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# Sweetheart Dance held at St. Mary's



Love is in the air as Dennis and Ann Kijek enjoy a kiss.

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Dorrance held its annual Sweetheart Dance on Friday, February 14 in the Parish Hall. The dinner began

with cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. with dancing following din-

ner. This year the local group called The St. James Gang provided live

Maureen and John Baab enjoy a tender moment while dancing.

> Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos



Soon to be 96-year-old Henry Rishkofski plays the air guitar with his cane as he dances around the floor with Molly Mendofik.

# **New Life Community Church holds Valentine dinner**

New Life Community Church invited all to a Valentine's Day dinner on Friday, February 14 at 6:30 p.m. An area was set up for photograph opportunities where Pastor John took out his camera and took photographs of those lovebirds wishing to capture their special moment.

entertainment to the enjoyment of all.

*Below:* Nicholas and Gail Barbrie share a kiss, after 48 years of marriage they are still sweethearts.



At right: Rose and Bob Welsh came out for Valentine's Day dinner. The couple will celebrate 60 years of marriage in June. At left: David Mumaw, Lisa Compton, Donna Jenkins and Brenda Ryman are ready to try the home cooked meal. *Below:* Five-year-old Liam Pick enjoys his meal with his family.





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# Places To Go ... Things To Do ...

# UNTIL FEBRUARY 29 MT TOP AREA LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Mountain Top Area Little League is still accepting registrations for a limited time. Baseball and softball for boys and girls ages 4 through 12.

T-Ball: 4-6 year olds; Coach Pitch: 7 year olds; and Minors: 8-11 year olds; Majors:10-12 year olds.

If you missed the in-person registrations for any of the programs and still want to participate call 570-762-0379 to register by mail or visit the website at www.mountaintoparealittleleague.com.

No registrations accepted after February 29, 2020.

# UNTIL APRIL 8 FREE TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE

The AARP Foundation in cooperation with the Marian Sutherland Library in Mountain Top and the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Wilkes-Barre will again provide free tax preparation and e-filing of federal, state and local income taxes as well as property tax/rent rebate for area residents. This service is available to all taxpayers with low and moderate incomes with special attention to those aged 60 and over. Taxpayers are not required to belong to AARP to be eligible for this service.

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At the Kirby Library, 35 Kirby Avenue in Mountain Top, tax assistance will be available on Wednesdays through **April 8**. Call 570-696-2935 and leave



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At the Good Shepherd Church, 190 S. Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, tax assistance will be available on Tuesdays continuing through **April 7**. Please call Lynn at 570-690-1418 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Friday to make an appointment to have your taxes prepared at the Good Shepherd Church. Do not call the church for an appointment.

### FEBRUARY 21 NITE AT THE RACES

Please join the Mountain Top Welcome Club for the 11th annual night at the races to raise money for local charities. This year's event will be held **Friday, February 21** at 6:30 p.m. at the Wright Township fire hall in Mountain Top.

Proceeds of this year's event will benefit the Mountain Top Hose Co., Kirby Library and Candy's Place. In addition it will fund a \$1000 scholarship to a Crestwood Secondary campus senior.

Horses are sold in advance for \$10 (1 in 10 chance to win \$50). \$5 admission at the door which includes beer, soda and food. The event is 21 and up.

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There will also be basket raffles and DJ entertainment.

The Welcome club is also looking for local sponsors. This year there are 3 tiers \$50, \$100 and \$250.

Interested in becoming a sponsor or buying horses please contact Pam McGovern at Pam.McGovern@century21. com.

# FEBRUARY 22 WINTER SOCIAL

The Crestwood Football Booster Club will host it's 2020 winter social on **February 22** from 7-9 p.m. at Cavanaugh's Grille. Admission is \$20 at the door and includes food, beer, wine and soda. Funds raised from this event benefit players and coaches in the program.

#### **GFWC MEETING**

GFWC Mountain Top will participate in the county meeting on **February 22** at the Café. Crafts will be judged at the meeting. Registration 9:30 a.m. Soup, sandwiches and dessert will be served.

The March meeting will be held on Monday, March 2 at Christ Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m.

For more information or questions please call Gaylene at 570-751-6144 or visit them on Facebook @ GFWC Mountain Top.

#### MAKING DOG TREATS

The Marian Sutherland Kirby Library will host a Make Dog Treats and Adoption event on **Saturday, February 22**. At 1 p.m. families are invited to learn how to make dog treats from simple ingredients that are good for your dog!

An adoption event for the

NEPA Pet Fund & Rescue will also take place from 1-2:30 p.m. in the Story Time Room. Come and meet dogs and puppies that are looking for a furever home. NEPA Pet Fund & Rescue is a foster-based nonprofit rescue that has saved over 1, 400 animals since 2013. To view all dogs available for adoption, visit nepapetrescue.com.

Registration for this program may be done by visiting the library at 35 Kirby Avenue, Mountain Top or by calling 570-474-9313.

#### **NITE AT THE RACES**

St. Mary's Church in Dorrance will hold a nite at the races on **February 22**. Doors open at 6 p.m., post time at 7 p.m. Your horse purchase (\$10), is your entrance to a fun filled evening that includes food and beverages. Horses will be sold at the door for \$12. Purchase your horse prior to the event to be included in a surprise raffle.

#### **SPAGHETTI DINNER**

The Saint Jude School community will hold a spaghetti dinner to benefit the family of beloved teacher Mrs. Mary Ann Crofchick on **Saturday, February 22** from 4-7 p.m. Mrs. Crofchick's husband, Robert, lost his battle with cancer this fall and the school community hopes to help offset medical expenses with the benefit. Ticket prices are \$10 for adult and \$5 for a children's meal. Eat in and take out options are available and a bake sale will be held, all in the school cafeteria. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time by calling the school at 570-474-5803.

# FEBRUARY 23 HOAGIE SALE

The Slocum Volunteer Fire Department is holding its annual hoagie sale on February 23. You can order an American or turkey hoagie with or without onions for \$5. Orders are due by February 19. To order call Ted at 570-868-6255 or see any member. Pickup is at 10 a.m. at the firehall, 1923 Slocum Road, Wapwallopen.

#### CHS CLASS OF 1970 MEETING

The Crestwood High School Class of 1970 will hold a class meeting on **Sunday**, **February** 

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# **Crestwood Menu**

#### **Elementary Schools**

Breakfast available daily. Available daily: peanut butter and jelly sandwich, assorted deli sandwiches and wraps.

#### Week of February 24

Monday: Mini corn dog nuggets or popcorn chicken bowl with a dinner roll; featured veggies: mashed potatoes, steamed corn, choice of fruit and milk

Tuesday: Hand breaded chicken with dinner roll or cheeseburger on a bun; featured veggies: green beans, spinach salad, choice of fruit and milk

Wednesday: French toast sticks with scrambled eggs or hot dog on a bun; featured veggies: potato triangles, fresh cucumber slices, choice of fruit and milk

Thursday: Beef and cheese lasagna, garlic bread stick or chicken patty on a bun; featured veggies: steamed corn, romaine salad, choice of fruit and milk

Friday: Homemade cheesy pizza or meatballs and marinara with cheese on a roll; featured veggies: green peas, Caesar salad, choice of fruit and milk

#### Week of March 2

Monday: Barbecued pork rib sandwich or chicken nuggets with a dinner roll; featured veggies: oven fries, red pepper strips, choice of fruit and milk

**Tuesday:** Turkey and cheese sliders or cheeseburger on a bun; featured veggies: green beans, spinach salad, choice of fruit and milk

Wednesday: Hot roast pork sandwich with gravy or hot dog on a bun; featured veggies: mashed potatoes, green pepper strips, choice of fruit and milk

Thursday: Cheesy beef and mac, garlic bread stick or chicken patty on a bun; fea-

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Friday: Italian dunkers with sauce or meatballs and marinara with cheese on a roll; featured veggies: roasted sweet potatoes, chick pea salad, choice of fruit and milk

#### **Secondary Campus**

Breakfast available daily. Grill line open daily with cheeseburgers, chicken patties, grilled chicken and pizza.

