

OBITUARIES

BLOOM - Charles E. Jr., 74, of Elm Avenue, Kingston, died Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2013, at his home.

He was born in Shavertown on May 23, 1939, was a graduate of Kingston High School and served in the U.S. Army for more than three years.

He worked in several area food markets before becoming self-employed for Arnolds Bakery as a distributor. Several years ago, he retired after working for the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

He was a member of the Luzerne United Methodist Church and served as an usher. He was a life member of the Independent Fire Co. No. 1 of Kingston where he served as a volunteer firefighter and company officer for more than 50 years.

While a member, he was selected to serve on the board of the Kingston Firemen's Community Ambulance. He served as president of this board for more than 20 years. This past Memorial Day, he was selected to serve as parade marshal for the annual Memorial Day parade by the American Legion Post 395 and VFW Post 283, both of Kingston.

He was a lifetime member of the Kingston American Legion Post 395 and an associate member of the Kingston VFW, Post 283.

Surviving are his wife of 51 years, the former Carol Atherholt; sons, Charles A. and Brian, both of Kingston; daughters, Alice Coveromo, Scranton; and Susan Lee, Luzerne; five grandchildren; one step-grandchild; one step-great-granddaughter; brothers, Walter, Hollidaysburg; William, Sherman's Dale; sisters, Shirley Bloom and Barbara Slatky, both of Kingston; and Marion Leo, Wilkes-Barre; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Luzerne United Methodist Church, 446 Bennett St., Luzerne, PA 18709.

DENLINGER - David Michael "Buddy" Ding, 25, of Harveys Lake, died Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013, at Geisinger Medical Center in Plains Township.

He was a graduate of Lake-Lehman High School.

Surviving are his parents, David M. and Dawn Katherman Denlinger; a brother, Marc W., of Harveys Lake; maternal grandparents, Barbara Leonard, of Coatesville; Allen and Vicki Katherman, of Lawrenceville, Ga.; and Robert Rubincam, of Coatesville; paternal grandparents, Bonnie Denlinger, of Honey Brook; and Ralph W. Denlinger, of Diamond Bar, Calif.; paternal great-grandparents, Ethel and Claude Cochran, of Coatesville; aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

ECK - Thelma Eck, 86, of San Diego, Calif., and a former resident of Sweet Valley, died Monday, Aug. 20, 2013.

She was born Sept. 7, 1927, in Oregon.

Surviving are sons, Earl, of Pringle; Lee, of Berwick; and Philip, of San Diego; five grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

GWILLIAM - Nancy Randall, 85, of Harveys Lake, died Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013, at home.

She was born in Geisinger Hospital, was a graduate of Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, class of 1945, and Pinemanor Jr. College, Wellesley, Mass., class of 1947.

She was employed for the Luzerne County Domestic Relations Office for 21 years, starting as a support officer and subsequently becoming deputy director before retiring in 1998. She was a sustaining member of the Jr. League of Wilkes-Barre and volunteered for 20 years at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital as a Pink Lady.

Surviving are her children, Laura Gover, Forty Fort; Deborah Kloetzer, Carlsbad, Calif.; and George R., Harveys Lake; six grandchildren.

Memorial donations to Cori's Place Building Fund or Van Fund c/o 495 Wyoming St., Hanover Township, PA 18706.

JOHNSON - Arthur E., 86, of Tunkhannock, died Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2013, at the Meadows Nursing Home in Dallas.

He was born in Tunkhannock on Aug. 31, 1927, and was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in

World War II.

He later retired from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

He was a member of the Tunkhannock Assembly of God Church and was a Sunday school superintendent.

Surviving are his wife of 66 years, Rosella Yurksza Johnson; sons, Arthur A. and Donald W., both of Tunkhannock; brothers, Clifford, Jessup; and Billy, Harrisburg; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

KRULL - Helen M., 90, of Dallas, formerly of Plymouth Township, died Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013, at the Mercy Center, Dallas.

She was born Oct. 17, 1922 in Plymouth.

She was a member of All Saints Parish, Plymouth. She attended Harter High School and was a graduate of Empire Beauty School.

Prior to retirement, she was employed at High Art Lamp Company, Wilkes Barre, Atwater Throwing Company, Plymouth, and was a beautician in Plymouth for many years.

