

CIVIC BRIEFS

Bridge group needs players

The Shriner's Hospital for Children Marathon Bridge Group is in need of substitute players. Games of all ages and mixed genders are played on the third Friday of each month from October through June at Irem Country Club in Dallas.

For more information, contact Ellie at 675-8346.

Food pantry lists drop-off sites

The Board of Directors of the Back Mountain Food Pantry reminds everyone that there are two official collection sites in the Back Mountain where donated nonperishable food can be dropped off during regular business hours: Hilbert's The Tractor Store on Route 415 in Dallas and Cook's Pharmacy on Route 309 in Shavertown.

Monetary donations are also needed at this time of year to help provide turkeys for the more than 185 client families on record at the pantry.

Donations may be sent to The Back Mountain Food Pantry, 40 Knob Hill Rd., Trucksville, PA 18708.

Have breakfast with Santa today

An all-you-can-eat Break-

fast with Santa will be held from 8 a.m. to noon today, Dec. 11 at the Kunkle Fire Co. Social Hall, Kunkle Road.

Tickets, at \$7 for adults and \$4 for children, are available at the door.

For more information, call 675-3335.

'White Christmas' at Music Box

The Music Box Repertory Company presents "Irving Berlin's White Christmas" today, Dec. 11 and Dec. 15-18 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

Curtain time is 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 3 p.m. on Sunday.

For more information, call 283-2195.

Children's holiday party set for today

The Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company will hold its annual children's Christmas party at 2 p.m. today, Dec. 11 at the fire hall, 329 Orange Rd.

Doors open at 1:30 p.m. to allow children to make crafts, listen to music and enjoy refreshments.

The "Big Guy" and Mrs. Claus will arrive by fire-truck after a ride through the township to check once or twice for children being naughty or nice.

For more information, call Maureen at 333-5970.

Bingo will benefit Sportsmen's Club

A 50/50 Bingo to benefit the Noxen-Monroe Sportsmen's club will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 17 at the Noxen School, School Street.

Food and beverages will be available and patrons will pay per card.

For more information, call 298-2052.

Legion plans holiday party

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 will hold its annual Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, Dec. 18 at the Post home.

Santa will arrive, courtesy of the Dallas Fire and Ambulance Association, at 1 p.m. A clown will also be in attendance to make balloon figures.

Refreshments will be served and gifts distributed to children up to age 8.

John Emil Sr. is chairman and Joe Kelley is co-chairman of this event. Contact Clarence J. Michael for further information at 675-0488.

Fire company holds breakfast

The Noxen Volunteer Fire Co. will hold a breakfast buffet from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 18 at the fire hall, Stull Road. Cost is \$7.50 for adults

and \$4 for children under 12 years of age.

Vet center at Boback's office

The mobile vet center will be stationed at Rep. Karen Boback's office, 608 Hunter Hwy., Tunkhannock from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 19.

Some of the services provided through the center include individual and group counseling, marital and family counseling, bereavement counseling, medical referrals, assistance in applying for VA benefits, employment counseling, guidance and referrals, alcohol and drug assessments, information and referrals to community resources.

Holiday house contest continues

The Kingston Township Recreation Commission will host its annual holiday house contest.

Residents are welcome to nominate their own house or any home within the township by calling the Kingston Township Administration at 696-3809.

Prizes will be gift cards to Lowe's Home Improvement as follows: \$60, first place; \$55, second place; \$45, third place; and \$40, fourth place.

Voting will be conducted on December 18. Contestants should have their decorations lit that night.

'CHRISTMAS WITH A TWIST' SET FOR DECEMBER 12



Shavertown United Methodist Church, along with Making A Difference Ministries, will host "Christmas with a Twist" at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 12. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. at the church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. This free concert is open to the public. Concert-goers are welcome to bring an unwrapped gift to be donated to area children. Members of the Step by Step Praise Band are, kneeling, Barbara Roberts. From left, first row, Julie Pais, Mary Barker, Nancy Silvi and Brian Carlson. Second row, John Bunney, co-coordinator; Stephen L. Perillo, president, Making A Difference Ministries and coordinator of Christmas With A Twist; and Matt Evans. Third row, Brad Wall and Frank Ziegler. For more information, call 899-2264 or 675-6412.

