

CHURCH BRIEFS

Baird to play at Fine Arts 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 will feature vocal and bell choirs from Shavertown United Methodist Church and several special guests, including Robert "Bobby" Baird. The longtime area trumpeter 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.

A free will offering will be taken and a reception will follow the concert.

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 4 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 Mattocks. Reservations for the breakfast must

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 and chaplain 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.

Loyalville UMC plans ham dinner

The Loyalville United Methodist Church will hold a baked ham dinner from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13 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 \$3.50 for children under age 12. For takeout orders or more information, call 477-3521.

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.

Church plans celebration events

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

The Lehman United Methodist Church is celebrating its 150th anniversary, Idetown United Methodist Church is celebrating its 141st anniversary and this year marks the second anniversary of the Lehman-Idetown United Methodist

Church merger. The theme for the celebration is "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

The following programs are planned during May at Lehman-Idetown UMC:

The church is creating a 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.

An old-fashioned mother/daughter tea will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 15 at the Lehman church on Mountain View Drive. For reservations, contact 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 purchased after church services, or by calling Beverly Ide at 639-1323 or Judith Dawe at 675-3557.

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RAISES MONEY FOR ST. VINCENT DEPAUL KITCHEN



The Dallas United Methodist Church Sunday School children recently held a spaghetti lunch to raise money for the St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre. The children helped with the planning, setting up and cleaning. They also served more than 86 lunches. Members of the Sunday School and teachers, from left, first row are Britney Wilt, Noah Daily, Abby Mingus, Leela Sorbelli. Carly Richardson, Emily Crahall, Alexis Lanza, Katie Zimmerman, Tyler Manzoni, Thomas Manzoni, Taylor Bolesta and Kim Lanza. Second row: Katie Jobson, Melyssa Goode, Hunter Mingus, Emily Jobson, Megan Daily, Krista Zimmerman, Haley Zimmerman, Parker Bolesta and Colby Bolesta. Third row: Bonnie Donovan, Sharon Jobson, Laura Zimmerman, Krystina Shumway and Karen Justus.

Dallas Borough to begin annual spring cleanup

The borough's annual spring cleanup program will be held Monday, May 1 through Saturday May 6. The collection drop-off site will be at the Dallas municipal building, located at 25 Main Street. The hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

The borough will accept all unwanted items except for the following: municipal waste, yard waste, toxic or hazardous materials, asbestos, large construction debris, paint/paint cans, batteries and ashes. Residents will be permitted unlimited drop-off for items brought by personal vehicles and SUVs. Residents with pick-up trucks will be permitted one free drop-off with additional drop-offs at a fee of \$50 per trip. Vehicles larger than a pick-up truck will be assessed \$50 per trip. There will be an additional charge of \$10 for all white goods or large appliances dropped-off at the collection site and a \$3 fee for the disposal of tires.

The road department will collect large items from residents unable to transport them to the drop-off site. The fee for curbside collection is \$25 per item. Residents should call the road department at 674-5362 with any questions or to register for curbside pick-up.

YARD WASTE

The Dallas Borough road department will begin weekly curbside yard waste collection following the conclusion of its annual spring street-sweeping and clean-up programs. Curbside yard waste pickup will begin the week of May 8 and continue each week through the summer months with collections on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Containers should not be placed curbside for collection prior to the week of May 8.

The following guidelines are for the curbside yard waste collection program:

- The road department will collect a maximum of two green recycling containers (or equivalent)

per household per week

- All yard waste must be placed in containers. No loose items will be collected and will be left curbside if not placed in a container.

- Branches placed curbside for collection must be bundled in lengths not to exceed 6 feet.

- The weight of each container should be limited to 30 pounds or less to prevent injury to the road department personnel.

The curbside yard waste program is designed to collect grass clippings, trimmings and small amounts of yard debris. Trees or amounts that exceed the two-container limit listed above will not be accepted.

The Dallas Area Municipal Authority will be open for the drop off of yard waste during regular business hours at the DAMA facility located at 530 Memorial Highway.

For more information about the curbside yard waste collection program, call the Dallas road department at 674-5362.

Equestrians planning for horse and pony show

Equestrians throughout the northeast are preparing for the annual Dallas Horse and Pony Show on Sunday, May 14 at the Luzerne County Fair Grounds on Route 118 in Dallas Township.

Divisions for English hunters over fences, hunter seat equitation, pleasure, and model hunter will start at 8 a.m. and continue all day.

Exhibitors will be competing for cash, prizes, and year-end

points.

A popular attraction is the annual Tommy Heffernan Memorial Hunter Classic in which exhibitors compete over a course of eight fences for \$250 in prize money.

The Dallas Horse and Pony Show is a member event of the non-profit Northeastern PA Horsemen's Association, which hosts more than 30 horse shows throughout the spring, summer

and fall in Luzerne, Lackawanna and Wayne counties.

Spectators are welcome and there is no admission or parking fees. Food and tack shops will be available throughout the day.

Proceeds from the show will be used to purchase new show jumping equipment.

For a 2006 horse show schedule and membership information, visit the Web site www.nphainfo.com.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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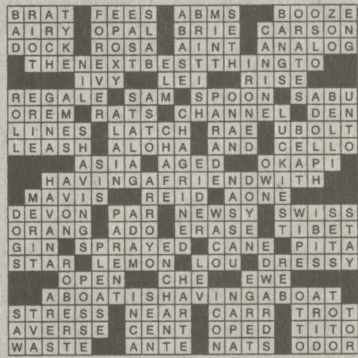
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