

OBITUARIES

CARBOHN - Joseph A., 72, of Lake Township, died Tuesday, November 30, 2010, at the Hospice Community Care, Wilkes-Barre.

He was born December 12, 1937, in Wilkes-Barre, and was employed as a master carpenter most of his life, retiring from Mellon Restorations, Huntingdon Valley, after 25 years of service.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, the former Barbara Chamberlain; sons, Joseph A. Jr., of Hatboro; and Richard A. of Chalfont; two grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; brothers, Phillip, of Horsham; and Walter, of Noxen; sisters, Irene Gailey, of Warrington; Bertha Ely, of Noxen; and Nancy Schwartz, of Lansdale.

GRIEVES - James K., 57, of Chalfont, formerly of Dallas, died Wednesday, December 1, 2010.

He was born November 30, 1953, in Wilkes-Barre, and had served in the U.S. Marines upon graduation.

Surviving are his mother, Laverne Grieves; daughter, Shilo Stewart, Mountain Top; two grandchildren; sisters, Gwen and Karen; brothers, John, Roger and Tommy, all of Tennessee; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the American Cancer Society, 712 Keyser Ave., Taylor, PA 18517.

KALETA - John E., 64, of Trucksville, died Monday, November 29, 2010, at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital shortly after admission.

He was born in Kingston and was a graduate of Dallas High School. Before retiring, he was an equipment operator for the Kingston Township Road Department.

He attended the Shavertown United Methodist Church and was a life member of the Trucksville Volunteer Fire Department. He was active in Back Mountain youth baseball, basketball and soccer.

Surviving are his mother, Cassie Woytanis Kaleta; his wife of 39 years, the former Deborah Bullock; children, Kimberly, Trucksville; Kristine Moss, Shavertown; Kathryn Hrivnak, Wyoming; Karen Alessi, Mountain Top; Colleen, England; Jeremy, William, Ashley and Malik, all at home; siblings, Daniel, Wyoming; Charlotte Mahavits, Forty Fort; and Carol, Wyoming; five grandchildren.

Memorial donations to the Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown, PA 18708.

MAJOR - Eric K., 51, of Lehman, died Monday, November 29, 2010, at his home.

He was born April 14, 1959, in Kingston, and had resided in Lehman all of his life. He was a graduate of West Side Vocational Technical School, Pringle.

He was an auto body repairman and was especially skilled in auto body paint designs. He was also employed by Indalex Aluminum Solutions Group, Mountain Top, for 10 years.

Surviving are brothers, Harold L., of Lehman; and George E., of Shickshinny; sister, Patricia Smith, of Orangeville; and his friend, Nancy Howe, of West Pittston.

MATHERS - Frank Gordon III, of Trucksville, and Mayen, Germany, died Sunday, November 28, 2010, at the age of 81.

He was educated at Kingston Township schools, Wyoming Seminary and completed additional studies at Pennsylvania State and the University of Miami, Fla. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force from 1951 through 1954, and served in Germany.

He returned to the States and worked with his father in the road construction business.

He was a member and president of the Dallas Kiwanis Club and also served as commander of the Dallas American Legion. He was accepted in the Wyoming Masonic Lodge, No. 468 as well as the Trucksville Odd Fellows Lodge.

In 1970, the family returned to Germany where he was un-

der contract to the Military Advisory Group (MAG) of the U.S. Embassy in Bonn, Germany, until his retirement in 1992.

He was also an active member of the free Masonic Lodge "Zur Wahrheit und Treue" No. 469 in Neuwied, Germany.

Surviving are his wife, Alwine Susanne Mathers; two sons, Frank Gordon IV and Michael Joseph.

PEARN - Lillian H., 95, formerly of the Midtowne Apartments, Wyoming, died Sunday, December 5, 2010, in the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas.

She was born in Towanda and educated in the West Wyoming schools. She was employed at Emkay Manufacturing Co., formerly of West Wyoming and was a member of the Grace Bible Church of West Pittston.

