



The Sweet Valley Church of Christ Choir sings during the program, "Glorious Hope."

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'Glorious Hope' is presented

The miracle of Christmas was celebrated at the Sweet Valley Church of Christ as the choir presented the musical drama, "Glorious Hope." Donations were accepted at the concert to benefit "House of Hope," an orphanage for girls in Port Au Prince, Haiti.

Written and directed by Tom Smith, the show featured cast members Lori Evans, Tom Smith, Ben Steltz, Tim Price, Katie Heindel, Dave Spurlin, Amanda Spurlin, Terry Price, Donna Sutliff and Rob Pembleton.

Deb Smith and Beth Pembleton were prompters, Doug Evans was the sound engineer, Ryan Evans handled lighting, Alisa Evans was in charge of projection and John Harvey was the technical director.

Members of the "Everything Glorious" choir, directed by Karen Steltz, were Angela Evans, Leann Hoyt, Denise Moskaluk, Lori Killian, Donna Fine, Cindy Lohmann, Carrie Yaple and Sue Klamovich, sopranos; Rachel Harvey, Rose White, Pam Stauffer, Jen Miner, Valarie Budzak, Cindy Rood, Kim Stepanski and Anna Milazzo, altos; LuRae Milazzo, Bob Young and Danny Rood, tenors; Joel Stauffer, DJ Rood, John Harvey, Dave Fine and Randy Moskaluk, basses.



Sweet Valley Church of Christ Choir soloist Kim Stepanski sings during the program, "Glorious Hope."

At left, in a scene from "Prayer of Hope," Peter, played by Ben Steltz, Mary, played by Katie Heindel, and Paul, played by Tim Price, talk about being adopted.



In a scene from "Prayer of Hope," Mr. Haggard, played by Tom Smith, talks with Mrs. M, played by Lori Evans.

Soldiers of Christ will take part in Souper Bowl of Caring

The Soldiers of Christ youth group at the Center Moreland United Methodist Church will help celebrate 20 years of caring with youth across the nation in fighting hunger through the "Souper Bowl of Caring" mission project by giving and serving.

Each year a special prayer is shared: "Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat. Amen."

All youth are called to join the 2009 "Souper Bowl of Caring" on Super Bowl weekend, which is Saturday, Jan. 31, and Sunday, Feb. 1. On Saturday, youth are asked

to have a service blitz where they "serve" in some way to help feed the hungry. On Sunday at the worship service of their church, youth will be at the door with "soup pots" for monetary donations that will be given to a local soup kitchen or food bank.

To join in the hunger cause, log on to www.souperbowl.org to see how your youth can serve, share and learn all about the "Souper Bowl of Caring" that is making a difference.

To learn more about the Service Blitz, log on to www.souperbowl.org/serviceblitz.

OBITUARIES

BREZINSKI - Alexander D., 78, of Trucksville, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2008 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born and raised in Kingston, he was a U.S. Air Force veteran, attaining the rank of Corporal. He was employed for 40 years at the Acme Warehouse, retiring in 1991. He was a member of St. Therese's Catholic Church, Shavertown.

Surviving are his wife, the former Mary E. McGrellis; his son, Alan, Dallas; daughter, Marlene, Wilkes-Barre; and grandchildren.

COOLBAUGH - Laing N., 67, of Larksville, formerly of Dallas, died Thursday, Dec. 12, 2008 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Kingston, he was a graduate of Westmoreland High School, Class of 1960. Before retiring, he was employed as a chauffeur by Black Tie Luxury Limousine and served as a private chauffeur for William Powell.

He was a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Edwardsville, and served with the Navy during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He was a former member of the Lehman Golf Course.

Surviving are his wife of 47 years, Priscilla Martin Coolbaugh; daughter, Cathylee Shoemaker, Larksville; son, Mark A., Luzerne; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorial donations to the Zachary B. Shoemaker Foundation at any Wachovia Bank branch.

DECKER - Alice Mae, of Tunkhannock, died Friday, Dec. 12, 2008 at the Golden Living Center, Tunkhannock, where she was a guest.

Born in Lawton on February

26, 1921, she was a graduate of Rush High School, Class of 1940, and attended the Russell Hill United Methodist Church.

Surviving are a son, Jerry, of Tunkhannock; sisters, Joan Van Cise, of Elmira, N.Y.; and Ruby Traver, of Port Charlotte, Fla.; five grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

EVANS - Lee T., 68, of Shavertown, died Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2008 at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Kingston, he worked for Techneglas, Jenkins Township before retiring. He was a member of the Huntsville United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his mother, Arlene Hoover Evans, of Dunellen, Fla.; his wife of 43 years, Cynthia Disque Evans; daughter, Jessica, Chase; brothers, Curtis, Scot Run; Thomas "Tim," Dallas; sisters, Lois Waltich and Barbara Evans, Dunellen, Fla.; and two grandsons.

Memorial donations to Huntsville United Methodist Church, 2355 Huntsville Rd., Shavertown, PA 18708.

KUSH - Joseph Sr., 76, of Atherholt Drive, Kingston Township, died Saturday, Dec. 13, 2008 at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Born August 12, 1932 in Kingston, he had attended Larksville schools. He was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas. Prior to his retirement, he had been employed by the Lehigh Dairy for more than 30 years.

Surviving are his children, Patti Morris and Joseph Jr., both of Dallas; four grandchildren; sister, Genevieve Keefe, Pringle; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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