

Gary Farber, left, and Elijah Miller have formed the Youth Wilderness Experience.

Their dreams come true with formation of wilderness group

Two Back Mountain residents form non-profit Youth Wilderness group.

tion of their non-profit orga- ter of the was Jeff Traver. nization, the Youth Wilderness Experience.

them outdoors. The two men some outdoor experiences." about plants, trees, gardenformed the organization so

first fundraising event re- tor. cently with a trap shoot at Farber, Miller and a host of the Harties Farm near Har- volunteers who have offered veys Lake. Forty-four shoo- their time and energy to this ters, including four women, project will hold several The dreams of two Back attended with everyone more fundraisers this fall. Mountain men to be able to shooting four rounds of 10 They have already purchased give local youth the opportu- clay birds. Lunch and re- three electronically-operated nity to enjoy and learn about freshments were provided clay bird throwers and their the great outdoors has come along with a raffle for a beau-goal is to raise enough monto fruition with the forma- tiful muzzleloader. Top shoo- ey to purchase youth fire-

other from church and we of- outdoor-related items. Gary Farber and Elijah ten talked about hunting and Miller have enjoyed hunting, fishing," said Farber. "When have kids between the ages fishing, gardening and other the game commission started of 7-15 learn about hunting, outdoor activities their en- their youth mentor program, fishing and archery with matire lives, thanks to their par- it gave us an idea that maybe jor emphasis on safety in all ents and friends who would we could make a difference three areas," Miller stated. always make time to take in a young person's life with "We also want them to learn

they can pass on their inter- ing to take time from their knowledge. est, knowledge and experi- schedule to take me fishing, hunting or hiking and when only interested in Ipods and Through the cooperation we brought the idea up to texting," added Farber. "We and help of the Back Moun- Pastor Dan Miller he liked it want to open their eyes to tain Harvest Assembly and the church decided to the wonders of the outdoors Church, where both are get involved," said Miller which will be something they members, the men held their who is not related to the pas- will some day pass on to

league planned

The Rock Recreation

Trucksville, will host a

Seventh-Grade Fall Girls

weeks through Oct. 28.

ter at 696-2769.

Basketball League for six

League fee is \$150 plus

Center, 340 Carverton Rd.

arms, archery equipment, "Elijah and I knew each fishing equipment and other

"We want to be able to "Someone was always will- ing and general outdoor

their children."

ties family, Pastor Miller and

The Youth Wilderness Experience plans to hold its first outing for youths in March 2011.

ing for volunteers and donations, both monetary and equipment, for the youth events next year.

information about the organization is asked to call 333-

"A lot of today's kids are

The men thanked the Harall the volunteers who made their first event a success and indicated they have more events planned for this fall.

The organization is look-

\$25 per game for referees and scorekeeper. All games will be played on Thurs-Anyone interested in more days between 6 and 8 p.m. For more information, contact The Rock Rec Cen-



The Rock Solid Boys 16U AAU basketball team recently completed a very successful season with a record of 33 wins and four losses. The team also finished in eighth place out of 80 teams at the Gym Rat Challenge in Albany, N.Y. which is one of the top tournaments in the US. The team consists of players from Dallas, Wyoming Valley West and Hazelton Area high school. The players are Bobby Saba, Travis Buckner, Shane Dunn, Paul Brace, James McCann, Samantha Miller-Scorekeeper, Ryan Hoinski, Frank Vito, Doug Miller-Coach, Jon Gimble and Eugene Lewis.



CHEETAHS WIN SOCCER TITLE

The Back Mountain Cheetahs U-9 Girls Soccer Team, sponsored by Central Clay Products Inc., recently finished in first place in the Luzerne County Soccer Festival. Team members are, from left, first row, Kayla Gliddon, Kaitlyn Schwartz, Carly Cavanaugh and Kanisha Cheshire. Second row, Coach Terry Cavanaugh, Morgan Landau, Erin McMonagle, Emma Berger and Coach Reo Cheshire.



SPORTS BRIEFS

Basketball clinic set Girls basketball

The Rock Rec. Center will hold its fifth annual Fall Basketball Clinic for Girls and Boys in kindergarten through sixth grade on Monday and Wednesday evenings, starting October 18 and continuing through October 27.

Early registration fee is \$40 per player prior to Oct. 10 at which time the fee will be \$50 per player.

For more information, contact The Rock Rec. at 696-2769 or email The-RockRecCenter@bmha.org.

Rock Rec plans boys cage league

The Rock Recreation Center, 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville will host a 7th and 8th Grade Fall Boys Basketball League for six weeks through Oct. 23.

The league fee is \$150, plus \$25 per game for referees and scorekeeper. All games will be played on Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

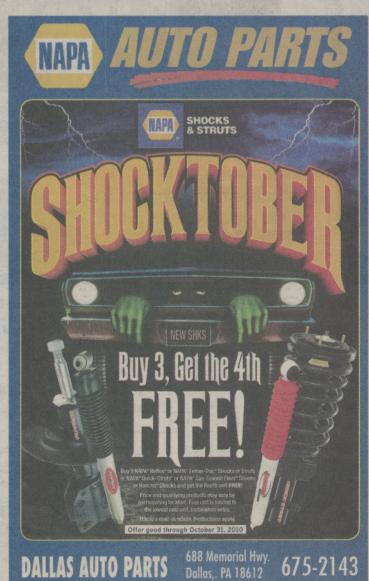
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4-H club plans fall festival

A Fall Festival for Soaring Saddles 4-H Club of Sweet Valley will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 24, at Pinewood Acres in Sweet Val-

There will be a tack exchange, pony rides, pumpkin decorating, removable horse tattoos and cider, cookies and cupcakes for sale.

The club intends to use some of the proceeds from this event to make a donation to the Blue Chip Farm Animal Refuge.





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