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## TREE

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Joe Pearson, who owns Joe's Christmas Tree Farm in Lake Township, offers a stand-straight tree stand, which also keeps hings stress free during the holilays. A hole is drilled into the bottom of the tree trunk and the tree is inserted into the stand with no screws or second-guessing.

Once the presents are all packed away, clean up should be an easy task, too.

Pearson puts a bag around the trunk before tree-trimming so all the needles are caught and clean up only involves lifting the bag over the tree.

"I put the bag through the trunk, so it's there even on Christmas," he said. "It really saves a lot of muss."

Pickarski said her late husband remains a little less tedious.

the tree apron, too, to catch all the needles," she said.

she's glad she has hardwood world. floors now because cleaning up needles is much easier.

younger the needles would be in this year due to health issues. "I the carpet until June," she said, can still look out my window and farming business. laughing.

While getting a real tree may the trees."



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William would often cut the tree Abby Killian, of Hunlock Creek, stands on a tree bundler at her into pieces to make discarding its family's farm, Joe's Tee Farm in Lake Township.

"We put a sheet underneath involve some extra work, many said the sawing, dragging and constant watering is worth all the real tree this year. Jackie Frank, of Luzerne, said frankincense and myrrh in the

"There's nothing like the smell of a fresh-cut tree," said Pickar-"I remember when I was ski, who set up an artificial tree walk around the property and see

Seven-year-old Alex Vhrel, of Luzerne, helped pick out her first

"I like the smell," she said. "I can't wait to decorate it."

Pearson said the accomplishment of cutting down a tree is also a fun part of the tradition even after 25 years in the tree-

"I like to be able to say, 'I did it," he said.



Annalise Cheshire, center, is guarded by MaKenna Bryant (No. 8) and Heather Shively (No. 1) for the Hurricanes.





Emma Oley advances the ball for the Twisters.

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Nora Brown, left, and Annalise Cheshire run down the sidelines together.

# **BMYSA** girls soccer playoffs held

he Twisters and the Hurricanes tangled in the Back Mountain Youth Soccer Association U12 girls championship game with the Twisters coming out on top of a 3-0 score. In U11 action, the Lightning squeaked past the Tornadoes, 1-0.

ing Book for Children" by Tina

memory of Susan Stolarick and

are presented by Ron and Betsy

Balonis: "Twinkle, Twinkle, Lit-

Joyce Sidman, "Should I Share

My Ice Cream?" by Mo Willems

are presented by The Davenport

Family: "Happy Pig Day!" by Mo

Willems, "Alicia Alonso: Prima

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tle Star" by Jerry Pickney, "Swirl

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CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK PHOTOS/ FOR THE DALLAS POST Dallas Elementary School fifth-grade students wander around Biz Town in Pittston, a mock town set

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up by Junior Achievement to teach students real-life skills like banking, commerce and business procedures.

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"It's great and it's hectic," said Barbara Fleming, of Shavertown. Her daughter, 11-year-old Emily, landed a job as a savings officer at the Pennstar Bank.

"It's (a good) experience because they get to learn about what they're in for when they get older," said Jennifer Henninger, of Dallas. "They get to earn money and make decisions with it."

Melissa Turlip, president of Junior Achievement of NEPA, said that's the program's goal - to teach children about personal finance.

work," she said. "Many say that it's eye-opening."



Dallas Elementary School fifth-grade students, from left, Alyssa "It equates the value of money to Angelicola, Bailey Slacktish and Renee Rineheimer are bank tellers for the day a the Junior Achievement mock business town in Pittston.

### DOGS

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jumped on her back and circled the props laid on the floor during the country song.

Hoyson said, while the movements take plenty of planning, practice and "high quality" treats ("Lots of treats," she said), anyone can dance with their dog, even if it's just in between household chores.



"Even people who have 'just pets' can do this," she said. "It's fun stuff."

New to freestyle, Nancy Kosteleba, of Forty Fort, recently took her 7-year-old Bedlington Terrier, Bogey, to watch the club members perform with their doggy dance partners. Bogey is an 8time American Kennel Club show winner and competes in various sporting events all over the country.



"I think we're going to join," she Una Valanski, of Dallas, kisses Chadwick as Spencer sits on her said. "It seems fun and engaging." legs during a practice session of the Doghouse Dancers.



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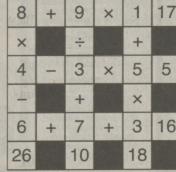
BOOKS

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are presented by The Russell Newell Family: "Incognito: The Secret Life of the Brain" by David Eagleman. "The Voyage of by Swirl: Spirals in Nature" by the Rose City" by John McCloskey Moynihan

The following books are in memory of Algard K. Urban and memory of Leona Dudascik and are presented by Carol Kosisky, Stephen Kosisky and Tony Gisolfi: "The Magical Garden of

#### **PUZZLE ANSWERS Go Figure!** King Crossword answers Answers Solution time: 21 mins. 8 9 + + ×



### Legion honored

The Dallas American Legion baseball team representing Post 672 presented plaques and a team picture to Jim Spencer, post commander. The team completed a successful season under coach Tom Evans and won its division and a secondplace finish in the regional tournament. From left, are Tom Evans, Legion Baseball manager; Joe Kelley, past commander; and Spencer.

Claude Monet" by Laurence An- Ballerina" by Carmen T. Berholt, "Sow and Grow: A Garden- nier-Grand

HONOR

In honor of Mrs. Marcella Fay on her 90th birthday, "Nantuckket" by Leslie Linsley, presented by Barbara Law and Maureen Kasenchak

In honor of Evelyn Kersey, "Eyewitness Travel Europe," presented by Mary Ann Hopkins

In honor of Dr. Norman Schulman on his birthday, "Gems and Minerals" by Kimberly T. Tait, presented by Cynthia Post Mitchell

Super Crossword

Answers

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