

Reading with Tux

Tux, the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins mascot, and members of the hockey team visited the Back Mountain Memorial Library on Nov. 12. The players read to children and their families while Tux entertained them with his antics.



Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins right winger and team captain Tom Kostopoulos, left, reads 'Penguin on Vacation' at the Back Mountain Memorial Library as defenseman Nick D'Agostino looks on.



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Above, Tux has fun with the children at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.



Wilkes-Barre/Scranton players Nick D'Agostino, left, and Tom Kostopoulos sign autographs at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Titus completes basic training

Air Force Airman Zachary D. Titus, son of Brian and Dusty Titus, of Shavertown, graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.



Zachary Titus just graduated from basic military training.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. He is a 2012 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School.

CHURCH BRIEFS

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Cross Creek Community Church, 370 Carverton Road, will be a relay center, collecting gift-filled shoe boxes again this year for Operation Christmas Child.

Operation Christmas Child, the world's largest Christmas project, brings joy and hope to needy children around the world through these gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God's love.

Shoe boxes may be dropped off at the church between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18 through Friday, Nov. 22, from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday,

Nov. 23 and from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 19 and Thursday, Nov. 21. For more information, call the church office at 570-696-0399.

THANKSGIVING DINNER AT SUMC

A "Free Thanksgiving Dinner" event will be held at noon on Thursday, Nov. 28 at the Shavertown United Methodist Church, 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown.

Reservations are needed by Monday, Nov. 25 by calling the church office at 570-675-3616.

Anyone interested in helping with the dinner is asked to contact Sandy Michalisin at

sandy1965@epix.net.

HOAGIES AT HUMC

The Huntsville United Methodist Church, 1233 Huntsville Road, Shavertown, will sell 8-inch Italian, turkey, veggie, ham and cheese and roast beef hoagies for \$5 each. Chips and a soda may be added for an extra \$1.

Orders must be placed by Nov. 24 by calling 570-477-3748. Pick up will be between 10 a.m. and noon on Sunday, Dec. 1.

CRAFT FAIR SET

A Christmas Craft Fair will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7 at Fellowship Church, 45 Hildebrandt Road, Dallas.

Several local craft vendors will be on hand as well items from Pampered Chef and Scentsy, photography, wreaths, woodwork, jewelry and more.

"THE GIFT" TRADITION CONTINUES

The tradition of "The Gift," a live Christmas program, will continue this year at the Back Mountain Harvest Assembly, 340 Carverton Road, Trucksville. The program is scheduled for 6 and 8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 13 and Saturday, Dec. 14; and 6 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 15. For more information, call the church at 570-696-1128.

DEATH NOTICES

MAHONEY

SWEET VALLEY — Elsie Gladys Moss Mahoney, 90, of Sweet Valley, continued on to her eternal heavenly home on Nov. 5, 2013. She had family in Tunkhannock. Funeral service was held Nov. 9 from the Curtis L. Swanson Funeral Home Inc., corner of Routes 29 and 118, Pikes Creek.

DELUCCA

WEST PITSTON — Helen M. (Buella) DeLuca, 85, formerly of West Pittston, died Oct. 27, 2013, in Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township. She had family in Dallas. Funeral services were held Oct. 30 from the Anthony Recupero Funeral Home, 406 Susquehanna Ave., West Pittston, with a Mass of Christian Burial in Immaculate Conception Church, Corpus Christi Parish, West Pittston.

RYMAN

DALLAS — Inez Ryman, 70, of Dallas, passed away Nov. 6, 2013, at her home. Funeral was Nov. 9 at All

Saints Parish, 66 Willow St., Plymouth.

TURNER

PITSTON — Elwood "Woody" A. Turner, 72, of Pittston, passed away Thursday evening, Nov. 7, 2013, at home surrounded by his family. He had family in Tunkhannock. Funeral services were held Nov. 11 in the Langcliffe Presbyterian Church, 1001 Main St., Avoca.

CARR

NEW COLUMBUS — John K. Carr Jr., 71, of New Columbus, died Nov. 7, 2013, at Guardian Elder Care Center, Sheatown, where he had been staying. He had family in Harveys Lake and Dallas. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Nov. 23 at the Mayo Funeral Home Inc., 77 N. Main St., Shickshinny.

JENKINS

JACKSON TWP. — Albert T. Jenkins, 95, of Jackson Township, passed away Nov. 8, 2013, at the Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Dallas. Funeral services

were held Nov. 13 at the Harold C. Snowdon Funeral Home Inc., 140 N. Main St., Shavertown. A Mass of Christian Burial followed in St. Therese's Church, Pioneer Avenue and Davis Street, Shavertown.

HABERSKY

DALLASTWP. — Joseph A. Habersky, 65, a resident of Dallas Township, passed away on Nov. 8, 2013, at the Kindred Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, after a valiant fight against pancreatic and gastric cancer. A funeral Mass and celebration of Joe's life will be held at a date to be announced in January 2014 in St. Therese Roman Catholic Church, Shavertown.

KRUGER

SHAVERTOWN — Cynthia D. Kruger, 74, of Shavertown, died Nov. 11, 2013, at home. Funeral services were conducted Nov. 12 at the Rosenberg Funeral Chapel Inc., 348 S. River St., Wilkes-Barre. Shiva was observed Nov. 12 through Nov. 15 at 13 Ivy Drive, Shavertown.

CIVIC BRIEFS

BINGO PLANNED

Bingo will be held on Monday, Nov. 18 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 570-333-4906.

ROAST BEEF SUPPER

A roast beef supper will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Northmoreland Twp. Fire Hall in Centermoreland. Takeouts will be available.

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

For more information, call Jim at 570-333-4906.

LEARN ABOUT GREEN SPACE

Dallas Township, in conjunction with the North

Branch Land Trust, will host a presentation entitled "Growing Greener: Conservation by Design" by Ann Hutchinson of the Natural Land Trust, Media, at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 21 at Misericordia University's Insalaco Hall.

The presentation will be an advertised public meeting so that municipal officials may attend.

ROUNDTABLE MEETS

The Wyoming Valley Civil War Roundtable will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 21 in the lower level of the Daddow-Isaacs American Legion, 730 Memorial Highway, Dallas.

The speaker for the evening will be Rev. Dr. William Lewis, of Dallas, who will present his program on "Who Was Lincoln?"

There is a \$3 donation

for non-members. For more information, call John at 570-675-8936.

EASTERN STAR CRAFT SALE

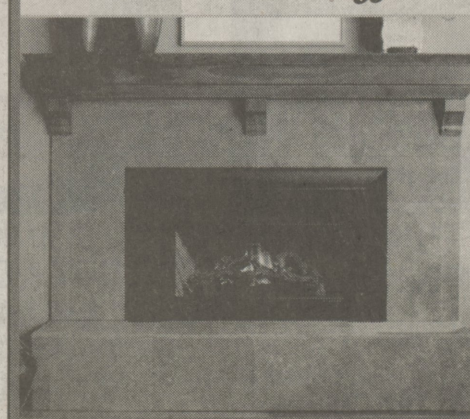
The Dallas Chapter Eastern Star Building Association will hold its 21st annual craft and holiday gift sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 23 at the Dallas Chapter Eastern Star Building Association Eastern Star Hall, Foster Street and Woodlawn Avenue, Dallas.

Vendors are being sought and may rent an 8-foot table for \$15. Eastern Star members will serve lunch, featuring homemade soups, whimpies, hot dogs, haluski and dessert and will sell their famous Welsh cookies.

For more information, call Dianne Corby at 570-675-4893.

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