

OctoberBreast 2024 fundraiser sees big turnout



Mariann Eyerman checks out some of the baskets at OctoberBreast 2024.

Hundreds of people took advantage of a beautiful late-summer day to attend the OctoberBreast 2024

fundraiser held Sept. 14 at American Legion Post 781 pavilion. The event raised funds for Think Pink

breast cancer research. Besides live entertainment throughout the day there was plenty of food,

kids.

basket raffles and fun for

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9 a.m. - noon at St. Paul's Church, Rt. 309, across from Malacari's Ice Cream/Mini Golf. Non-perishable food items and monetary donations will be accepted.

OCTOBER 6 CHILDREN'S FISHING DERBY

The Blytheburn Lake Association will be holding its annual Children's Fishing Derby on Sunday, October 6th. 2024 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Lake Blytheburn. The event is for children 12 years and under.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Fishing will be off the dam and along the shoreline. Bait will be provided.

Refreshments will be served, and prizes will be awarded.

There is no charge for this event.

For more information, please contact Felicia @ 570-678-5261 or contact us on Facebook.

OCTOBER 8 MOUNTAIN TOP GARDEN CLUB

The Mountain Top Garden Club will present "Hydroponics: The Future of Gardening" at 6:30 p.m. at the Rice Township Municipal Building.

The presenters are Binu Rana, Lead Grower; and Isabelle Amlicke from Little Leaf Farms,



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McAdoo, PA. Learn about hydroponics, especially growing lettuce using hydroponics through the Nutrient Film Technique (NFT) at Little Leaf Farms. This method involves the flow of nutrient-rich water over plant roots, promoting healthier growth. Hydroponics minimizes water usage, reduces pests, and diseases, and the lettuce

tastes good. The meeting is open to the public and new members are always welcome. The Garden Club offers educational presentations, creative activities, and plenty of gardening information. Their Mission is to help beautify the Mountain Top area by planting many beautiful gardens. If you have any

questions, please email the Garden Club at mtgardenclub@gmail. com

OCTOBER 8 & 22 MOUNTAIN TOP SOCIAL CLUB

October meetings take place on the 8th and 22nd. The Halloween Costume party will be held on the 22nd, and the Christmas party is scheduled for December 4. For trip information call Delores, trip coordinator at 1-732-690-9609, for club information call Sharon, club president at 570-868-6598.



Taste of the Mountain returns to the American Legion Post 781, 1550 Henry Drive, Mountain Top, PA. Enjoy local food and wine samples, food trucks, breweries, entertainment and more. Visit tasteofthemountain. wixsite.com

ANNUAL PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY

Please join the 2024 Public Rosarv Rally. This Rosary Rally is sponsored by America Needs Fatima. Our nation needs public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praving for our nation on Saturday, October 12, 2024. at 12:00 p.m. Our local Public Rosary Rally will take place under the portico of St Jude Church, Route 309 in Mountain Top. Please contact Carmen at (570) 262-7373 for more information.

SLOCUM TWP. VOL. FIRE FISH FRY

Slocum Twp. Vol Fire Dept. Fish Fry, 2 p.m – 7 p.m. \$12 dinner with the option of chicken tenders or fish filet with fries.

OCTOBER 19 ANNUAL FALL VARIETY AUCTION, FLEA MARKET, CRAFT, FOOD AND BAKE SALE

Stairville United Methodist Church is hosting its Annual Fall Variety Auction, Flea Market; Craft, Food and Bake Sale on Saturday, October 19 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Auction will begin promptly at 1 p.m. with Auctioneer Frank Benscoter. The event will be held in the church fellowship hall, rain or shine.

There will be vendors selling flea market items, handmade craft items and more. Our full menu will be available to purchase from such as hotdogs, French fries, pierogies, halushki, sausage sandwiches, chili, soups, BBQ and more. There will also be a bake sale. Now is the time to start Christmas shopping! Or stop by just for lunch and enjoy time fellowshipping among others.

To reserve a vendor table for, still, only \$10 each, call Christine at (570) 868-3413. If no answer, leave a message and your call will be returned. Stairville UMC is located at 1790 Stairville Rd. in Wapwallopen, PA 18660. Tables will limited to first come first serve due to the auction.

OCTOBER 26

MOUNTAIN TOP HISTORICAL SOCIETY DANCE EVENT

Dancing and memories of your nights at the area drive-ins, including the Sunset Drive-In Mountain Top, will be happening at the Broadway Tavern, Route 309, Fairview Township on Saturday, October 26 from 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. The \$20.00 admission ticket includes hamburgers and hotdogs, and music of the 50's and 60's. A cash bar

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will be available. You may bring your own snacks to the Mountain Top Historical Society's semiannual, often-requested fundraiser. Tickets can be purchased at the Mountain Top Historical Society's Booth at the Mountain Top Rotary's Sunday Farmers Market from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

INDOOR COMMUNITY YARD SALE

St. Michael's Orthodox Church in Freeland will sponsor an Indoor Community Yard Sale on Saturday, October 26th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Michael's Recreation Center, 300 Fern St., Freeland. Numerous vendors with New and Old items and Crafters will be selling their goods. A Bake Sale will be featured, along with Tricky-Tray chances and much more. Delicious Homemade Foods will be available for Eat-In or Take-Out.

If new Vendors are interested, please call 570-954-8795 for information.

This is a Rain or Shine Event. No "Early Birds" will be accepted.

OCTOBER 27 ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH AUCTION

Bake it - Grow it - Can it - Auction and Raffle Ticket Drawing! St. Paul's WELCA will hold an Auction of homemade food items, baked goods, canned goods and plants. We will also have a raffle drawing of crafts and miscellaneous items. It will be held Sunday, October 27, at 6:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 316 S. Mountain Blvd. Mountain Top.

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Admission is free and light refreshments will be served. Half of the proceeds will be donated to the Mountain Top Food Bank. Any questions call Sue at 570-474-6558 or the Church Office at 570-474-6616.



