



Volunteers at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, were recently honored during National Volunteer Week. From left, first row, are Betty Sorchik, volunteer director; Bernie Hill, 25 years; Betsy Pitcavage, 15 years; Pat Parry, 25 years; Emily Steltz, 20 years; Leona Walter, 15 years; Mary Law, "You Make A Difference" honoree. Second row, Carl Noto, executive director, Ecumenical Enterprises Inc.; Martha Linski, 10 years; Marie Belasco, 15 years; Maryan Daily, five years; Fran Dierolf, 20 years; Louise Yakowski, five years; Louise Montigney, 25 years; and Robert Law, 15 years. Absent at the time of the photo were Bette Gillespie and Ann Hughes, 10 years; and Jason Moss and Bonnie Ryman, five years.

Meadows Center volunteers cited

In celebration of National Volunteer Week, the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, recently honored over 100 volunteers for their dedication to residents and assistance to departments in various placements.

and received certificates of appreciation. Distinguished tribute was given to volunteers who have served at the center for five, 10, 15, 20 and 25 years. Over 9,000 hours of service were donated during the past year to benefit the 130 residents at the center.

provided by Christine Leandri. A very special award, "You Make A Difference," was presented to Mary Law, of Dallas, to honor her for donating over 10,000 hours of caring service to residence since 1993. Law is only the second volunteer to receive this award since its inception.

All volunteers enjoyed dinner

Musical entertainment was

Native species will be topic of presentation

Join North Branch Land Trust Naturalist Rick Koval as he vividly illustrates in his PowerPoint program all 48 native species of reptiles and amphibians found in our region.

Afterwards, get up close and personal with live salamanders, frogs and snakes.

The program will be held from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 17 at the North Branch Land Trust office, 11 Carverton Rd, Trucksville.

This program is free to NBLT members, \$5 for non-members and free for children under 12 years of age.

For more information, call 696-5545.



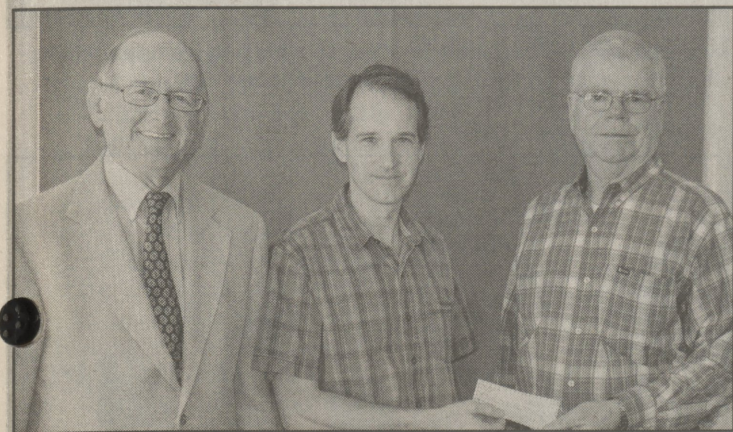
Jessica Walkowiak, of West Wyoming, holds a Spotted Salamander like one that will be part of a North Branch Land Trust program on November 17.

LEGION HOLDS MEETING



District 12 American Legion recently held its monthly meeting at Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672. Topics on the agenda dealt with falling membership, Veterans Parade, activities at the various posts, poppy sales, fundraising and the need of a new transport van at the Veterans Hospital. From left, are Alan Rowlas, Sgt.-at-Arms; John Ralston, Past Commander; Commander Jesse Turner, Ted Shulenski, Adjutant; Richard Simmonson, Vice-Commander; and John Emil Sr., Finance Officer.

FOOD PANTRY DONATION



At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Back Mountain Food Pantry, a donation was presented by Skip Sensbach, owner of the Green Dog Pottery, Dallas. During the 2010 Luzerne County Fair, Sensbach hand-crafted and sold 100 bowls for \$10 each, bringing in donations of \$1,000. Several volunteers from the food pantry were also on hand to help sell the bowls. From left, are Joe Hardisky, president of the Back Mountain Food Pantry Board of Directors; Sensbach and Harry O'Neill, treasurer of the food pantry.



