

## ROTARIANS VISIT DALLAS SENIOR CENTER



Several Dallas Rotarians recently visited the Dallas Senior Center to play Santa to more than two dozen members at their new facility located in the Stax Center, Route 415, Dallas. The Rotarians came bearing Christmas bags stuffed with gifts and goodies to remember our area's senior citizens during this holiday season. Shown here, seated, is Shirley McDonald. From left, standing, are Rotarian Kate Pitkat, Jack Owens, Claire Adams, Doris Hughey, Warren Peters, Joe Malak, Susie Malak, Millie Wheeler, Joe McDonald, Rotarian Carole Chapple, Rotarian Ken Chapple, Rotarian and project chairperson Sandy Peoples.

## HL LEGION LINE DANCERS PERFORM AT VA



Harvey's Lake American Legion line dancers entertained residents of the VA Medical Center in Wilkes-Barre. Residents, family members and staff enjoyed a patriotic boot stomping performance. From left, seated, are Carol Layaou, Toni Weiss, instructor; Joann Hummel, Linda Festa, Vita Russo and Betty Sorchik. Standing, Larry Wright, instructor; Ann Lee Gyle, Elizabeth Samanas, Missy Barcheski, Donna Zimmerman, Ivy Bixbey, Judi Stephens, Patricia Fritsky, Tom McDermott and Dave Zimmerman, instructor.



## Scouts collect coats

Cub Scout Pack 232, Gate of Heaven, Dallas recently collected coats, hats, scarves and gloves to donate to the Back Mountain Police Association's Annual Warm Coats for Kids collection. From left, first row, are Nathaniel Wren, Logan Valkenburg, Aidan Jennings, Luke Hajkowski, Joey Ryan, Jacob Valkenburg, Jonathan Bilwin, John Jennings, Reagan Wytowich, Brady Eggleston. Second row, Hunter Weslowski, J. P. Clerico, Kyle Langan, Dakota Nichol, Tanner Manzoni, William McCarroll, Jacob Baldrice, Michael Frederick, Michael Fino, Mihir Mukul, Tommy Knorr, Tyler Edmondson. Third row, Jake Pizzolato, Matthew Ash, Brennan Eggleston, Mark Hutsko, Alex Hajkowski, Matthew Williams, Matt Carty, James Locke. Fourth row, Trish Ash, George Manzoni, Tracy Manzoni, Amy Jennings, Ross Piazza, Back Mountain Police Association vice president and Fish and Boat Commission Conservation officer; Andrew McCarroll, Tyler Manzoni, Gina Kotowski, Harveys Lake police officer; Thomas Manzoni, Christopher Ash. Fifth row, Christian Sebastianelli, Robbie Lauer, Nathan Roppelt, Andrew Molitoris, Marty Maransky, Kingston Township police officer; John Ash, Scott Williams, LeRoy Jennings, Chris Sebastianelli and Rocky Knorr.

### OBITUARIES

**BENDER** - Thomas J., 65, of Trucksville, died on Friday, Jan. 25, 2013.

He was born in New York City, was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War and had been employed as a painter.

Surviving are a son, Daniel; a daughter, Cheryl; four grandchildren.

**BENSCOTER** - Eitel "Ike," 55, of Sweet Valley, died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2013, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

He was born Nov. 15, 1957 in Wilkes-Barre and was employed for many years as a truck driver Hunlock Sand and Gravel.

Surviving are a son, Eitel "Ike" Jr., of Sweet Valley; daughter, Rose Knouse, of Sweet Valley; one granddaughter.

**CLARKE** - Mary Ann, 43, of Dallas, died Friday, Feb. 1, 2013, at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

She was born in Springfield, Ill., attended Lincoln-Way High School, New Lenox, Ill., and graduated from Carmel High School, Carmel, Ind.

She was a graduate of Ball State University, Muncie, Ind. She was All-State in Illinois and Indiana and All-Chicago in basketball, soccer and track and field. While at Ball State, she participated in Division 1 track and field.

She worked for Adam's Associates at the Red Rock Job Corps Center as the director of finance and administration.

Surviving are her parents, Thomas J. and Sandra Chastain Clark-Springfield, Ill.; brothers, mas J. Jr., Frisco, Texas; Edward J., Mokena, Ill.; sisters, Madonna Henrichsen, Kankakee, Ill.; Katherine M. Moore, San Antonio, Texas; nephews and nieces.

Memorial donations to The Center for Cancer Wellness, Candy's Place, 190 Welles St., Suite 120, Forty Fort, PA 18704.

**FIDRYCH** - Martha M., 91, of Wyoming, died Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2013, at the Hospice of the V.N.A. Inpatient Unit at St. Luke's Hospice, Wilkes-Barre.