OBITUARIES

BURNETT-ROUSHEY - Mary, 90, of Trucksville, died Saturday, November 26, 2011, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

She was born in Plymouth, attended the Larksville schools, and was a seamstress with area garment companies during World War II. She was a long time member of St. Frances Cabrini Church, Carverton.

Surviving are second husband, John Roushey, Trucksville; sons, Ronald Burnett, Franklinville, N.J.; Edward Burnett, Nescopeck; daughters, Sylvia Bratten, Snowhill, Md.; Jane Holbrook, Harveys Lake; June Lapallo, Swoyersville; stepson, John Roushey, Shavertown; 17 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

CRISPELL - Margaret A., 73, of Beaumont, died Monday, November 28, 2011, in her home.

She was born in Wilkes-Barre, attended the Beaumont schools, was a graduate of the Dallas-Franklin-Monroe High School, class of 1956, and attended business school. For many years, she was employed at AVON of Suffern, N.Y., and, prior to her retirement, she was employed at the Golden Living Center of Tunkhannock, where she was the admissions director.

She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church, Harveys Lake.

Surviving are a daughter, Pamela Komrowski, Beaumont; three grandchildren; brothers

and sisters-in-law; nieces and nephews.

LAMOREAUX - Charles W., 61, of Shavertown, died Sunday, November 27, 2011, in his home after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born July 3, 1950, and was a 1968 graduate of Dallas High School.

He formerly resided in Florida for several years. He was employed as a certified nurse's aid for 35 years by the former Valley Crest Nursing Home. He was a member of St. Therese Church.

Surviving are his wife of 40 years, the former Judy Carle; sons, Mark and Christopher; five grandchildren; sister, Carol Lamoreaux; brother, Jeff Lingle; nieces and nephews.

McKEOWN - Joanie Roche, 78, Dallas, died Tuesday, November 29, 2011, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

She was born in Bronx, N.Y. and was a graduate of the James Monroe High School, New York City. After graduation, she worked as a nurse's aide at Leader Nursing Center and Valley Crest Nursing Home for some years, retiring from Wilkes-Barre General Hospital 16 years ago.

She was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas.

Surviving are a son, Kenneth, Cleveland, S.C.; daughter, Virginia Conrad, Dallas; seven grandchildren; sisters, Carol M. Katz, N.J.; and Lorraine F. Yosh, Larksville.

Memorial donations to The

Women with Children Program at Misericordia University, 301 Lake St., Dallas, PA 18612 or Campus Ministry Office c/o Fr. Don Williams or SPCA, Fox Hill Road, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705.

PRICE - Delores E., 85, of Swamp Road, Hunlock Creek, died in her home on Wednesday, November 30, 2011.

She was born on March 24, 1926, in Hunlock Creek, and was a member of the Roaring Brook Baptist Church, Hunlock Creek.

Surviving are her husband of 49 years, Arthur H. Price; son, Joseph Hagel, California; one granddaughter; a great-grandson; sister, Nancy Knorr, Hunlock Creek; brothers, Harry Wildoner, New York; John Wildoner, Hunlock Creek; Archie Wildoner, Berwick; Terry Wildoner, Luzerne; nieces and nephews.

SCOUTEN - Ruby M., 82, of Harveys Lake, died Wednesday, November 30, 2011, in the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas, where she had been a guest for the last five years.

She was born December 17, 1929, in Wilkes-Barre and graduated from Lake Township High School in 1946.

She was employed as the postmaster of the Noxen Post Office and received her 25-year Service Award upon her retirement in 1989. She was a member of the Emmanuel Assembly of God Church at Harveys Lake.

Surviving are her companion, Stanley Kapson, Harveys Lake; cousin and caregiver, Joseph Neilson, Sorber Mountain; cousins, nieces and nephews.

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