

CIVIC BRIEFS

Vandalism reported in Dallas Township

The Dallas Township Police Department has received several reports of vandalism, ranging from eggs being thrown to mail boxes being damaged. Residents with any information are asked to contact the Dallas Township Police.

Residents are reminded that township police are dispatched by the Luzerne County 911 system. Should anyone see or hear anything that may be an act of vandalism, police should be contacted immediately.

Kingston Township taxes due April 23

Kingston Township Tax Collector Karen Rose reminds residents that the rebate value on the 2009 county/township taxes will end Thursday, April 23. All payments must be post-marked on or before that date to be eligible for the rebate value.

Regular office hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays. Payments can be dropped off anytime in the mail slot in the vestibule of the township municipal building.

Eastern Star sponsors chicken dinner

The Dallas Chapter Eastern Star Building Association will hold its last chicken and biscuit dinner of the season from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, April 24, at the Eastern Star Hall, Foster Street, Dallas.

Take-outs start at 4 p.m. and tickets will be sold at the door.

Beef dinner planned

The Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Company will hold a beef dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 25. Takeouts will be available starting at 4 p.m.

Cost of the family-style dinner is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6 to 11 and free for children under 6. For more information, call 477-5121.

Square dance planned

A square dance sponsored by the Noxen Historical Community Association Inc. (N.H.C.A.) will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, at the Noxen School, School Street, with The Roger Furman Band playing and calling. Door prizes, food and refreshments will be available.

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

All proceeds will benefit the N.H.C.A. building project. For more information, call 298-2052.

'Going green' seminar slated for April 25

Green Tunkhannock, a non-profit initiative based in Wyoming County, will present a "going-green" seminar from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 25, at the Tunkhannock Public Library.

This interactive seminar, which is free and open to the public, will break down the meaning of sustainability and what it truly means to "be green."

While not required, an RSVP to 881-0460 would be greatly appreciated.

Military personnel plan gathering for April 25

Former members of Company A, 2nd Battalion, 109th Infantry formed a committee and are planning for a "Meet and Greet" gathering from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, at the West Pittston Armory, Susquehanna Avenue.

All who served during the period July 2, 1953 through March 1, 1992 are invited to attend. Included are all who served under the flag of Heavy Mortar Co. 1/109 Inf., Combat Support Co. 1st BG/109 Inf., Co a 2/109 Inf. and those who were assimilated into Co. A 2/103 Armor.

More information can be obtained by contacting Matt Mastruzzo at 655-2438, Bruce Prandy at 655-3632, Rich Parry at 829-6593 or Vic Malinowski at 1sgmalinowski@live.com or

655-2720.

All-Day Bingo scheduled for April 25

An All-Day Bingo will be held on Sunday, April 25, at the Northmoreland Township Volunteer Fire Department, Demunds Road, Center Moreland.

Doors open at noon, EB starts at 1:30 p.m., REG starts at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be available all day and dinner will be served at halftime.

Reserve your seat by calling Jim at 333-4906.

Boback hosts veterans sessions on April 27

Rep. Karen Boback will host veterans outreach sessions in April when Dan Walsh of the Governor's Veterans Outreach and Assistance Center visits her district offices.

A session will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Monday, April 27, at 5315 Main Rd., Sweet Valley, and from 1 to 3 p.m. on Monday, April 27, at 6 Cross Country Complex in Tunkhannock.

For more information, call 800-278-3930.

Interfaith Council lecture at Misericordia

Misericordia University will host the Wyoming Valley Interfaith Council continuing spring lecture series with Dr. Carol Rittner, RSM, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall. The lecture is open free to the public.

Dr. Rittner's presentation, "Rape, Religion & Genocide: Breaking the Silence," addresses what the Roman Catholic Church and its leadership have said or not said about genocide, rape and the genocidaires who use it as a weapon of war.

For more information about the lecture, please call Rabbi Larry Kaplan at 824-8927.

Music Box slates youth program for April 30

A Musical Theatre Academy for children ages 13-18 will begin April 30 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

Students will perform Disney's "High School Musical" on June 19, 20 and 21.

Call 283-2195 for information and to enroll.

Scottish trio performs at Chicory House

The Chicory House Concert Series presents North Sea Gas, a veteran Scottish trio offering traditional Scottish music along with contemporary and self-penned tunes, at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 1, at the Forty Fort Presbyterian Church, 1224 Wyoming Ave.

Admission is \$15 and tickets are sold at the door. For more information, call 825-8772.

Kunkle Fire Co. sponsors dinner

The Kunkle Fire Company will sponsor its annual chicken dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, at the Kunkle

Fire Company Social Hall with takeouts available.

Tickets for the all-you-can-eat family style dinner are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children and are available at the door or by calling 675-3334.

Contra Dance planned

A New England Contra Dance sponsored by the Chicory House and the Folklore Society will feature the music of "Contranella" and caller Ted Crane at 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, at the Church of Christ Uniting, Sprague Avenue, Kingston.

No partner or previous experience is necessary. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$20 for families. For more information, call 333-4007.

Ambulance Association to meet

The annual meeting of the Franklin and Northmoreland Township Ambulance Association will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, at the Franklin Township Fire Hall, Orange.

Alzheimer's group meets on May 7

The Dallas Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 7, in the board room of the Meadows Nursing Center, 55 W. Center Hill Rd., Dallas, in the board room.

'Jekyll & Hyde' at Music Box

"Jekyll & Hyde: The Musical" will be presented by the Music Box Repertory Company May 8-10, 14-17 and 21-24 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

Curtain time is 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and 3 p.m. on Sundays. A buffet dinner is served 90 minutes before curtain.

