BMT Chamber presents Back to Jazz

Back to Jazz, presented by the Back Mountain Chamber, will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28 at Huntsville Golf Club. The evening will feature a variety of live jazz performances and New Orleans-inspired cuisine with proceeds to benefit the Back Mountain Chamber. Featured performers are the Indigo Moon Brass Band, Marko Marcinko Latin Jazz Quartet and trumpeter Nate Birkey with the Jim Ridl Trio. For more information and tickets, visit www.backmountainchamber.com/jazz. Committee members are, from left, first row, Sandy Race, Terry Clemente, Joanne Gensel, Cindy Post-Mitchell, Marko Marcinko, Lynn Pyskoty, Suzanne DePrimo, Cheryl Summa. Second row, Marty Leandri, Jim Reino, Peggy Hamilton, Chris Mochin, Amy Campbell, Royal Sutton. Absent at the time of the photo were Sonia Jones, Jack Jones, Cary Jeffcoat, Laura Novakowski, Sam Siracuse, Don Webster and Malcolm Williams.

'See You at the Pole' event scheduled

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Heather Harvey, a junior at Dallas High School, attends NEPA Youth For Christ's See You At The Pole Rally and Sidewalk Prophets Concert Sept. 15 at Baptist Bible College in Clarks Summit. SYATP Prayer events will be held in schools around the country Sept. 25 at 7 a.m. Dallas Middle School and High School students will meet for one combined event at the flagpole at Dallas Middle School.

CIVIC BRIEFS

BINGO SLATED

Bingo will be held on Monday, Sept. 23 at the Northmoreland Twp. Fire Hall In Centermoreland.

Doors open at 5 p.m. and early birds start at 6:30 p.m. Food and beverages will be available.

For more information, call Jim at 333-4906.

ROAST BEEF SUPPER

A roast beef supper will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at the Northmoreland Twp. Fire Hall in Centermoreland

Tickets are $8 for adults and $4 for children 12 years of age and under and may be purchased at the door. Takeouts will be available.

For more information, call Jim at 333-4906.

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT DISCUSSED

The Affordable Care Act and its implications for municipalities will be discussed at the next meeting of the Luzerne County Association of Boroughs and Townships at 6 p.m. on Sept. 25 at Annetti's, Wilkes-Barre.

Britt Trumbower, a career group health insurance design specialist, will present "Obamacare" options and how municipalities can avoid dramatic premium increases by pooling risks.

The dinner meeting is open to all mayors, council members, supervisors and municipal staff members. To make a reservation, call 570-714-3444.

HOAGIE SALE

Mountain Grange 567 is selling Italian and ham and cheese hoagies. Six-inch hoagies are $3 or two for $5.

Orders are due by Thursday, Sept. 26 and can be made by calling Carol at 696-3415.

Pickup will be between noon and 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 29 at the Grange Hall, 1632 W. 8th St., Wyoming.

HAM DINNER

The Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Company will hold a family-style ham dinner from 4:3o to 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28 with takeouts beginning at 4 p.m.

Cost is $9 for adults, $5 for children between the ages of 6 and 11 and free for children under 6 years of age.

LANTERNS OF HOPE

The Huntsville Christian Church will sponsor Lanterns of Hope from 4 to 9 p.m. on Sept. 28 at the beach club at Sandy Beach, Harveys Lake.

There is a donation of $5 per lantern and all proceeds will go to the Hope Center which provides medical, legal, pastoral, dental, vision, audiology and chiropractic services for those who do not have insurance or are unable to afford.

Food and beverages will be provided. There will be a bake sale, Hillside ice cream truck, a basket raffle and live music.

For more information, contact Sherry 362-4576. .

SOUP BUFFET

A buffet of homemade soups, complete with bread and butter, beverage and dessert, will be served from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 29 at the Noxen United Methodist Church, Route 29, Noxen.

A free will offering will be taken.

FLU VACCINES

Influenza vaccinations will be administered from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at the Irem Clubhouse, 64 Ridgway Drive in Dallas. Register and pick up a registration form in the Irem Clubhouse business office by Sept. 26. You must complete and return the form in advance or bring it on Oct. 1.

Participants will need a Medicare or health insurance card when returning the registration form. For those without health insurance, the cost is $25.99. Influenza vaccines are provided by Walgreens.

