

**CIVIC BRIEFS**

**MEDITATION PROGRAM**

An introduction to Zen Meditation will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30 at Mercy Center on the campus of Misericordia University.

The program includes a description of the method of zen meditation, a brief practice period and time for comments and questions. A free will offering will be taken.

Pre-registration is required by calling Sr. Barbara Craig at 675-1872.

**AARP DRIVER COURSE OFFERED**

An AARP Driver Safety (Refresher) course will be offered from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1 at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas.

To qualify for the refresher course, participants must have completed the regular course within the last 42 months. Course fee for class is \$14 or \$12 for AARP members.

To register, call the Volunteer Department at 675-8600 ext. 195 or ext. 115. The class is limited to 30 participants.

**FOOD DISCUSSION**

Dr. Virginia Corcoran will present "Better Foods ... Better Health" from 2 to 3 p.m. on

Wednesday, May 1 in the Irem Clubhouse, 64 Ridgway Drive, Dallas.

Join Dr. Corcoran as she discusses the various food selections to enhance your activity and improve your health. She will provide handouts, including recipes that are both easy and healthy.

This free presentation is part of the Masonic Village at Dallas' Healthy Aging Series. To register, call 675-1866.

**ALZHEIMER'S GROUP MEETS**

The Dallas Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 2 in the board room of The Meadows Nursing and Rehab Center, 5 E. Center Hill Road, Dallas.

**CONTRA DANCE SET**

A New England Contra dance featuring music by the "Contra Rebels" with fiddlers Todd Clewell and Barb Shmidt, accompanied by Henry Koretzky on guitar, along with calling by Dave Colestock will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 4 at the Church of Christ Uniting, 776 Market St., Kingston.

No partner or previous experience is necessary. Admission to the dance is \$9 for adults with reduced admission for families. For information, call 333-4007.

**HAIR/FASHION SHOW**

A hair and fashion show sponsored by the Irem Divan Ladies will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 5 at the Irem Country Club Pavilion, Dallas with hair and make-up by Star Tresses

Admission is \$10. Tickets are available at the Irem Shrine Center office, Country Club Road, Dallas, from any Irem Divan Lady or at the door.

Proceeds benefit Irem Divan Lady projects.

**OPEN HOUSE**

An open house will be held from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 5 at the Franklin Twp. Vol. Fire Co., 329 Orange Road.

Officers of the company will be on hand to answer questions about rental of the newly-renovated fire hall, fire prevention, smoke alarm placement, etc. There will be hot dogs and hamburgers, a chance to view the company's four firetrucks, photos and the "Smokehouse" experience.

For more information, call the fire hall at 333-4124 or Assistant Chief Maureen Oremus at 592-4548.

**ALZHEIMER'S TRAINING**

A free Community Alzheimer's CARE Training Workshops will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on May 7 and 14 at Home

Instead Senior Care, 269 Bennett St., Luzerne.

To make reservations, call 714-4260.

**ROUNDTABLE MEETS**

The Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 9 in the lower level of the Daddow-Isaacs American Legion, 730 Memorial Highway, Dallas.

Joe Kerrigan, of Gettysburg, will be the speaker. A \$3 donation from non-members is requested.

For more information, call 675-8936.

**MOTORCYCLE RUN BENEFITS BLUE CHIP**

A motorcycle run called "Hogs for Dogs" to benefit Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge will be held on May 12. The ride, which begins and ends at Gateway Lounge in Plymouth Twp., starts at 12:15 p.m., rain or shine.

Registration will be held from 11 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$20 per rider and \$10 per passenger. Upon return, there will be live bands, food, prizes, surprises and a commemorative t-shirt sale.

For more information, call 333-5265.

**EVENT RAISES MONEY FOR BLUE CHIP FARMS**

Get a haircut and help raise money for Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 19 at the Sports Page at Twin Stacks Center, 1100 Memorial Highway, Dallas. There will be refreshments and a raffle.

Call 675-2466 for an appointment.

**AUDITIONS FOR 'LES MIS'**

Auditions for "Les Misérables" will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 20 and Wednesday, May 22 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

All roles are open and all those auditioning should sing a song of his/her choice. Please bring sheet music; an accompanist will be provided. Production dates are July 19 to 21, 25 to 28 and Aug. 1 to 4.

For more information, call 283-2195.

**FASHION SHOW SET**

Wyoming Valley Woman's Club will hold a spring fashion show entitled "Essence of Spring" on Tuesday, May 21 at Appletree Terrace, Newberry Estate, Dallas. Tickets may be purchased by calling Eileen Davis at 824-8461.

**BUS TRIP PLANNED**

Irem Women's Auxiliary will host a bus trip on Thursday, May 23 to the Hunterdon

Playhouse to see "Wake Up Darling." The price is \$85 and includes bus, lunch and the show. For more information, call Janet Stritzinger at 824-6418 or Suanne Moses at 822-4976.

**WINE FESTIVAL**

The Dallas Rotary Wine and Dine Festival will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on June 29 at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds, Route 118, Dallas Township. Tickets are \$15 if purchased prior to the event and \$25 at the game. Designated drivers pay \$5. The event features Pennsylvania wines, craft vendors, local food vendors and live music. For more information, contact Melissa Saxon at saxonm5@hotmail.com

**SUMMER THEATRE WORKSHOP SLATED**

The Music Box Summer Theatre Workshop 2013, a theatre program for children ages 6 to 11, will run July 22 to Aug. 16 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville

Students will perform Disney's "Winnie the Pooh" on Aug. 16, 17 and 18.

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