Surviving are her son, David, Franklin Township; nine grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center Residents Activity Fund, 55 W. Center Hill Rd., Dallas, PA 18612.

ROBERTS - Chester, 85, of Oakdale Drive, Hunlock Creek, died Wednesday, December 1, 2010, in Geisinger South Wilkes-Barre, Hospice Community Care.

He was born December 2, 1924, in Plymouth, and graduated from Harter High School. He served in the U.S. Army and served directly to General Patton in World War II.

He was a member of the Oakdale United Methodist Church, Hunlock Creek. He was retired from Procter & Gamble.

Surviving are his wife of 64 years, the former Joan Gregory; daughter, Donna Edwards, Millstowne Township, N.J.; three grandchildren; one great-granddaughter.

STRYJEWSKI - Vincent J., of Hunlock Creek, died on Thursday, November 25, 2010, at home.

He belonged to the Teamsters Union, was an entrepreneur, worked as a contractor building log homes and played professional baseball. He coached baseball for Lake-Lehman, the Little League Teeners and at the college level.

Surviving are his mother, Estelle Stryjewski, Huntsville; his son, Jacob, North Carolina; his wife, Colleen, Hunlock Creek; sister, Louise Henry, Huntsville; a step-daughter, Nichole Steltzer, Forty Fort; one granddaughter; nieces.

WEISS - Marion Covert, died Saturday, December 4, 2010, at ManorCare, Kingston.

She was born in Trucksville, on July 22, 1915, and had resided in Kingston and Luzerne. Prior to her retirement, she was employed by Blue Ribbon Bakery in Kingston for 20 years.

Surviving are great-nephews, great-nieces and her caregiver, Sharon Romanoski.

WOLVERTON - Helen Frick, 89, formerly of Shavertown, died Friday, November 26, 2010, at the Golden Living Center - Summit in Wilkes-Barre.

She was born in Mt. Rainier, Md., and was a graduate of Forty Fort High School and Shenandoah Conservatory of Music (now Shenandoah University) in Winchester, Va. She had worked as an elementary teacher at the Gate of Heaven Elementary School in Dallas.

She was a member of the Huntsville Christian Church where her father had served as a pastor for many years and where she served as a Sunday School teacher and a soprano soloist. She studied horticulture for one year at the University of Pennsylvania. She was a member of the Orpheus Choral Society and the Eastern Star.

Surviving are her son, John Charles, of St. Simons Island, Ga.; daughters, Lorraine (Roger) Heydt, of Ashley; and Jeanette Martin, of Dallas; six grandchildren, nieces and nephews.



The Robert Dale Chorale will present the 27th Annual Messiah Sing-Along at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 19 in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 35 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre.

Chorale will lead Annual Messiah Sing-Along

The Robert Dale Chorale will present the 27th Annual Messiah Sing-Along at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 19 in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 35 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre. Members of the Chorale will sing the solos while the audience and the full chorale will sing the choruses.

Tickets are \$15 general ad-

mission, \$12 for seniors and WVIA members and \$7 for students. The featured soloists from the Chorale are Catherine Carter and Kathleen Shucosky, sopranos; Larry Hickernell, tenor; and Llewellyn Miller, bass.

The Chorale will also be joined by two special guest soloists: Ellen Rutkowski, alto; and Charles Unice, bass.

This year the Chorale welcomes guest conductor Nathaniel F. Parker who will share conducting duties with the Chorale's music director, Dr. Steven Thomas.

Dr. Parker is Director of Orchestral Activities and Assistant Professor of Music at Marywood University. At Marywood, he serves as Music Director and

Conductor of the Marywood Orchestra and teaches courses in conducting, instrumental methods, and musicology.

For more information about the Robert Dale Chorale, to reserve tickets or to order a copy of the Chorale's CD, contact the Chorale office at 586-3921 or visit www.robertdalechorale.org.

