

CIVIC BRIEFS

Actors needed at Music Box

Actors and actresses, particularly a man of African-American descent who sings, are still needed for by the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville, for the performance of "The Full Monty."

Performances are February 17-19, 24-26 and March 2-4. Anyone interested is asked to call 283-2195.

Roast beef dinner slated

A roast beef dinner will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 25 at the Northmoreland Twp. Volunteer Fire Co. in Centermoreland.

Tickets, which will be available at the door, are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 years of age and under.

Dallas workers will collect trees

The Dallas Borough Road Department will commence curbside collection of Christmas trees until January 27.

Christmas trees must have all decorations removed prior to being placed curbside. Residents are to refrain from placing their trees curbside prior to weather predictions for snow and/or freezing rain events.

Any questions or comments may be directed to the road department at 674-5362.

Spaghetti dinner set

The Franklin Twp. Volunteer Fire Co. will sponsor an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28 at the fire hall, 329 Orange Rd.

Dinner includes salad, bread, spaghetti, meatballs, dessert and beverage. Tickets are \$7 for ages 12 and over, \$6 for children ages 6-11 and free for children under 6 years of age. Take-outs are available.

For more information, call Maureen at 333-5970.

Legion sponsors essay contest

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post will again sponsor the Pennsylvania American Legion Essay Contest.

This year's topic is "Should America's Presidential Electoral Process Be Changed?" Monetary prizes are available at the various levels.

Applications can be picked up in the schools or by calling Clarence J. Michael at 675-0488. Essays should be

submitted by January 28.

Supply drive will benefit Blue Chip

A group of Leadership Wilkes-Barre participants assisting the Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge in Dallas will conduct a supply drive for the organization from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28 at Pet Supplies Plus, 555 Scott St., Wilkes-Barre.

The items that the group will collect include cat litter, canned cat and dog food, trash bags, holistic cleaners, paper towels, vinegar, latex gloves, precise holistic dry dog food, mops, pails, puppy pads, dish detergent, sponges, fuel cards, baking soda, Greenie cat treats, dog leashes, dry kitten chow, Revolution flea control, 6" paper plates, Soft Scrub with bleach, small dustpans, brooms, throw rugs, hand sanitizer, Neosporin and laundry cleaning solution.

For more information about Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge, call 333-5265.

Auditions at Dietrich Theater

The Dietrich Theater in downtown Tunkhannock will hold auditions for "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28 and 29.

The show will be presented March 21-25. Actors needed are four women, ages 18-50 and 12 men, ages 18-70.

Call 996-1511 for an appointment.

Contra dance set for February 4

A New England Contra dance will feature the music of fiddler Ryck Kaiser and pianist Jill Smith and calling by Hilton Baxter at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4 at the Church of Christ United, 776 Market St., Kingston.

No partner or previous experience is necessary. Admission to the dance is \$9 for adults and \$24 for families. Dancers are also invited to a dish-to-pass pot-luck dinner at 6 p.m.

For more information, call 333-4007.

American Legion pig roast slated

Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672 will hold its 51st annual pig roast at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 4 at the Post home. Dancing will follow from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

A donation of \$8 for adults and \$5 for children is requested. Takeouts will be

available. Tickets may be purchased from committee members or at the Post Home.

Jim Baloga and Commander Jim Spencer are co-chairmen.

For further information, call Clarence J. Michael at 675-0488 or the Post home at 675-6542.

Musical revue slated at Music Box

"American Stars of Tomorrow," a musical revue featuring 30 performers ages 7-20 will be presented at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3 and 4 and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 5 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

Tickets are \$12 and 12 for this show-only performance. For reservations, call 283-2195.

Mobile vets center visits area Feb. 17

The Department of Veterans Affairs' Mobile Veterans Center will be at the Dallas Shopping Center, Memorial Highway, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17.

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

Appointments for mobile veterans center services are not required.

'The Full Monty' at Music Box

"The Full Monty," a Tony-Award winning musical about out-of-work blue-collar workers who "strip" to make ends meet will be performed February 17-29, 24-26 and March 2-4 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

Curtain time is at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 2 p.m. on Sundays. A buffet dinner is served 90 minutes before curtain. For reservations, call 283-2195.