Young artists create storybooks



Photo courtesy of Michele Millington

In Concert with the Arts a volunteer nonprofit effort to bring awareness, appreciation and support to arts and cultural programs and experiences in the **Greater Wyoming Valley** - recently held free art class titled "Books As Art" at the Marian Sutherland Library. The children, under the direction of artist Olivia Caraballo, created their own storybooks. For information about the group, visit the In Concert With The Arts Facebook page or email icwta.nepa@ gmail.com.



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Gummy Bear Science at Saint Jude School

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Budding scientists Melissa Patrick, Mason Medvitz and Kerry Blaum record data.





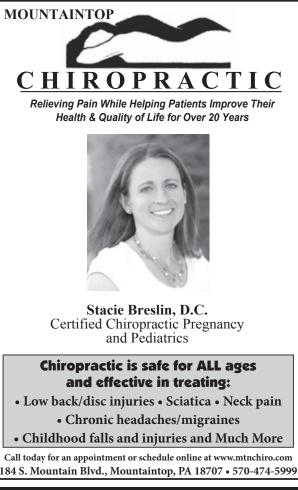
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Emily Sukel from The Office-Mountain Top Pub wearing her Octoberfest outfit at OctoberBreast 2024. The Office-Mountain Top Pub was one of several bars/restaurants as well as food trucks to offer food at the event.



Some friends took advantage of OctoberBreast 2024 to catch up. From left are Toby Phillips, Shanay Baker and Madison Phillips.







Mollie O'Brien of Mountain Top staffs the Think Pink t-shirt table.



Josie Solomon, left, and her sister, Ruby, paint pumpkins at OctoberBreast 2024.



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It was about 10 years ago when Corey Poncavage decided he wanted to install a solar power system on the roof of his Mountain Top home. Trouble was, he couldn't find a company that



Poncavage

would do the project for a reasonable price.

So Poncavage, an electrical engineer, decided to see if he could do it himself. He did his own research and he learned what it takes to make a practical, reliable, and cost effective solar system.

He designed and installed a solar system at his own home and soon afterwards received requests from family and friends who also wanted a solar system. He enjoyed the process of designing and installing a solar system so much that he decided after nearly 25 years as a senior systems analyst at Talen Energy's Susquehanna Steam



Electric Station in Salem Twp., it was time to transition to a new career.

"I decided it was time for something new," he related.

Poncavage said he enjoyed the process and result so much that he kept going, installing solar systems for others who shared the same goals of reasonable cost and payback period

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Wright Township News

The Wright Twp. Park Road improvement project is finally moving forward.

Nearly three years after receiving a \$685,984 state Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) multi-modal grant for reconstruction of the road, supervisors this month awarded contracts for the work.

Robert C. Young, Inc. of Mifflinville was awarded a \$166,564 contract for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements for Park Road. The firm also was awarded a contract totaling \$1,041,680 for the road improvement project.

The project includes reconstruction of the road from Route 309 to South Main Road with new full-depth asphalt paving, installation of new ADA compliant walkways, and/or replacement of existing sidewalks, repairs to the stormwater management system, a new water line under the road, and pavement markings.

When the project was bid earlier this year, the lowest was nearly twice the amount of the grant. Supervisors voted to reject all the bids for the work on the recommendation of the project engineer, Barry Isett & Associates. The lowest bid received at that time was \$1,283,392.50 from Kobalt Construction Inc.

Subsequently, supervisors separated the ADA work from the project and bid it separately. The township received a \$145,000 Luzerne County Community Development grant for the ADA work.

While the second bid for the road improvements is still more than \$350,000 higher than the DCED grant, supervisors decided to move forward with the project. The township will use its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to make up the difference.

In addition to the road improvement project, supervisors awarded a contract for resurfacing of the township park's lower tennis courts. The \$258,654 pact was awarded to Don E. Bower, Inc. of Berwick. The project, which is part of the park master plan, will be funded through a state Department of Community and Natural Resources (DCNR) grand as well as a contribution from the Crestwood School District which utilizes the courts for its tennis teams.

Slocum Twp. will hold a dedication and open house at its newly renovated municipal building at 961 Blue Ridge Trail on Oct. 5 at 2 p.m. The township's volunteer ambulance will hold an open house that afternoon at its new building located directly behind the township building. The ambulance associations' s ambulances will be on display and the association will hold a basket raffle.

At 4 p.m., township supervisor Charles Herring, a retired Crestwood High School history teacher, will reprise his presentation of the experiences of Theodore Gerrish, a member of the 20th Maine Infantry Regiment during the Civil War. The soldier, portraved by Herring, describes his experiences from the time of his enlistment with the 20th Maine until the end of the war. Herring gave this captivating presentation annually to Crestwood High School students during his tenure as a history teacher.

The second annual Cops n Canines Day benefiting the Rice Twp. Police Department K-9 unit will be held Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. at Rice Twp. Park. The event is sponsored by Mountain **Top Area Community** Association (MACA). Activities include face painting for youngsters, a doggie parade with prizes for best costumed dog and best behaved dog. Also planned is a trivia contest and a 50-50 drawing. In addition. there will be a blessing of pets

American Legion Riders from Mountain Post 781 ,1550 Henry Drive will hold a spaghetti dinner Sept. 28 from 4 to 7:30 p.m. at the post home. Cost is \$12 per person which includes spaghetti, meatballs, salad. Italian bread. dessert, and choice of beverage. Eat in or take outs will be available. Proceeds will be donated to several veterans organizations.

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John "Chico" Kirn, left, and Tim McGinnis, right, prepare some of their famous potato pancakes at OctoberBreast 2024.

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without sacrificing quality. He eventually formed his own solar energy business, Power from Space. "It was the natural next step," he offered.

The company, which serves eastern Pennsylvania, provides everything from site evaluation to design, permitting and installation of solar systems.

