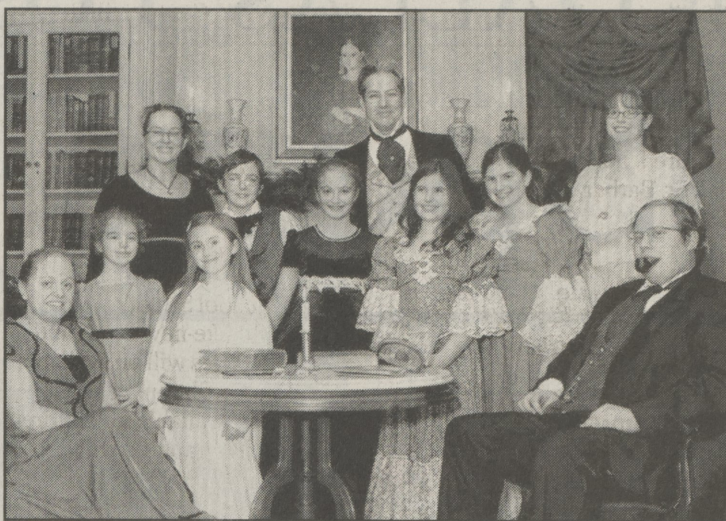


BROWNIES VISIT WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED



Brownie Troop 32666 visited Wild Birds Unlimited in Dallas on October 20. The girls participated in the Backyard Birds program where they learned about the birds native to NEPA that they may see in their own backyards. The program taught the girls the names of the birds and how to identify them based on appearance or song. At the close of the program, each of the girls constructed their own bird feeder. The girls were encouraged to use the provided bird feed and return to the shop to let them know which birds they found in their backyards. Shown here, clockwise from left rear, are Leia Daly, Abby Hastings, Emma Sweitzer, Kaitlyn Morgan and Nora Luke. Absent at the time of the photo was Kaitlyn VanEtten.



Luzerne County Historical Society staff and volunteers portraying members of the Swetland Family at the homestead's annual Christmas Candlelight tours are, from left, seated Annie and Mark Riccetti. First row, Aoife Burke, Belle Stack, Roisin Burke, Natasha Stack, Victoria Stack, Amanda Fontenova. Second row, Mary Ruth Burke, Ciaran Burke and Tony Brooks.

Swetland Home tours offered

One of Wyoming Valley's best-loved traditions, Christmas Candlelight Tours of the historic Swetland Homestead, 885 Wyoming Ave., Wyoming, will take place this year from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 2, 3 and 4 and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 4 and 5.

Costumed interpreters will take you back in time as they portray members of the Swetland family, welcoming guests to their home at Christmas time.

Visit with Sally Swetland and

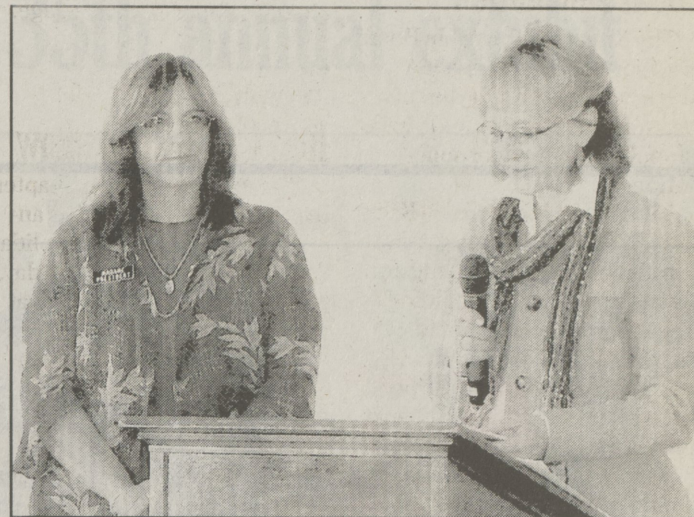
her children in 1810, meet William Swetland's son, George, and business partner and son-in-law, Payne Pettebone, as they celebrate a Victorian Christmas.