Winter parking ordinance in effect

The Kingston Township Public Works and Police Department reminds residents the Winter Parking Ordinance is currently in affect until March 31.

The ordinance prohibits parking on the street between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., during any snow or ice storm and for eight hours following the commencement of a snow or ice storm.

MEADOWS RESIDENTS CELEBRATE NEW YEAR



The Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center celebrated the New Year with its residents and volunteers. During an event sponsored by the activities department, the residents enjoyed a New Years Eve party with noisemakers and lively sing-a-long music with Al and Dedra Deno. Shown here, from left, first row, are Lorraine Patla, Margaret Lewandowski, Ruth Searfoss and Esther Schooley, residents. Second row, Heidi Marr, volunteer; Cynthia Sickler, activity staff; Nancy Space, activity director; Al Deno; entertainer; and Dedra Deno; entertainer. Seated at the piano is Cindy Gitschal, volunteer pianist.

PIONEER CLUB DONATES ROBES



NEAREA Telecom Pioneer Club donates 23 lap robes and two throws to Fernwood Manor Inc., of Sweet Valley. Shown here, from left, first row, are Shirley, Carmilla, Bertha, Nancy and Dolores, residents of the manor. Second row, Tanya Christ, Bill Barber and John Stubeda, of NEAREA and Susan Button, medical technician at Fernwood Manor.

PEOPLE BRIEFS

Spencer named to dean's list

Allison Spencer, of Dallas, is among the 522 students who achieved the honor of dean's list for the fall 2011 semester at Mount St. Mary's University.

A freshman at the Mount, Spencer achieved dean's list by maintaining a 3.4 or higher grade point average.

She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John S. Spencer, Jr.

Zimmiski named

to dean's list

Lauren Zimmiski, of Dallas, has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2011 semester at Quinnipiac University.

To be eligible for dean's list status, a student must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C.

OBITUARIES

BURKE - Janice M. (Smith), 51, of Trucksville, died on Sunday, January 15, 2012, at Hospice Care of the VNA, Inpatient Unit, Saint Luke's Villa, Wilkes-Barre, after a three-year battle with ovarian cancer.

She was born on May 14, 1960, in West Pointe, New York, was raised in Trucksville and was a graduate of Dallas High School, Class of 1978.

Prior to her illness, she was employed as an assembler for Trion Industries, Wilkes-Barre. In her earlier years, she was employed by Sam's Club, Wegmans Market and Lord and Taylor, all of Wilkes-Barre.

She was a faithful member of Holy Family Roman Catholic Parish, Luzerne.

Surviving are her father, George J. Smith Jr.; her children, Kelly and Ryan, both of Trucksville; her sister, Kathy M. Papiak, of Mountain Top; her brothers, Daniel G. Smith, of Harding; Donald C. Smith, of Pringle; nieces, nephews and a great-nephew.

Memorial donations to Kelly and Ryan Burke, c/o 242 Sutherland Dr., Mountain Top, PA 18707.

GEORGE - Orval Jr., 62, of

Hunlock Creek, died unexpectedly at home on Sunday, January 15, 2012.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre, and was a graduate of Hanover High School, Class of 1969. Prior to retirement, he was self employed in the tow truck/scrapp business.

Surviving are his wife, the former Florence Fenner; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law; nephews, nieces and cousins; great-nieces and great-nephews.

KONNICK - Dorothy R., 85, formerly of Sweet Valley and Penfield, N.Y., died Thursday, January 12, 2012, at the Hampton House Nursing Home, Hanover Township.

She was born on August 1, 1926, in Wilkes-Barre. Prior to retiring, she was employed as a tax preparer for H & R Block in Penfield.

She served as a volunteer for various nursing homes, hospices and the Scranton School for the Deaf.

Surviving are nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to Heartland Home Care & Hospice, 38 N. Main St., Pittston, PA 18640.

KUBISKI - Joseph A. Sr., 61, of Orange Road, Dallas, died on Sunday, January 8, 2012.