For more information, call the Masonic Village Administration Office at 675-1866.

GRANGE MEETING

Members of Mountain Grange No. 567 will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at the Grange Hall to elect officers for 2014.

OCTOBERFEST SET

Masonic Village will hold an Octoberfest from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4 at Irem Clubhouse, l64 Ridgway Drive, Dallas.

There will be fall foliage and an array of vendors offering fresh produce, pumpkins, baked goods and more.

Call 570-675-1866 for details or to R.S.V.P.

CONTRA DANCE SET

A New England Contra dance featuring music by the band "Unbowed" with Henry Koretzky on mandolin and dulcimer and accompanied by Todd Clewell on guitar, along with calling by Bob Isaacs will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5 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.

HERITAGE DAY

Frances Slocum Heritage Day will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 13 at the park, 585 Mount Olivet Road, Wyoming.

There will be old-time demonstrations, music, live animals and crafts for children. The event is free.

Call 696-9105 for more information.

ALL DAY BINGO

All day Bingo will be held on Sunday, Oct. 13 at the Northmoreland Fire Hall in Centermoreland. Doors open at noon and early birds start at 1:30 p.m.

A dinner will be served at approximately 4:30 p.m. for all Bingo players.

For reservations, call Jim or Carol at 333-4906.

CARD PARTY SET

Irem Women's Auxiliary will host a card party from noon to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 17 at the Irem Country Club.

Tickets are $12 and may be purchased from Hope Beisel at 675-1652, Marie Miskel at 288-6341, Suanne Moses at 822-4976, from any member or at the door. There will be lunch and prizes. Handicapped parking is available.

For those who don't play cards, there is Pokeno (played like Bingo) or participants can bring a game of their choice.

CEMETERY ASSN. MEETS

The Kocher Cemetery Association will hold its semi-annual meeting at 7 p.m. on Oct. 18. All lot owners are urged to attend.

AUDITIONS SLATED

Auditions for "A Christmas Carol - The Musical" will be held on Saturday, Oct. 19 and Sunday, Oct. 20 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

Children ages 7 to 13 will audition from 2 to 3 p.m. while adults will audition from 3 to 4 p.m. On Sunday, children between the ages of 7 and 13 will audition from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and adults will audition from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

All who audition will be asked to sing a song of choice. No karaoke tracks will be allowed. An accompanist will be provided. Those interested in speaking roles will be asked to read from the script. All roles are open.

Production dates are Dec. 5 to 8, 12 to 15 and 19 to 22. Rehearsals will begin Oct. 28.

PRESENTATION SLATED

"Lake Malawi, Where Fishes Behave Like Birds" will be presented at 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 21 at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Irem Road, Dallas.

Dr. Bill Loftus will present a travelogue about the African country of Malawi. Lake Malawi is the third largest and second deepest lake in Africa and is reportedly the habitat of more species of fish than any other body of fresh water. Learn about this amazing lake, the people who depend on it, and the incredible colors and behaviors of the fishes that live there.

For information, call Craig Yarrish at 479-0400.

OBITUARIES

BIERBACH - William R. "Bill,", 63, of Upper Raven Creek Road, Benton, died Sunday, Sept. 15, 2013, at his home.

He was born Dec. 16, 1949, in Wilkes-Barre, and was a 1967 graduate of Coughlin High School. In 1969, he entered the U.S. Air Force and served his country in the Vietnam War as a jet engine mechanic.

He had been employed as a pipefitter for Penn State Mechanical Contractors in Wilkes-Barre for 22 years.

He was a member of the Benton United Methodist Church, a past master of the Benton Masonic Lodge and currently a member of Oriental Lodge F. & A. M. in Orangeville. He was also a member of Caldwell Consistory of Bloomsburg.

Surviving are his father, William R. Bierbach, of Wilkes-Barre; his wife, Cheryl B. (Harvey) Bierbach, with whom he celebrated his 35th wedding anniversary on April 8; his three children, Amy Bell, of Manheim; William R., of Benton; and Robyn, of Falls Church, Va.; two grandchildren; four sisters, Karolyn Lockner, of Duryea; Christine Hughes, of Wilkes-Barre; Ellen Ducey, of Hunlock Creek; Dorothy Harvey, of Bethel Hill; a brother, Raymond, of Hunlock Creek; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Benton Area Food Bank, c/o NCCCC, P. O. Box 305, Benton, PA 17814.

