

CIVIC BRIEFS

Women's Club members serve voters

Members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs Harveys Lake volunteered on Election Day to provide coffee, muffins, cookies, hot dogs and chili to voters at the Harveys Lake Borough Building.

This community project netted the club \$438 which helps award scholarships to qualified high school seniors at the end of the school year.

Volunteers will prepare packages

Volunteer will prepare care packages to send to military troops from noon to 5 p.m. today, Dec. 12, at Liberty Reins Ranch, 300 State Rte 29., Harveys Lake.

Food, snacks, batteries, toiletries and entertainment items, as well as monetary donations, will be accepted.

For more information, contact Deborah Basalyga at 764-0634.

Nature program set

Rebecca Lesko, Endless Mountains Nature Center's director and naturalist, will wander the forest looking for animal signs and the health of the plants, search the trees along the river for bald eagles and other water birds from 1 to 4 p.m. today, Dec. 12. Participants should meet at the Endless Mountains Nature Center, Vosburg Road, Tunkhannock.

The program is free. To register, call 836-3835 or e-mail EMNCinfo@yahoo.com.

Camp will host homeless men

Camp Orchard Hill in Dallas will again host the homeless men of V.I.S.I.O.N. from December 13-26.

Monetary donations to cover utility costs, food items, personal hygiene items and blankets and towels, along with opportunities to volunteer and serve, would be greatly appreciated.

For more information, contact Lisa Stull, guest services director at Camp Orchard Hill, at 881-6243.

Seminar planned

The Nursing Unit of Mercy Center and the Misericordia

University Social Service Department will present a free seminar entitled, "Your Mind, Your Body and Your Insurance: How Fit Are They?" from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 13 in the Rivers Room of the Mercy Center. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call 674-6945.

Bird walk set

The Endless Mountains Nature Center will sponsor a bird watching walk at 9 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 17 at the Russell Hill Church, Route 6, Tunkhannock.

The program is free for Stewards and \$3 for all other. To register, call 836-3835 or e-mail EMNCinfo@yahoo.com to register.

Sing Along planned

A Holiday Sing Along will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18 at Outrageous, 63 N. Main St., Shavertown.

Participants are asked to bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to the Back Mountain Food Pantry.

For more information, call 696-6856.

Breakfast with Santa planned for Dec. 19

The Noxen Volunteer Fire Company will hold a Breakfast Buffet with Santa from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 19, at the fire hall, Stull Road, Noxen.

Price is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children under 12 years of age.

Participants who bring a non-perishable food items to be donated to the Noxen Food Pantry will receive a ticket for the turkey raffle.

Mommy & Me program slated

A Mommy & Me Naturally program will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 21, in Riverside Park, Tunkhannock.

Participants will pretend to fly like birds, sing bird songs, listen to a story and meet a live bird up close. The free program is especially designed for 2 1/2-to-4-year-old children and a favorite adult explore a topic together.

To register, call 836-3835 or e-mail EMNCinfo@yahoo.com.



Mona Collum, of Tunkhannock, serves up desserts during St. Therese's Altar and Rosary Society's annual Christmas luncheon.



LaMere Fiorini, left, and Betty Daniels head up the food line at St. Therese's Altar and Rosary Society Christmas luncheon.

Altar & Rosary Society holds Christmas luncheon

Members of the Altar & Rosary Society of St. Theresa's Church in Shavertown gathered on December 5 for their annual Christmas luncheon.



Shirley Type serves punch during St. Therese's Altar and Rosary Society annual luncheon.

DHS ART STUDENTS PAINT WINDOWS AT THE MEADOWS



A group of art students from the Dallas High School visited the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, to window paint winter scenes throughout the center. This community service project is under the direction of Dallas High School art teacher Claire Morris. From left, first row, are Mary Kate Osick, Lauren Rosen, Megan Redlick and Ashlyn Van Deutsch. Second row, Jonathan Wallace, Sarah Simonovich, Lynn Davis and Andrew Nakkache.

'Nutcracker' set for Dec. 17, 18, 19

Ballet Northeast will present its 27th annual traditional "Nutcracker" at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 17 and 18, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 19, at Wilkes University's Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

Featured in the principal roles of the Sugarplum Fairy and her Cavalier will be Ballet Northeast soloist Julie Degnan, of Harveys Lake, and guest professional art Nikolai Morshakov.

Joining them in major supporting roles will be BNE senior corps soloists: Mary Sharon Ciaccia, Harveys Lake; Kelly Ferrell,

Megan Ferrell, TJ Firreno, Danielle Gendler, Jamie Goldstein, Anna Lucas, Wyoming; Katharine Marianacci, Dallas; Mary Mash, Alessandra Ortiz, Sara O'Hara, Sarah Polansky, Cally Richardson, Elisa Rivera, Mikaela Rowe, Grace Schaub, Dallas; Mary Kathryn Siejak, Emily Smith and Maggie Sullivan.

Other local dancers in supporting roles include Alexandra Peck, Alessandra Price, Victoria Rendina, Molly Thornton, Tiffany Usavage and Anna Weiss.

Appearing in children's roles will be Hannah Bonk, Abby and Claire Capin, Gabrielle Caravag-

gio, Shavertown; Tina Chang, Mary Therese Ciaccia, Harveys Lake; Madison Dewees, Dallas; Elizabeth Dohman, Isabella and Sophia Farina, Dallas; Alexandra Fireman, Cora Finn, Dallas; McKayla Harrison, Trucksville; Sarah Jubis, Skylar Marso, Dallas; Lucy Rothfuss, Bella and Sophia Stash, Anna Smagin, Trucksville; Abby Williams, Emily Willis and Laura Wooditch.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for seniors, students and children and will be available at the door or by calling 287-5802.

For more information, call 639-1303.

CHURCH BRIEFS

'The Gift' returns

Back Mountain Harvest Assembly will present the 17th annual live outdoor musical drama, "The Gift," at 6 p.m. today, Dec. 12.

Over 100 performers and some 100 members working behind the scenes make this one of the season's premier events.

Dinner slated

The Huntsville United Methodist Church, 2355 Huntsville Rd., Shavertown, is having a covered dish dinner at 5 p.m. today, Dec. 12.

There is no charge and participants are asked to bring a dish of their choice. For more information, call 477-3748.

Making A Difference Ministries presents 12-year-old Kendall Mosley who will sing with "Step By Step" at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 13, at the Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave. For more information, call 675-3616.

Christmas drama slated for Dec. 17, 18, 19

The Sweet Valley Church of Christ, 5439 Main Rd., presents a Christmas drama entitled "Angels of Mercy Hospital" at 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 17 and Saturday, Dec. 18.

For more information, call 477-2320.

Eagle Scout project

An all-you-can-eat turkey dinner will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Route 118, Dallas.

Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for children and are available at the door or by calling 696-1878. Take-outs will be available. Proceeds will benefit a Boy Scout Troop 155 Eagle Scout project.

Holiday drama to be presented

Word Alive Theatre will present "Emmanuel," at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18 at Apostolic Faith Tabernacle, 536 Village Rd., Orange.

Refreshments will be served following the drama. For more information, call 333-5172.

Ministries sets concert Turkey dinner benefits