"There are lots of benefits to the technology," he said of solar power. "It's clean, there are no moving parts, and it's good for large or small buildings," he explained.

"The sun's energy is

free," he noted. "Why not take advantage of it by using free space on your roof or in your yard "

roof or in your yard." Poncavage pointed out that solar energy is not just good for the planet, it also provides a solid return on investment and protects against future



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electricity price inflation. "From a financial aspect, solar systems make a lot of sense," he offered.

Typically, he explained, a property owner would recoup a full return on



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Meat Raffle

\$10 each or 3 for \$20. Winners will be chosen on Oct 31st.

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Please contact Brianna at 570-706-5582 or message us on Facebook to get vour tickets! Tickets are also available for purchase at Five Mountain

Hardware Store, B&S Distributors, Blue Ridge Polaris, and Council Cup Campground. The deadline is October 31. 2024.

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Sale

This sale is on October 22nd during normal Boscovs business hours. These coupons can be used in any Boscovs location or online. All \$5 tickets sold will profit Slocum Twp, Vol Fire Co and will help benefit our new building fund.

Fall Fish Fry

October 12, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. \$12 dinner: Includes fish or chicken, fries, veg-

etable and a dinner roll.

Annual Trunk or Treat

October 20: 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Rain date Oct 27 If interested in decorating a trunk, please

contact Chelsea at 570-574-1537 or message us on Facebook.

This is a free event. open to the public. This is a safe, family friendly event.

Christmas Dip Mix Sale

We are selling dip mixes for Christmas time! The perfect stocking stuffer!

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Homemade Soup Sale Chicken noodle \$8/

quart Creamy potato \$8/quart Chili \$10/quart

Orders due December 9 and pickup is December a cookie plate from all 15 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Party December 14, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Crafts, snacks, games, fun for the whole family. Santa will be there for photos.

Christmas Cookie Bingo starts at 6:00 p.m.

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Community association holds Cops n' Canines event

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Liz Legas of Auntie Liz's Diamonds in the Ruff grooms Sarsha at Cops n' Canines event at Rice Twp. park.

event on Sunday, Sept. 22 Rice Twp. police K-9 unit. Township K-9 officer Brian Stout was present along with K-9 Maverick.

State Rep. Alec Ryncavage (R-119) offered remarks along with Marla Conklin representing state Sen. Lynda Schlegel Culver (R-27).

Activities included a doggie costume contest; best behaved dog contest; and a doggie trivia contest. Prizes were awarded to the youngest and oldest dogs present. Face painting was provided by Donna Bohn.

Participating vendors/ groups included NEPA



Rice Twp. K-9 officer Brian Stout, right, chats with state Rep. Alec Ryncavage (R-119) and Marla Conklin, a member of state Sen. Lynda Schlegel Culver's (R-27) staff.

Pet rescue, Diamonds in the Ruff, Pretty Paws too,

Unleashed K9 training, and Country Kennels.

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Mountain Top natives Casey Martin and Alexis Wyandt participate in White Coat Ceremony

DALLAS TWP., Pa - On Friday, August 9, 2024, Misericordia University celebrated the 2024 graduating class of the Physician Assistant Studies Graduate Program with a Program Completion and White Coat Ceremony held in the Lemmond Theater of Walsh Hall. Sixteen students successfully completed the demanding 25-month Master of Science in Physician

Assistant Studies (MSPAS) program, which encompasses both Front row, left to classroom and clinical training. This comprehensive program equips graduates with a robust foundation in medical knowledge, clinical reasoning, problem-solving, professional behavior, and both clinical and technical skills, preparing them for success in an inter-professional healthcare environment.

right: Shannon Kuhn, Hanna Shepps, Madison Majcher, Naudia Solan, Erin Bryce McGovern, VanDeutsch, Alyssa Wilcox, Alexis Wyandt Back row, left to right: Kayla Mushala, Nicole Sible, Andrew Krachie, Casey Martin. Brian Gillette. Danielle Bonifazio, Cecilia Russo. Lindsay Fadenrecht.





Firemen's association to host electronics recycling event

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The Wright Township Volunteer Firemen's Association will host a free electronics recycling event from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 5.

Some items that will be accepted are: desktop computers, laptops, smartphones, tablets, servers, routers, flat screen computer monitors, gaming consoles, DVD players, scanners, keyboards and mice.

Items not accepted are tube TVs (flat screens will be accepted for a \$20 disposal fee), dishwashers, dryers, microwaves, air conditioners, refrigerators, air purifiers and other home appliances. Consumer electronics only, please.

The association is partnering with KVS Computers, an R2 v3 certified electronics recycler. KVS will securely sanitize or destroy any hard drives.

The event is free and donations are appreciated. Visit the Wright Township Volunteer Fire Department Facebook page for details.

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Kiera Weyhenmeyer with her service dog in training Pumpkin. Weyhenmeyer recently started her own dog training service, Dirty Dogs Dog Training.

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Aryanna Burke with her dog Billy at the Cops n' Canines event. At rear is Isabella Burke. Billy won the prize for best costume.



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John Sacco of Unleashed Balanced K9 Training, one of the vendors at Cops n' Canines event at Rice Twp. park.



Mitchell Hildebrand and his daughter Haddie along with their dog Jazz at the Cops n' Canines event at Rice Twp. park.

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Events like National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the Susan G. Komen® MORE THAN PINK Walk® have been integral to raising awareness about the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women across the globe. Though such campaigns and events have helped many women better understand breast cancer and their own risk for the disease, certain myths surrounding breast cancer persist. Such myths are not harmless and can, in fact, lead to unsafe outcomes that jeopardize women's health.

Questions about breast cancer should always be directed to a physician. Though physicians may not have all the answers. they remain useful allies in the fight against a disease that the World **Cancer Research Fund** International reports will be discovered in roughly three million women this year. As women seek more knowledge of breast cancer, it can be just as important to recognize some common myths

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surrounding the disease. Myth: MRIs are more effective than mammograms.