Assorted salads, wraps and sandwiches available daily.

#### Week of February 24

Monday: Mini corn dog nuggets or chicken tenders with buttered noodles; featured veggies: steamed peas, chick pea salad, choice of fruit and milk

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**Tuesday:** Salisbury steak, choice of bread or roll or chicken bacon ranch on a bun; featured veggies: parsley potatoes, celery sticks, choice of fruit and milk

Wednesday: Pierogies with butter and onions with roll or chili hot dog on a roll; featured veggies: green beans, carrot sticks, choice of fruit and milk

Thursday: Beef and cheese lasagna, garlic bread stick or barbecued rib on a bun; featured veggies: steamed carrots, red pepper strips, choice of fruit and milk

Friday: Bangin' shrimp tacos with fresh pico de gallo or Italian dunkers with dipping sauce; featured veggies: refried beans, lettuce, tomato and onion, choice of fruit and milk

#### Week of March 2

Monday: Hot ham and cheese on a pretzel roll or chicken mashed potato bowl with a dinner roll; featured veggies: mashed potatoes, steamed corn, choice of fruit and milk

**Tuesday:** Roast turkey sandwich with gravy or chicken bacon ranch on a bun; featured veggies: steamed broccoli, green beans, choice of fruit and milk

Wednesday: Penne pasta and meat sauce, garlic bread or cheesy hot dog on a roll; featured veggies: green beans, romaine salad, choice of fruit and milk

Thursday: French toast sticks with sausage links or barbecued rib on a bun; featured veggies: potato triangles, fresh cucumber slices, choice of fruit and milk

Friday: Breaded fish sandwich or pierogi pizza; featured veggies: steamed corn, spinach salad, choice of fruit and milk



# **Active Adult Center Menu**

Active Adult Centers sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties offer hot noon meals Monday through Friday to people age 60 and over.

If you did not order a lunch and would like one, call the center at 570-868-8517 to check for any cancellations.

### Week of February 24

Monday: Open face hot pork sandwich on whole wheat bread, mashed potatoes, split pea soup, margarine, orange, milk and coffee

Tuesday: Swedish meatballs, whole wheat noodles, green beans, margarine, tropical fruit, milk and coffee

Wednesday: Four cheese baked pasta, garlic spinach, Italian vegetable blend, margarine, ambrosia, milk and coffee Thursday: Fish almondine, scalloped potatoes, peas and pearl onions, whole wheat dinner roll, margarine, apple bread pudding, milk and coffee

Friday: Baked fish with parsley butter, green and wax beans, cream style corn, crackers, whole wheat dinner roll, margarine, fresh fruit salad, milk and coffee

### Week of March 2

Monday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, parslied carrots, whole wheat dinner roll, margarine, Greek yogurt, milk and coffee

**Tuesday:** Turkey sloppy Joe on whole wheat sandwich roll, roasted red potatoes, vegetable barley soup, margarine, chocolate chip cookie, milk and coffee

Wednesday: Caprese pork

chops, garlic broccoli, brown rice, crackers, margarine, diced pears, milk and coffee

Thursday: Salisbury steak/ gravy, lima beans, herbed mashed potatoes, whole wheat dinner roll, margarine, fresh apple slices, milk and coffee

Friday: Baked fish with mustard and dill, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, broccoli and cauliflower, crackers, margarine, cherry jello, milk and coffee

The center is located at 460 South Main Road, Mountain Top.

Seniors are invited to attend lunch daily. Regular and health plus menus are available. The suggested donation is \$2.

Make your reservations at least one day in advance by calling 868-8517 before 1 p.m.



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**23** at 2 p.m. at Abe's Lunch at 419 S. Main Street, Wilkes Barre. All classmates are invited to attend.

### FEBRUARY 24 KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUT SALE

The Slocum Volunteer Fire Department is holding a Krispy Kreme doughnut sale on **February 24** with delivery at 5 p.m. Half dozen is \$7, choose from chocolate iced, lemon filled, raspberry filled and Kreme filled; a dozen glazed is \$8, glazed certificates are also available. Orders are due by February 18. To order or with any questions call 570-868-6255 or contact Charles at stvfckrispykreme@outlook.com.

# **FEBRUARY 25** PHOTO CLUB MEETING

The Mountain Top Photo Club invites anyone interested in photography to attend its meeting held at King's Restaurant on **February 25** at 6:30

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# WEEKLY SPECIALS

Monday: Wing Night 6 wings \$4.95 • 12 wings \$8.95 Tuesday: \$5 Martini Specials & Meatloaf \$10.95 Wednesday: Mexican Night — Mexican Menu Available

Margaritas \$4 and \$6 for jumbos, on the rocks or frozen Thursday: Lobster Tail \$19.95

Friday: Delmonico Steak Night 14 Oz. \$19.95 Saturday: Chicken Pot Pie/Fried Chicken Dinner \$9.95 Sunday: Wacky Burger \$7.95

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p.m. Monthly workshops are given by talented members on a wide range of subjects on various aspects of photography. Whether new to photography or the professional photographer, all are welcome. Visit www.Mountain Topphotoclub. com or visit its Facebook page at Mountain Top Photo Club.

#### **TROUT UNLIMITED** MEETING

Unlimited will meet on Tuesday, February 25 at 7 p.m. at

the White Haven Library, 121 Towanda Street, White Haven Pa. Guest speaker will be Ed Wytovich, president of the Catawissa Creek Restoration Assoc. Ed will provide a program on the three acid mine drainage treatment systems his group has built and operate on formerly degraded Catawissa Creek in northern Schuylkill County. Using this state of the art project the CCRA hopes to enable Catawissa Creek to become a first class wild trout Western Pocono Trout stream with public access. The program is free and the

public is invited.

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# **FEBRUARY 27** MARCH 5 & 7 **AL BASEBALL SIGNUPS**

American Legion Post 781 Baseball will hold signups for players 13 to 18 years old on Thursday February 27 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; Thursday March 5. from 5:30 to 7:30 and Saturday, March 7 from 12 to 2 p.m.

Sign-ups will be held at Mountain Post 781 in the basement.

All players must attend one registration with one parent/ guardian and bring their health insurance information and copy of their birth certificate.

Cost is \$125 made payable to Mountain. American Legion Post 781 Call 570-336-0438 or email caladie@yahoo.com for more information.

### FEBRUARY 29 **BOOK LAUNCH**

The White Haven Area Community Library, 121 Towanda Street, will hold a book launch on Saturday, February 29 from 1 to 3 p.m. The book is titled Spiritual Portals and is written by Nora D'Ecclesis. D'Ecclesis

is an American best selling and award winning non-fiction author and poet.

# MARCH 2 **GFWC MEETING**

GFWC Mountain Top will hold its March meeting on Monday, March 2 at Christ Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m.

For any other information or questions please call Gaylene at 570-751-6144 or visit them on Facebook @ GFWC Mountain Top.

