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Students performers with the Cobblestones are, from left, Cameron Kneebone, Kevin Malmrose, Ryan Rountree, Josh Curren, Andrew Kerlin, Jessica Hojer, Sydney Blade, Tately Casler, Marisa McIntyre, Megan Kerlin, Megan Palmer, Kendra Birdsall, Raelynn Jackson, Alex Morse, Hannah Busch and Mel Turner. The group will perform at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 10, at the Shavertown United Methodist Church.

SUMC presents show choir today

The Shavertown United Methodist Church Fine Arts will present The Cobblestones, a 13-voice show choir from Troy High school, at 7 p.m. today, Feb. 10, at the Shavertown United Methodist Church.

The group has been in existence for 41 years under the direction of Cheryl Ayres, former vocal music director of Troy Middle and High Schools.

The singers perform about 30 concerts a year in the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania and New York state.

Singing in Bradford, Tioga, Lackawanna, Potter, Wyoming, Sullivan, Chemung and Lycoming counties, the Cobblestones have received rave reviews for their energy and exciting choreography, an integral part of their performance.

Selection to be included are tunes from "Godspell," Sandi Patti's "Let There Be Praise," an arrangement of "This Little Light of Mine," "All My Trials," "Chariot," "Sit Down Servant," a gospel version of "O Holy Night," "Saints Go Marchin'" and many more.

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

PEOPLE BRIEFS

Bullock named to MU post

Misericordia University recently announced that eslie T. Bullock has been named grants and gifts research manager in the office of Corporate, Government and Foundation Relations at Misericordia University.

In her position, she will assist the University Advancement Department in finding opportunities for specific funding streams through grant writing and development research.

A cum laude graduate of Wyoming Seminary Preparatory School, Bullock holds a bachelor's degree from Vassar College and did graduate studies at Columbia University. She holds an MBA from Wilkes University where she was an adjunct professor of economics.

Bullock is also active in the community. She serves as board chair of the End of Life Coalition of the Alzheimer's Association and on the board of directors at Wyoming Seminary Preparatory School. Other board and development roles have included the Northeast Pennsylvania Philharmonic, Rural Health Corporation and Tyler Memorial Hospital.

Kozokas graduates from basic training

Air Force Airman Lee R. Kozokas, son of John and Janet Kozokas, of Staub Road,

Trucksville and a 2007 graduate of Dallas High School, has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and military customs and courtesies, performed drill and ceremony marches and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Sulewski is doing student teaching

Jamie Sulewski, daughter of John and Karen Sulewski of Dallas and a senior at King's College, is currently student teaching elementary

school at Gate of Heaven as a part of the King's College educational requirements.

Kozick named to honor society

Amy Kozick, of Shavertown, was recently inducted into Pi Theta Epsilon, the Occupational Therapy Honor Society of Misericordia University, during a ceremony in the Banks Student Life Center's Kennedy Lounge.

The honor is bestowed upon the top students in the occupational therapy department. Students must achieve at least a 3.5 grade point average to be considered and also be in the

top 20 percent of their occupational therapy class. The students must also show potential to take on a leadership role.

Natishan recognized by Smith Barney

Karen B. Natishan, of Dallas, has been recognized for her outstanding achievements as a financial advisor within Smith Barney's wealth management group. Natishan was designated a Senior Investment Management Specialist by Consulting Group, the managed money unit of Citi's Smith Barney division.

With approximately 18 years in the financial services industry, Natishan joined Smith Barney in 1990 as a Client Services Assistant and was licensed as a Financial Advisor in 1992. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wilkes University. She is currently the Second Vice President of Wealth Management and a partner of the Bush - Natishan Group in the Scranton office of Smith Barney.

She is immediate past president of the Fraternal Societies of NEPA where she remains a board member. She is also a past board member of Wyoming Valley Habitat for Humanity and a member of Huntsville Golf Club.

CIVIC BRIEFS

Vegetarian group sponsors dinner

The Wyoming Valley Vegetarians will sponsor an eight-course vegetarian dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. today, Feb. 10, at Peking Chef, Dallas.

Mark Hetman of Happy Patch Organics will speak on "Organic Wellness 101," "Ask the Organic Farmer" and "Feng Shui Your Garden."

Cost is \$16.95 per person and \$10 for college students. To secure a reservation, contact Arlene Sindaco at 829-4139, by e-mail at wvvpres1@verizon.net or send \$16.95 to Wyoming Valley Vegetarians, Box 2055, Kingston, Pennsylvania 18704.

May will announce candidacy on Feb. 11

James May is expected to announce his candidacy for the Pennsylvania State House at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 11, at the Twin Stacks Center, 1100 North Memorial Highway, Dallas.

