfast will benefit the Back Mountain Food Pantry.

**Mountain Grange plans flea market**

The Mountain Grange No. 567 will hold a flea market from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19 at the grange on West Eighth Street in Carverton. Lunch and snacks will be sold from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Driving directions from Trucksville: follow Carverton Road to the stop sign at the end. Turn left onto West Eighth Street and follow it to Bodle Road. The grange is located across from Bodle Road.

Driving directions from Tunkhannock: take Route 29 and turn left onto Route 292. Go through Center Moreland to Village Road in Franklin Township. Go through Orange, where Village Road becomes West Eighth Street. Continue on West Eighth Street to Bodle Road. The grange is located on the right.

**American Legion lists upcoming events**

The Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 will hold a meeting at 8 p.m. Nov. 11 at the Post Home. The legion is also holding a breakfast at 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 12 at the Post Home, followed by an 11 a.m. ceremony to honor all veterans. All members are encouraged to attend the func-

tions and the public is invited to attend the ceremony.

The legion's essay and oratorical contests are under way and all Back Mountain students in grades 9-12 are invited to enter. Applications may be picked up at the schools or by calling Clarence J. Michael, contest chairman, at 675-0488.

**Civil War group to welcome speaker**

The program "Faces of the Civil War" will be held during a meeting of the Wyoming Valley Civil War Round Table at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10 in the lower level of the Dallas American Legion on Route 415.

The program will be presented by Paul Newman, a popular speaker for the Pennsylvania Humanities Council since 1998. He has been a military history consultant for Fort Necessity National Battlefield and Fort Ligonier and is an associate professor of history at the University of Pittsburgh/Johnstown.

There is no admission charge to attend the program and the public is invited.

**Arts at Hayfield sets arts, crafts show**

Arts at Hayfield will hold its annual Hometown Holiday Arts and Crafts Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6 at the Penn State/Wilkes-Barre campus in Lehman Township. Hand-crafted holiday items, including wreaths, dolls, jewelry, furniture, and clothing will be available in the athletics and recreation building and the student commons. The cafe commons and the bookstore will be open. A \$1 donation is requested.

For more information, call 675-9232.

**Back Mt. Trail to be cleaned Nov. 13**

The Anthracite Scenic Trails Association will hold a Back Mountain Trail fall leaf cleanup from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13 on the trail. Groups or individuals interested in helping should call Mark Albrecht at 696-3409.

**Eastern Star sets craft show**

The Dallas Chapter of the Eastern Star Building Association will hold its 13th annual craft show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12 at the Eastern Star Building. The building is located at the cor-

ner of Woodlawn Avenue and Foster Street in Dallas, behind CVS Pharmacy.

Vendors will be selling various items and Eastern Star members will be selling homemade soup, Welsh cookies, crafts and candy. Chicken noodle and vegetable beef soup is being sold for \$4 a quart. Orders must be placed no later than Nov. 4 by calling Pug Berti at 675-7247. The soup may be picked up from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the craft show.

For more information about the event, call Irene Transue at 675-1367.

**Holistic market, fair set for Nov. 26-27**

A holistic market and fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 26 and 27 at the Northmoreland Fire Hall in Center Moreland. Admission is \$1 for adults and children 10 and older. The event will feature body workers, jewelry, candles, crafts, card readers, gifts, wind chimes, soaps, massages, and food.

To be a vendor or for more information, call 333-5402.

**Student art exhibit accepting applications**

The 3rd annual Emerging Artists Invitational Art Exhibition is accepting applications from outstanding Wyoming Valley art students in grades 10-12. Works must be submitted through exhibit coordinator Sue Hand of Dallas. Entry forms are available by calling 675-5094.

Each student may submit one piece of art that is either two or three dimensional, in any media. Two-dimensional artwork must be framed. All artwork must be original and may not infringe on any copyright laws. Works may be created from personal sketches, personal snapshots, life studies or imagination.

Works may not be copied from any published art in books, magazines, postcards, Internet references, or other artist. All artwork must have been completed since January 2005. No artwork will be accepted that has ever been previously exhibited publicly, either framed or unframed. Art students must submit a resume with a minimum of five competitive visual art exhibits in the past three years.

A reception will be held from 3-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16. The artists are requested to attend both receptions. The exhibit is open to the public through Dec. 7 at King's College's Widmann Art Gallery.

**CLEANUP**

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Trucksville are completed. The 2.3 miles from Trucksville to Lower Demunds Road in Dallas will be under construction in 2006. In addition, the group has progressed in their plans to run the trail from Lower Demunds Road to College Misericordia.

