

CIVIC BRIEFS

Blood drive July 25 at FEFC

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 1-6 p.m. Thursday, July 25 at the Fellowship Evangelical Free Church on Hildebrandt Road in Dallas Township. The already low blood supply has been depleted more by the flood of 2006 and many blood drives have been canceled.

In order to reduce the time you must spend at the drive, the American Red Cross has initiated an appointment program and encourages advance registration. To participate in the program, schedule an appointment by calling 823-7164, ext. 2150.

First-time donors are welcome. Anyone 17 years old, weighing at least 110 pounds and in good health may donate. Donors must bring photo identification.

Legion holding annual peach sale

The Dallas American Legion is holding its fifth annual Perfect Peach Sale. The freestone peaches are grown in Adams County. The sale is being held in memory of Jack Good, who started the peach sale and recently passed away.

Pre-orders are requested and are being taken by committee members or at the Dallas American Legion Post Home on Route 415 in Dallas. Peaches can be picked up at the Post Home from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12. The prices are \$8.50 per peck, \$17 per one-half bushel, and \$32 per bushel. To order peaches or for more information, call the Legion at 675-6542, chairman Bob Johnston at 675-2638, commander John Emil Sr. at 675-4461, or Clarence J. Michael at 675-0488.

Zen meditation class offered

An introduction to Zen meditation will be held from 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 25 at the Mercy Center on the campus of College Misericordia. The class includes a brief introduction, a practice period and time for questions. There is no admission charge, but a free will offering will be taken. Pre-registration is required by calling Sister Barbara Craig at 675-1872.

Lake-Noxen H.S. to hold reunion

Alumni from The Lake-Noxen High School will hold a reunion at noon Saturday, Aug. 12 at the Harveys Lake Bean Club picnic pavilion. The area was formerly known as Sandy Bottom Beach.

A covered dish picnic lunch will begin at 1 p.m.

The reunion is for graduates from the 1952 through 1959 classes, although all former students are invited to attend.

For more information, call Tanya (Kocher) Christ at 945-5874 or Carlene (Kocher) McCaffrey at 639-5308.

Deer management to hold field day

Quality Deer Management will hold a field day beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 29 at Ermick's Farm on Route 29. The farm is located 3.8 miles north of the intersection of routes 118 and 29 in Pikes Creek. Demonstrations will include how to take a soil sample, spraying, tilling, planting, and the maintenance of a food plot. There will be observations of many different age food plots of annuals and perennials.

The annual picnic of the North Mountain Branch of QDMA will begin at noon. Both events are open to the public and there is no admission charge. For more information, call 477-2303.

Alzheimer's group sets monthly meeting

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 3 at the Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas. The facility is located at 55 W. Center Hill Road. The public is invited.

School tax bills have been mailed

The 2006 school tax bills in

Kingston Township were mailed July 20. If residents do not receive a bill by the end of July, it is their responsibility to contact Kingston Township tax collector Karen Rose at 696-3809. The per capita bills were mailed separately, therefore per capita bills should not be forwarded to mortgage companies.

Moon Lake Park plans special events

Moon Lake Park has planned several events during the next few weeks. Park naturalist Nikki Banfield will hold a scavenger hunt for children at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2 at the park's nature center. Naturalists from the Carbon County Environmental Education Center will conduct an informational program about bats at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11 at the nature center and Rebecca Lesko from the Endless Mountains Nature Center conduct a scavenger hunt for children and adults about plants and trees at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 12 at the nature center.

Book groups meeting at library

Members of Back Mountain Memorial Library's Donuts and Discussion group are asked to prepare "The Cay" by Theodore Taylor for their book discussion group at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 27 at the library on Huntsville Road in Dallas.

The Young Adult Book Discussion group will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 24. Members of the group will discuss the book "Dragonwings" by Laurence Yep in fulfillment of the grant from the National Endowment of Humanities for the bookshelf "Becoming American."

Farmers Market opens at library

The annual Farmers Market at the Back Mountain Memorial Library will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday through Sept. 16 on the library grounds, Huntsville Road in Dallas.

Among the features at the Farmers Market are locally-grown seasonal fruits and vegetables, gourmet international cheeses, fresh baked goods and dairy ice cream. Local vendors include Brace's Orchard, Dymond's Farm Market and Bakery, I Gourmet, Creekside, Emma's Bakery and the Lands at Hillside Farms.

