

DALLAS METHODIST CHURCH PLANS RUMMAGE SALE



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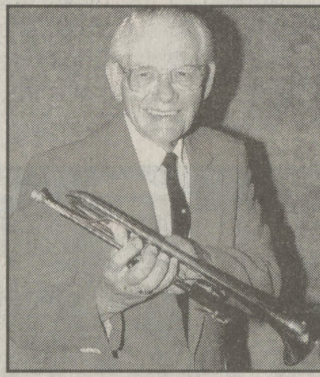
Bobby Baird to be featured at concert

The Fine Arts Series of Shavertown United Methodist Church will present "Songs for All Seasons" at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 30 at the church, 163 N. Pioneer Avenue in Shavertown. The concert has become a favorite of many during the SUMC concert series. The concert will feature vocal and bell choirs from Shavertown United Methodist Church and several special guests, including Robert "Bobby" Baird.

The longtime area trumpet

player has delighted audiences for years. A three-time state champion trumpeter, Baird played in the United States Navy Band and has performed with Bobby Baird's Dixieland Jazz Band for more than 50 years. He received the Pennsylvania Jazz Society's Musician Jazzer Award for 2000.

A free will offering will be taken and a reception will follow the concert. For more information, call 675-3616.



Robert 'Bobby' Baird

CHURCH BRIEFS

Former death row inmate to speak

The Social Justice Committee of St. Therese's Church in Shavertown will hold the fourth in its Coffee and Conversation series at 7 p.m. Monday, May 1 in the church hall. The church is located on Pioneer Avenue in Shavertown.

Jay Smith, a member of Witness to Innocence: From Death Row to Freedom, will be the speaker. Smith was on death row for six years and is the only person who received a double-jeopardy decision in a capital case and was completely exonerated by a unanimous Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

Participants will receive background materials from Smith, listen to his presentation and have an opportunity to ask questions on related matters such as the death penalty, death row, trial matters and post-exoneration difficulties. There is no admission charge and refreshments will be served.

Center Moreland UMC holding Day of Prayer

The Center Moreland United Methodist Church will be hosting a National Day of Prayer event Thursday, May 4th at the church on Creamery Road in Center Moreland. The special day of prayer will begin with quiet prayer at 6 a.m. for anyone wanting to pray before going to work. A prayer breakfast will begin at 7 a.m. with devotions by Pastor Jerry Matlocks. We request reservations for the breakfast be made no later than Sunday, April 30 by calling 333-4226 or 333-4354. A special National Day of Prayer service will start at 8 a.m. The prayer message will be given by U.S. Army veteran James May. There will be special music with Larry Sober and Dave Pearn of the Dymond Hollow United Methodist Church.

The prayer event is open to the public. All local residents, government officials, fire and ambulance personnel and school representatives are invited. There is no admission charge.

To learn more about the National Day of Prayer, visit the Web site www.nationaldayofprayer.org or call 1-800-444-8828.

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Flea market set for Trucksville UMC

The Trucksville United Methodist Church will hold a large neighborhood flea market from 6-9 p.m. Friday, April 28 and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday April 29 at the church on Church Road in Trucksville.

Some of the featured departments will be furniture, books and music, collectables, clothing and accessories, garden items, holiday decorations and house wares such as china, glass, linens, cookware and small appliances.

There will also be a special children's corner offering furniture, clothing, toys and games. There will also be a snack bar with hot dogs and wimpies from 6-8 p.m. April 28 and 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 29. Sweet treats, breads etc may also be purchased from the bakery. All proceeds will benefit Campaign 2000 to assist with the recent building and expansion program. For more information, call the church office at 696-3897.

Lehman-Idetown women to meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Women will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 25 at the Lehman United Methodist Church. The Rev. Anita Ambrose will be the guest speaker. The hostesses are Marjorie Cosgrove, Kendra Cosgrove and Susan Johnson Fielding. Janet Eddy will preside. The regular monthly pastie sale will be held on Thursday, April 27. Orders will be taken until Tuesday, April 25.

Dymond Hollow UMC plans roast beef dinner

Dymond Hollow United Methodist Church will hold its annual roast beef dinner buffet and bake sale from 4:30-7 p.m. Saturday, April 29 at the church. Takeouts will be available from 4-4:30 p.m.

The dinner includes roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy,

green beans, squash, coleslaw, applesauce, pies and beverages. Dinners are \$7.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children ages 5-12. For more information, including directions to the church, call 388-6566 or 333-4332.

Chicken barbecue at Trucksville UMC

The Trucksville United Methodist Church will hold its annual spring chicken barbecue from 7-9 p.m. Friday, May 5 and Saturday, May 6 at the church on Church Road in Trucksville. Takeouts will be available at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the Board of Trustees or by calling the church office at 696-3897.

Noxen UMC to sell chicken dinners

The Noxen United Methodist Church will be selling takeout-only baked chicken breast dinners from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 29 at the church on Route 29. The cost of the dinner is \$7, which includes chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, cabbage salad, rolls, homemade pie and beverages.

Men's breakfast held each Tuesday

The Shavertown United Methodist Church recently began holding a weekly ecumenical men's breakfast. The group meets at 8 a.m. each Tuesday at Pickett's Charge restaurant on Route 415 in Dallas. The Dutch treat breakfast is followed by fellowship and a short devotion period. The breakfast, fellowship and devotion period last no longer than one hour. Men from all Back Mountain churches are encouraged to attend.

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.

Lehman-Idetown UMC to celebrate anniversary

The Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church is holding a yearlong anniversary celebration.

The Lehman UMC will be celebrating its 150th anniversary, Idetown UMC is celebrating its 141st anniversary and this year marks the second anniversary of the Lehman-Idetown UMC merger. The theme for the celebration is "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow"

The following programs are planned at the Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church:

During May, the church will be creating a new pictorial directory of its church family. Pictures will be taken from 3-9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 11 and Friday, May 12; and from 10 a.m. to

5 p.m. Saturday, May 13. Contact Elizabeth Sullivan or pastor Nancy Russell for more details.

On May 15, the church will hold an old-fashioned Mother/Daughter Tea at 6:30 p.m. at the Lehman Church on Mountain View Drive. For reservations, call Colleen Reynolds or Susan Snyder. Mothers, daughters, grandmothers and granddaughters are welcome.

Children's Sunday will take place May 21. This will be the last day for Sunday school until September. The children will sing, and recite the 23rd Psalm, which they have worked on for a few months. To celebrate the anniversary, replicas of the Lehman and Idetown churches will be sold. They cost is \$15 apiece or two for \$25. They may be pur-

chased after church services, or by calling Beverly Ide at 639-1323 or Judith Dawe at 675-3557. During July, the church will hold a Christmas in the church.

A special ornament will be for sale depicting both churches. More information will be provided at a later date. The celebration weekend will be held on Sept. 15-17, beginning with a music concert. There will also be a banquet at the Knights of Columbus in Luzerne and a special service Sunday, Sept. 17.

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