

## WALTER MOHR

Former Dallas school board member,  
active in many organizations

Walter H. R. Mohr of Dallas passed away peacefully on Sept. 7, 2006.

Born in Scranton on July 26, 1920, he was a son of the late Walter and Florence (Rupert) Mohr. He graduated from Scranton Central High School, Bloomsburg University, and received his master's of arts in education from New York University. He furthered his graduate studies at Yale University while in the Army Air Corps.

During his military service, he advanced to an officer in chemical warfare. He returned to Wyoming Valley, where he married Mary Whitby of Edwardsville on Oct. 26, 1946. He began his teaching career as a chemistry/biology teacher in the Kingston Township schools. He left teaching to become the industrial secretary of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce. He later became director of development at Wilkes College and joined WVIA-TV as vice president of instructional education, hosting a weekly program call "Meet the Doctor."

He was a member of the Dallas United Methodist Church, where served on the board of trustees as well as other financial committees; and Irem Temple Shrine, where he was a

member of the Chanters for over 40 years and was also past president of the organization. He served as Irem Temple potentate from 1989-1990. He was a member of the Dallas Rotary Club and served as president.

He was member of the Saturday evening entertainment committee at Irem Country Club, served on the advisory board committee for continuing education at College Misericordia. He designed the initial basic course in guidance administration at the former Westmoreland High School of the three-way jointure of Dallas Borough, Dallas Township and Kingston Township. He also served on the Dallas School Board.

He is survived by his loving wife, Mary; two daughters, Miriam Mohr Bayliss and husband Richard of Reading, Merilee Mohr Twardowski and husband Thomas, Syracuse, N.Y.; two grandchildren, Erin Yanoski and husband Richard, Baltimore, Md.; Jonathon Deem, Reading. He also leaves behind his beloved dog and companion Harley.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriner Children's Hospital, c/o Irem Shrine Center, Box 307, Dallas, PA 18612.

## ALFRED HOYT

World War II veteran

Alfred A. Hoyt, 89, of Dallas, formerly of Kunkle, died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006, at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Mr. Hoyt was born in Kunkle, Aug. 9, 1917 and was a son of the late Sherman and Daisy (Harris) Hoyt. He served in the U.S. Navy as a gunner's mate during World War II. He was employed by the former Culp Brothers Construction Co., Kingston, and was a 50-year member of the Laborers International Union of North Amer-

ica.

He was preceded in death by brothers, Clyde, Gershom, Ralph, Stanley and Louis; sisters; Ruth Hilgert and Pearl Hoyt.

He is survived by brothers Willard, East Dallas; and Raymond, Kunkle; many nieces and nephews.

Interment, Chapel Lawn Memorial Park in Dallas. Memorial contribution may be sent to The Meadows Nursing Center, 55 W. Center Hill Road, Dallas, PA 18612.

## GERALDINE LASHER

Graduate of Tunkhannock High School

Geraldine F. Thomas Lasher, 65, of Tunkhannock, died Friday, Sept. 8, 2006 at the Hospice care of the VNA in Wilkes-Barre. She was a devoted and loving wife of 20 years, married to Charles A. Lasher.

Born in Meshoppen on Aug. 19, 1941, she was a daughter of the late Stanley and Frances (Stetz) Thomas. A 1959 graduate of the Tunkhannock High School, she continued her education at Lackawanna Business College, Scranton. She worked for the late attorney John R. Morgan's law office for more than 20 years.

She was also associated with her family business, Thomas's Well Drilling, where she served as secretary-treasurer. She was a faithful member of the Church of Nativity BVM, Tunkhannock, and its resurrection choir. She was a member of the Tunkhannock Senior Women's Club.

Gerry was a devoted and caring wife, mother and grandmother. Her loving family surrounded her at her bedside as she entered her new life. When not helping others, she enjoyed

cruises and working in her garden. She would value others' needs, putting them first, above her own. Her selfless gentle kindness, putting everyone ahead of herself, is a lesson to all who knew and loved her. These special qualities will be dearly missed.

She is survived by her children, Lisa Ford VerBeek and her husband, Rick, Tunkhannock; Tom Ford Jr. and his wife, Melisa, Tunkhannock; a stepson, Charles Lasher, Austin, Texas; stepdaughters Patricia A. Harabin, Dallas; Sally A. Wirbicki, Monroeville; and Susan L. Lowery, Ft. Riley, Kan.; a brother Robert Thomas, Tunkhannock; sisters Arlene Jenkins, of Piedmont, Ohio; Judy Love, Port Richey, Fla.; two grandchildren, Lucas and Annelise VerBeek, Tunkhannock; and eight step-grandchildren.

