

DALLAS STUDENTS COLLECT ITEMS FOR FOOD PANTRY



Players from the Dallas High School football team and members of the school's Senior Steering Committee recently collected food for the Back Mountain Food Pantry. The players were under the direction of Cindy Jerzak and the Senior Steering Committee was under the direction of Tom Gilroy. Nonperishable food items were collected at the annual Old Shoe Game between Dallas and Lake-Lehman. Participating in the food drive, from left, first row are Greg Jerzak. Second row: Brian Kerpovich, Adam Besecker, Nicole Madden, Rachel Shaub, Rachel Simmons, Josh Bowman and Robert Hayes. Third row: Jon Kopcho, Brad Fagula, Adam Tamanini, Guy Carpenter, Chris Larson, Matt Lanyon, Mike Gergel and Eric Batruce.

ANNUAL MADRIGAL DINNER TO RING IN HOLIDAY SEASON



The 37th annual Madrigal Dinner at College Misericordia will ring in the holiday season when it recreates a 17th century Christmas feast at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1 and Saturday, Dec. 2 in the college's Banks Student Life Center. The Madrigal Dinner is one of the oldest and most beloved traditions at College Misericordia. Guests will be treated to an authentic English four-course dinner, while being entertained by gaily-costumed performers, choreographed dancers and interactive troubadours going table-to-table singing holiday carols throughout the evening. The family holiday event also features special activities, including arts and crafts for children. The tale of Sir Walter Raleigh will be told by performers as he awaits execution for treason against King James I - his fate in the hands of the audience. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$25 for children ages 14 and under. Reservations are required and may be made by calling 674-6719. College Misericordia students preparing for the Madrigal Dinner, from left, are Chris Martin, Cara Callanan, Nick DeStefano and Gabrielle Kowalski.

Storyteller, musician to present special Christmas program at library

Storyteller and musician Mary Baker will hold a Christmas program from 6-6:45 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7 in the Children's Room at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. The program will feature songs and stories and children of all ages are en-

couraged to attend.

Parents and children can listen to the story of "Davey the Dove," who nests in the manger on the first Christmas night. Other highlights of the evening will be "The Mitten," a folktale that conveys the Christmas val-

ues of sharing and kindness. With guitar in hand, Baker will sing carols and engage the audience in a sing-a-long of children's Christmas songs. Space is limited. For more information or to register, call the library at 675-1182.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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King Crossword

Answers
Solution time: 27 mins.

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CIVIC BRIEFS

Kingston Township sets decorating contest

The Kingston Township Recreation Commission will hold a Holiday House decoration contest for all Kingston Township residents on Wednesday, Dec. 13. The judging begins at 6 p.m. There will be prizes awarded for the four winning houses. Anyone interested in entering their house or nominating a fellow resident's home should call the township municipal office at 696-3809 with the name and addresses of nominees no later than noon Tuesday, Dec. 12.

Clothing drive to benefit veterans

Curves for Women in Shavertown, in conjunction with the Dallas American Legion Ladies Auxiliary is holding the fourth annual Christmas Drive to collect clothing and other sundries for veterans at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Plains Township.

The following items may be dropped off at Curves for Women, 161 Memorial Highway, through Dec. 8: T-shirts, sweatshirts, pants, sweaters, pajamas, socks, bedroom slippers, shaving cream, cologne, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, candy, and monetary donations. Curves is located next to Sheets convenience store. Susan Stephens and Nancy Zumchak are co-chairwomen for the drive, with assistance from VA representative Marion Kuningonis. For more information, including store hours, call 696-4321.

Lupus support group sets get-together

The Tunkhannock Lupus

Support Group will hold a holiday get-together at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5 at Pompei's Pizza in Tunkhannock. For more information, call the office at 945-5118 or visit the Web site www.lupuspa.org.

Kingston Twp. enforcing ordinances

The Kingston Township winter parking ordinance is in effect through March 31. Under the ordinance, residents are prohibited from parking vehicles on township streets between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Vehicles are not permitted to be parked on township streets during snowstorms, or for eight hours after the end of a storm.