He was born in Kingston, and had formerly worked for Yenson's Mechanical, Polar Bear Refrigeration and Acme Markets.

Surviving are sons, Joseph A. Jr., Wilkes-Barre; and Robert A., Hunlock Creek; three grandchildren.

Memorial donations to Hospice Community Care Services of Wilkes-Barre.

MOSS - Richard D., 81, of Hartman Road, Hunlock Creek, died on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at the Kindred Hospital Wyoming Valley, Wilkes Barre.

He was born in Hunlock Creek on August 30, 1930, and was a lifetime resident of Hunlock Creek where he attended the Hunlock Creek schools.

He served in the U.S. Army in the Korean War from 1952-54. He was the recipient of the Korean Service Medal with 2 Bronze Service Stars, the National Defense Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal and Good Conduct Medal.

He was employed as a truck driver for Wise Potato Chip Co., Berwick, for 29 years and also for PennDOT and Ken Pollock, retiring in 1993.

He was a member of the Sunshine Full Gospel Church, Shickshinny where he served as treasurer. He was member of the

American Legion Post 495, Shickshinny; a life member of the Disabled Veterans, WilliamSPORT; and a former member of the VFW of Hunlock Creek. He was also a member of the Hunlock Creek Volunteer Fire Department where he served as fire chief in 1960.

Surviving are his wife of 55 years, the former Barbara (Hickman) Moss; son, Richard S., Hunlock Creek; daughter, Judith Brace, Hunlock Creek; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

ORLOSKI - Bernadine J., 72, of Shavertown, died on Thursday, January 5, 2012.

She was born in Mocanaqua, and was a graduate of Northwest Area High School, Class of 1957. She received her RN degree from the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, Class of 1960.

She enjoyed a diverse career working in the fields of psychiatry, gerontology, obstetrics, medical surgery and private duty.

Surviving are her children, Gwen Harleman, Hunlock Creek; Diane Polachek, Trucksville; Christopher W., Shavertown; five grandchildren; a great-grandson; sisters, Joan O'Leary and Marie Arndt; nieces and nephews.

PLACE - Christine A., 92, of Tunkhannock, died on Sunday, January 15, 2012.

She was born in Lemon Township, Wyoming County, on September 29, 1919, grew up on a farm in Lemon Township and was a graduate of Tunkhannock High School, class of 1937.

She retired from Tyler Memorial Hospital where she worked in the kitchen for over 20 years. She was a 50-year member of the Eastern Star Chapter No. 74 of Tunkhannock and the Tunkhannock United Methodist Church.

Surviving are daughters, Kay Johnson, of Tunkhannock; Carol Fegley, of Lavelle; Vida Jennings, of Stowell; Diane Dobrinski, of Tunkhannock; son, Jack, of Greenville, Tenn.; 11 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

PRUSKO - Doris Elinore Wynd, 89, of Tunkhannock, died on Monday, January 9, 2012, at the Golden Living Center.

She was born on March 16, 1922, and was a cook at Tunkhannock Area High School for 27 years.

Surviving are her children, Marilyn Prusko Alspaugh, of Brackney; and David, of Stuart, Fla.; a sister, Jean De Wolfe, of State College; nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Memorial donations to the Alzheimer's Association, 75 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701.

RUSILOSKI - Benjamin E., 95, of Chase Road, Shavertown, died Wednesday, January 4, 2012.

He was born in Luzerne, grew up in Huntsville, was a 1934 graduate of Lehman Township High School and was a member of the first Lehman High School football team. As a senior, he played on championship basketball and baseball teams for Lehman High School. He continued to play baseball for many years in the Sunday League for the Jackson team.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He retired from Friedman Express after 25 years of service.

He was a lifelong member of the former St. Hedwig's Church and currently of St. Ignatius Church, in Kingston.

Surviving are his wife, the former Sophie Filipowski; his son, Stanley, Shavertown; daughter, Bernadine Salvago, North Bergen, N.J.; seven grandchildren; six great-great grandchildren; brother, Daniel Russ, Huntsville.

SCOTT - Kathy L. (Mingus), of Noxen, died Thursday, November 10, 2011.