ROSS TOWNSHIP

Twp. office will close Dec. 13-31

Supervisors announced the township's office will be closed from December 13 through December 31.

At their Nov. 29 meeting, supervisors announced the closing of the municipal office is due to personnel reasons but anyone with township business can call 256-3703 and leave a detailed message. One of the three township supervisors will respond to the messages.

The office closing will not affect the year-end meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 28 when supervisors will vote on the \$499,080 proposed 2011 budget.

During last month's meeting, Chairman Stan Davis said the mill rate of .23 will remain the same. A mill rate is \$1 for every \$1,000 assessed tax value. The municipality does not have a per capita tax.

In other news, the re-organizational meeting is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 3 and the next regular monthly meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 4 in the municipal building.

-Eileen Godin

PACK 281 WEBELOS COMPLETE SCIENCE BADGE



The Webeelos of Pack 281, chartered by the Dallas United Methodist Church, recently completed the requirements for their science badge. Mr. Leo Carr led the instruction at the Science Lab of Misericordia University.

The Webeelos, under the leadership of Aric Gingo, Randy Perry and Wendy Barberio, began by learning the scientific principal. They also explored Bernoulli's Principle, Pascal's Law and Newton's laws of motion.

Carr provided many examples and workshops for the Scouts to see those scientific laws in practice. The Scouts finished their afternoon by exploring the effects of air pressure and motion by launching soda bottle rockets using bicycle pumps.

From left, first row, are Joey Chacke, Garret Pall, Scott Alexander, Kyle Ripa, Alex Perry, Matthew Metzloff, Josh Bacon, Nick Matcho, Ethan Kolojejchick. Second row, Ivan Gingo, Adam Barberio, Drake Dettore, Kyle Zern, John Macey, Elijah Chester, Michael Krakowski, Tyler Stivers and George Davies.

KIWANIS, STUDENTS DECORATE MEADOWS



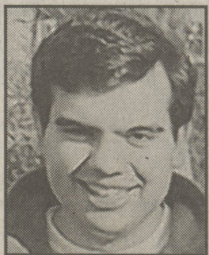
With help from the Dallas Kiwanis, a senior project student and the Dallas High School Key Club, the holiday season has arrived at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Dallas. Christmas trees were assembled with lights and all the trimmings and the multi-purpose room at the center is ready for holiday festivities. From left, are students Vinnie Parente, Ma Martin, Jenna Davis, Kelsey Calvey, Nick Evans, senior project coordinator; and Kirsten Frederick. Second row, Kiwanis members Lee Fett, Beverly Atherholt, Harold Stout and Lloyd Ryman. Absent at the time of the photo was Kiwanis member Susie Dabash.

PEOPLE BRIEF

Sem student delivers baskets

Omeed Firouzi, of Shavertown, a senior at Wyoming Seminary, joined his fellow student government members in delivering dinner baskets to area homes for Thanksgiving.

The annual Thanksgiving basket project, a tradition for 43 years at Sem, began with fundraising appeals sent to students, parents, faculty and staff. In addition, student government members solicited donations at the school's Thanksgiving chapel. This year, about \$800 was raised, funding dinners for seven local families as well as a large food donation to the St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre.



FIROUZI

PEOPLE BRIEF

Eschenfelder named to post at University of Scranton

Verna Eschenfelder, Ph.D., has been named lecturer of occupational and physical therapy at The University of Scranton.

Eschenfelder previously taught occupational therapy courses at Misericordia University, The University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, and Texas Woman's University, Houston, Tex.

She was previously employ-

ed as a pediatric occupational therapist at Texas Children's Hospital, Houston, and Conroe Independent School District, Conroe, Tex.; a rehabilitation occupational therapist at The Methodist Hospital, Houston; and a mental health therapist at the University of Texas Med-

ical Branch, Galveston, Tex. She earned a bachelor's degree in health care administration from University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, and master's and doctoral degrees in occupational therapy from Texas Woman's University.