BIERMAN - John Jr., 54, of Lehman Township, died Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013, after a long illness.

He was born Sept. 30, 1958, in Kingston, and was a member of the Wilkes-Barre Salvation Army.

He was employed many years at McCarroll Precast in Lehman.

Surviving are his wife of 34 years, the former Donna Zerfoss; sons, John III, at home; Charles, Tunkhannock; three grandchildren; sisters Rosette Evans, of Chase; and Ruth Ann, of Jershey Shore; aunts, nieces and nephews.

BRDARIC - John Jr., 60, of Bunker Hill, died Monday, Sept. 9, 2013, at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township, after a tremendous accident while doing what he loved to do - tear things apart.

He was born Aug. 4, 1953, in Kingston, and was the owner/operator of Brdaric Excavating Co. and Buck Mountain Quarry. He was president of the Bunker Hill Outlaws.

Surviving are his mother, Helene Lazar Brdaric; his children, Jamie Fedor and John, both of Kingston Township; three grandchildren; his former wife, Nancy Brdaric.

GREY - Linda L., 68, of Dallas, died Friday, Sept. 6, 2013, in the Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

She was born in Kingston and was a graduate of Dallas High School, class of 1963.

Prior to retirement, she was employed by Kuharchick Construction of Exeter for more than 20 years. She was a leader of Luzerne County 4-H Horse and Pony of Luzerne County.

Surviving are her children, Wendy Cadwalader, Monroe Township, and John, Tunkhannock; three grandchildren; brother, William Smith, Penfield, N.Y.; sister, Norma Mullison, Westville, N.J.; half-brothers, Jonah Smith, Beaumont; and Ronald Wright, Noxen; half-sisters, Nancey Gallup, Beaumont; and Bonita Wilmont; nieces and nephews.

Memorial dontions to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of Northeastern Pennsylvania, 1541 Alta Drive, Suite 204, Whitehall, PA 18052; or the Carrie Martin Scholarship Fund of the The Luzerne Foundation, 140 Main St., Second Floor, Luzerne, PA 18709.

KING - Margarete Luise, 86, of Dallas, died Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013, at her home.

She was born in Nuremberg, Germany, and was a fashion buyer for a large department store in New York City. Surviving are her husband, William O. King; three children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

PAWLASKI - Stanley J., 64, of Hunlock Creek, died Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013, at the family home.

He was born Aug. 28, 1949, in Larksville, and was a graduate of Wyoming Valley West High School and Penn State University, where he received a degree in engineering.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, having served during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the American Legion, Post 495, of Shickshinny.

He was last employed at Core-Mark Corp., Hanover Township. Prior to that, he was employed by Royer Foundry Kings and International Paper Corp., Hazleton.

He was an assistant Boy Scoutmaster for Troop 379 of Wapwallopen, as well as for a troop in Shickshinny, for more than five years. He was also involved in training seminars and was a merit badge counselor.

In past years, he was involved as a coach for the Ed-Lark Little League and Teeners League.

Surviving are his mother, Leona Jankowski Pawlaski, of Hunlock Creek, his wife, Chris; children, Karen Rakowski, Plains Township; Stanley, Pittsburgh; and Kevin, Indiana; stepchildren, Rachel Hiller, Harrisburg; Paul Hiller, U.S. Air Force, stationed in New Mexico; and Andrew Hiller, U.S. Air Force, stationed in South Dakota; four grandchildren; brother, Jerry, Wilkes Barre; sister, Julie Ann Scott, Hunlock Creek; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the American Cancer Society.

ROGERS - Emily Ruth, 90, of Sweet Valley, died on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2013, at home.

She was was born in Noxen on Nov. 9, 1922, graduated from Beaumont High School and was employed by the U.S. Census Bureau in Washington, D.C. during World War II, retiring from Owens-Illinois.

Surviving are her daughters, Margo Kirkwood, Brownsville, Texas; Genevieve Ross, Bend, Ore.; Yvonne Romano, with whom she resided; and Sonya Rogers, Hanover Township; 14 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; six great-great grandchildren.