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# MARCH 5 **RICE ELEMENTARY BOOK** FAIR AND FAMILY NIGHT

Please join Rice Elementary on Thursday, March 5 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. for its Book Fair and Family Fun Night.

Shop the book fair in the large group room, enjoy some games and activities in the gym from 6-7:30 p.m. and purchase some goodies at the 6th grade bake sale.

This is a non-chaperoned event. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information contact Karen Weiss at kjbweiss@frontiernet.net or Paula Sapak at paula.sapak@csdcomets.org.

# MARCH 7 **PYSANKY EGG WORKSHOP**

The White Haven Area Community Library will be having an egg-citing program, Pysanky Egg Workshop on Saturday, March 7 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. This is a 4 hour workshop for adults and children as young as 10 (children must be accompanied by adult). The instructor is Margie Bogash of Sunnyside Designs (Facebook site by the same name). All products and equipment supplied and you will design and complete your own egg to take home. There will also be snacks but you may bring your own. The cost is \$40 per person, payable in advance when registering. Please come to the

library to reserve your spot, 121 Towanda Street, White Haven. 570-443-8776 for more information.

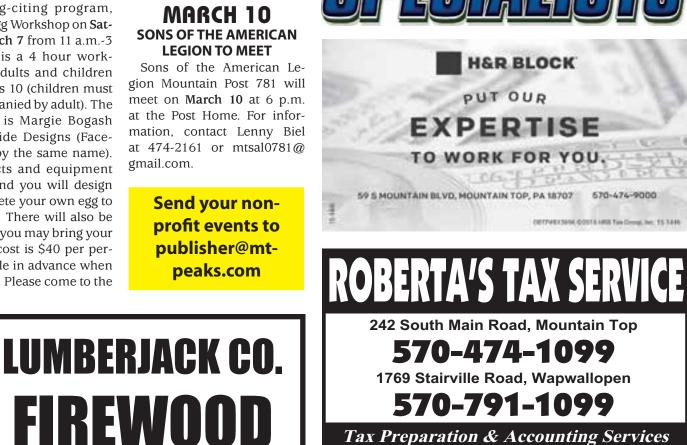
# **MARCH 10** SONS OF THE AMERICAN **LEGION TO MEET**

Sons of the American Legion Mountain Post 781 will meet on March 10 at 6 p.m. at the Post Home. For information, contact Lenny Biel at 474-2161 or mtsal0781@ gmail.com.

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# Mountain Peaks **Cub Scout Pack 60 holds Raingutter Regatta**

St. Jude Parish, Cub Scout Pack 60, recently held its annual Raingutter Regatta one of two highly anticipated events for Scouts. Scouts start with a kit consisting of a seveninch-long balsa wood hull, a six- and one-half-inch mast, a plastic rutter and a metal keel. scouts can decorate their sailboat and modify it for speed as long as they follow the design rules. The sailboats are raced in standard 10 feet long rain gutters filled with water. Scouts race the boats by blowing on the sail and keeping an even keel. The first one to reach the end of the gutter is the winner. The overall winners are determined by a process of elimination. Scouts also vote on which boat has the most creative design and which is the most awesome.



The overall winners of the 2020 Cub Scout Pack 60 Raingutter Regatta were: Noah Keiser, first place; Jacob Hunsinger, second place and Coleman Grandzol, third place. All three will move on to the division races in April.



Jack and Liam Truschel are doing their best to use controlled breaths to blow their boats to the finish.

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Harrison Vasek, Collin Brenner, Ali Sartori and Raymond Mazur cast their votes for the most creative design and most awesome desian.



# News in Brief ...

# **Dorrance Township** hires Barry Isett firm

Dorrance Township supervisors terminated its contract for zoning services with Strategic Municipal Group and hired Barry Isett & Associates at their February 10 meeting.

The contract with Strategic Municipal Group was terminated as of February 15 while the Barry Isett firm was hired effective February 10.

Barry Isett & Associates for Zoning will provide Code Enforcement and Property Maintenance Services. The firm will be paid \$70 per hour for up to 3 hours per week of in-house office hours or provide all services on an "as needed" basis.

The Isett firm also provides zoning and code inspection services for Wright Township. In other news ...

Supervisors received a thank you letter from Dorrance Township Volunteer Fire Department the township's contribution. The letter outlined what the money was used for including new and necessary heating units in the engine room.

Supervisors approved the fire department's participation in various non-emergency events.

Fire department officers for 2020 are: President Jeff Kotarsky, Vice President Jamie Rowlands, Treasurer Valerie Zane, Firemen's Relief Treasurer Janet Jones, Secretary Teresa Calabro.

Supervisors approved a request from Mountain Top Area Little League requesting use of the baseball and softball fields daily from 4 p.m. until dark on weekdays and all day on Saturdays and Sundays from March through October.

# **Fairview may enact** ordinance regulating food trucks

Fairview Township officials are considering enacting an ordinance regulating standalone food trucks in the township.

At the supervisors February meeting, solicitor Donald Karpowich reported he met with zoning officer John Doddo to discuss the need for the ordinance. The solicitor plans to present a proposed ordinance

the March meeting. The developer of a micro-brewery on Kirby Avenue plans to offer food to patrons through food trucks located in the business parking lot.

#### In other news ...

Karpowich reported he met with state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) officials regarding proposed lot consolidations in Glen Summit. The solicitor said DEP will require a sewage facility planning module application as part of any lot consolidation

in Glen Summit. The applications will be available in the township secretary's office or from the zoning officer. Mountaintop Sanitary Authority completed the survey work in Glen Summit for their upcoming sewage work. Any lot consolidations which were on hold can now proceed as the sewers will not impact private property.

Supervisors gave Doddo permission to meet with the township engineer to consider updating the road cut

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ordinance. He noted the current ordinance was adopted in 1977. Doddo reported American Water will be replacing 510 feet of water lines in the township and they are discussing resurfacing from curb to curb.

Supervisors approved a motion to have the township engineer prepare bid documents and advertise for construction of a walking path and new basketball court in Memorial Park.

A request from the M.S. Kirby

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# Needle felting workshop held at WHACL

The White Haven Area Community Library hosted a workshop to learn the art of needle felting on Sunday, February 16 at 1 p.m. in the historical engine house. Local artisan, Linda Kistler and aficionado of the art form ran the workshop which had 14 attendees. Participants had to pre-register and the cost was only \$10 for the kit. There were beverages and light refreshments to enjoy while creating a miniature piece of art.

# Crestwood Baseball hosts instructional clinic

Comets varsity baseball coaches. players and Middle School baseball coaches hosted an instructional baseball camp in the Middle School gymnasium on Sunday, February 16. A second one will be held on Sunday, February 23 from 3 to 5 p.m. The Crestwood Baseball Booster Club sponsored the camp. The two-day camp was for children ages 7 through 12. The youngsters were taught the fundamental skills of baseball and drills.







Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos Above, left: Getting some practice with his pitching is Carmen Tindol, 10.

*Above:* Seven-year-old Colin Bukett is catching a tennis ball one handed during a catching practice.

*At left:* Middle School Baseball Coach Don Flynn guides Jordan Wolak,9, with his batting skills.



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Library to hold its 5K run/ walk fundraiser on April 19 at 9 a.m. was approved. They also approved a request from Mountain Top Little League for use of the baseball and softball fields for the upcoming season, March through October.