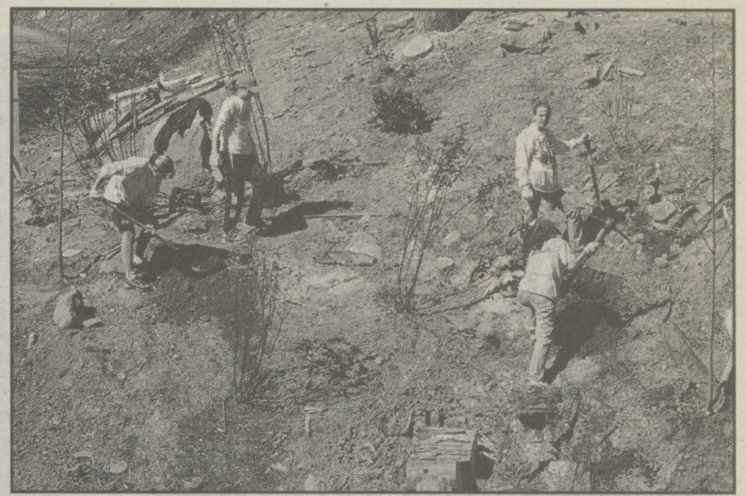
"We've found problems and solutions over the last eight years," said Rimple. "But we are very proud of the fact that we have five miles."

The next section will be the most difficult as the trail winds its way through Dallas and crosses Route 309.

"It just takes a while to develop a long stretch of the path," said Bill Leandri, president of the board of directors for the Back Mountain Trail. "It is going well, though. It is a great thing and I am sure it will be enjoyed for many generations in the future."

A recent development has members of the association very excited.

"Bill Grant, the new owner of the property behind the Sunoco station (on Route 309) wants to meet with us," said Albrecht. "He wants it to be a 'woody' development and he plans to set aside



Student volunteers from College Misericordia plant trees and shrubs during a cleanup of the Back Mountain Trail several years ago. A leaf cleanup is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 13.

**"We've found that with the gradual and gentle grade of much of the trail, leaves block up the drainage areas and cause back-up drainage problems."**

Mark Albrecht  
Back Mountain Trail Council president

some of that land for public access." The trail could travel through the area that was once Fernbrook Park.

Anyone who wants to help with the cleanup should call Albrecht at 696-3409. You can also report to the former municipal building on Carverton Road at 11 a.m. Nov. 13. Students in local Key Clubs, SADD, confirmation classes and Scouting programs, which require community service hours, are especially invited to join the effort.

"It is a great way to do some community service and we keep very good logs of volunteer service hours because we get credit for them towards some of the matching grant programs," said Albrecht.

**Students invited to compete in oratorical contest**

The American Legion's 67th National High School Oratorical Contest recently got under way. High school students in grades 9 through 12 are invited to compete in the contest.

Scholarship awards are presented to the three finalists in the final round of the national contest. The first place winner receives an \$18,000 scholarship, second place receives \$16,000 and third place takes home a \$14,000 scholarship.

Each state winner who is certified into, and participates in, the

first round of the national contest will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. Each first round winner who advances to, and participates in, the second round but does not advance to the final round will receive an additional \$1,500 scholarship to pursue education beyond high school.

The subject to be used for the oration must be on some aspect of the Constitution of the United States, with emphasis on the duties and obligations of a citizen to our government. The oration must be the original work of each

contestant and must not be less than eight minutes or longer than 10 minutes long.

Any interested student who resides in the Dallas or Lake-Lehman school district should contact Daddow-Isaacs Post 672 Dallas American Legion commander John Emil Sr. at 675-4461. All applications must be received before Jan. 14, 2006. The American Legion also has information on how to qualify for more than \$138,000 in scholarships for students in high school or students who are being schooled at home.

**Liver, roast pork, baked ham, chili on senior citizens menu**

The Senior Citizens Center, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties, offers hot meals at noon Monday through Friday to people age 60 and older. Donations from participants are accepted and needed in order to expand the program. For more information, call 822-1158.

The following is the menu for the week of Nov. 7:

Monday: Liver and onions, noodles, cranberry juice, whole wheat bread, chocolate chip cookies, milk and coffee.

Tuesday: Roast pork with gray, scalloped potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, graham crackers, pineapple, milk and coffee.

Wednesday: Baked ham,

sweet potatoes, beets, whole wheat bread, chocolate pudding, milk and coffee.

Thursday: Chili, brown rice, tossed salad with ranch dressing, Italian bread, cupcake, milk and coffee.

Friday: The center will be closed in observance of Veterans Day.

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