

WINTER'S HERE

Mother Nature arrives, packing a one-two punch and dumping several inches of snow on our area



Dallas U. S. postal deliveryman Dave Coates cheerfully finishes his route in spite of bitter weather.



Crews from R.N. Fitch and Sons keep Back Mountain shopping centers clear of snow.



Three-year-old Nathan Kauwell, of Dallas, helps shovel the family driveway.

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It was a winter wonderland last weekend as Mother Nature came knocking, bringing the first real snowstorm of the season and dumping several inches of snow. Back Mountain residents dealt with the inclement weather, some enjoying it and others just tolerating it.



Brittany and John Prater play with their dog, Miley, as the snow piles up in their yard in Dallas.



Dave Kinter, whose daughter attends Misericordia University, clears his windshield for the trip back to Tunkhannock.



Megan Moore, of Franklin Street, Dallas, trudges up King Street after her Honda got stuck on Huntsville Road.

Christmas tree collection is in progress in Kingston Twp.

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors has announced the annual Christmas tree collection program will be conducted from through Jan. 14. Residents are asked to have trees placed at the curbside where they will be picked up

between the hours of 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Residents are asked to remove plastic bags, all ornaments, lights and stands before placing trees at the curbside. The trees are mulched and these items can damage equip-

ment. Residents may also drop off trees at the composting site behind the Public Works Facility at 225 E. Center St. For more information, contact the Kingston Township Administration Office at 696-3809.

Film addresses many concerns of the natural gas industry

The film, "What You Need to Know about Natural Gas Production," developed by Dr. Theo Colborn of The Endocrine Disruption Exchange, Inc. (TEDX), will be presented to the public at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 9 in the Unitarian Universalist Congrega-

tion of Wyoming Valley Church at Mount Olivet and Church Roads in Wyoming (Carverton) behind St. Frances Cabrini Church, near the entrance to Frances Slocum State Park. To be held in conjunction with the Gas Drilling Awareness Coa-

lition of Luzerne County, the film addresses environmental and health concerns raised by the use of toxic chemicals during natural gas drilling, processing and transportation. For directions or information, contact GDAC at 213-4950.