Diane Hopersberger of Mountain Top on the Move asked supervisors to look into installation of turning arrows for the traffic light at Kirby Avenue and South Mountain Boulevard. She recommended left turn arrows be installed for traffic exiting the Turkey Hill Store and traffic on Kirby Avenue.

Gina Snyder reported on the feral cat issue. Two more cats were trapped, neutered and released in January, bringing the total to 27 since the program began last fall.

James Keenan, 166 S. Main Road complained about the private snow removal contractor who plow the Christ United Methodist Church parking

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lot adjacent to his residence. He said the plowing contractor starts around 4:30 in the morning when there is a snow event and wakes him up and asked if the supervisors could do something about this.

Bill Evans of the recreation board advised supervisors it is he township's turn to host the annual Fairview/Wright Townships Easter egg hunt.

# **Micro-brewery** hoping to open by late summer

The developer of a microbrewery in Fairview Township is hoping to serve his first glass

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of beer by late summer.

George Merenich completed the purchase of the former Geisinger clinic at 12 Kirby Ave. in late November a few months after receiving approval from the Fairview Township zoning hearing board to operate the Lanahu Ales micro-brewery.

Since the purchase, Merenich has been working on gutting the interior building to get ready for remodeling. He said that he has contractors on board to begin the work for his micro-brewery. He expects his brewing equipment, which is being shipped from China, will arrive in late April. Once the equipment is in place, staff

of Alpha Brewing Systems of Nebraska will travel to Mountain Top to train Merenich and his staff in use of the brewing system.

"I'm hoping to start brewing my first batch of beer by the middle of May," Merenich related. He said the beer will take about two months to age,

so he is hoping to serve his first glass of beer by late August or early July.

Merenich plans to offer 10 beers brewed in his facility. A fan of New England style IPAs, he plans to offer three of that style beers along with two

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Imperial New England IPAs. Other beers he plans to offer include a chocolate Imperial stout, a fruit Gose, a lager, a golden ale and a fruity pilsner.

An idea he is considering is to allow local home brewers to brew their favorite beer in his facility and include that brew in his offerings. "We will put the brewer's name in lights," he said.

Merenich told the zoning hearing board during his hearing that the business will be closed on Sundays and Mondays with hours of 4-9 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 9 p.m. on Saturday. At his zoning hearing the brewer said he planned to offer food from a food truck in the parking lot. Merenich recently said that he is considering other options for providing food.

# Wright Township opposes Wolfe's state police plan

Opposition to Gov. Tom Wolfe's plan to charge all Pennsylvania municipalities for the cost of state police protection was one of the few things Wright Township supervisors agreed upon at a lively meeting last week.

Wolf plans to raise nearly \$136 million based on a formula that accounts for median household income, the cost to operate local barracks and whether municipalities use the state police for full or parttime coverage. Every municipality, regardless of whether they have their own police department or a shared services agreement, would shoulder part of the cost. That plan would have to be approved by the General Assembly to go into effect.

For Wright Township, that means the municipality would have to pay the state \$52,489, even though it has its own fulltime police department.

"The township spends over \$400,000 (annually) for police protection," supervisor Donald Zampetti stated. "We have our own police department. We shouldn't have to pay the state another \$50,000. "I'm tired of taking care of other people," he added. The township has seven full-time police officers.

Township secretary/treasurer Pamela Heard said the township would have to raise property taxes approximately .1 mill to generate the revenue needed to pay the cost for state police protection in the governor's proposed fiscal plan. Township property taxes were increased by .2484 mills for 2020, the first increase in 10 years.

Supervisors agreed with a motion by Donald Zampetti to send a letter opposing the plan to the governor and state Senator Lisa Baker and state Rep. Gerald Mullery who represent the township in the General Assembly.

Under the governor's formula, neighboring Fairview Township, which also has a full-time department, would be required to come up with \$106,250. Township secretary/ treasurer Barbara Wasiakowski said the township would have to raise property taxes about .003 mills to generate revenue to pay that fee.

Rice Township, another community with a full-time department, would be billed

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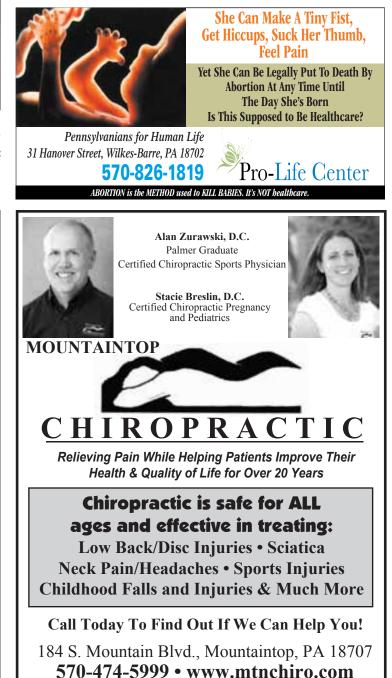


Pictured are members of the Wilkes-Barre Academy Science Olympiad team. From left, row 1are Jane Gillespie, Joshua Cackowski, Lily Talukder, Emily Krevey, Jordan Ceklosky, Eli Scaramastro, Allison Mazur; in row two are Amanda Zemetro, Angelina Opachko, Abigail Whitby, Kate Barth, Daniel Hughes, Xander Pascoe, Tyler Vodzak and in row three are: Miah Sims, Rehaan Mansuri, Ian Smith, Zachary Winder.

# Wilkes-Barre Academy announces Science Olympiad team

Wilkes-Barre Academy's Science Olympiad team will participate in the Northeast Regional Science Olympiad held at Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus on March 11. The team is composed of eighth, seventh, and sixth grade students with excellent academic achievement. The students will compete in a broad scope of events that are substantially above grade level from areas of study in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics based events.

Due to a very high volume of local news, some pictures and stories did not fit in this edition. Watch for them in future editions.





### Mountain Peaks

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# Pink Out game honors cancer survivors



The survivors being honored at the Pink Out game are from left: Gail Wells, Jackie Johnson, Millie Morio, Mary Stout, Karen Hiller, Suzanne Lenio, Mike Reece, Stephanie Mc-

The Crestwood Lady Comets held their annual Pink Out game on Saturday, February 8 at Crestwood High School between the JV and varsity basketball games, both against Hazleton.

The event is held every year when the girls' basketball teams play in honor of cancer survivors, those fighting and those who have lost their battle to cancer. A ceremony was held between the JV and

Manus, Levi Haddad and Garret Swank who walked in honor of his mother Lael Swank. Not in the photo are Coach Donny Hopkins and Joey Belles.

varsity games where twelve survivors were honored.

There were 50/ 50 drawings, plenty of raffle baskets, a bake sale and food was available for purchase as well.



Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photo

The children hold their bingo cards up and hope they win a game or two. In the front row from left are Erin McCracken, Halle Stemple, Kali Karnatski and Kendall Bator; in the back are and Reina Coulter, Connor Rose, Ava Radjavitch, Gracie Rose and Hailey Grimes.

# Kids enjoy a fun night of bingo at the White Haven Area Community Library

Adults love to play bingo for prizes, and as it turns out so do children. The White Haven Area Community Library held a kid's bingo on Wednesday, February 12 beginning at 6 p.m. in the historical engine house. Nine children in first through 6th grade attended the fun event, which included candy prizes to celebrate Valentine's Day.

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# **MTHC looking for votes for Impact Grant**

The 2020 primary election is still a few months away, but members of Mountain Top Hoe Company No. 1 have started a "Get Out the Vote" campaign. The effort has nothing to do with politics. Rather, it's about getting people to visit Fidelity Bank to vote for the hose company to receive the financial institution's \$15,000 IMPACT grant.