Surviving are her sons, Stephen P. Jr., of Florida; Michael A., of Rhode Island; and Joseph D., of Warrior Run; two grandsons, two granddaughters, one great-grandson; sister, Verda Bogus, of Hanover Township; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Mercy Center, 370 Lake St., Dallas, PA 18612 or Hospice of the Sacred Heart, 600 Baltimore Drive, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702.

McCABE - Joseph G., 84, of Harveys Lake, formerly of Wilkes-Barre, died Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013, at Commonwealth Hospice at St. Luke's Villa, Wilkes-Barre.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre on Aug. 16, 1929, was a graduate of St. Mary's High School and served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Prior to retirement, he and his wife "Cookie" were the owners and operators of McCabe's Barney Inn in Wilkes-Barre for 45 years.

He was a member of the Luzerne County Tavern Owners Association and the South Wilkes-Barre Rotary Club. He also was a member of the South Wilkes-Barre Sportsmen's Club and the American Legion Post #967, Harveys Lake.

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

Surviving are his daughters, Marilyn Kornoski, Harveys Lake; and Karen Rose, Trucksville; son, Joseph, Wilkes-Barre; four grandsons; sisters, Catherine McCabe, Wilkes-Barre; Helen Seerey, Millersville, Md.; Maureen Moran, Wyoming; and Maureen Francis, RSM, Dallas.

Memorial donations to the Retirement Fund of the Sisters of Mercy, P.O. Box 369, Dallas, PA 18612.

McINTYRE - Eleanore M., 92, of Dallas, and a former longtime resident of the East End section of Wilkes-Barre, died Friday, Aug. 16, 2013, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

She was born Jan. 26, 1921, in Wilkes-Barre, was a graduate of James M. Coughlin High School and continued her education at St. Mary's Business College.

She was a sales associate at the Kiddie Shoppe in Wilkes-Barre for several years and later worked with her husband in the operation of McIntyre Real Estate before retiring. She was a member of the Parish of Gate of Heaven in Dallas. She was also a member of the Wilkes-Barre Women in Kiwanis and the Donegal Society of Greater Wilkes-Barre.

Surviving are her son, Brian J., Kingston; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

PELTON - Reese E., 84, of Dallas, died Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013, at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas, where he was recovering from a long illness.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre, graduated from GAR High School, class of 1945, and Bucknell University, now Wilkes University, with a Bachelor of Arts in 1948. He received his Master of Education degree in 1955 from Penn State University.

He began his teaching career in 1948 at Wilkes University. He then taught at Dallas-Franklin Township and Forty Fort High School in the late 1950s and mid-1960s and finally in the Dallas School District from 1967 until his retirement in 1986. He then became an adjunct professor at Luzerne County Community College until age 81 in 2011.

He started the Reese Pelton Orchestra, a swing and dance band, while still in college. He would later play with musicians in the area and entertain many throughout the northeastern Pennsylvania area from the 1940s into the first decade of the 21st century.

He was a member and conductor of the Jake Sauer's Stegmaier Band/Wyoming Valley Band, the American Federation of Musicians, Local 140, and the Music Education National Conference.

He was a member of the Dallas Kiwanis Club where he served in various offices, including state lieutenant governor. Later in life, he helped establish the Wyoming Valley Civil War Round Table where he served as secretary.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, the former Sybil Ichter, Dallas; son, Christopher John, Lake Silkworth; daughter, Holly Ann, Dallas; five grandchildren; brother, Wallace L., Stroudsburg; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Official Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge, 974 Lockville Road, Dallas, PA 18612; or to the Back Mountain Regional Fire and EMS, 184 E. Center Hill Road, Dallas, PA 18612.

SHAW - Ella Katherine, 91, of Dallas and formerly of Tunkhannock, died Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2013, at Mercy Center in Dallas.

She was born in Tioga on Sept. 10, 1921, was a graduate of Columbia High School, Maplewood, N.J., and Miss Whitman's Finishing School, East Orange, N.J.

She was employed as a private secretary.

Surviving are her daughters, Susan Chandler, Mattydale, N.Y.; and Julie Schaub, Dallas; five grandchildren.

STEFANOWICZ - Mark Anthony, 59, of Loyalville, died Friday, Aug. 23, 2013.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre on April 24, 1954, graduated from Lake-Lehman High School in 1972 and resided in Loyalville and Lehman for his entire life.

