

Carnival aims to crush cancer

A Kids Carnival at Dallas High School raised funds for Candy's Place, a resource center in Forty Fort for cancer patients, their families and caregivers. The carnival was the senior completion project of Dallas High School seniors Gary Anderson, Arielle Belski, Chelsi Hunter and Ali Snider. Children attending the carnival enjoyed games, prizes, raffles and food.



A Kids Carnival at Dallas High School was a senior completion project for four members of the Dallas High School senior class. From left, first row, are Gary Anderson and Chelsi Hunter. Second row, Arielle Belskis, Ali Snider and Sandy Sharkus, senior class adviser.

AT RIGHT: Amanda Pizaro, left, and Janara Koehler sell tickets and chances at the door during a Kids Carnival at Dallas High School.



AT LEFT: Jordan Bond, of Dallas, gets the hang of a fish pond at a Kids Carnival at Dallas High School.



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Celebrating Presidents' Day

First-grade students at Wycallis Elementary School presented a patriotic program for their classmates and their parents to help celebrate Presidents' Day.

ABOVE PHOTO: First-grade students at Wycallis Elementary School perform a program of patriotic songs for their parents and schoolmates.

LEFT PHOTO: Emily Crahall leads her first-grade class in the Pledge of Allegiance during a patriotic program at Wycallis Elementary School.

Cpl. Frank Oatridge III returns home from Iraq

Corporal Frank Oatridge III, of Shavertown, returned home from his recent deployment to Iraq on Jan. 25.

The son of Frank Oatridge Jr., of Shavertown, and the late Donna Lee Oatridge, Cpl. Oatridge deployed to Iraq on Aug. 18, 2009 with the II Marine Expeditionary Force CLB 46 Engineer Company.

Cpl. Oatridge is a 2002 graduate of Dallas Senior High School and a 2009 graduate of Luzerne County Community College where he received an associate's degree in criminal justice.

Oatridge was welcomed home by his father, his sister, Tara Oatridge, and his niece Gabrielle Lee Oatridge, all of Shavertown.



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Businesses encouraged to display new BMT Web site

The Back Mountain Economic Development Council was formed as part of the Back Mountain Business Association to address quality of life issues as they pertain to expanding, retaining and growing business in the Back Mountain.

One of the new initiatives by the group is a Web site, www.BackMountain.org, that emphasizes all aspects of the area - community, culture and commerce.

The council encourages organizations to list events that are open to the public on the community calendar.

To fully publicize the existence of the Web site and to drive traffic to it, the council has coordinated a billboard "blitz" for Monday, March 1, and is asking all businesses with letter or electronic signs to display www.BackMountain.org, beginning that day. Lamar Advertising has also donated time on several electronic billboards to display the site and logo.

Any questions concerning this coordinated event should be directed to Carol Wall at 574-4974 or Liz Martin at 362-2890.