The National Breast Cancer Coalition notes that no evidence exists to support the assertion that a magnetic resonance imaging exam is a more effective screening test for breast cancer than a mammogram. The NBCC acknowledges that an MRI can be an effective diagnostic tool when doctors suspect something is wrong. However, the NBCC advises against using MRI to screen for breast cancer since it is more likely to yield a false-positive result than a mammogram. Indeed, the National Breast Cancer Foundation identifies mammography as the gold standard for the early detection of breast cancer.

Myth: Breast size and breast cancer risk are connected.

This myth typically suggests breast cancer is more common in women with large breasts. The NBCF notes there is no connection between breast size and breast cancer risk. Breast density, not size, may be associated with a greater risk for breast cancer. The Mavo Clinic notes dense breast tissue refers to the ways breast tissue appears on a mammogram. Women with dense

New, in Brief

Mountain Top McDonald's supports Team Allied Services

Allied Services McDonald's Fry Fundraiser, is an ongoing campaign aimed at raising essential funds for pediatric rehabilitation programs. With the generous support of the Mueller Family and **Stella-Corbin Family** McDonald's locations, the fundraiser invites the community to enjoy delicious fries while making a meaningful contribution to children in need of specialized care.

This year's fundraiser has already seen tremendous engagement from local families and teams, and Allied Services is looking forward to continued success in the weeks ahead. Every purchase of large fries at participating McDonald's locations directly supports the pediatric programs at Allied Services' John P. Moses, Esq. Pediatric Rehab Centers, which provide critical care to more than 1.200 children each year across Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania.

"We are incredibly grateful to the Mueller and Stella-Corbin Family McDonald's for partnering with us on this important fundraiser," said Jim Brogna, Vice President at Allied Services. "The support from the community has been overwhelming, and it's heartwarming to see people come together for a cause that has such a direct impact on local

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children and their families. This fundraiser is a simple yet powerful way for people to make a difference."

The funds raised through the campaign will support the lifechanging care provided by Allied Services, including physical, occupational, and speech therapy, as well as specialized treatment for conditions like cerebral palsy, autism spectrum disorders, and developmental delays.

"We couldn't do what we do without the support of the community," continued Brogna.

"Partnerships like this not only raise funds but also raise awareness of the important work

we're doing to improve the lives of children. We look forward to the continued success of the 'Fry Fundraiser' and to helping even more families through our pediatric programs."

The fry fundraiser will run through September 30th. The community is encouraged to participate by visiting participating McDonald's locations or donating directly to Team Allied Services.

For participating locations, more information about the fundraiser, or to make a donation. visit https:// www.allied-services.org/ team-allied/blog/2024/ july/mcdonalds-fryfundraiser-2024/.

Participating McDonald's in Luzerne County Edwardsville: 80 S. Wyoming Ave, Edwardsville

Hanover: 746 San-Souci Pkwy., Wilkes-Barre

Kidder Street: 744 Kidder Street, Wilkes-Barre Luzerne: 500 Union St. Luzerne

Mtn Top: 239 S. Mountain Blvd., Mountain Top Pittston: 306 PA-315,

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Team Allied Services Hosts 'Putt-Putt for Pediatrics' Fundraiser to Benefit **Pediatric Programs at Allied** Services

Get ready for some family-friendly fun while supporting a great cause! Two dedicated members of Team Allied Services. Sara Ross and Crystal Wright, are organizing the "Putt-Putt for Pediatrics" event at Malacari's Mini Golf. The event will take place over three days from Friday, September 27 to Sunday, September 29, and aims to raise funds for pediatric rehabilitation programs at Allied Services.

The event will offer a fun. Halloween-themed mini-golf experience for

the whole family. Guests are invited to enjoy the spooky decorations, play a round of mini golf, and treat themselves to ice cream at Malacari's Ice Cream shop. Admission is just \$9 per person, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting children who rely on the specialized rehab programs at Allied Services.

The schedule for "Putt-Putt for Pediatrics" is as follows:

• Friday, September **27:** 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM

• Saturday, September 28: 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

 Sunday, September **29:** 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM

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Fourth Annual Halloween Extravaganza Saturday, October 12 - 5:00-8:00pm Rain or Shine Rice Twp. Municipal Building Park Area

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"We are excited to host this event and bring our community together for a cause that's close to our hearts," said Sara Ross, co-organizer and first-time member of Team Allied Services. "By coming out to play, everyone can help make a difference in the lives of children who rely on Allied Services for life-changing

therapies." Crystal Wright is a

5-time member of Team Allied Services! Allied Services, a nonprofit health system,

profit health system, provides a range of specialized pediatric rehab

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For more information about the event, visit the Allied Services event page alliedservice. org/teamallied or call 570.348.1275.

About Team Allied Services

Team Allied Services is a group of dedicated runners and community members who participate in the TCS New York City Marathon to raise funds for pediatric rehab programs at Allied Services. This year, Team Allied Services is working to raise critical funds to sustain specialized care for children with disabilities at the Allied Services John P. Moses, Esq. Pediatric Rehab Centers.



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Tuesday, October 15, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Halloween Bleach T-Shirt Program: All ages

Bring a dark color cotton tee shirt to bleach in a Halloween design. Bleach and stencils are provided.

Tuesday, October 22, 5:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. **Teen Halloween**

Escape Room Grades 6-12

Small groups of teens enter the escape room for 30 minutes and work together to solve puzzles that will lead them to open the Halloween box with prizes inside! Register for a 30-minute time slot, Space is limited so sign up early!

Saturday, October 26, 11:00 a.m. to noon **Teen Halloween Egg**

Hunt Grades 6-12

Teens search for Halloween eggs and other Halloween items that are

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breasts, which the National Cancer Institute notes affects roughly half of all women over age 40, are at higher risk for breast cancer because the dense tissue makes screening for the disease more difficult. But breast size and breast density are not one and the same.

