



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Ginger Ritts registers children for basket raffles at the Dallas Borough Easter Egg Hunt.

Egg hunt

The 2009 Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Dallas Borough was held on Saturday, April 4, at the Kenneth Young Memorial Park in Dallas Borough.



The Easter Bunny greets children as they arrive at the Dallas Borough Easter Egg Hunt.



Children between the ages 1 and 10 hunt for stuffed eggs hidden by the Easter Bunny and helpers at the Dallas Borough Easter Egg Hunt.



CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK/ FOR THE DALLAS POST

Chris Evans, left, owner and general manager of the new Thomas' Market in Dallas, meets with Allan and Barbara Roberts, who plan to open a branch of their restaurant The Ranch Wagon in the Beertown portion of the store the first week in May.

Ranch Wagon coming to Thomas'

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The Ranch Wagon will be the latest Back Mountain restaurant to offer fresh, on-site food at Thomas' SuperFoodtown in Dallas Township.

Allan Roberts, who owns the Ranch Wagon in Shavertown with his wife, Barbara, says the Ranch Wagon Express will move into Thomas' next month with a target date of May 4. The Ranch Wagon Express will offer grilled long dogs with or without cheese and chili, as well as a self-serve toppings bar.

The Ranch Wagon will join Asaki Hibachi and Sushi and Dino's Italian Bistro, both located in Shavertown, at the Thomas' Dallas store. The SuperFoodtown opened on March 14 at the site of the former BiLo Supermarket in the Country Club Shopping Cen-

ter. "We've known Chris (Chris Evans, co-owner of Thomas') for a long time," Roberts said. "We actually get some of our meats from him. Chris and my wife happened to see each other in the store one day and my wife noticed there was a couple of other restaurants in the store at the time. After we saw it, we mentioned something to Chris and he said, 'I never even thought of you guys.'"

Unlike Asaki and Dino's, which are both located at the entrance of the store near the deli, the Ranch Wagon Express will be in the Thomas' Beertown section of the supermarket where there is seating, allowing customers to eat and enjoy a soda or a beer.

"Being that we're not an inside seating restaurant here (in Shavertown), this gives us a venue for it," Roberts said.

Roberts has ordered equipment that needs to be moved into Thomas' and he will need to train Thomas' employees the secrets to making chili, relish and grilling hot dogs the Ranch Wagon way.

"Our particular way of long hot dogs is what keeps us different than everybody else," Roberts said.

Roberts hopes that moving into Thomas' will get more people to try his hot dogs and gain exposure for his main restaurant in Shavertown.

The Ranch Wagon was opened as a trailer in 1955 by Roberts' family at the present site of Cook's Pharmacy in Shavertown. The following year, the trailer moved to where Treat Pizza now stands on Route 309. The Ranch Wagon moved to its current location at 255 Memorial Highway in 1957. The permanent building was constructed in 1969 or 1970.



Vinny Amarando, left, and Seth Newhart act out a scene in "The Good Deed" at Gate of Heaven School.

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'Good Deed' done

Members of the eighth-grade class at Gate of Heaven School presented a short play entitled "The Good Deed" during the school's recent Academic Fair. The students have been studying Pennsylvania Dutch art so the boys were attired in authentic Amish hats while the girls wore authentic Amish dresses and bonnets. The play was about a family doing a good deed for an injured neighbor.



Hex signs, which contain symbols of the Pennsylvania Dutch culture, were created by eighth-grade students at Gate of Heaven.



One of the posters created by students in the class shows what kinds of food would be offered in a Pennsylvania Dutch kitchen.



Ryan Sullivan Poepperling Dalkiewicz Butchko
Fine Boyle Udzilla Sweeney Root

Lake-Lehman Top 10 are honored

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Harveys Lake held its annual Community Night on Thursday, April 2, at the Lake-Noxen Elementary School in Harveys Lake. The organization honored the top 10 seniors of Lake-Lehman Junior/Senior High School during the event.

Seniors honored were Andrea Butchko, Loyalville, daughter of Amy and John Butchko; Matthew Boyle, Shavertown, son of Sandy and Chris Boyle; James Dalkiewicz, Shavertown, son of Sue and James Dalkiewicz; Kayla Fine,

Sweet Valley, daughter of Donna and Dr. David Fine; Bryan Poepperling, Shavertown, son of Ann and Dwayne Poepperling; Kallie Root, Dallas, daughter of Annie Koval and Robert Root; Michael Ryan, Lehman Township, son of Susan and Joseph Ryan; Catherine Sullivan, Lehman, daughter of Peggy and Fred Sullivan; John Sweeney, Shavertown, son of Ann and John Sweeney; and Natasha Udzilla, Bloomingdale, daughter of Chantelle Udzilla and Chris and Holly Udzilla.

Speakers for the event were Jim

McGovern, superintendent of the Lake-Lehman School District, and State Rep. Karen Boback, who has also been a GFWC Harveys Lake member for over 25 years.

Co-chairpersons for Community Night were Darlene Williams, Tina Urban and Linda Schuler. Officers of the Greater Federation of Women's Clubs Harveys Lake are Taryn Barrall, president; Kathy Morretti, vice-president; Allison Swartz, secretary; and Darlene Williams, treasurer.

Mothers Day Powwow set for May 9 in Noxen

The Third Annual Mothers Day Intertribal Powwow will be held from 10 a.m. to dusk on Mothers Day weekend, May 9 and 10, at the Noxen Fire Co. grounds on Stull Road, Noxen.

This event, which honors all mothers, is a gathering for all people sponsored by Tyconac, Inc., a non-profit Native organization, and the Noxen Fire Co. Participants are asked to bring their own lawn chairs.

Gates open at 10 a.m. with Grand Entry of all dignitaries and dancers in full regalia at noon Indian Time.

Host drum is Eagle Thunder, with a special appearance by Spirit of the Drum. Head dancers are Joseph and Wisteria, while Macqua and Richard Gray Owl Greene will serve as emcees. Storyteller is Grace Dove.

The event will feature Na-

tive American dancing, drumming, storytelling, food, crafts, beadwork, jewelry, blankets, fry bread and much more.

Admission is free. Dogs are welcome but must be leashed and cleaned up after at all times. All drums are welcome.

Volunteers are also needed and are asked to call Murph Spirit Bird at 639-1819 or 240-1798 for more information.