Tickets are on sale for dinner and show and show-only with discounted prices available for senior citizens, students and children. For reservations, call 283-2195.

Fire company plans ham dinner

The Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Company will hold a family-style ham dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 9, with takeouts beginning at 4 p.m.

Cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children between the ages of 6 and 11 and free for children under the age of 6.

BMT Scouts involved in blood drive

Junior Girl Scout Troop 4829 will hold a blood drive from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, at St. Maria Goretti Church, Laflin Road, Laflin.

Adriana Weslowski, a student at Gate of Heaven School, and Kennedy Jordan Straitiff, a student at Dallas Middle School, and other members of the troop are attempting to earn their Bronze Award, the highest award in Junior Scouting.

RESPONDERS

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immediately went to Brandt's aid. Dobinick arrived on scene not long after and assisted the troopers in pulling Brandt from his patrol car.

"The fact that people lost their life (the two men being pursued in the crash died) and everything like that, it was more of a solemn ceremony and presentation," Peoples said of the First Responders of the Year Award last year. "When we go to the lifetime achievement award, it is more of a recognition and a roasting. It is more lighthearted."

Award winners are nominated by the chiefs of their respective departments, with the exception of the lifetime achievement award winner, who is chosen by Rotary Club members. All award recipients are selected by a special committee of Dallas Rotarians. Members of the committee are Jerry Reisch, Todd Buckley, Lisa Pretko, Eric Martin, Sandy Peoples, Art Peoples, Larry Hilbert and George Bacon.

A senior fire official and a senior police official from the Back Mountain counsel Rotary members on all winners, with the exception of the Lifetime Achievement Award, without actually seeing any of the nominees' names.

Each award winner receives an



CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK/DALLAS POST FILE PHOTO

Susan Davis, left, of Kunkle Fire and Ambulance, receives the 2007 Emergency Medical Technician of the Year Award from the Dallas Rotary. With her is Senator Lisa Baker.

engraved plaque. An additional plaque with the winner's name inscribed on it is given to the winner's department for one year. After a year, the plaque is awarded to the next winner's department and his or her name is added to it.

Because there were four winners to share the First Responder of the Year Award for 2007, their departments divided the time they each had the plaque during the past year. The plaque was on display for six months at Pennsylvania State Police Troop P Headquarters in Wyoming, three months at the Tunkhannock State Police Barracks and three months at the Pennsylvania Game Commission Headquarters in Dallas.

The Dallas Rotary Club noti-

fies winners prior to the event in order to invite them and their families with the exception of the lifetime achievement award winner, which is a surprise announcement during the dinner. However, all of the winners are not announced to the public until the event.

Tickets are offered to every Back Mountain police, fire and EMS department and the event is not open to the general public.

The awards are self-supporting through funds solicited from Back Mountain businesses and individuals.

"This year, we can really use the help of the community to help keep the whole thing going," Peoples said. "It's a labor of love by the Rotarians to recognize the men and women."

SUBDIVISION

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check to be sure.

Amendment to parking ordinance

Brennan informed the supervisors that he has received phone calls from an attorney representing III Guys Pizza, asking to reconsider an amendment to the township's parking ordinance made in March.

The amendment prohibits parking on both sides of Garbutt Street between Route 415 and Gerald Avenue. III Guys is located within the restricted parking area.

Although neighbors of III Guys have complained about the restaurant's patrons at past meetings, the amendment to the ordinance was made because officials felt emergency vehicles did not have room to access the street with parking on both sides.

Brennan says the fire chief for Dallas Fire and Ambulance be-

lieves parking on one side of the street would provide ample space for emergency vehicles.

"I have been asked to ask you to reconsider it," Brennan told the supervisors.

Economic stimulus funds

Doughton informed the supervisors that Pennsylvania is seeking municipal "shovel-ready projects" to receive state economic stimulus funds. He says the township has a few such projects that may be eligible for stimulus funding.

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hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Residents are required to obtain an admission coupon.

The following fee schedule will apply: cars and small SUVs - \$5 with unlimited entry; minivans, mid-size SUVs and small pickup trucks - \$10 each entry; full size pickup trucks, utility trailers and cargo vans of less than one ton - \$20 each entry; large vehicles over one ton - \$85 with a one entry limit. Bulky furniture items and large appliances require an additional fee of \$5 per item. A limited number of non-commercial vehicle tires will be accepted and require an additional fee of \$3 per tire.

In a separate motion, council

authorized the appropriate borough official to contract with J.P. Mascaro & Sons to provide container service for the spring cleanup in accordance with the bid prices contained in the Dallas Area Municipal Authority contract as follows: \$575, 40-yard trash container; \$525, 30-yard trash container; \$490, 20-yard trash container; and \$150, trucking charge for metal load container.

Downtown master plan

Council approved and authorized payment in the amount of \$8,695.76 to Kairos Design Group, LLC for services rendered during the period of February 23 to March 24 relative to the borough's downtown master plan and zoning ordinance revisions project.

Kenneth Young Memorial Park

Council approved and authorized payment in the amount of

\$920.79 to Johnson Mirmiran & Thompson during the period of February 16 to March 15 for work completed on the Kenneth Young Memorial Park master plan.

Reimbursement sought for grant

Council authorized the appropriate borough official to certify an invoice to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development in the amount of \$8,695.76 for reimbursement under the Land Use Planning and Technical Assistance Grant contract.

Memorial Day parade

Council approved the closing of Foster Street and Woodlawn Avenue between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 25, as requested by Daddow-Isaacs American Legion Post 672 to accommodate the annual Memorial Day Parade.

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