Myth: Most breast cancer patients have a family history of the disease.

The NBCC notes that roughly 15 to 20 percent of women diagnosed

with breast cancer report a family history of the disease. Assuming only those with a family history are vulnerable to breast cancer gives women with no such background a false sense of security, which may discourage them from taking measures to lower their risk.

Myth: All breast lumps are cancerous.

The NBCF indicates only a small percentage of breast lumps end up being cancerous. Lumps should never be ignored,

and should be reported to a physician immediately. But it's important to avoid jumping to conclusions after finding a breast lump. A clinical breast exam can determine what's behind the lump, and women who discover a lump should remain calm until such an exam is conducted.

These are just some of the many myths circulating about breast cancer. More information about the disease can be found at www. nationalbreastcancer.org.

Registration is required for all programs. Please

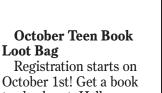
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American Red Cross Blood Drive, Oct 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Non-perishable food items are accepted yearround. You may drop them off in the food chest in the narthex during Sunday worship.

Cancer Support & Grief Support Groups are offered online monthly. Visit our website or contact the church office for more details.

Visit the church's Facebook page: Christ on the Mountain Top or its website: christonthemountaintop. org.

For information on all of our worship services, groups, events and community services, including Grief and Cancer Support Groups, please visit our website at christonthemountaintop.org, visit our Facebook page: Christ on the Mountaintop, or contact the church office at (570) 474-6060.

CONYNGHAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Services: Sunday 10:30

a.m. Graham Truscott, Pastor 411 Main Street,

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Join them for worship on Sundays online on Facebook and in person at 10:30 a.m.

Kids and Youth Sunday school at 9:15 a.m.

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

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

Sunday School lessons are Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Through the nurture of adult and teen members. our children learn the significance of worshiping our God on a regular basis. They are shown the value of acting on their belief in God. Jesus and the Holy Spirit through watching others. Knowing that we are being watched and imitated, adult and teen Christians have a responsibility to be proper role models and be mindful of the influence we have on these young Christians.

We need to seriously consider why we want to be in touch with God, not only during our worship service, but also throughout our daily routines. As with other aspects of our lives, our faith grows and matures. We constantly work to improve our understanding of who God wants us to be and what he wants us to do. As we cultivate and deepen our own relationship with God, our children see that faith is not

The Wright Center for Community Health hosting breast cancer support program



Committee organizers include, from left, Karen Case, Helayna Szescila, deputy chief governance officer, The Wright Center; Kimeth Robinson, manager, The Wright Center for Community Health in Wilkes-Barre; Dr. Linda Thomas-Hemak, president and CEO, The Wright Centers for Community Health and Graduate Medical Education, and co-chair, The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement Board of Directors; Kara Seitzinger, executive director, public affairs/advisor liaison to the president and CEO, The Wright Center; Mary Marrara, co-chair, The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement Board of Directors; Lorraine Lupini, board member, The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement Board of Directors; and Ellen Walko, secretary, The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement Board of Directors. Missing from photo are Geraldine McAndrew, director of development and relations for community outreach, The Wright Center; Holly Przasnyski, director, The Wright Center for Patient & Community Center for Patient & Community Center for Patient & Community Engagement Board of Directors. Missing from photo are Geraldine McAndrew, director, The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement Board of Directors. Missing from photo are Geraldine McAndrew, director, The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement; and Kathleen Doyle, director, patient-centered services, The Wright Center.

The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement is hosting a special Wonderful Women Breast Cancer Support program on Wednesday, Oct. 16, from 5-7 p.m. at The Wright Center for Community Health's primary care community health center in Wilkes-Barre, 169 N. Pennsylvania Ave., with keynote speaker Dr. Lisa Thomas of Hematology & Oncology Associates of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Julie Rutkowski of the Strong and Coura'Jess Foundation will also talk about the foundation that helps women with terminal illnesses connect with resources that can help their mental, spiritual, and physical health during treatment. The nonprofit foundation is named in honor of her daughter Jessica Rutkowski, a mother of three who died in 2021 from stage 4 triple negative breast cancer.

The program is free, but reservations are requested by calling Holly Przasnyski at 570-209-3275 or emailing her at przasnyskih@ TheWrightCenter.org. For more information about The Wright Center for Patient & Community Engagement, go to TheWrightCenter.org/ patient-and-communityengagement. ALL NEW, HIGHER HOURLY RATES! RN - LPN - CNA - PT





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something that should be stagnant or comatose. We pass on our active, living faith to our children and help them to develop into Christians who truly care about what and why they believe.

As in all other areas, the groundwork needs to be solid in order to build. Basic Math before Algebra. Basic Science before Chemistry. Basic Bible Stories before Life Application. A good basis for our children's development is regular attendance at Sunday School. Through the teachings of God and Jesus as found in the Bible, children can establish a solid foundation to build upon. Bring your children to Sunday School and give them the opportunity to achieve the sound and strong belief they will need to deal with the experiences of life.

Our Teen Talk is for anyone in 7th grade and above. We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am

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to talk about God and Jesus, how our lives are influenced by them and how we can be an influence on others around us. There are so many things that try to manipulate us away from God. Come to Teen Talk and find other teens who want to make their faith stronger and be better at dealing with ideas and things that pull us away from being Christians.

Our Sunday worship service is at 10:30 am and is led by Pastor Lou Aita. We welcome visitors and friends to join us for worship every Sunday.

Our newsletter, The Messenger, is available

through our website, emmanuel-ucc.org, along with other information about us and our surrounding communities. You can also check us out on Facebook at facebook. com/emmanuelucc.

