

# Kerry Beth Dymond realizes childhood dream, opens shop

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It was Kerry Beth Dymond's childhood dream to open a coffee house.

The self-proclaimed coffee lover, now 38, turned her dream into a reality last November when she opened KB's Coffee House on North Memorial Highway in Shavertown. The coffee house is located in the same building as Dymond's Bakery, owned by her husband's family.

"It was something I always wanted to do and they had this building next to them and I would look at the building and I can envision a coffee house here," Dymond said. "I wanted to provide something in the Back Mountain that was different, somewhere you can go and hang out and just chat."

KB's Coffee House sells gourmet coffee made from fresh roasted coffee beans that Dymond purchases and the array of coffee flavors is rotated to include Irish Crème, Swiss Almond Chocolate and Hawaiian Hazelnut.

"My beans are the freshest around, plus my flavoring is roasted right into the bean; it's

not syrup," Dymond said.

The coffee house also offers baked goods, a light breakfast of eggs, bacon and ham and lunch of sandwiches and soups. The baked goods, sandwich bread and some of the soups are all from Dymond's Bakery.

Dymond makes the breakfast and lunch herself since she formerly worked as a chef in various restaurants prior to working for her parents, Helen and Fran McGough, at their Kingston business, Helfran Glass.

Currently, Dymond is working on perfecting java cinnamon bread made from Dymond's cinnamon bread that is dipped in a mixture of coffee and egg and then grilled.

She is also contemplating doing BYOB dinners in the future and prepared her first dinner at the coffee house for several people on Valentine's Day.

"I would really like to do it as maybe a once a week type of thing," Dymond said. "I love cooking so it works out nice. And with the BYOB, I know people do appreciate that, especially when times are tough."

There are no employees at

Dymond's business, so it is up to her to take orders, wait on tables and cook food. The work keeps her busy and she hopes she stays so busy that she is forced to hire help.

The coffee house has a tongue-in-groove wall that rises to a cathedral ceiling and offers a comfortable setting with jazz music, Frank Sinatra or Dean Martin playing in the background. Dymond said several of her customers have told her the coffee house feels like a chalet or a New York bistro.

The coffee house seats eight and Dymond plans to add seats for six to eight more people after she finishes redoing an existing side room. She also hopes to add seating outdoors when the weather becomes warmer.

Although Dymond and her husband, Michael, currently live in Kingston, they are currently renovating an old farmhouse in Orange and will soon be residents of the Back Mountain.

"I really do love the Back Mountain," she said. "The community, it stays together. I had a lot of people come in and say they like to support the businesses in this area."



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Kerry Beth Dymond has opened a lunch and coffee shop next to Dymond's Market in Shavertown. The shop features gourmet coffee, desserts and sandwiches.

## SCOUTS TAKE PART IN 'SCOUT SUNDAY MASS'



Cub Scouts of Pack 232, Gate of Heaven kicked off the Centennial Anniversary of Scouting at "Scout Sunday Mass" on Feb. 7. Scouts participated as altar servers, gift bearers and hosted a juice/donut reception for all girl and boy Scouts, past and current, to celebrate the upcoming year's worth of "Happy 100th Birthday, BSA!" events. From left, first row, are Gracie Huntington, Alex Hajkowski, Colin Marshall, Jacob Brennan, Ryan Maloney. Second row, Fr. Daniel Toomey, Cole Dewees, Tommy Hajkowski, Patrick Redington, Joseph Brennan, Nicole Dewees, Richie Huntington. Third row, Lori Marshall, Michael Huntington, Jeffery Busher, Michael Parmelee, Jacob Dragon, Anthony Caravaggio, Michael Caravaggio, Tony Caravaggio. Fourth row, Matt Dewees, Tyler Wojciechowski, Ryan Marshall, Chester Brennan, Christopher Huntington, Justin Marshall, Anthony Huntington, Chris Switzer, Tyler Dragon.

## CUB SCOUTS HOLD SPACE DERBY



Cub Scout Pack 241, Lehman, recently conducted a "Space Derby" rocket race at Lake-Lehman High School. Boy Scouts from Troop 241, with the assistance of Scout leaders and parents, facilitated the competition that allowed the Scouts to build and race little rockets. From left, first row, are Dillon Major, Bear Scout, first place; Matthew Major, Wolf Scout, second place; Nick Fegely, Bear Scout, third place; and Riley Newman, Webelos I Scout, maker of the "Scouts' Favorite" rocket. Second row, T. J. LaBar, Senior Patrol Leader, Troop 241; and Donnie Ide, Scoutmaster, Troop 241.

## SCHOOL BRIEFS

### Schoenberg Festival at Seminary

Wyoming Seminary Upper School will present a special Schoenberg Festival, offering instrumental and vocal music by Arnold Schoenberg, at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 23, in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., just north of Kingston Corners.

The Saturday concert will present Schoenberg's piano trio "Verklaerte Nacht" and several short pieces by Schoenberg's student Anton von Webern; the Tuesday performance will feature Schoenberg's melodrama "Pierrot Lunaire."

Both concerts are free and open to the public.

### Musica Misericordia set for Feb. 25

The Misericordia University Fine Arts Department will present Musica Misericordia, an evening of solo performances and chamber music by members of the Misericordia music faculty, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 25, in Lemmond Theater in Walsh Hall. The concert is free and open to the public.

A light reception will follow the concert. For more information, call 674-6739.

### LLHS Class of 1970 plans meeting

The Lake-Lehman High School Class of 1970 will have a reunion meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 4, at Grotto Pizza, Harveys Lake.

