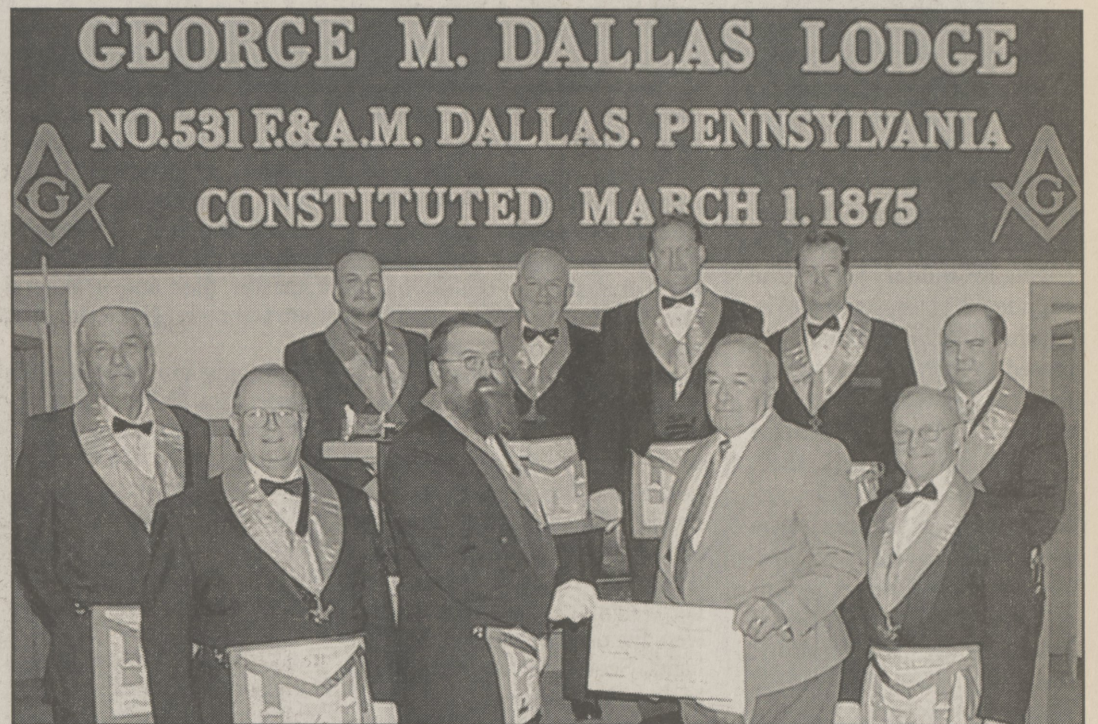


GEORGE M. DALLAS LODGE NO. 531 ANNOUNCES OFFICERS



George M. Dallas Lodge No. 531, Free and Accepted Masons announce its recently-installed lodge officers. Officers shown here, from left, first row, are Anthony Sickler, senior master of ceremonies; Lynn Sheehan, senior warden; Sean McCue, worshipful master; Barry Wagner, junior warden; and James Luczak, junior master of ceremonies. Second row: William Shaffer, junior deacon; Severn Newberry, secretary; Robert Shaffer, treasurer; Micah Kivler, pursuivant; and Robert Lewis, senior deacon.

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS DONATE TO FOOD PANTRY



The Free and Accepted Masons of George M. Dallas Lodge No. 531 made a \$750 donation from its charity fund to the Back Mountain Food Pantry at its April stated meeting. The donation will assist the Back Mountain Food Pantry in purchasing additional food for needy families in the community. The donation was made possible from the proceeds from the George M. Dallas Lodge No 531 charity breakfast held March 11 at the Dallas American Legion. Special thanks to Kenneth Cook of Cook's Store in Lehman for the donation of eggs and the Dallas American Legion for the use of their facility. Shown here during the check presentation are, front row, from left, William Shaffer, junior deacon; Sean McCue, worshipful master; William Long, representing the Back Mountain Food Pantry; Robert Lewis, senior deacon. Second row: Severn Newberry, secretary; Micah Kivler, pursuivant; Lynn Sheehan, senior warden; Barry Wagner, junior warden; Robert Shaffer, treasurer; and Anthony Sickler, senior master of ceremonies.

CIVIC BRIEFS

Tax rebate period ends April 16

Kingston Township Tax Collector Karen Rose reminds residents that the rebate value on the 2007 County/Township taxes will end Monday, April 16. All payments must be post-marked on or before April 16 to be eligible for the rebate value. Regular office hours are Mondays and Thursdays, 9 am to 3 pm. Payments can be dropped of anytime in the mail slot located in the vestibule of the township municipal building.

Meet the candidate Night is scheduled

Republican Luzerne County Commissioner candidate Bill Jones will hold a meet-the-candidate night from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17 at The Castle Inn, Route 415 Memorial Highway, Dallas. Admission is free.

'Today's Child' sponsors walk on April 21

"Today's Child," a family resource guide, is sponsoring the "Do It For The Kids" Walk-A-Thon and Fun Day to benefit Wyoming Valley Children's Association at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, at the Kirby Health Center, 71 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Registration begins at 9 AM. The event will include a 5K (3.1 mile) walk, children's activities, a bake sale and more! All proceeds from the event will be used by the Children's Association to provide therapeutic programs and services to local children who have disabilities. To register to walk, call the Children's Association at 829-2453.