Emmanuel United Church of Christ in Dorrance Township houses the Food Bank for the Wapwallopen Ministerium. All contacts are kept strictly confidential as we understand each person's need for privacy and selfesteem. The food bank is open by appointment only. If we can help you or someone you know, please call 570-868-5675 and we will provide for you and those you care for, at this time we are

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We thank everyone who contributes to our recycling aluminum cans project and hope you will continue to help us raise funds for the Cemetery Association by recycling cans. Please place the cans in large bags and drop them off in the large crates at the back of the lower parking lot. Again, thank you for your continued support.

Emmanuel United

Church of Christ is located at 7768 Blue Ridge Trail at its intersection with Alberdeen Road (across from Andy's Gas Station) in Dorrance Township, Mountain Top, and we invite you to join us on Sunday mornings for Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am. We have a Nursery available for children to age 6 during our Worship Service. If you need directions or would like more information, please call the church office at 570-868-5675. Our church is handicapped accessible.

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

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Services: Saturday: 6 p.m.

Sunday: 8 & 9:30 a.m. Rev. Michael J. Kloton, Pastor Route 309, Drums

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Bingo at Good Shepherd Church on Tuesdays is back. The kitchen opens at 5 p.m. and the Early Bird game begins at 6 p.m. If you would like to volunteer, call the parish office.

The Queen of Our Hearts Rosary Group invites you to pray the rosary in church on Saturdays from 5 to 5:45 p.m.

Confessions are on Saturdays from 5:00 p.m. to

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5:30 p.m. in Fr. Kloton's office. Please enter and exit through the outer library door (white storm door) located at the ramp entrance to the church.

MOUNTAINTOP FAMILY CHURCH Services: Sunday 9 & 10:30 a.m. **Brian Knorr, Pastor** 209 S. Mt. Blvd., **Mountain Top** 570-474-0900

Preschool Playgroup will meet on September 23rd at 10:30am in the Upstairs Youth Room. Infants, toddlers and preschool age children accompanied by their parent, grandparent or caregiver are welcome to attend. Playgroup meets every other Monday. Contact the church office or email katie@mfcchurch. com for more information.

Wednesdays at MFC have a ministry for just about everyone in your family. Men and women are invited to attend our Men's Small Group and Ladies Small Group; both meet on Wednesdays with two times to choose from: 10am and 6:30pm. Contact the church office for am small group locations. Evening small groups meet at MFC. Starting Point Senior High is for students who are in grades 10-12 and meets in the Youth Room from 6:30-8:00pm and Starting Point Junior High is for students who are in grades 7-9 and for the month of September will meet in the UpTown

Classroom from 6:30-8:00pm. Ground Zero is for students in grades 4-6 and for the month of September, will meet in the sanctuary from 6:30-8:00pm. Rainbows. Prims and Rangers meet on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm for children 4 years old through 3rd grade. Registration forms and payment are required for these three groups. Please contact the church office for if interested in registering or for more information. There is no registration or payment required for Starting Point Senior High, Junior High or Ground Zero. Students may join at any

Mountaintop Family Church holds Sunday morning services from 9am-10am and 10:30am-11:30am. KidsTown Children's Ministries takes place during both services for children 8 weeks old through 6th grade. Our certified KidsTown staff provides a safe environment for children to grow in their relationships with God and with others.

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Our Sunday morning services are also available through live-stream. If one platform happens to not be working, please try the others!

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Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our weekly worship service. Children through 5th grade are dismissed for Children's Worship mid-way through the service. We have a fellowship meal afterward on the second Sunday of each month.

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On September 8, Bill Bowden will lead our worship service.

For more information about our church services and activities, please contact Diane Webster 570-379-3713

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Services: Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: John Broglin www.nlccmountaintop. com 570 S. Main Road,

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570-868-5155

The 10:30 a.m. service includes kinderchurch for ages 4-6 years and the junior church for 7-12 year olds.

Sunday, October 13th, pastor appreciation luncheon after 10:30 service, in the fellowship hall.

Sunday, October 27th at 3:30 pm. Come celebrate the church's 25th anniversary service and fellowship.

New Life Community Church invites you to join them for in person worship services. You can also join via Facebook Live

on the NLCC homepage.

Come grow with them as they study God's Word on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in person or via zoom. Please contact Pastor John for the link.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MOUNTAIN TOP Services: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Lory D. Ryan Organist: William Blannett 9 Chestnut Street, Mountain Top 570-474-9951 Facebook & Web: PBYCHMT.org

All are welcome to Worship on September 29 and October 6.

The service begins at 11:00 a.m. with the message delivered by Pastor Lory Ryan. Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m

If you are watching on the Facebook stream or away on vacation, please do not forget to mail your tithes and offerings.

Return to Sunday School: The fall Worship schedule will begin Sept. 8 with Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 a.m. and Worship at 11:00 a.m. Classes are available for all ages. The adult class meets in the Sanctuary and the kids will meet in Fellowship Hall! Come and enjoy the fellowship and the learning!

Women's Bible Study – We will be studying "Women of the Bible" starting Monday, October 7, at 6:30 p.m. at the church. This will be held every first Monday of each month.

Prayer Shawl Ministry – We will start meeting again on Thursday, September 24. Meetings are every 2nd and 4th Thursday from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Sunday School room. All knitters and crocheters are welcome.

SAVE THE DATES: Oct 12-The Deacons

will hold an "All you can eat" breakfast from 9 a.m.until 11:00 a.m. Tickets are \$10 adults and \$5 for children 5 and up. Tickets are available at church.

Oct, 20- HAYRIDE! All are invited to meet at 2 p.m. at Burgers Farm in Drums for some fall fun and snacks. Contact Ceryl Pekar or the church office for more information.

The choir practices Thursdays at 7 p.m. New talent is always welcome. If you are interested in sharing your gift, please contact our Director of

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Music Bill Blannett at 570-498-7375, or by email at wpb67@yahoo.com. So come and make a joyful noise with friends who love and care about you.