Interment, Pieta Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wyoming County Cancer Society, P.O. Box 629, Tunkhannock, 18657; or the VNA Hospice Unit, 80 E. North Hampton St., Wilkes-Barre, 18702

## ARLA CHARNEY

Faithful member of Northmoreland Baptist Church

Arla Ruth Charney, 81, of Dallas, died Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2006 at Heritage House, Wilkes-Barre.

She was born on March 8, 1925, a daughter of John Wesley and Nora Coon of Carverton. She was preceded in death by her husband, George, of more than 50 years.

Her last surviving brother is John W. Coon Jr., of Carverton. She is survived by her son, George R. Charney, Dallas; daughters Gloria Campbell, Dallas; Norine Spangenberg, Tunkhannock; Kathi Sabol, Dallas; and Robin Israel of Mountain Top. Arla was richly blessed with 13 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Arla, a born-again Christian, was a faithful member of the Northmoreland Baptist Church in Center Moreland. She was pianist and church organist for a great many years. In addition, in the past, she taught Sunday school, assisted with daily Vacation Bible School and was involved in Child Evangelism Fellowship. Her home was always open to visiting missionaries.

Interment, Memorial Shrine, Poppy Field in Carverton. Memorial donations may be made to the Northmoreland Baptist Church (building fund) or the Heritage House, Hospice Unit, Wilkes-Barre.

## WOODROW KEITHLINE

Had 12 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and 13 great-great-grandchildren

Woodrow Wilson Keithline, 94, of Tunkhannock, died Monday, Sept. 11, 2006, at the Highlands Care Center in LaPorte. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Sarah Farr Keithline.

Born on Aug. 9, 1912, he was a son of the late Charles and Alice (Moss) Keithline. He was employed by New York State Electric and Gas Co. for more than 21 years. He was a member of the Eatonville United Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by his brother Kenneth Keithline; a sister Eleanor Wheelock; and a stepdaughter Linda L. Simms.

He is survived by his sons Carl Keithline, Tunkhannock; Roger Keithline and his wife, Cheryl, Tunkhannock; daughter Arlene Dickinson, Lafayette, Tenn.; brother James Lloyd, Inverness, Fla.; 12 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

Interment, Sunnyside Cemetery in Tunkhannock.

## ANGEL SHAFFER

Graduated from  
Lake-Lehman High  
School

Angel N. (Kreidler) Shaffer, 34, of Wilkes-Barre, formerly of Hunlock Creek, passed away Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006, at Geisinger South Wilkes-Barre. She was born in Fort Benning, Ga., and was a daughter of Robert and Nancy (Steidinger) Kreidler.

She was a graduate of Lake-Lehman High School and was a member of the Brethren in Christ Church, Hunlock Creek. Surviving in addition to her parents are her husband, Chris Shaffer; children Jessica and Anthony Shaffer, both at home; brother Jonathon Kreidler, Hunlock Creek; sisters Nancy Ann Sebolka, Evans Falls; and Bobbie Jo Karpinski, Pittston; maternal grandmother, Frances Steidinger, Beaumont.

Interment, Orcutt's Grove Cemetery in Noxen.

## MICHAEL PERRELLA

Dallas H.S. graduate,  
Trinity Presbyterian  
Church member

Michael A. Perrella, 48, a resident of Kingston, formerly of Dallas, died suddenly at this home on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006. He was born in Wilkes-Barre, a son of Silvio Nicholas Perrella Jr., Flagler Beach, Fla., and Claire Phillips Perrella, Kingston. He was a graduate of Dallas High School and had lived in Houston, Texas, for several years where he worked for Bearing Packing Co.

He returned to this area and had been a carpenter with several firms, including George L. Ruckno, Forty Fort. He also had been a forklift operator for Luzerne Iron Works. He was an accomplished photographer for many years, and had formerly attended Trinity Presbyterian Church, Dallas.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are a son, Michael A. Perrella, Swoyersville; brother, Nicholas R. Perrella, New York City; a niece, Lauren N. Perrella, New Hope; and a nephew, Benjamin N. Perrella, New York City.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

## ROBERT SHOLTIS

Lake Township  
resident, U.S. Army  
veteran

Robert W. Sholtis, 68, of Lehman-Outlet Road, Lake Township, passed away Friday, Sept. 8, 2006 at Kingston Commons, Kingston. Born in Nanticoke, he was the son of Bertha Eades Sholtis, with whom he resided, and the late John Sholtis.

He was a graduate of Lehman-Jackson-Ross High School. Before retiring he was employed at Natona Mills, Dallas, and later at Lehman Sunco. He had served with the U.S. Army. He was a member of the National Rifle Association. Surviving in addition to his mother is his sister, Jean, at home.

Interment, Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carverton.

# BACK MOUNTAIN

# Dining Guide

## RIDGEWAY'S at IREM

No Breakfast Buffet will be served on Sunday, Sept. 17 due to "The Sportsman's Raffle."

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