Anyone interested in helping plan the 40th anniversary is asked to attend and bring addresses of classmates.

For more information, contact Ginny Piatt Ide at 639-2587 or gmid@yaho.com or Jane Cornell Maneval 477-2715 or frjcmn@aol.com

### Program addresses elder abuse

The Luzerne-Wyoming Counties Elder Abuse Task Force of Pennsylvania will host two free elder financial abuse education programs, "Protecting Yourself from Elder Financial Fraud: Don't Become a Victim!" from 10 a.m. to noon on Monday,

March 8, in Sandy and Mar Insalaco Hall at Misericordia University.

To register, call 822-1158. Lunch will be served following the noon workshop and light refreshments will be available at the evening program. Deadline for registration is March 1.

### MU sets Movie Night

The Misericordia University Student Activities Department has announced the campus will begin to offer movies in the recently renovated Lemmond Theater in Walsh Hall.

The schedule includes "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" at 3 and 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 14.

Admission is \$1 for Misericordia students with ID and \$2 for the general public. For more information, call 674-6411.

### LL Band Sponsors plan craft show

The Lake Lehman Band Sponsors will sponsor their annual Spring Craft Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 27, at the Lake-Lehman Jr./Sr. High School, Old Route 115, Lehman.

Over 100 vendors will offer a variety of handmade jewelry, wood crafts, wreaths, candy, candy, fudge, soaps, lotions, clothes, quilted/crocheted pieces, purses, apparel, folk art, hand-painted and pet-related items. A Chinese auction will feature items donated by all vendors.

There will also be a bake sale and a variety of hot foods served in the cafeteria.

Admission is free and proceeds will benefit all Lake Lehman Jr./Sr. High School Band and music students.

For more information, call 574-6325.

### Lock-In fundraiser at T.G.I. Friday's

Back Mountain residents are asked to support the Dallas High School Grad Lock-In by eating in or taking food out at T.G.I. Friday's in Wilkes-Barre any Wednesday or Thursday until May 20, 2010.

A portion of sales will be donated to the Lock-In and coupons must be presented to servers.

Coupons can be printed from the Dallas School District Web site.

## MU prof will speak at MH/MR event

Jim Siberski, M.S., C.M.C., CRmT, assistant professor and coordinator of gerontology education at Misericordia University, is the featured speaker at the Luzerne-Wyoming Counties Mental Health/Mental Retardation Program's 19th Annual Intellectual Disabilities Awareness Month Breakfast at 9 a.m. on Friday, March 19, at the Shadowbrook

Resort, Tunkhannock.

Siberski will present, "Where We Began, Where We Are and Where We Will Be Going," as part of the "Moving Toward the Future" program. The program also features Randy Johnson, who will present the inspirational program, "Living an Everyday Life: A Road Map," from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

To register for the program, call 825-9441.



A new Boy Scout Troop is forming at the Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department of Luzerne County. The new troop, Troop 146, has been named after the Jackson Township Fire Station Identifier Number, Station No. 146. From left, are Dan Manzoni, Jackson Twp. VFD Fire Chief; Richie Huntington, Troop 146 Scoutmaster; George Manzoni, Troop 146 Chartered Organization Representative; and Mike Attanasio, president of Jackson Twp. VFD.

## New Boy Scout Troop forming

In this 2010 Centennial Anniversary Year of Boy Scouting in America, Boy Scouting is expanding in the Back Mountain.

A new Boy Scout Troop is forming at the Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department of Luzerne County. The new troop, Troop 146, has been named after the Jackson Township Fire Station Identifier Number, Station No. 146.

Interested boys ages 11-18, including former Scouts and cross-

ing-over fifth-grade Webelos Scouts and older, are encouraged to visit and register with Troop 146 from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at the Jackson Township VFD, 1160 Chase Rd., Shavertown, just past Chase Corners.

Currently-registered Scouts may register at \$20 for the year (half-year price) while new Scouts will be charged \$40. Registration forms are available at the Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department building.

## PEOPLE BRIEFS

### Charis O'Connell on dean's list

Charis O'Connell, of Harveys Lake, has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Mansfield University.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must be attending the university full-time and earn at least a 3.5 GPA.

### Wesley participates in mock interview

Richelle Wesley, of Shavertown, was among 40 Misericordia University students who took part in series of mock interviews with regional business professionals at the In-



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salaco Center for Career Development.

The mock interviews are one of several workshops held by the Insalaco Center for Career Development at MU each semester to help students prepare to join the job market. The center has also held workshops on time management, resume and cover letter preparation.

Wesley has served as a

student worker in the Insalaco Center for four years and has assisted with numerous career preparation programs. A senior, she has also completed occupational therapy fieldwork at the Veterans' Administration Hospital and with the Luzerne Intermediate Unit.

### Bell on dean's list

Benjamin Bell, of Shavertown, a Northeastern University student majoring in Biochemistry, was recently named to the university's dean's list for the spring 2009 semester.

To achieve dean's list distinction, students must carry a full program of at least four courses, have a quality point average of 3.25 or greater out of a possible 4.0 and carry no single grade lower than a C during the course of their college career.

### Halsor named to Thoroughbred Society

Chelsea Halsor, Class of 2011, was recently named to the Skidmore College Thoroughbred Society for the fall 2009 semester.

The Thoroughbred Society recognizes Skidmore College varsity student-athletes who have achieved a grade point average of 3.67 or higher in the previous semester.

She is the daughter of Sid Halsor and Cydney Faul-Halsor, of Dallas.