Fall small groups will be begin sessions on September 25. Sign up sheets will be in the rear of the sanctuary.

Food Bank: The food bank is in need of the following items: peanut butter, canned tomatoes, canned pasta, sugar, coffee, mayonnaise, catsup, and mustard. There is a bag located in the Narthex for the items.

HOME Fund: Please consider donating to the HOME Fund (Helping Others Meet Emergency Expenses) to assist those that can use a helping hand. Envelopes are located in the pew racks.

For more information on the church and ministries the website is pbychmt.org or find us on Facebook.

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

Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

Oliver Brown, Pastor 827 E. County Road, Wapwallopen 570-379-3878

The church doors are open for worship services on Sunday mornings. Services are also live on Facebook every Sunday morning, you can tune in by opening Facebook and typing St. James

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bie, in the search line. ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Services: Sunday at 10

a.m. 772 St. John's Road,

Drums 570-788-2685

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 772 St. Johns Road, Drums, 18222, St. Johns, welcomes everyone each Sunday for worship at 10 a.m. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 2, St. Johns, PA 18247 and our phone number is 570-788-2685.

Leilani Chesonis, a Vocalist and Entertainer, will perform uplifting, lively renditions of Beloved Country Classics, Spirited Southern Gospel & Praise, and a variety of Genre Crowd Favorite Songs on Sunday, Sept. 15th at 2 pm. Something for everyone, of all ages, to enjoy in this energetic, engaging, unique concert. Everyone is invited and welcome. A good-will offering will be taken. Light refreshments following the concert.

Visit us on Facebook: St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church- Saint Johns, PA and our updated website, sjlutheran.org.

ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation is Monday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the St. Jude Adoration Chapel.

Regular office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Closed for lunch 12-12:30 p.m.) Questions, call the office, 570-474-6315, ext. 221.

ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS EPISCOPAL CHURCH Services: Sunday 12:30 p.m.

3085 Church Road, Mountain Top Rev. Father Charles Warwick, Priest-in-Charge 570-868-5358

Everyone, regardless of their faith or background, is welcome to attend worship services. St. Martin-in-the-Fields is an inclusive and modern Episcopal church, incorporating the best of both Catholic and Protestant traditions. As an inclusive church, St. Martin's recognizes divorce and the remarriage of divorced people, male and female clergy, single or married, LGBTQ equality, and a Eucharist open to all baptized persons, regardless of their faith background.

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For more information on St. Martin's services and upcoming events, visit stmartintimeless.org or call 570-868-5358.

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

Saint Mary's has confession on Saturdays from 4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. The parish will be

hosting Yoga Classes on Wednesday evenings. (Thursdays the first week of the month). Parishioner Lisa Rosser will be

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will be forwarded on those days.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Services: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8 a.m Saturday 5 p.m. Sunday: 10:15 a.m. Rev. Peter O'Rourke, Sacramental Minister 411 Allegheny St., 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.

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Confession schedule: Saturday, 4 to 4:45 p.m.; Sunday, 9 to 9:45 a.m. You may also schedule an appointment.

The Mission of Faith cabinet has been restocked with inspiring and informative materials for adults, teens, and children. The cabinet is located on the right as you enter the Church. Monetary donations are appreciated and are sent to the foundation that provides the books. These donations help the foundation to continue this service.

Please be aware the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation require our children to attend 2 vears of Faith Formation. If they have not attended the required 2 years, they will be moved appropriately to fulfill the requirement.

ST. PAUL'S **LUTHERAN CHURCH Summer Services:** Sunday 10 a.m. Rev. Michele Kaufman, Pastor 316 S. Mtn. Blvd., **Mountain Top**

570-474-6616

Join us for worship at St. Paul's for Sunday Services at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. As always, you can call the church office and leave a message for any inquiries.

Join us on Sunday, Sept. 29 for a chance to

worship outdoors and share a time with music, food and fellowship at our Annual Church Picnic. Meats and the basics will be provided. We ask everyone to bring along a dish to share and /or dessert. Bring a friend. Signup is in the narthex.

Our Harvest Home Celebration will also fall on Sept. 29. As in years past, you are asked to bring in items to help restock the shelves of our Food Bank, as well as items that might be used in our Thanksgiving Feed-A-Friend project. Mark your calendar now and make a difference in our community.

Join us for a Bake it, Grow it, Can it Auction! (Plus raffle ticket drawings!) St. Paul's WELCA will hold an auction of homemade foods, baked goods, canned foods & plants on October 27 at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. for browsing. We will also have raffle drawings for crafts & misc. Items as well! Light refreshments will be served. Half of the proceeds will go to the Mountain Top Food Bank. Anyone wishing to donate to the auction or the raffle should have items to the church by 11 a.m. October 27 If pick up arrangements need to be made, or you have additional questions, please contact Sue 570-474-6558.

Please note: Food Bank continues to distribute food to clients every Friday from 9 am-noon. If

you can help us, we are in need of donations! Some items needed are ketchup, mustard, canned vegetables and soups, jelly, peanut butter, pasta, and cereal. If you would like to drop off donations at the church, please do so on Fridays 9 a.m.-noon.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Services: Sunday 9 a.m. Sunday School: 10 a.m. **Janell Wigen, Pastor** 418 Berwick St., White Haven 570-443-9424

Sunday morning worship service is at 9 a.m.

The church is using Zoom so you will still be able to attend services. It is held on Sundays at 10 a.m. If you are not able to join a computer, phone or iPad, you can call into the worship service.

The number is 1-646-876-9923. Press the # sign after the prompt. The meeting room ID again is 828 6572 5051 and the password is 4439424.