Vendor stalls will be set up on the pavement of the library parking lot.

Patrons are asked to park on the lawn behind the library. There is no street parking on Huntsville Road or Franklin Street.

Food pantry in need of items

The Back Mountain Food Pantry has a significant need for the following items - flour, sugar, salad dressing, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, canned fruit, canned pasta, ketchup and baked beans. Items may be dropped off at the food pantry, which is located at the Trucksville United Methodist Church. Food items may also be dropped off at the church office. For hours, or more information, call 696-3897.

American Legion kitchen is open

The kitchen at the Harveys Lake American Legion is open under new management. The kitchen hours are 5-10 p.m. Wednesday through Friday; and 3-10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The Legion has two halls available to be rented for any occasion and catering is available. For more information, call 639-2122.

Dietrich Theater offering yoga

The Dietrich Theater in Tunkhannock will hold yoga classes from 10-11 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. The instructors are Melissa Russo and Mary Frances Giordano, certified Hatha yoga instructors. The cost is \$10 per lesson. The classes will teach or reinforce the basic yoga poses, which gently stretch and strengthen the body. Special attention will be given to proper breathing and alignment in the postures. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel.

To view a list of all classes being offered at The Dietrich, visit the Web site www.dietrichtheater.com. For more information, call The Dietrich at 996-1500.

Ultrasound society seeks new members

The Northeastern Society of Ultrasound is now accepting new members for the 2006-07 year. The nonprofit local society consists of more than 65 ultrasound professionals and has been in existence for more than 15. Our members have a variety of experience in the specialties of general, OB/GYN, vascular and cardiac sonography. Five meetings are planned for this year starting with a dinner meeting in September. Meetings also include an educational session with informational presentations and SDMS approved continuing education credits.

The organization has many professional and personal benefits.

For more information, call 690-2956.

DALLAS HARVEST FESTIVAL COMMITTEE



Members of the 2006 Dallas Harvest Festival committee, from left, first row are College Misericordia student Alicia Magda (Back Mountain Idol), committee secretary Owen Faut, chairman Robert Opel, vice chairperson Maryann Ochman, and Penn State Cooperative Extension executive assistant Mary Manzoni. Second row: Dallas Borough councilman William Peiffer, road department employee John Cybulski, Alice Russomano, Barb Roberts, College Misericordia coordinator of student activities Rich Greene, College Misericordia SERVE House representative Tiffany Mathews and Donna Cupinski. Marketing co-chairperson Liz Martin is also a member of the committee.

PARENT-TEACHER GROUP PLANS EVENTS



The Gate of Heaven Parent Teacher Group will hold two back-to-school events for the 2006-07 school year. Family members of all registered students are invited to attend "Back to School Night" on Thursday, Sept. 7. The time of the event will be announced at a later date. The event will begin with a PTG meeting, then proceed into classroom breakouts, introducing parents to their student's classroom, homeroom teacher, and upcoming academic pursuits. Parents of all students - including those in the preschool, elementary and middle school - are encouraged to attend. An ice cream social will be held from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10 at the school. It is open to current and prospective students and families. Teachers, staff and parents will be on hand to scoop ice cream and greet families. Children's activities are also being planned. All parents of Gate of Heaven students, teachers and staff are automatically members of the Gate of Heaven PTG. Members interested in helping in the event planning are encouraged to attend meetings scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, July 24 and Monday, Aug. 21 at the middle school. Newly-elected PTG officers, from left, are Amy Huntington, vice president; Tracey Wrubel, president; Jane Brennan, treasurer; and Andrea LaFoca, secretary.

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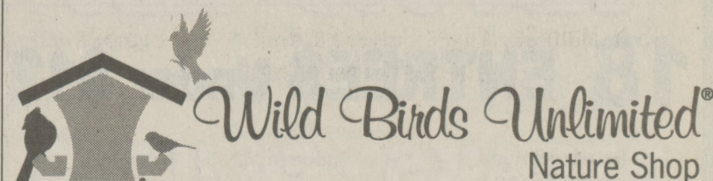
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SUMMER SEED SALE

Our seed is on sale this month, so now is a great time to try several different types of blends and foods to see what an incredible variety of birds will come to your backyard refuge. Sale ends: 7/31/06



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