

## Gone FISHIN'

Much to the delight of area fishermen – and fisherwomen – the 2010 trout season officially started at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 17. And, despite chilly weather, fisher persons were found casting their lines into Back Mountain waterways.

Cloudy skies and cooler temperatures may have been the reason for a lower than usual turnout at several stocked streams and lakes in northern Luzerne County.

Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission Waterways Conservation Officer John Cummings estimated the turnout in his district was approximately 20 percent lower than last year's opening day.

WCO Greg Kraynak, whose district includes the southern half of Luzerne County, said the turnout was slightly less because of the weather and there should be plenty of trout left over for the reason of the season.

Kraynak added that two exceptions were Lily Lake, which was packed with anglers at 8 a.m., and the Lehigh River.

Still, there were places in the county where angler numbers were strong and so was the number of trout they landed.

With the exception of one or two stocked locations, most of the pull-off areas along state Route 29 were packed with cars from anglers fishing Harveys Creek. At 8 a.m., most of the popular holes in the creek were lined with anglers and, even hours later, there were still plenty of trout being caught.



John Dziadosz, of Centermoreland, fly fishes in Leonard's Creek, Beaumont.

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Barbara Wall makes pancakes for hungry fishermen during a Fisherman's Breakfast at the Alderson United Methodist Church.



Loading their boat with supplies are, from left, Andy Rusinchak and Sam Capizzi, of West Wyoming, and Tom Peeler, of Falls.



Ray Strazdus, of Dallas, checks his gear before setting out to fish in Harveys Lake.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### JAKES event set for today

The Red Rock Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation will sponsor its annual JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge Ethics and Sportsmanship) event today, April 25, at Moon Lake Park.

For just \$15, youths 17 years of age and younger can attend a day-long event that teaches them what the great outdoors has to offer. Children are placed in groups according to their age and go through different classes throughout the day.

Some of the classes offered include turkey calling, b.b. guns, outdoor cooking and archery for the 11-year-olds and younger and archery, shotgun/clay shooting range, turkey calling for the 12 to 17-year-olds.

Classes are taught by volunteers and the shotgun/clay shooting range is also led by the PA Game Commission. Lunch is served to all who attend.

#### Ladies Golf League sets opening luncheon

The Newberry Estate Ladies Golf League will hold its opening luncheon on Monday, April 26, at the Appletree Terrace.

League play will begin May 3. Scheduled tournaments include a Firecracker Tournament on July 5 and a Pink Ball Tournament on August 2. Three tournaments will be held at local golf courses throughout the season.

The officers for 2010 are Jane Jones, president; Sandy Richardson, vice-president; Jean Brennan, treasurer; and Libby Sutton, secretary. Joyce Lloyd will be the vice-president in 2011.

#### Tigers Wrestling Club practices set

The Benton Tigers Wrestling Club will practice from 6 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday.

More information can be found at <http://www.bentontiger-wrestling.com/btwc.html>.



Dallas catcher Zach Macosky puts the tag on a Hazleton base runner.

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## Dallas freshmen lose

Brian Goode got the only hit for Dallas as the Mountaineer freshman baseball team suffered an 11-1 defeat to Hazleton last week in the Back Mountain. Greg Petorak and Ryan Zapoticky played well on defense for Dallas while Dom Oliveria took charge on the mound for the Mountaineers. The Dallas freshman baseball team is coached by Mike Viglone.



ABOVE: Dallas freshman catcher Zach Macosky makes handling an errant throw look easy. BELOW: Ryan Zapoticky, second baseman for the Dallas freshman baseball team, attempts to tag a Hazleton runner.



Dom Oliveria controls the game on the mound for the Dallas freshman baseball team against Hazleton.