She was born Oct. 31, 1921, was a graduate of G.A.R. High

School, Class of 1939 and attended Wilkes-Barre Business School, graduating in 1941 with an associates degree.

Throughout her life, she owned and operated Plains Meat Market, Parsons Theater Hall Catering, The Castle Inn in Dallas and Martha's Bridal in her home at Harveys Lake.

She was a member of Saint Barbara's Parish, Exeter.

Surviving are daughters, Jane Barbacci, Harveys Lake; Camille, Tampa, Fla.; and Toni Henry, Tampa; a granddaughter; three grandsons; seven great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations to the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, D.C. 20090-6011; Celtic Healthcare, 601 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, PA 18704; or Hospice Care of the V.N.A., 80 E. Northampton St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701.

**HESS** - Robert W., 87, of Rear Durkee Street, Fort Fort, died on Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2013, at Riverstreet Manor, Wilkes-Barre.

He was born in Kunkle and graduated from Dallas High School.

Prior to his retirement in 1985, he was a milk deliveryman for Dallas Dairy. He was a member of Forty Fort United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife, the former Ruth Hackling; daughter, Debra, Forty Fort; son, T. Douglas, Florida; four grandchildren; sister, Wilma Williams, Shavertown; four stepchildren, seven step-grandchildren; seven step-great-grandchildren; one step-great-great-grandchild; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Fund, Donor Services, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, TX 25265 or Candy's Place, 190 Welles St., Forty Fort, PA 18704.

**KIMBLE** - Edward Ruben, 89, of Tunkhannock, died Sunday, Jan. 27, 2013, in the Community Medical Center in Scranton.

He was born in Clarks Summit on Feb. 6, 1923 and served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Prior to his retirement, he was executive vice president of Tasty Baking Co. (Tastykake).

Surviving are sons, Edward R,

Tunkhannock; James L., Glenolden; Thomas Fromanger, Missisauqua, Canada; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

**MILLER** - George E., 85, of Centerville, died Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013, in the VNA Hospice Inpatient Unit at St. Luke's Villa, Wilkes-Barre.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre and attended E. L. Meyers High School.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. After his tour of duty, he attended school on the GI Bill, becoming a self-employed baker in the Hoboken, N.J. area. He later retired after 30 years as a baker for Giant Market at its main plant in the Scranton area.

Surviving are sons, George E. Jr., Tunkhannock; and Roger L., Centerville; daughters, Kathy Lapallo, Dallas; and Tammy Spencer, Tunkhannock; eight

grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; brothers, Wesley, Colorado; and Monty, Scranton; sisters, Peggy Martin, Wilkes-Barre; and Audrey Curry, South Toms River, N.J.; nieces and nephews; and his precious cat, Lovey.

**STRAWSER** - Bettie Mae, 83, of Dallas, died Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013, at the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

She was born in Forty Fort on Feb. 26, 1929 and was a graduate of Dallas High School and College Misericordia. Formerly employed as an elementary teacher in Lake-Lehman School District, she taught in both Delaware and Maryland.

Surviving are sisters, Sheila McCarthy, West Ocean City, Md.; Mavreen Veihmeyer, Laurel, Md.; daughter, Carle J. Welter, Dallas; two granddaughters.

Memorial donations to the SPCA.

### SENIOR CENTER MENU

Senior citizens centers sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties offer hot noon meals Monday through Friday to people 60 years of age or older. Donations from participants are gratefully accepted and needed in order to expand this program.

The following is the menu for the week of Feb. 11:

**MONDAY:** Cheese lasagna, lentil soup, Italian bread, mixed fruit, margarine, milk and coffee.

**TUESDAY:** Sloppy Joes, boiled new potatoes, carrot raisin salad, whole wheat hamburger roll, diced pears, margarine, milk and coffee.

**WEDNESDAY:** Tuna salad, coleslaw, oven-browned potatoes, whole wheat hamburger roll, Black Forest pudding, margarine, milk and coffee.

**THURSDAY:** Valentine's Day luncheon - Roast beef au jus, cauliflower, Italian green beans, dinner roll, red velvet cake, margarine, milk and coffee.

**FRIDAY:** Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, bean soup, whole wheat bread, crackers, pineapple juice, birthday cake, margarine, milk and coffee.

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## SCOUTS PARTICIPATE IN SCOUT SUNDAY



In observance of Scout Sunday on Feb. 3, Ben Higgins of Pack 281, chartered with the Dallas United Methodist Church, and Doug Newbigging of Pack 155, chartered with the Trucksville United Methodist Church, participated in a special service at the New Life Apostolic Church in West Pittston. The Scouts, both members of the church, collected the offering during service that day. From left, are Doug Higgins, Rev. Philip Webb, pastor of New Life Apostolic Church; and Doug Newbigging.

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