The hose company is one of five Mountain Top non-profits vying for the grant. If there are successful, the firefighters will use the grant to purchase equipment that will be used to clean the firefighting turnout gear. Firefighters pointed out that cancer causing carcinogens are encountered during fire calls. The carcinogens not only remain on the gear after an incident but can permeate the gear if not removed properly. The awareness of this situation has significantly come into the spotlight in the past 10 years. Firefighters point out protective gear



Members of the department recently brought some of its equipment to the bank to encourage residents to stop by and give them a vote. From left, David Hourigan, hose company president; Michelle Aigeldinger (on truck), Todd Wagaman, Josh Antosh, Rachel Kohl, Shawn Prohaska, Pete Kohl, Jared Aigeldinger, Ray Loucks, Jason Menghini.

should be cleaned after each use to reduce the exposure to these carcinogens.

Other finalists for the grant are Marian Sutherland Kirby Library; Mountain Top Area Community Ambulance; Wright (Twp.) Environmental and Recreation, Inc.; Wright Twp. Volunteer Firemen's Association.

Voting continues through April 10 at Fidelity Bank, 1 South Mountain Boulevard. You do not have to be a bank customer to vote.

# Drums Lioness Lions Club makes donation to Divine Providence Shelter



Pictured are Lioness members, from left: Monica Weidick, Lisa Molendini, Arleen Stagg, Bernadette Jespersen; Divine Providence Shelter Supervisor Amanda Deisroth.

The Drums Lioness Lions Club recently presented the Divine Providence Shelter of Hazleton with a monetary donation along with much needed supply items. Community outreach service projects are a main function of the club.



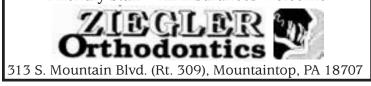
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# **Ambulance Association hoping to win Impact Grant**



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The Mountain Top Ambulance Association is one of five organizations in contention for a \$15,000 impact grant from the new Fidelity Bank on S. Mountain Blvd. The organization that receives the most votes will receive the grant. If the Ambulance Association is fortunate to accomplish this task they will purchase a Lucas 2 Chest Compression System. This is a portable tool designed to deliver consistent and continuous chest compressions for patients in cardiac arrest from the scene to the hospital.

They are asking everyone that drives by Fidelity Bank, whether it's once or twice a day, or once or twice a week to stop in and cast a vote for the Mountain Top Ambulance Association. Voting ends April 10, 2020.

The Lucas 2 Compression System can be viewed on youtube.com if interested in seeing how it works.



Ben Ostrowski, left, and Ryan Gildea, right, hold the sign that will be erected on the land.

# Ostrowski donates land to Pennsylvania Game Commission

A Dorrance Township resident recently donated more than 18 acres of land to the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

Ben J. Ostrowski Jr. donated the land in memory of his great grandfather Jacob Eicher who purchased the property over a century ago. The property located between I-81 and Route 309 in Dorrance Township has remained in his family since its purchase. Ostrowski said Jacob Eicher handed the property down to his son, Jacob Eicher Jr. The land subsequently was owned by Ostrowski's aunt, Marie Eicher from whom he received it.

Ostrowski said he made the donation so the land will remain undeveloped and be used for hunting.

Ryan Gildea, Game Commission Land Management Groups supervisor, said the parcel will become part of state game lands 187.



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\$102,284. Township secretary/ treasurer Jeffrey Beck said that would mean a .3057 mill property tax hike for township residents, an increase of 117.5 percent from its current tax rate of .26 mills.

Dorrance Township which does not have a police department, would be charged \$210,335 under the governor's proposal. Township secretary/ treasurer Patricia Davis said the township would have to more than triple its current .75 mill property tax to generate that revenue.

Slocum Township, which also relies on state police

protection, would be billed \$49,169. The township does not impose a property tax and supervisor Charles Herring said it has no intention of enacting one to pay the state. "It's an impossibility," Herring said of the governor's proposal.

#### In other news ...

Wright Township supervisors approved a four-year contract with the Wright Township Police Officers Association by a 3-2 vote. Also approved by the same vote was an ordinance changing the residency requirement for township employees. The revised ordinance allows all full-time township employees to live within a 20-mile radius of the township. Previously, all fulltime employees were required to live in the township.

The police contract calls for raises of three percent in each of the first two years and four percent raises annually in the third and fourth years. Solicitor Jack Dean, who negotiated the contract, noted there also are some changes in the co-pays in the health insurance.

Supervisors Louis Welebob Jr. and Zampetti voted against the contract and the amendment to the residency. Both emphasized they had no problem with raises or other financial elements of the contract. Rather, their opposition was based on the change in the residency requirement. "I can't support the contract," Welebob stated. "I appreciate the efforts of Jack Dean. It's a good contract," he stated. However, the supervisor said he did not feel the residency ordinance and the residency language in the contract should be changed.

Welebob said police and public works employees are first responders and should live within the township so they can respond quickly to emergencies. Zampetti echoed Welebob's comments.

Wright Township Supervisors approved by a 3-1 vote a motion by Welebob that requires full-time employees of the public work department be called first for weatherrelated overtime before parttime employees. He explained the full-time employees are required to be available for weather and other emergencies, yet part-time staff are called first. Welebob, Zampetti and supervisor Colleen Macko voted in favor of the motion. Marshall voted no and supervisor Matthew Howton, township road department foreman, abstained.

Another motion by Welebob to reimburse full-time public works employees for overtime they missed out on since last November 1, failed on a 2-2 vote. Marshall and Macko voted no while Zampetti and Welebob supported it. Howton abstained.

# February is Children's Dental Health Month



### Mountain Peaks

# CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### Services: Sunday 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Saturday 6 p.m. JP Bohanan, Pastor 175 S. Main Road, Mountain Top 570-474-6060

Rev. JP Bohanan invites everyone for worship on the Lord's Day. Professionally staffed nursery available during the 9:30 adult Sunday School hour and the 10:45 worship service.

Holy Communion is served the first Sunday of every month. Sunday School: Children in Pre-K thru 4th grade meet during worship from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Grades 5 thru adult meet at 9:30 a.m.

Adult Choir practices Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. Cherub Choir, Kids Choir, Adult Bell Choir and Kids Bell Choir also practice on Thursday evenings. Christ Church offers a community Cancer Support Group meeting the last Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Grief Support Group meets by appointment. Breakfast Fellowship Group meets at the Chalet, Thursday at 8 a.m.

Mt. Top CARES (Community, Advocacy, Recovery, Education, Serenity): This is a peerto-peer support group for those affected by a loved one's substance use disorder. The goal of CARES is to offer a safe place for people to share their story, find support, understanding and empathy. Contact the church office for schedule.

For more information: church office: 570-474-6060, church email: ChristUM-ChurchOffice@gmail.com; Pastor's email: bohanan.jp@ gmail.com. Web: Christonthemountaintop.blogspot.com.

# CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Services: Sunday 10 a.m.

Michael & Kim Pickreign, Pastors 3577 Church Road, Mountain Top 570-678-7231

Services are casual and family friendly. They are a group of believers passionate about sharing the gospel of Christ, healing broken hearts and seeking liberty for all who are oppressed.

Cornerstone Food Pantry is available for anyone who is in need. Pickups are available Sundays after the service, around 11:45 a.m. and by appointment.

