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ris, the children's rehearsal co- time. This year, Renee Mackuordinator for the show. "The nis was cast as a mouse. Nutcracker' has wonderful music. Tchaikovsky's score is amazing. The young and the old enjoy it every year. It really puts Mackunis, who takes dance leseveryone into the spirit.'

who range in age from 9-16, were part of a large number of dancers from the eastern part of the state who auditioned for flies when she's on stage, Mackroles in the performance.

The Back Mountain Business

cently donated \$1,500 to

elp the Rotary Club of Dallas

and Professional Association

hold its annual children's

Christmas shopping spree. The

shopping spree benefited 45

children from the Dallas, Lake-

Lehman and Northwest school

districts. The project, which

costs more than \$6,500, is also

funded by proceeds from the

Rotary's charity golf tourna-

ment, as well as food booths at

the Luzerne County Fair and

Dallas Harvest Festival. At-

tending the check presenta-

tion, from left, are Lynn Banta,

BMBPA president; Carl Goerin-

ger, BMBPA events chairman;

and Sandy Peoples, Rotary

ris. "We have some very good dance studios. dancers and this is a great opportunity for them."

A local 10-year-old was selected to dance with the Russian Dallas resident Elisabeth Har- ballet company for the second

"It's really cool because they are from a different country and they are professionals," said sons at Joan Harris dance stu-The Back Mountain dancers, dio in Dallas. "I did it again this year because it was really fun last year."

unis says she likes the experi-

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Shavertown resident Lee Ric- Reinert, who has performed cetti has been involved in the years. This year, the 15-year-old was cast as a butterfly.

"Me and a bunch of my get the part you want." friends wanted to take part in a said. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime chance. It's exciting to see professional dancers because it helps you want to dance."

According to the Moscow Ballet's Web site, more than 45,000 children have performed Even though she gets butter- along side of these professionals since 2003.

"My first two years I was a "I'm really excited for the ence because she gets to hang party guest, then a mouse and

professional show," Riccetti ing various types of dance for ented, said the most challeng- when the kids are looking up to

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## for Christmas Eve

will provide special Christmas Eve music during a worship and communion service at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24 at Trinity Presbyterian Church. The church is located at 105 Irem Road, Dallas.

Bill and Beth Faerber and grandwith the Schubert Club of Fairfield County.

organist Pam Carroll, a piano instructor at Wilkes University, will accompany Celusniak. Carroll also accompanies various vocalists and instrumentalists throughout the Wyoming Valley in addition to serving as

Back Mountain kids," said Har- out with new people from other then a Russian," explained most beneficial aspect of being make sure the students were re-Trucksville resident Katelyn a part of the show was the audition process, because she with the Moscow Ballet a handthought it was good to know production for five consecutive ful of times. "This year, I am an what they are looking for when angel. I had the most fun as a they cast. Russian, but you can't always

more than 20 years at the Joan enjoyed working with the chil-The 14-year-old has been tak- Harris Center for Gifted/Tal- dren. The energy is so high roughly a decade. She said the ing part of her position was to these professional dancers.

> the organist at the Dallas church.

The public is invited attend the 10:30 p.m. service or the earlier service at 5:30 p.m. For more information, call 675-3131.

#### St. Luke's plans **Communion service**

St. Luke's Reformation Lutheran Church will hold a candlelight Christmas Eve Holy Communion service at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24 a the church on the corner of Market and School streets in Noxen.

#### **Christmas Eve** service at CMUMC

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The Center Moreland United Methodist Church will hold a Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 24 at the church on Creamery Road in Center Moreland. The candlelight service will feature special music and a Christmas message by the Rev. Mary Jean Simonin, pastor. For more information, call 333-

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only one rehearsal on the morning of the shows with the Russians," Harris said. "There were Harris, a dance teacher for a lot of new students this time. I

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#### **Russell Hill UMC** holding service

The Russell Hill United Methodist Church will hold a candlelight Christmas Eve service at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24 at the top of the hill on Route 6 in Tunkhannock. The service will feature singing, a Christmas message and a candlelight finale. For more information, call 836-2982 or 836-1920.

#### Awana Club meets at Grace Community

The Awana Club ministry at the Grace Community Church in Dallas meets from 6-7:45 p.m. every Wednesday at the church, which is located across from Chapel Lawn Cemetery on Memorial Highway.

The Bible-based club is open to boys and girls ages 4 through sixth grade. The club consists of Bible teaching, fun, fellowship, games and special events.

For more information, call the church office at 675-3723.

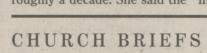
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daughter of Edith Pillarella, all of Dallas. She resides in Norwalk. Conn. with her husband Mark. Celusniak is an active member of the music community and teaches voice and piano at the Darien Arts Center in Darien, Conn. and the Rye Arts Center in Rye, N.Y. She is a member of the Westfair Singers and recently became involved



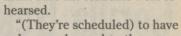
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