

EXCHANGE TEAM LEADER SHARES TRIP MEMORIES WITH ROTARY



Barbara Petty, leader of Rotary District 7410's Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team that recently went to Colombia, South America, shared a Power Point presentation of her one-month trip with members of the Dallas Rotary Club. Petty gave an interesting talk about the people and culture of the country while showing images of breathtaking views of its cities, towns and countryside. She praised her three-member vocational team for their professionalism and enthusiasm. The Dallas Club gave her a donation to help purchase a van in Colombia to transport children. Rotary District 7410, comprised of 10 counties in Northeastern Pennsylvania, hosted the GSE Team from Colombia while the group was visiting their country. The purpose of the exchange is to promote better understanding among cultures and to share vocational information. From left, are Dallas Rotary Club president Paul Saxon, GSE Team Leader Barbara Petty, District 7410 Assistant Governor Ray Petty and Dallas Rotary Club president elect Ken Chapple.

FORD RETIRES FROM TOBYHANNA



Tom Ford, of Dallas, recently retired as a civilian from the DLA in the Department of Defense at the Tobyhanna Army Depot where he supported the war in Iraq and Afghanistan and all the military bases. Here, Col. Bruce McPeak conducts a retirement presentation for Ford. Ford, his wife Carol and his retirement dog Savanna live on West Center Hill Road.

CIVIC BRIEFS

Music Box presents 'Nunsense'

The Music Box Repertory Company will present the musical comedy, "Nunsense" today, Feb. 20, 24-27 and March 3-6 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swowersville.

Curtain time is 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturdays and 3 p.m. on Sundays. A buffet dinner is served 90 minutes prior to curtain.

For reservations, call 283-2195.

NLBT members plan ski outing

North Branch Land Trust members can join Paul Lumia, Executive Director of North Branch Land Trust, for a cross country skiing outing on a conserved property in Bear Creek Village from 1 to 3 p.m. today, Feb. 20.

In the event of an inadequate snow cover, participants will go for a hike.

Participants are asked to meet at the Bear Creek Village Post Office parking lot at 1 p.m.

This activity is open only to NBLT members and is free. For more information, call 696-5545.

Music Box sets auditions

The Music Box Repertory Company will hold auditions for "American Stars of Tomorrow," an original production for young performers ages 7-20, at 6:30 p.m. today, Feb. 20 and Monday, Feb. 21 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swowersville.

All boys and girls ages 7-20 are welcome to audition, and

are asked to bring sheet music of a song of his/her choice to sing. There will be no fee to participate in this show. Performance dates are March 18, 19 and 20.

For additional information, call 283-2195.

Alzheimer's Support Group will meet

The Dallas Alzheimer's Support Group will meet from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 21 in the board room of the Meadows Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 55 W. Center Hill Rd., Dallas.

Participants are asked to bring a lunch. For more information, call 675-8600.

Roast beef dinner planned

The Northmoreland Twp. Vol. Fire Dept., Lower Demunds Road, Centermoreland, will hold its monthly roast beef dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 23. Eat-in or take-out dinners will be available.

Tickets, at \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 12 years of age and under, will be available at the door.

Contra dance planned

The Chicory House and Folklore Society will host a New England Contra dance featuring the music of "Fingerpyx" at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 5 at the Church of Christ Uniting, Sprague Avenue, Kingston.

Admission is \$9 for adults and \$24 for families. For more information, call 333-4007.

Osterhout hosts

Smartphone Clinic

A Smartphone Clinic will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, March 7 at the Osterhout Free Library, Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre.

Ten teens will act as "Smartphone geeks." They will bring their own assorted smartphones, anything from the Apple iPhone to the Motorola Droid X and discuss and demonstrate the capabilities of the phones.

Call 821-1959 to register.

Facebook for Seniors class planned

A Facebook for Seniors class will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8 at the Osterhout Free Library, Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre.

Each participant will be paired with a tech savvy teen who will show the seniors how to create a Facebook profile, make friends on Facebook, write on a "wall," send messages, upload pictures and albums and more.

Participants must have an e-mail account and know how to access it on a public computer. Call 821-1959 to register.

Craft Show set

The Ninth Annual Spring Craft Show will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 19 at the Dallas Eastern Star Building Association, Foster and Woodlawn Streets, Dallas.

There will be homemade soups, whimpies, hot dogs, haluski, homemade pie and Welsh cookies for sale. Chicken noodle or vegetable beef soup may be purchased for \$5 a quart. Orders should be made by March 12 by calling Dianne Corby at 675-4893. Soup may be

picked up between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 19.

St. Patrick's Day dance planned

Harveys Lake American Legion Post 967 Sons of the American Legion will host a Saint Patrick's Day Dinner-Dance from 7 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, March 19 at the post home as a fundraiser for the Annual Kid's Fishing Derby.

Tickets are available at the legion or by calling 630-2240. Participants must be 21 years of age to attend.

Gardening program offered on Tuesdays

Join Luzerne County's Penn State Extension Master Gardener Ron Petro will present an organic gardening program, "From Seed to Kitchen," from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday evenings, March 22 to April 12 at the Rock Recreation Center, 340 Carverton Rd., Shavertown.

Penn State Extension Educator and Registered Dietitian Mary Ehret will join the last

class with an introduction to freezing and the basics of canning your produce.

Pre-registration and a fee of \$30 per person is required by March 17. For more information and/or a registration form, contact Penn State Cooperative Extension Luzerne County at 825-1701.

Library Friends plan annual luncheon

The Friends of the Back

Mountain Memorial Library will hold their 23rd annual Luncheon With A Special Author at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 28 at Appletree Terrace, Newberry Estate, Dallas.

Special guest speaker will be local author Mary Slaby, writing under the pen name of Molly Roe.

Tickets will be \$25 per person and will go on sale in mid-March. Chairperson of the event is Beth Rosenthal and co-chairperson is Vivian Bednarz.

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