

## VOLUNTEERS PURCHASE NEW PIANO FOR MEADOWS



The Auxiliary volunteers of The Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, recently purchased a new piano for the center's chapel. This much needed equipment enhances weekly services for residents. Funds for the piano were raised at the Auxiliary's annual, 'Market on the Pond.' On a continuing basis, volunteers help with assignments that benefit residents. New volunteers are always welcome and needed. For information call 675-8600, extension 195. Seated, from left, are volunteer pianists: Harry Sauer, Eileen McDowell, and Louise Montigny. Standing: Carl Noto, executive director for Ecumenical Enterprises, Robert Law, auxiliary president, Gary Kirk, assistant administrator, Bernie Hill; and Lucy Sabatura.

## CIVIC BRIEFS

### Public invited to share nature

The Greater Wyoming Valley Audubon Society is inviting members of the community to share an interesting item regarding nature during its "Members' Night" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 16 at the Wild Birds Unlimited store in the Dallas Shopping Center on Route 309.

The items may include – but are not limited to – films, poetry, passages from a book, photos, short videos and slides. The public is encouraged to attend.

The Greater Wyoming Valley Audubon Society meets the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. except during the summer months.

### Contra dance set for Jan. 7

A New England Contra dance sponsored by the Chicory House and the Folklore Society will feature the music of "The Warrington Family Band" and caller Bob Nicholson at 7:30 p.m. Saturday Jan. 7 at the Fellowship Free Evangelical Church on Hildebrandt Road in Dallas.

No partner or previous experience is necessary.

Admission to the dance is \$7 for adults and \$18 for families. Contra dancing features dancing in sets of approximately a dozen couples.

You interact with a partner and everyone else in the set as you dance with easy walking steps to rather energetic music. Dancers are requested to carry in sneakers or flat/low heeled shoes with non-marking soles and heels.

High heels cannot be used on the dance floor.

The Chicory house is an all-volunteer non-profit coffeehouse, sponsoring folk music and dance in the Wyoming Valley.

Dancers may bring a snack to share at intermission. For more information, call 333-4007 or visit the Web site [www.folkloresociety.org](http://www.folkloresociety.org).

### Alzheimer's group sets monthly meeting

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 5 at the Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas. The facility is located at 55 W. Center Hill Road. The public is invited.

### Civil War weapons focus of meeting

Nathan M. McKenzie will present a program about Civil War weaponry during a meeting of the Wyoming Valley Civil War Round Table at 7 p.m. Jan. 12 in the lower level of the Dallas American Legion on Route 415 in Dallas.

The program will include an exhibit and discussion about Civil War muskets, rifled muskets and revolvers.

McKenzie is a retired elementary school teacher who lives in Fairmount Springs, near Benton.

He also does reenacting and live history demonstrations at local schools and organizations.

McKenzie's programs include information about the Revolutionary War, Civil War, World War II, and the Korean War.

The public is invited to attend the program.

### Audubon Society plans field trip

The Greater Wyoming Valley Audubon Society will hold a bird watching field trip to Kirby Park in Wilkes-Barre at 8 a.m. Jan. 22.

The group will meet in the lot of the former King's Department Store and Reilly's Classic Car Museum near the intersection of Market Street and Dawes Avenue, Kingston.

Anyone who attends is encouraged to bring binoculars and proper attire for outdoor weather.

For more information, call Bob Wasilewski at 542-5948. The Greater Wyoming Valley Audubon Society includes Luzerne and Wyoming counties.

## FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS DONATION HELPS PANTRY



The Free and Accepted Masons of George M. Dallas Lodge No. 531 made a \$1,000 donation from its charity fund to the Back Mountain Food Pantry at its December meeting. The donation will assist the Back Mountain Food Pantry in purchasing additional food for the pantry for needy families in the community. The donation was made possible from the proceeds from the George M. Dallas Lodge No. 531 charity breakfast held at the Dallas American Legion on Nov. 13. Special thanks to Kenneth Cook of Cook's Store in Lehman Township for the donation of eggs and to the Dallas American Legion for the use of their facility. First row, from left, are: John Grady, junior warden/breakfast coordinator, William Long, Jack Evans, Wally Gosart, representing the Back Mountain Food Pantry, and Donald Ide, senior warden. Second row: Severn Newberry, secretary; Sean McCue, senior deacon; Barry Wagner, worshipful master; William Shaffer, junior deacon; Robert Shaffer, treasurer; and Robert Lewis, chaplain.

## CHURCH BRIEFS

### Loyalville UMC sets chicken dinner

The Loyalville United Methodist Church will hold a chicken and biscuits dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14 at the church on Loyalville Road.

The church is located one-half mile off Route 29 south and 4 miles west of Dallas from Route 118. There will also be a bake sale.

Takeouts will be available and orders should be called in advance. Dinners are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under age 12. For takeout orders or more information, call 477-3521.

### Awana Club meets

### at Grace Community

The Awana Club ministry at the Grace Community Church in Dallas meets from 6 to 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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