The church is handicap accessible. For further information contact Pastor Pickreign.

# EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Services: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Louis Aita, Pastor 7768 Blue Ridge Trail, Dorrance 570-868-5675

Teen Talk is for anyone in 7th grade and above. They meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. to talk about God and Jesus, how their lives are influenced by them and how they can be an influence to others.

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# Scout Sunday celebrated at St. James

Scout Sunday was celebrated at St. James Lutheran Church in Hobbie on February 4. Members of Pack 379, Troop 300, Troop 379 and Troop 6 assisted with the service. Pastor Oliver Brown, assistant scoutmaster conducted the sermon which was based on the first point of the scout law — a scout is trustworthy.

the lower parking lot.

The Wapwallopen Ministerium Food Bank is housed at Emmanuel UCC and is open by appointment only. All contacts are kept strictly confidential.

If you are in need of pastoral care, call Pastor Lou Aita at 570-582-9550 or email him at aitatl12@ptd.net. E-mail access is emmanuel\_ucc@ hotmail.com and the website is emmanuel-ucc.org.

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The Holy Grounds Cafe is open every Sunday as they serve coffee, soda, tea, juice, bagels, snacks, and more.

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Dinner Church Community Ministry. Once a month F.C.D. offers a free meal to the community.

Upcoming events: Ignite Young Adults (ages 25-40) children/teens of adults are invited every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Friday, February 28: Church Work Day: Painting, reorganizing, cleaning, set up and tear down of the stage from Christmas to Easter.

For information you can checkwww.yourvcc.com.

# FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 8:45 a.m. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Scott O. Miller, Pastor 1448 Slocum Road, Wapwallopen 570-200-5388

Pastor Scott and the congregation invites all to join worship service. Holy Communion is offered the first Sunday of the month.

Sunday School is held from 9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. for children ages 4 through 14.

You can email Pastor Scott at somiller@susumc.org or call him at 570-200-5388. Find them on Facebook at newhopewapwallopen.

# GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

Services: Saturday: 6 p.m. Sunday: 8 & 9:30 a.m. Rev. Michael J. Kloton, Pastor Route 309, Drums 570-788-3141

Please note that the new day/ time for confessions is Saturday from 5-5:30 p.m.

As the parish breakfast is growing, more help is needed – setting up tables, serving, and clean-up. The Confirmation students are always welcome to help! We always strive to make sure all patrons enjoy a great breakfast. Please call Barbara Lawrence at 570-788-1676 if you have any questions or want to join the team.

Tuesday night bingo at Good Shepherd Church starts with an early bird game at 6 p.m. They play 22 games each week and payouts range from \$50 to over \$500. Regular games pay \$100 each. The kitchen opens at 5 p.m. with special soups, sandwiches, beverages, ethnic foods and a variety of other goodies including fries, pretzels, candy, chips, and more. They also provide complimentary coffee, tea, and cake to players and volunteers.

# GRACE INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Brian Korner, Pastor Blue Ridge Trail, Slocum Twp. 570-868-6298

An old fashion Bible believing church still using the 1611 King James Version Bible and singing old favorite hymns.

Mid-week fellowship and prayer meeting is the first Wednesday of every month. Meal at 6 p.m. and prayer meeting at 7 p.m. Some fluctuations with this service can occur, so please call before attending to confirm.

Sunday School classes for children of all ages will help them learn at their level.

Children will love Junior Church during the Sunday morning service. Kids K-4 through 6th grade will be excited as they sing, learn memory verses, get prizes and hear preaching at their level.

A well equipped, well staffed nursery is provided for infants and toddlers.

To contact the church call 570-868-6298 or email Kornerb@Truevine.net.

# MOUNTAIN TOP BAPTIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Dale Mooney, Pastor 865 Church Rd., Mountain Top 570-868-6863

Mountain Top Baptist Church invites you to join them for services. They offer a fully staffed nursery for all Sunday worship services for ages 0-3.

Sunday School for all ages is held on Sundays at 10 a.m.

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Joseph Rogoskey, 8, works carefully as he frosts a Valentine heart cookie.

### Youth decorate cookies for shut-ins

The Youth Group of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in White Haven got together on Sunday, February 9 at 3 p.m. to decorate Valentine cookies and cards for local shut-ins from St. Paul's Lutheran in White Haven and Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Weatherly. About ten of the church's youth came out to enjoy some pizza and decorate cookies and cards. Pastor Janell Wigen made bunches of heart shaped Valentine heart cookies for the kids to decorate.



Mountain Top, PA 18707 Carl D. Gentilesco, Supervisor/Jeffrey A. Fierro, Director

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Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. is a Bible study for the adults. There is a Bible study class for teens and younger ones have fun in the Kids4Truth Club with singing, Bible lessons, memory verses and other activities.

The Kids 4 Truth clubs curriculum and program is a local-church-based children's education ministry that utilizes a lesson time, a TruthBook time (memory and recitation), a song time, and a reward time in order to fortify young hearts and minds with the essential teachings of the authentic Christian faith.

The primary goal of this program is to help boys and girls know, love, and worship God by grounding them in essential Christian truth. Kids 4 Truth clubs work to ensure that boys and girls of all ages will learn what Christians believe and why they believe it.

### MOUNTAINTOP FAMILY CHURCH Services: Sunday 9 & 10:30 a.m.

#### **Brian Knorr, Pastor** 209 S. Mt. Blvd., Mountain Top 570-474-0900

MFC invites families to church on Sundays during the contemporary services. Come a few minutes early for a continental breakfast with coffee. tea, bagels, and danishes.

KidsTown Children's Ministries takes place during both services for children 8 weeks old through 6th grade. The cer-

tified KidsTown staff provides a safe environment for children to grow in their relationships with God and with others.

A Preschool Play Group will meet Thursdays, February 2, March 12 and 26 at 10 a.m. in the KinderTown classroom. Play Group meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month and is for all infant through preschool aged children accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

A men's breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 14 at 9 a.m. The cost is \$5 per person or \$10 total per family. Please sign up at the information table or contact the church office by Sunday, March 8.

An After School Club will

be held on Tuesdays, March 17th, 24th and 31st from 4-5 p.m. for all children in our community in 1st-6th grade. The children will have free play time with ping pong, air hockey, foosball, group games and more. Children will choose from the following clubs: Crafts or Cup Stacking for grades 1-6 and Lego Robotics for grades 3 to 6. If you would like to attend, please sign up by March 8th by contacting Debbie Knorr at the church office at 570-474-0900.

Contact the office or email debbie@mfcchurch.com for information.

### MOUNTAINVIEW **COMMUNITY CHURCH** Service: Sunday 10 a.m. **Brook Selby, Pastor** 5126 N. Lehigh Gorge Dr., White Haven 570-443-9438

Mountainview is a family church. They believe that through their relationships with one another and with Jesus, they will experience the freedom, confidence, and the full life that is available to them. Their mission is to provide an environment where anyone can encounter Jesus' love and guidance.

Every 4th Sunday is Family Sunday, when the children stay in the service and the church shares communion together.

The church holds Thursday Family Faith Nights. There is dinner together followed by the various kids' groups. While adults wait for their kids they can take part in a class called Christianity 101 which will be an opportunity to explore questions about the faith. Dinner, fellowship, fun and spiritual growth all in one night! How awesome is that?

For updated information on Mountainview Community Church visit www.mountainviewnepa.org and Facebook page: MountainviewFMC.