Babysitting courses available at library

The American Red Cross will hold a babysitting course from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 28 at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Boys and girls between the ages of 11-15 are invited to register. Interested participants must register in advance at the main desk of the library by presenting a \$40 program fee in cash or check made payable to the American Red Cross. Registrations will not be accepted the day of the class. Participants will learn to perform first aid and how to get professional medical help fast, identify common safety hazards and prevent injuries, perform basic care routines like diapering, feeding, and dressing and handle bedtime issues and

more.

For more information, call the library at 675-1182.

Vendor space available for Meadows event

Vendor spaces are available for the annual "Market on the Pond" fundraiser for residents at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas. The auxiliary's annual event will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 16 at the center. Rain date is June 23. The event can accommodate 115 vendors and vendor spaces are \$20. Call 675-8600, ext. 195 for reservations.

Class of 1957 plans reunion

The Lehman-Jackson-Ross High School Class of 1957 will hold its 50th anniversary reunion Saturday, Oct. 6 at Irem Temple Country Club in Dallas Township. For more information, call 675-2252 or 675-4486. You may also e-mail mmpars@gmail.com or nbwdal@evenlink.com.

Street sweeping to begin in Dallas

The Dallas Borough Road Department is holding its annual spring street sweeping program. The program is expected to begin immediately, weather permitting, and will continue until all borough roads have been cleaned. The department requests residents follow a few simple instructions to assist the staff in the collection of road cinders and winter materials deposited throughout the winter driving season. Residents are asked to rake all cinders to the side of the road in even layers, avoiding large piles and under no circumstances should cinders be swept into the storm water catch basins. Property owners should not fill containers with cinders in excess of 20-25 pounds as collection is made more difficult. Heavy containers may not be picked up. Rocks, limbs and yard waste should not be included for pick up with the street cinders and green recycling containers should not be placed curbside. The yard waste recycling pick up is scheduled to begin in May.

For more information, call the road department at 674-5362.

Rotary Ambassador scholarship available

Scholarships for Rotary Ambassadors are available for residents or students at an institution of higher education in Rotary District 7410, which consists of Luzerne, Bradford, Carbon Lackawanna, Monroe, Pike, Susquehanna, Tioga,

Wayne and Wyoming counties. Students must have completed two years of college.

The scholarship may be used at a university in any of the 170 countries in the world that have Rotary Clubs, other than the home country of the applicant. Scholarship applications must be submitted through a Rotary Club in District 7410.

The Rotary Club will forward the completed application with a recommendation to the district scholarship committee by May 21. The committee will interview applicants in early June 2007 and send a recommendation to the Rotary Foundation, which will award the scholarship and assign the scholar to a university from among those listed by the applicant.

Applications and additional information are available from scholarship committee chairman Clarence Murphy at cjmurphy@ptd.net.

Volunteers needed at The Meadows

The volunteer department at The Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas needs volunteers who would enjoy escorting residents in wheelchairs to the in-house physical therapy department or beauty shop. The hours are 9:15 a.m. to noon daily.

Volunteers may work on an as-needed basis or on a regular one-day-a-week schedule.

There is also an opening for a volunteer to work at the reception desk during lunch hour. Training is provided for all positions.

For more information, call 675-8600, ext. 195.

GFWC Harveys Lake awarding scholarships

The General Federation of Women's Clubs of Harveys Lake is awarding \$500 scholarships to two seniors who reside in the Lake-Lehman School District and who plan on attending a college or trade school after graduation.

Applications are available at Lake-Lehman High School guidance office or by calling Linda Schuler at 639-2541.

The deadline for submissions is April 1.

2007 tax bills mailed in Dallas

The 2007 Luzerne County and Dallas Borough real estate tax bills have been mailed. Tax payments will be accepted at the discounted amount if paid before April 16.

Borough residents who did not receive a bill should contact

Mark Van Etten at 675-1878 or dallasboroughtax@aol.com.

Anyone mailing a payment and requesting a receipt should return all copies of the bill along with a self addressed stamped envelope to Mark Van Etten, P.O. Box 447, Dallas PA 18612.

Author luncheon to be held April 26

The Friends of the Back Mountain Memorial Library will hold its annual Luncheon With a Special Author beginning with a reception at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 26 at Appletree Terrace, Newberry Estate in Dallas.

This year's guest author will be Barbara Goldstein Kline, author of "White House Nannies."

The luncheon will start at 11:45 a.m. and Kline will begin her program at 1:15 p.m. For ticket information, call the library at 675-1182.

Library selling engraved bricks

The Back Mountain Memorial Library is selling engraved brick pavers for the outdoor entry area at the library on Huntsville Road in Dallas.

The personally engraved bricks make a wonderful gift or memorial for an entire family, or

for a special individual.

Bricks are available for \$100 each, which includes up to three lines of engraving. Proceeds benefit the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Forms to purchase bricks are available at the library reception desk, or by calling the library at 675-1182.

Meadows Auxiliary seeking 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. Memberships cost \$8, but larger donations are accepted.

Each year, the Auxiliary donates thousands of hours of volunteer service at the center and donates funds for special projects, activities and equipment.

Last year, the organization provided more than \$14,000 in goods and services to the residents.

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



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