Guest speaker for the event will be David Barton, a senior member of the Republican National Committee as well as the Bush/Cheney Election Team. Dress is casual and food will be provided.

For more information, call 675-4629 or go to www.May08.com.

Carney staff schedules hours

Congressman Chris Carney has announced that staff will be available on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at State Representative Phyllis Mundy's office in Kingston.

Congressman Carney's Director of Constituent Services will be available to meet individually with constituents to assist them with any problems they may be having with federal agencies and departments. The staff will be available to meet with anyone who would like to voice their opinion regarding federal legislation or policy which is pending or being discussed in Congress.

Anyone with further questions or concerns or would like to schedule an appointment in advance is asked to contact Congressman Carney's Clarks Summit office at 585-9988 or toll free at 866-846-8124.

Barbershoppers offer valentines

A special "Singing Valentines Project" is being sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre Chapter, Barbershop Harmony Society on February 14. Quartets from within the chapter will deliver "Singing Valentines" between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. throughout Wyoming Valley, complete with songs, a rose,

a card and candy, in "surprise presentation" from donors' requests.

The unusual Valentine gift is available by calling 709-3716. Proceeds from the program aid the chapter's charity service programs.

Music Box presents "Hello, Dolly!"

"Hello, Dolly!" will be presented at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville, February 14-17, 21-24, 28, 29, March 1 and 2.

The show is presented at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and at 3 p.m. on Sundays. A buffet dinner will be served 90 minutes before curtain.

Tickets are on sale for dinner and show and show/only with discounts available for children, students and senior citizens. Group rates are also available.

For more information, call 283-2195.

Valentines Square Dance scheduled

A Valentines Square Dance will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 16, at the Noxen School, School Street, Noxen with the Roger Furman Band playing and calling. There will be a Queen of Hearts contest, door prizes, food and refreshments.

Admission is \$6 for adults and \$3 for students. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

The dance is sponsored by the Noxen Historical Community Association Inc. with all proceeds to benefit the N.H.C.A. building project. For more information, call 298-2052.

'Go Red' Fashion Show is Feb. 16

Scheduled for noon on Saturday, Feb. 16, at the Woodlands Inn and Resort in Plains, the Fifth Annual "Go Red" Fashion Show will feature models who are directly involved in the struggle against heart disease - all wearing the latest in everyday fashions available at and donated by local retail stores.

Tickets cost \$20 per person and proceeds will benefit The Heart and Vascular Institute at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital and the AHA. Reservations can be made by calling Wyoming Valley Health Care System at 552-7408.

Scouts will collect food for pantry

Each year, the Boy Scouts of Troop 281 and the Cub Scouts of Pack 281 participate in the Annual Scouting for Food Program. This charity collects food and money donations over a one-week

period for the less fortunate families in our community.

Scouts will distribute bags for food pick up throughout Back Mountain neighborhoods from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 24. Food will be picked up beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 1.

It will be sorted, boxed and taken to the Food Pantry at the Trucksville United Methodist Church. All food collected will stay in the Back Mountain area.

Library plans wine-tasting event

The Tunkhannock Public Library's Fifth Annual Wine Tasting, "An Evening in Tuscany," will be held from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 1, at the library, 220 W. Tioga St., Tunkhannock.

There will be wine, non-alcoholic beverages, hors d'oeuvres, coffee, dessert, silent and live auction and a raffle.

Tickets, at \$35 per person, can be purchased by calling 836-1677. All proceeds benefit the Tunkhannock Public Library.

Health Fair set for The Meadows

Cura Hospitality at The Meadows Nursing Center will host a Health Fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, March 13, in honor of National Nutrition Month.

Various health-related companies will join Cura Hospitality with information, brochures, samples, screening and various other services. A healthy lunch will be available for purchase. The community is invited free of charge.

Polar Bear Plunge benefits ACS

A Polar Bear Plunge will be held at noon on Saturday, March 15, at Garrity Realty, Pole 89, Harveys Lake, to benefit the American Cancer Society.

Anyone interested is asked to e-mail Andrea Butchko at drewsuffit@yahoo.com or Leslee Everett at cinemas-cenes@yahoo.com for more information.

Music Box sponsors theatre academy

A musical theatre academy for young adults (ages 8 to 13) at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St, Swoyersville, PA begins March 25 with 22 sessions through June 19.

The students will present a musical (TBA) on June 20, 21 and 22. Students will be invited to attend dress rehearsals for three Music Box shows on March 27, April 24 and May 28. Fee is \$250 per person.

For more information and enrollment forms, call (570) 283-2195 or 800-698-PLAY.

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