

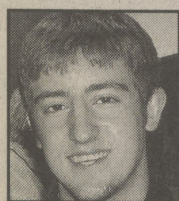
PEOPLE BRIEFS

Wright family plans 99th reunion

The 99th Annual Wright Family Reunion will be held on Sunday, Aug. 9, at Dymond's Grove in Noxen. Lunch will be served at noon with a meeting to follow.

Cardillo named to dean's list

Bryan J. Cardillo, of Shavertown, a member of the Class of 2011, has been named to the



Cardillo

with a minor in music.

Cardillo will study abroad for the fall semester at the University of Glasgow, Scotland.

Abramowitz named to President's List

Nancy Abramowitz, of Shavertown, has been named to the President's List at Bentley University for extraordinary academic achievement in the spring 2009 semester.

Abramowitz is a senior man-

agement major.

Stredny honored at University of Scranton

Coral Stredny, of Dallas, was among 674 students recognized by The University of Scranton during its undergraduate Class Night ceremony.

Stredny, who graduated from The University's undergraduate Honors Program, was the co-recipient of the Excellence in Biochemistry Award. She also was a co-recipient of a Frank O'Hara Award for Academic Excellence for having one of the highest grade point averages in the College of Arts and Sciences at The University.

Speace on dean's list

Garrett L. Speace, of Shavertown, a senior at Gettysburg College, has been named to the Dean's Commendation List for outstanding academic achievement in the spring 2009.

Harvey on dean's list

Bryn Harvey, of Trucksville, a musical theater major in the Shenandoah Conservatory at Shenandoah University, was named to the fall 2008 and spring 2009 dean's lists.

A 2008 graduate of Wyoming

Seminary, Harvey was recently inducted into the Shenandoah University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta.

Rodriguez completes military training

Army Pfc. Pamela A. Rodriguez has completed the Warrior Transition Course at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.

The course teaches basic skills necessary for integration into the Army for all prior-service service members to fully prepare them for Advanced Individual Training or on to their first assignment.

The private is a 1982 graduate of Dallas High School.

Fritzges on dean's list

Katelyn Fritzges, daughter of Don and Linda Fritzges, of Trucksville, has made the dean's list at Boston University for the sixth straight semester. Fritzges will be a senior Biochemistry/PreMed major.

Gallagher graduates from LCCC

Michelle Gallagher, of Dallas, recently graduated from the dental assisting program at Luzerne County Community College.

KINGSTON TOWNSHIP LIONS INDUCT NEW MEMBER



The Kingston Township Lions Club recently inducted Ginny Major as a new member. From left, are Past District Governor Joan Milligan, sponsor; Lion Major, Vice District Governor Patty Warwick, inducting officer.

CHURCH BRIEFS

Celebration of independence slated

A celebration of independence in honor of those who defend our freedom will be held at 4 p.m. today, July 12, at Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, 420 Main St., Dallas.

The musical service will feature organist Bernard Gardzalla and a special prayer for those currently serving in the Armed Forces. A reception on the lawn (weather permitting) will follow the service.

Anyone wishing to add the name of a friend or loved one to the prayer list should contact the church office at 675-1723.

Chicken barbeque set

The Trustees of the Trucksville United Methodist Church will hold a "Take-Out Only" Chicken BBQ from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, July 17, at the Dickson Educational Facility, Church Road.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children and must be ordered in advance by calling the church office at 696-3897 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Chicken and rib dinner planned

The Huntsville United Methodist Church will hold a chicken and rib dinner from 4 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 18. The price

of tickets is \$8 and may be purchased by calling 675-9802.

The dinner will include chicken, ribs, potato salad, baked beans and homemade pie.

The church is located next to the Jackson Township Municipal Building.

Craft vendors needed

St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Route 118, Dallas) is looking for craft vendors selling new homemade items to be sold at Summerfest on Saturday, Aug. 8. Registration fee is \$25 for a 10' x 10' space; vendors need to provide their own table and tent.

For more information or to request a registration form, call Laura Stearns at 675-7045 or the church office at 675-3859.

St. Paul's Church schedules Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held from 9 a.m. to noon August 10-14 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Route 118, Dallas.

The theme this year is "Rainforest Adventure." The program is open to children ages 3 to 10 and is free of charge. Registration forms are available at the church (675-3859) or online at www.stpaulselca.com, click on "links" and then Vacation Bible School Form.

For more information, e-mail stpaulsvbs@gmail.com or call the church at 675-3859.

Rep. Boback receives alumni award from MU

Mother Mary Catharine McGann Alumni Achievement Award presented annually.

Misericordia University recently presented alumna Karen Boback, Ph.D., of Harveys Lake with the Mother Mary Catharine McGann Alumni Achievement Award at the annual Alumni Awards dinner held during Alumni Weekend.

The veteran educator is now in her second term as state representative of the 117th Legislative District of Pennsylvania, serving parts of Luzerne, Wyoming and Columbia counties.

Rep. Boback served as a teacher and guidance counselor in the Tunkhannock Area School District for 33 years and was an adjunct professor at Wilkes and Misericordia Universities.

In 2006, she received both the Women of Distinction Award from the Delta Kappa Gamma Society and Excellence in Education Award from Misericordia.

Rep. Boback received a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary and special education in 1973 and a Master of Science degree in education with a concentration on technology in 2000 from Miser-

icordia University.

She also holds a master's degree in elementary guidance from Marywood University, a supervisory certificate from the University of Scranton and a doctorate in organizational leadership from The University of Pennsylvania.

The Republican legislator

also volunteers with the Dallas Rotary, the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Harveys Lake, the Back Mountain Library, the Junior League of Wilkes-Barre and Our Lady of Victory Church where she serves as a minister of the Eucharist and a lector.

Rep. Boback and her hus-

band, Buz, live in Harveys Lake and are the parents of a daughter, K.C., and a son, Bernard.

The Mother Mary Catharine McGann Alumni Achievement Award is awarded periodically to a graduate for distinguished and sustained career accomplishments.

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