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

Services: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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The Crestwood High School Class of 1974 held its 50th class reunion

The Crestwood High School Class of 1974 held its 50th class reunion on Saturday, August 31 under the pavilion at the American Legion Post 781 in Mountain Top. A tour of the high school was held on Friday, August 30 followed by an ice breaker at Adelina's Restaurant. Classmates in attendance were Maribeth Beres Galbraith, Joan Bezdziecki, Kim Collotv Jobst, Sue Cragle Chado, Linda Cybulski Gittens, Karen Daley, Tom Dinkelacker, Ray Eckert, Jim Edwards, Steve Espe, Craig Rhys Evans, Jim Flanagan, Bill Hartmann, Leo Havdt, Mary Alice Hennigan Hennessev.

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Study every Wednesday from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The church is an active, praying, joyful congregation. For more information check out Facebook

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CHURCH OF WHITE HAVEN

Services: Sunday 11 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m.

Bill Lester, Leader 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. Al-Anon meets every Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Fireflies Youth Group meets Fridays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For more info on their group, check them out on Facebook at Fireflies Youth Ministry.

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

WHITE HAVEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 9 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

Youth Group: 10:15 a.m. Maurice Delgado, Pastor

900 Buffalo St., White Haven 570-443-7153

White Haven UMC welcomes everyone in the community to worship with us on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.,followed by fellowship and refreshments. Communion is shared the first Sunday of each month.

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

Non-perishable food items are collected every Sunday to support the White Haven Food Pantry.

Adult Bible Study meets every Wednesday morning at 10a.m. upstairs in the overflow room.

If you have any questions or are in need of pastoral care, please call Pastor Maurice at 570-443-7153 or 570-688-7941, or email him at mauricejdelgado@ hotmail.com. Be sure to check the church out on Facebook at White Haven United Methodist Church. Have a Blessed day!



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Fairview Township News

Fairview Twp. supervisors are looking for volunteers to serve on a newly reorganized recreation board. Anyone wishing to serve on the volunteer board should send a letter to the township office at 65 Shady Tree Drive, Mountain Top, PA 18707 or email the township at ftwpwasi@fairviewtwp. com.

Fairview Twp.

supervisors have scheduled meetings to plan the township's 2025 budget. The first session will be held Oct. 1 immediately following the supervisors regular meeting. The second will be on Nov. 6 following their meeting. Supervisors work sessions get underway at 6:30 p.m. immediately following.

equipment rental and snow removal services for the upcoming winter season. Bids will be accepted until 4 p.m. on Oct. 1.

Fairview Twp. solicitor Donald Karpowich is going to look into an amendment to the zoning ordinance to address solar farms. The subject was raised at this month's supervisors meeting by a with their regular meeting resident who asked if the zoning code addressed

Fairview Twp. is seeking solar farms. It was noted

there has been controversv in a few Luzerne County communities regarding proposals for solar farms.

The Mountain Top Historical Society will bring back memories of those nights we spent at area drive-ins when it holds Dancin' at the Drive In on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Broadwav Tavern. Route 309. The \$20 admission

includes hamburgers and hotdogs, and music of

the 50's and 60's. A cash bar will be available and you may bring your own snacks.

Tickets can be purchased at the society's stand at the Mountain Top Caboose, an essay contest Rotary's farmers market held on Sundays at Crestwood High School parking lot from 9 a.m. to1 p.m. until October 20. Tickets will be available at the door.

The society will meet Monday, September 23

at 6 p.m. at the Ice House Pub. Nuangola Road. Rice Township. On the agenda are the upcoming Dancin' at the Drive-In. Trivia Night, Santa at the for grade and high school students, and quilt raffle. Non-members are always welcome. Annual membership due of \$15 includes the annual Christmas party in December. Future meetings will be October 28, and November 25.



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Music Together provides music education to Mountain Top kids

Music Together, a music and movement approach to early childhood music development for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and kindergarten children, as well as their parents, has arrived in Mountain Top.

Kerry Kenny, director of Music Together of Bloomsburg, if now offering the researchbased early childhood music curriculum at St. Martin-in-the Field Church, Church Road in Rice Twp. Kenny presents the program from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. on Monday mornings at the church where eight children and their parents or primary caregivers currently participate in the eight-week session.

Certified in the Music Together curriculum, Kenny also presents Music Together in Bloomsburg, Lewisburg, Berwick, Danville and Elysburg to about 90 children and their parents.

The Archbald native

explained that Music Together develops every child's "birthright to basic music competence" by encouraging the actual experiencing of music rather than the learning of concepts or information about music.

"Music Together of Bloomsburg builds your child's natural enthusiasm for music and movement," Kenny explained prior to a recent class at

the Rice Twp. church. "We'll help you provide your young child with the basic musical skills needed to become lifelong music makers," she

added. Music Together offers classes for children from birth through

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Heloisa Stinson and her son Caleb sing along with Kerry Kenny at **Music Together.**



Julia and Miles Brown examine the gathering drum at Music Together class at St. Martin-in-the-Field Church.



kindergarten, in which parents and caregivers actively participate. During a recent 45-minute class, children ranging in age from 9 to 43 months, along with their parents (and grandparents) shared in songs, rhymes, movement and instrument play under the leadership of Kenny.

The current eight-week fall session began Sept. 9 and continues through Oct. 28. Kenny said children and their parents may join at any time.

Kenny pointed out that she has been making music all of her life. As a child, she grew up performing in her grandparent's Irish Pub in Archbald. Eventually, her Aunt – a professional pianist – teamed young her up with her siblings and cousin to form a traditional Irish music troupe. In high school and college, Kerry led bands, performed roles in community theatre, spent a year overseas in Ireland studying Irish Music, and eventually went on to

pursue a graduate degree in music at NYU. Her second year of graduate school was spent at the Academy of Music in Krakow, Poland, where she studied Computer Music Composition.



Kerry Kenny leads her class of children and parents in Music Lauren Burger and nine-month-old Finn check out the musical Together at St. Martin-in-the Field Church, Rice Twp.



Nora Kennedy and her dad, Patrick (left) and Makayla Kubasek and her dad Michael play the gathering drum at Music Together.

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