Tours run continuously during open hours and admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children.

Children under 5 are admitted free and members of the Luzerne County Historical Society receive \$1 off admission.

For additional information or to arrange a group tour, contact the Historical Society at 570 823-6244, ext. 3.

GFWC LUZERNE COUNTY HOLDS MEETING



A breakfast meeting of the General Federation of women's Clubs (GFWC) Luzerne County was held Oct. 9 at the Irem Temple Country Club. The theme of the fall meeting was "Women on a Mission of Service." Shown here are, from left, Heide Cebrick, county president; and Tina Urban, vice-president, Harveys Lake club.

PEOPLE BRIEF

PSU professor completes book

Dr. Albert Lozano-Nieto, of Shavertown, professor of engineering at Penn State Wilkes-Barre, recently published his first book, "RFID Design Fundamentals and Applications," through CRC Press.

A native of Barcelona, Spain,

Dr. Lozano-Nieto earned a Ph.D. in electrical engineering in 1994 from the Polytechnic University of Catalonia, Barcelona Spain. He joined Penn State Wilkes-Barre in 1996 and is also an RFID+ Certified Professional, awarded by the Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA) in 2008.

HALLOWEEN CELEBRATED AT THE VILLAGE AT GREENBRIAR



The Village at Greenbriar celebrated the month of October with a pumpkin decorating contest and a Halloween party with magician Bill Dickson and holiday goodies. From left, seated, are Jane Delaney, Elizabeth Baloh, Florence Sokol, Nancy Edwards, John Murray and Elizabeth Lorusso. Standing, Margaret Dzanis, Marianne Petro, Frank Baumiller, Marie Payne, Shirley Templin and Miriam Harwell.

FOUNDATION DONATES TO FOOD PANTRY



The Wachovia Wells Fargo Foundation, with a long history of giving back to the community, recently awarded a \$1,000 grant to the Back Mountain Food Pantry. Food Pantry Board Member Rev. Roger Griffith accepted the grant on behalf of the pantry. More than 50 grants for education, community development, arts and culture, health and human services and the environment were distributed at the Community Partners Program Recognition Breakfast at the East Mountain Inn in Wilkes-Barre. From left, are Local Branch Manager Kevin Engelman, Griffith, Regional President David Miree, Community Bank President of Northeastern Pennsylvania Greg Collins.

ROTARY DONATES TO FOOD PANTRY



Twice a year at its weekly meeting, the Dallas Rotary Club conducts an auction and raffle night on behalf of the Back Mountain Food Pantry to raise food and funds to benefit the more than 240 client families served by this community outreach program. In November, the event is focused on food for Thanksgiving and in April, the event is geared towards food that children like, can easily prepare and will need during the summer months when they are not able to take advantage of school meal programs. For Rotary year 2009-2010, more than \$1,000 and more than 1,000 pounds of food were raised and donated to the pantry. Shown during a recent presentation to the food pantry are, from left, Joe Hardisky, food pantry board president; Carol Eyet, food pantry manager; Sandy Peoples, Rotary president and food pantry board member; and Anna Skrosky, food pantry assistant manager.

FOOD PANTRY DIRECTORS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING



The board of directors of the Back Mountain Food Pantry recently held its annual meeting to review donations and client needs. The pantry serves more than 240 families with 20 orders being distributed every Friday morning. More than 30 volunteers staff the food pantry with 40 to 50 man-hours being dedicated each week. From left, seated, are Board President Joe Hardisky, Rev. Beverly Butler, Harry O'Neill, Dick Montgomery, Tom Evans. Standing, Sandy Peoples, Rev. Roger Griffith, Lena Baur, Anna Winkler, Rev. Lori Steffensen. Absent at the time of the photo were Lee Fett, Vesta Fountain and Bill Long.

Sons of American Legion install officers



Sons of The American Legion 672 recently conducted installation of officers. From left, first row, are Tom Considine, commander; John Emil III, historian; John Emil Sr., adjutant; John Emil Jr., senior vice commander. Standing, Albert Porter, SAL 395 and Jesse Turner, District 12 commander.