Mountainview is located about 1 mile from the Rt. 437 intersection in White Haven.

# **MT. ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Services: Sunday 9 A.M. **Pastors: Bob Thomas and Rev. Fran Fink** Lilv Lake Road, Slocum

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Pastor Bob Thomas will lead the worship service on February 23.

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service on February 26 at 6 p.m. Pastor Bob Thomas will lead this service.

On Sunday, March 1 Rev. Fran Fink will lead the worship service.

For more information regarding the church services and activities, please contact Diane Webster at 570-379-3713.

### NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH Services: Sunday

8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: John Broglin 570 S. Main Road, Mountain Top 570-868-5155

New Life Community Church, invites you to come and worship the way it used to be.

Everyone is welcome to join them for a time of Bible study on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. with prayer at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 13, coffee house/game night at 6:30. All are welcome.

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MOUNTAIN TOP

#### Services: Sunday 11 a.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. 9 Chestnut Street, Mountain Top 570-474-9951

You are invited to join in worship on Sunday, February 23. Pastor Neil Partington will deliver the message.

The choir practices every Thursday at 7 p.m.

The next Evangelism Committee meeting will be February 23. Anyone wishing to reach out beyond the brick walls and touch those in the community with helping hands, please pray about joining this planning session.

God's Tykes will meet February 23 at 6:30 p.m.

March 21 will be the Jim Weaver Memorial blood drive from 9:30 til 1. Please consider donating and giving the gift of life.

All friends and church family are invited to join in corporate prayer for this time of the church's transition. Prayer will be held between Sunday School and church, about 10:20 a.m.

Please donate your food items weekly to be given to the Mountain Top food bank.

They are also collecting supplies and clothing (new) for

Brandons Forever Home. A bin is located in the narthex. If you have questions please contact Nancy Badal or any of the Presbyterian Women's group.

2020 dates to purchase bulletin covers to honor or recognize someone are now available. A month's supply of bulletin covers is \$35. Flowers are also available to purchase for \$35 for the vases or a special arrangement for the pedestal. Contact Lisa Bachman to schedule flowers or call the church office.

The church office is open Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Email: pbychmt@verizon.net. If you have any questions about the church or its ministries please call 570-474-9951 or find them on Facebook.

### STAIRVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Services: Sunday 10 a.m. Scott O. Miller, Pastor Stairville Road, Mountain Top 570-868-5640

The congregation invites you to come and worship with them this Sunday. Communion is celebrated every 1st Sunday of the month. There is plenty of parking behind the church.



Maya Martin, 8 enjoys chocolate chip pancakes She came for breakfast with her sister Eva and mom Rose before the 11 a.m. Mass.

Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photo

# K of C holds pancake breakfast

The Knights of Columbus, St. Jude Council #6440, held a pancake breakfast on Sunday, February 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in St. Jude School cafeteria. Cost for the delicious breakfast was adults \$8, children \$5 and children under 5 ate for free. The menu included pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and juice. The fundraiser will help support the many Knights of Columbus programs in the parish and throughout the community.

Choir practice is every Thursday at 3 p.m.

The J.O.Y. Circle meets every second Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the large fellowship hall. They make the plans for all church events, new members are welcome.

# ST. JAMES EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Services: 9 a.m.

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#### Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. Oliver Brown, Pastor 827 E. County Road, Wapwallopen 570-379-3878

Pastor Brown conducts Bible Study on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month beginning at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

St. James Lutheran Church is planning a bus trip to the Ark Adventure (the model of Noah's Ark which was built to the original measurements and specifications listed in the Bible) and the Creation Museum. The ark is an amazing re-creation built in Kentucky based on scientific facts and knowledge of the period. It is inspirational, educational, and fascinating and appropriate for all ages. Not only is the ark itself fascinating, but the story of how and why it was built is also captivating.

The trip will be April 18-19. The price is \$300/person and includes bus, admission to the ark and the museum, hotel and breakfast on the 19th. Anyone interested in taking this twoday bus trip can sign up in the narthex. If you are interested or would like more information contact Shelly Lawton at 570-854-2161.

The church is still in need of someone to help prepare Communion. If willing to help even for one month, sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. This involves filling cups with wine, getting the bread from Dalo's and setting up the wine and bread on the altar and then cleaning up after the service. Currently, members of Council are taking turns setting up the Communion service. See Shelly Lawton (570-854-2161) or Eileen Hoffman (570-379-3503) if you would be willing to serve the church

in this way on a regular basis.

Boy Scout Troop 300 continues to meet at St. James Lutheran Church on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8 p.m.

Cub Scout Pack 379 meets on Sunday evenings from 6-7 p.m. Kindergarten through 5th grade boys are welcome to join. Call Billy Jo Scott at 570-854-3755 for more info.

### ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH Services: Saturday 4 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 & 11 a.m. Father Joseph J. Evanko, Pastor 420 S. Mt. Blvd., Mountain Top 570-474-6315

This school year join your friends for a fun night of service, games and snacks. Once a month starting at 7 p.m., the youth group will meet in St. Jude School cafeteria to work on a service project. They will also have games and snacks! Feel free to invite friends too! Youth night dates are: March 10, April 4 and May 14.

The following items are needed for the Mt. Top Food Bank: Boxed soup mix instead of Ramen noodles, noodles, rice, boxed macaroni and cheese, vegetable soups, cream soups, baked beans, jelly, peanut butter, canned fruit, tuna, ketchup, mayonnaise, pudding, jello, sugar, hot chocolate and coffee.

The Parish office hours are Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday: closed and Sunday: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH Services: Sunday at 11:15 a.m. 285 Pond Hill Mt. Road, Wapwallopen 570-735-8531

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Like them on Facebook, "St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Pond Hill PA", to see pictures and announcements.

# ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

#### Services: Sunday 10 a.m. Rev. Daniel FitzSimmons, Rector 3085 Church Road, Mountain Top 570-868-5358

St. Martin-in-the-Fields is an inclusive and modern Episcopal Church that incorporates into its liturgy the best of both Catholic and Protestant traditions. Everyone, regardless of their faith or background, is welcome to attend Holy Eucharist services on Sunday. The last Sunday of each month features a Healing Service.

Sunday School: Sundays at 10 a.m. in the Common Room.

The Rt. Rev. Kevin D. Nichols, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem, will preside over the Holy Eucharist at St. Martin's Episcopal Church on Sunday, March 1 at 10 a.m. Everyone, regardless of their faith or background, is welcome.

AA Meetings: Mondays in the Common Room at 7 p.m.

Stop by and visit the Book Nook, where you can select from a wide variety of books at low prices. The Book Nook is open on the second Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Book donations are wel-

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come and much appreciated.

Everyone is invited to participate and attend choir rehearsals, which are held on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 9 a.m.

For more information on St. Martin's services and upcoming events, visit stmartintimeless.org or call Patty Siegel at 570-868-5690.

# ST. MARY'S OF DORRANCE

Services: Saturday 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m. Father Joseph Evanko, Pastor 3529 St. Mary's Road, Dorrance 570-868-5855

The church warmly welcome all visitors! Contact the parish office if you would like to become a member of the parish.

Religious Education classes are held weekly on Sundays from 10-11:15 a.m. Please call Stacy Panas with any questions or concerns at 570-332-3801.

Youth Group is for all young adults in seventh grade and older. Youth Group focuses on SSS, spiritual, service, and social. Meetings are typically held twice a month on Sundays from 6-8 p.m. For more information please call Molly at 868-5855 or 262-4628.