The ordinance is designed to keep the township streets open and clear so that snow removal measures can be effectively undertaken by the public works department. Residents with questions about the ordinance should call township Police Chief Jim Balavage at 696-1175.

The township's annual fall leaf pickup is being held from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday until Nov. 30. Residents are advised to have leaves bagged and placed at the curbside for pickup. The pickup is limited to bagged leaves only.

Residents should refrain from sweeping leaves into gutters and roadways. The leaves block storm drains and pose a serious maintenance problem. A township ordinance also prohibits the practice. The bags must contain leaves only and township ordinance 2004-4 prohibits the burning of leaves.

Residents may also drop off leaves without bags at the com-

posting site located behind the public works facility on Center Hill Road in Shavertown.

For more information about the fall leaf pickup program, call the township administrative office at 696-3809 or the public works department at 696-3650.

Meadows Auxiliary seeks new members

The Auxiliary of The Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas is holding its annual membership drive. Memberships are open to all residents of the community. Each year, the Auxiliary donates thousands of hours of volunteer service at the center and donates funds for special projects, activities and equipment.

For more information, call The Meadows Nursing Center at 675-8600.

Alzheimer's group sets monthly meeting

The Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 7 at the Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas. The facility is located at 55 W. Center Hill Road. The public is invited and there is no admission charge.

Zen meditation class being held Nov. 28

An introduction to Zen meditation class will be held from 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28 at the Mercy Center on the campus of College Misericordia, Dallas. The class includes an explanation of Zen meditation, as well as a brief practice session and time for comments and questions. There is no admission charge, but pre-registration required. To register, call Sister Barbara Craig at 675-1872.

Food pantry readies for Thanksgiving

The Back Mountain Food Pantry will be closed Monday, Nov. 27 to prepare and distribute Thanksgiving dinner baskets. Registered clients have been provided with information regarding the distribution of the baskets.

The pantry's board of directors thanks members of the community for holding food drives and making monetary donations to assist with the Thanksgiving dinners. The monetary gifts will be used to purchase turkeys and other supplies to supplement the baskets.

The pantry, which is located at the Trucksville United Methodist Church, operates 12 months of the year. It relies on food drives and monetary gifts each month, not just during the holiday season. The pantry distributes almost 22 tons of food each year. Food items may also be dropped off at the church office. For hours, or more information, call 696-3897.

Cider Painters holding exhibit

The Cider Painters of America is holding its 22nd annual exhibit and sale of miniature paintings through Dec. 29 at The Waterlily, 103 E. Overbrook Road in Dallas. The exhibit will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays; and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays.

The exhibit will feature the paintings of many local and international artists. The Cider Painters of America was founded in Dallas in 1983. The paintings may not be larger than 3 inches by 5 inches and are paint-

ed in many styles and media.

For more information, call The Waterlily at 675-7778.

Leaf collection being held in Dallas

Dallas Borough is holding its annual fall leaf collection program. The collection will continue throughout the month of November or until the first significant snowfall. Borough officials ask residents comply with the following guidelines:

- Leaves only (no grass clippings or other yard waste) should be raked to the curbside for vacuum collection. The vacuum equipment will not function properly if residents mix yard waste with the leaves.
- Residents are asked to rake all leaves to the curbside in long thin rows approximately 3 feet wide. Placing the leaves curbside will facilitate collection. Residents are cautioned not to place any items within the road right of way that may create potentially hazardous or unsafe conditions.

Residents who prefer to collect leaves and place them in plastic bags may do so by placing the bags curbside for pickup.

For more information, call the administrative office at 675-1389 or the road department at 674-5362.

Bridge replacement begins in Ross Twp.

Temporary signals have been installed as construction begins on a permanent bridge replacement on Route 118 in Ross Township. The signals will alternate eastbound and westbound traffic to use a single lane during construction. Lights will be in flash mode for three to seven days before going into red, yellow, green activation.

Following the June floods, temporary pipes were put in place at that location in order to reopen the road. For road updates, visit the Web site nepa-roads.com during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

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