In his teenage years, he worked as a groundskeeper for former Pennsylvania Gov. John Fine of Loyalville. He was employed as a truck driver for the former Biscontini Warehouse, Kingston, the former Acme Market Warehouse and retired from Watkins Motorlines in Wilkes-Barre.

He was a member of the Local 401 chapter of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and a former member of the Compass Points Club.

Surviving are his daughter, Jacqueline, of Lehman; sisters, Deborah Bronson, of Pikes Creek; Ann Price, of Pikes Creek; and Kathleen Covert, of Loyalville; his former wife, Diane Stolarick Stefanowicz, of Lehman; aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the National Parkinson's Foundation, Gift Processing Center, PO Box 5018, Hagerstown, MD 21741-5018.

ZIMNICKY - John Martin, 84, of Shavertown, died Friday, Aug. 16, 2013, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Plains Township.

He was born May 29, 1929, in Luzerne, was a graduate of Luzerne High School and attended both St. Louis University and North Carolina State University on football scholarships.

He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict.

As a member of the Carpenters Union Local 514, Wilkes-Barre, he was employed as a master carpenter, retiring in 1991.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 967, Harveys Lake.

Surviving are his wife of 48 years, the former Jean McLean; daughter, Cheryl Dragon, Harveys Lake; three grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the SPCA of Luzerne County, 524 E. Main St., Wilkes-Barre.



Rummage sale set for Prince of Peace Church

A rummage sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 13 and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Sept. 14 at the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, 420 Main St., Dallas. Saturday is Bag Day where everything that can fit in a bag sells for \$2. Bake sale items will be available both days. Committee members are, from left, first row, Mykala Wright, Pauline Roth, Edna Yatsko, Linda Shrader. Second row, Cori Gwilliam, Beverly Cushner, Beverly Todd. Third row, Sandy Sheehan, Diana Dreher, Missy Rodgers, Madeline Reed, Carol Jones, Jean Gale. Fourth row, George Gwilliam, Debbie Rafferty and Eleanor Eppley.



Slightly Read Bookshop resumes regular hours

The Slightly Read Bookshop at the Back Mountain Library will resume its six-day schedule at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

The Bookshop's hours of operation will be 1 to 7 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesdays; 1 to 5 p.m. Fridays; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

While on their post-auction hiatus, the volunteers of the Bookshop have been busy reorganizing their book shelves

to make shopping for your favorite author, even easier. All hard-cover fiction and trade paperback books have now been integrated alphabetically by author. Therefore, all books by a particular author will now be on the same shelf.

The Bookshop Special Sale for the month of September will include big brown bag paperback sales and any duplicate titles will be on sale for half price.

The Bookshop staff is also eager to announce that they have had many donations of jigsaw puzzles classics and cookbooks. There's plenty of time to start perusing recipes now in time for that holiday cooking.

Many of the same volunteers will be back to assist in the Bookshop, along with the addition of some new faces. But, as always, there is room for more help and the Bookshop invites everyone to join its crew.

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YOGA CLASSES

Yoga Alliance 200 hour certified yoga teacher Alyssa Miller will teach one yoga class weekly at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays at The Rock Recreational Center, Carverton Road, Trucksville. Classes will be an hour long.

CARAWAY STREET CARNIVAL

Caraway Street Children's Theater will

hold an Opening Night Carnival from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sept. 8 at the Dallas Baptist Church, Route 415 and Briarcrest Road.

Included in the event will be hot dogs, snow cones, drinks, balloons, tie-dye t-shirts, face painting, crafts, petting zoo with llama, sheep, goats, mini donkey and rabbits, pony rides, photos with The Little People, Bouncy House,

yard games, grand prizes and a Caraway Street performance at 3:30, 4:30 and 5:30 p.m.

'AWANA' BEGINS

'AWANA' at Cross Creek Community Church, two miles from the light in Trucksville at 270 Carverton Road, starts at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 11.

AWANA helps churches and parents work

together to develop spiritually strong children and youth who faithfully follow Jesus Christ.

During this time, CrossRoads and Revive Youth Groups for grades sixth through 12th grades, as well as adult bible studies, will meet.

For more information, call 696-0399 or e-mail info@crosscreekcc.org for more details.