Shown preparing a mailing for the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center Auxiliary are, from left, first row, Florence Hozempa, Gloria Naugle, Maryan Daily. Second row, Marilyn Gregorski, volunteer director; Irene Transue, membership chairperson; Bernie Hill, Louise Montigney and Jule Wnorowski.

Meadows' annual drive begins

Each year volunteers gather at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, to prepare the auxiliary's annual membership drive mailing, asking the community to help by becoming active or sustainer members.

Active members help by vol-

unteering at the center in a variety of assignments that offer flexible hours to meet individual's schedules. Sustainer members help with their \$10 donation that supports projects directly benefiting residents.

Because of the auxiliary, residents had the opportunity to

visit the Luzerne County Fair and enjoy special events, including an ice cream social, Mardi Gras and St. Patrick's Day parties.

Therapeutic equipment was purchased for the nursing, activities and therapy departments.

Kneal joins others in sponsoring Mirrorless Monday at MU

Brittany Kneal, of Shavertown, joined other members of The Healthy Options Peer Educators

(HOPE) student group at Misericordia University that recently sponsored the second annual Mirrorless Monday to promote a healthy body image to the more than 2,800 students on campus.

HOPE is comprised of students involved in the Misericordia University Campus Peer Associates

who work to promote awareness and education around specific issues.

Participating students covered the mirrors in more than 20 public bathrooms on campus with newspapers and hung inspirational quotes intended to promote a positive body image.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Lake-Noxen PTO sponsors drive

The Lake-Noxen Elementary School PTO is holding its first coat and warm clothing drive.

Gently-used laundered coats, hats, gloves, boots, snow pants, jeans, sweaters, sweatshirts, sweatpants and new warm socks will be collected from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 15 and from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20.

Items will be sorted and available for a \$1 sale on December 4.

Lock-In Committee will meet Nov. 17

The Dallas High School 2011 Graduation Lock-In Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 17 in the high school library.

Grocery certificates for Mr. Z's and Thomas' Family Market will be sold in increments of \$50.

King's students present 'Antigone'

The King's College Theatre Department will present the tragic tale of "Antigone" at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 17-20 in the King's Theatre, located in the administration building on North River Street.

The story revolves around the decision by idealist Antigone to defy her rigid uncle Creon's ruling and secure a respectable burial for her brother, Polynices, even though he was a traitor to Thebes.

Tickets are free for King's students, faculty and staff, \$10 general admission and \$5 for students and senior citizens. To reserve tickets, call 208-5825.

Program addresses gang violence

The Misericordia University Teacher Education Department will host a lecture on the proliferation of gang violence in the region and how to identify gang behavior from 1 to 2:45 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 18 in the Catherine Evans McGowan Room of the Mary Kintz Bevevino Library.

The special presentation, "Gangs...What To Look For" by Robert Maguire, Intelligence/Security Threat Group Coordinator with the Lackawanna County Prison System, is free and open to the public.

Holiday Craft Show slated for Nov. 20

The Lake-Lehman Band Fall and Holiday Craft Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20 at the Lake-Lehman Jr./Sr. High School, (1128 Old Rt. 115), Lehman.

Over 100 crafters will offer holiday gift items and home décor, including handmade jewelry, wood crafts, holiday decorations and wreaths, jams and jellies, cookies, candy, soaps and lotions, candles, American Girl doll clothes, knitted and crocheted pieces, pet food and related items, purses, apparel, pottery, carpets, folk art and hand-painted items.

There will be a Chinese auction, bake sale and hot foods served in the cafeteria. Admission is free and proceeds will benefit the Lake-Lehman Band Programs.

For more information, call 574-6325.

Brunch with Santa slated for MU

The Misericordia University Alumni Association will hold the 12th Annual Brunch with Santa from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4 at the Banks Student Life Center on the campus in Dallas, featuring brunch served in the Cougar's Den.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children from 5-12 years of age and free to children under 5.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling the Misericordia Alumni Box Office at 674-6768.

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