The church is looking for parishioners who would like to partner with the seventh and eighth grade students to journey with them as they prepare for Confirmation. Your commitment would include praying for them, and offering them encouragement and support via cards and letters. Call the parish office if you are able to share your love of the Catholic faith with one of the young adults, or if you would like more information.

A nite at the races will be held on February 22. Doors open at 6 p.m., post time at 7 p.m. Horses will be sold at the door for \$12. Purchase your horse prior to the event to be included in a surprise raffle.

The Knights of Columbus is looking for a few good men! If you are interested in giving back to your church and community and having fun while doing it call John Baab 516-241-5297.

Office hours are Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. or by appointment. In case of emergency call 570-474-6315 and follow prompts.

### ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Services: Saturday 5 p.m. Sunday: 10:15 a.m. Rev. Peter O'Rourke,

Sacramental Minister 411 Allegheny Street, White Haven 570-443-9944

St. Patrick's Church welcomes all to visit and worship with them. Contact the parish office if you would like to become a member of the parish. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Faith Formation (CCD) classes for grades Pre-K to 8th are held in the Parish Center from 9 to 10 a.m. every Sunday.

Living Stations will be presented by the youth of the parish on Palm Sunday. Students in grades 6 through 12 are encouraged to participate in this moving presentation of the Stations of the Cross. The first practice will be on Sunday, March 1 from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Annual Ash Wednesday fish dinner: Choice of baked or fried, green beans, french fries, cole slaw and dessert. Pick up only from 3-6:30 p.m. Cost: Adults \$10, children under 8, \$5. Sign-up sheet on the table in back of church and at the parish center.

Palm branches blessed on Palm Sunday should be burned or buried. Burned palm becomes the ash used on Ash Wednesday. If you have palm branches and want to dispose

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Naomi Harding and Kevin St. George, members of Faith Church Drums and Faith Church Hazleton, enjoyed the morning service and the pasta meal together.

### **Faith Church holds Valentine meal**

Faith Church Drums held its Valentine Lovely Day Pasta Meal on Sunday, February 16 following the 10 a.m. church service. It was a perfect day to bring friends and family to church and fellowship with others during the meal. Youth Pastor DJ Galade filled in for Pastor Keith Evans who could not be at church that day.

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of them properly, bring them to church and place them in the container in the back of the church. They will be burned before Ash Wednesday.

The Rosary is recited each Tuesday at 5 p.m. The Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed each Tuesday morning after the 8 a.m. Communion Service.

Weekday Masses are held on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 8 a.m.

If you would like information about joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Jim Curto at 570-443-8494.

# ST. PAUL'S **LUTHERAN CHURCH** Services: Sunday 8:30 & 11 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Rev. Michelle Kaufman, Pastor 316 S. Mt. Blvd., Mountain Top 570-474-6616

The congregation of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Mountain Top encourages you to join them for worship this week. The following is a brief summary of upcoming worship and service opportunities.

On Saturday, February 22 at 6 p.m. they will celebrate St. Valentine's Day with a special gathering. The cost is \$6 per person and it will be an Italian fare. BYOB, and they ask you bring along an appetizer or dessert. Kids are welcome at no charge.

Each year, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Join them Wednesday, February 26 as they begin the Lenten journey. Services will be held at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Communion services in March will be on March 1, 15, 29.

Every year the church youth come together and prepare a gourmet meal for their parents. This year the event is scheduled for Sunday, March 1. Youth are asked to be at the church for 3 p.m. to set up and prepare;

parents are asked to come at 5 p.m. Everything is prepared and readied by the children.

A sign up for the next Paint Night is in the narthex. It will be March 6 at 6 p.m. Only 25 spots are available! BYOB, feel free to bring a snack to share! All proceeds will benefit ELCA youth gathering!

Welsh Cookie Sale - preorder by signing up at church or call the church office. Pick up on Friday, March 20 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Friday, and on Sunday, March 22 after the 8:30 a.m. service. Cost is \$5 for a dozen cookies. This sale will benefit Carisa Drum who needs a handicap accessible van to get her to her medical appointments.

The spring flea market will be held on March 28 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. The pizza sale will be March 27 with pick up from 6-8 p.m. and also on March 28 in the morning. Any questions contact Lois Scott.

St. Paul's Hoagie Gang - sign up for delicious hoagies! March orders must be in by Sunday, March 15 with a pick up date on March 19 at 9:30 a.m. Hoagies are \$4 each. If you want your meat and toppings separated, please indicate that on the signup sheet. All monies earned go to benefit the church.

The church office is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The first Sunday of each month has been declared "Food Bank Day" and members are asked to bring non-perishable food items in order to keep up with the demand for food.

Every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday at 7 p.m. AA meetings are held, at 6:15 p.m., on Wednesdays Weight Watchers meetings are in session. Every Thursday NA meets at 6 p.m. Stress & Anxiety Management meets Every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. WELCA meets Every 2nd Wednesday of the month. The Mountain Top Social Club meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m.

Board game day is every third Wednesday, at 1 p.m. Please bring your favorite game and a snack to share.

Bible Study is held every Thursday at 1 p.m. Have some fun with learning; only 2 hours a week with a knowledgeable teacher. Snacks provided.

# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH Services: Sunday 9 a.m.

### Sunday School: 10 a.m. **Janelle Wigen, Pastor** 418 Berwick St., White Haven 570-443-9424

Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday at 9:15.

Sunday school for ages preschool through confirmation classes, is from 10 to 11 a.m. throughout the school year.

Activities at St. Paul's include: youth group for those in grade 4 through 12 the first and third Sunday at 6 p.m. Quilters on Monday at 9:30 a.m., Adult Bible Study on Tuesday at 7 p.m., community lunch each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m. in the Parish House.

# **ST. PAUL'S DRUMS UNITED METHODIST** CHURCH

Services: Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School: 9 a.m. Rev. Debra L. Hebden, Pastor 335 W. Butler Drive, Drums 570-788-3051

Pastor Debra and the congregation invite you to worship with them every Sunday. Fellowship time follows the service.

Holy Communion is offered

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on the first Sunday of the month. Ongoing ministries include Tuesday evening Bible Study at 6 p.m.

For more information, contact them at www.stpaulsdrums.com or Email: stpaulsdrums@gmail.com.

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WHITE HAVEN

#### Services: Sunday 11 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Rev. Edmund Freeborn, Moderator 305 Berwick Street, White Haven 570-443-7293

The congregation invites all to come and worship the Lord. If you are looking for a church home, they welcome you to come and worship with them every Sunday.

Sunday School is provided from September-June to children ages 4-12 during the worship service, after the Children's Moment. It takes place in the lower level of the church.

Al-Anon meets every Tuesday from 7-8 p.m. and Fire-

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flies Youth Group meets Fridays from 6-8 p.m. For more info on their group, check them out on Facebook at Fireflies Youth Ministry.

# WHITE HAVEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 9 a.m. 3rd Saturday 5 p.m.

### Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. David Botzer, Pastor 900 Buffalo St., White Haven 570-443-7153

White Haven UMC welcomes everyone in the community to worship with them. Communion is shared the first Sunday of the month.

A contemporary communion service is held on the third Saturday of the month at 5 p.m.

Sunday School welcomes children Pre-K through 5th grade. Youth Group welcomes those in 6th-12th grade. Both meet every Sunday at 10:15 a.m. following worship.

If you are in need of pastoral care, call Pastor Dave at 570-443-7153 or e-mail him at dbotzer@hotmail.com.

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