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## Lenten Luncheons Scheduled In Canton

During the Lenten season, the Canton Minister's Network, formerly known as the Canton Ministerium, sponsors an hour luncheon with guest speakers every Tuesday starting at 11:45 in the basement of the Canton Ecumenical Church, Center Street, Canton. Host churches are:

February 16: The Lighthouse of Faith; Mark Burlingame, speaking. Menu: Baked Ziti, Salad, Roll, Cake

February 23: New Life Church, Pastor David Ayer speaking. Menu: Chili, Corn Bread, Coleslaw, and Dessert.

March 1: Canton Mennonite Church, Pastor Darren Peachy speaking. Menu: Chicken Corn Noodle Soup, Tossed Salad, Whoopie Pies.

March 8: Church of Christ of Canton, Carol Morgan speaking. Menu: Chili, Coleslaw, Rolls, Brownies, Cake

March 15: Zion Fellowship, Dan Colton speaking. Chicken Stew over Biscuits, Applesauce, and Dessert

March 22: Grover Church of Christ, Pastor Will Strunk speaking. Menu: Beef Stew over Biscuits, Coleslaw, Dessert Buffet.

## Missoula Children's Theatre To Present

### Alice In Wonderland

The Missoula Children's Theatre production of "Alice In Wonderland" will be held at the Nelle Black Westgate Auditorium on February 27.

Auditions will be Monday, February 22nd at 4:00 PM. Participation fee is \$20/child

If you would like to sponsor one or more children, contact the BCRAC office at 570.268.ARTS(2787).

## Troy Family Medicine Receives PCMH Certification



Some of the staff at the Arnot Health Troy Family Medicine facility with certifications recently received. Seated: Dr. Richard Husband, Dr. Harry D. McHenry II, Phebe Cole, NP; Amanda Albright Blaszczyk, PA. Standing: Connie West, LPN, Sally Harkness, Secretary; Megan Krum, MA; Cindy Brown, Phlebotomist; Cheryl Vermilya, Secretary; Laurie Colton, MOA; Arica Jennings, Secretary; Patty Shay, LPN; Deb Vanderveer, LPN.

Other staff (not available for the photo): Beth Martin; Nicolee Coles; Terry Vermilya; Emily Kenyon; Peggy Ambrosch; Jerikah Holmes; Patty Schrader; Bryttani VanValkenburg; Samantha Fantini; Jessica Price; Liz Ward; Rebecca Bjorck; Jenn Neal



This award was presented to Troy Family Medicine for attaining Patient Care Medical Home certification. The award is being held by Dr. Husband in the picture above.

Arnot Health Troy Family Medicine has been recognized by the National Committee for Quality Assurance as a Patient-Centered Medical Home.

In an interview with the Independent-Sentinel, Dr. Richard T. Husband said, "This is considered a significant accomplishment for clinics in rural areas because of

## Troy Lenten Luncheon Schedule

The Lenten season will be here before we know it.

Ash Wednesday for 2016 is Wed., Feb. 10th and that marks the 1st of 7 Wednesday lunch gatherings at Troy Baptist hosted by the Troy area churches listed below:

Feb. 17th - Sugar Creek Parish Feb. 24th - Troy/Sylvania Presbyterian Churches

March 2nd - East Troy Baptist & St John's Roman Catholic

March 9 - New Creation Parish

March 16th - Berrytown Wesleyan & Gillett Baptist

March 23rd - St Paul's Episcopal & Coryland Churches

Each lunch begins at noon with a brief time of worship this will be followed by a soup/sandwich/dessert meal.

Again they're asking for a \$5 donation to go to the outreach of Troy Area Christian Council.

## "Momma Mingle"

### Feb. 20, At Firemen's Social Building

The Canton Fire Company's popular "Momma Mingle" will return to the Canton Firemen's Social Building on February 20.

Join this "Ladies Night Out" for food, fun and frivolity. Tickets will be a \$30 donation, which includes all food or drink for the night. Raffles start at 5 pm and door prize drawings at 7 pm.

Raffle items include hand guns, wood craft items, Kitchen Aid stand mixer.

Door prize items include small kitchen appliances, Kindle, Paula Deen Pot and Pan set, Keurig, Kay Jewelry, Bath & Body items, Wooden signs, and much more.

Tickets are a \$30 donation and are available now. Please contact Jodie Bardo or Sherry Miller for tickets.

## Troy Community Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship

The Troy Community Hospital Auxiliary invites all students in the Troy and Canton Area School Districts to compete for the annual \$500 Troy Community Hospital Auxiliary Medical Scholarship to be awarded in each district.

Applicants must pursue a course of study in the medical field; high school subjects must include science, health, math; must participate in community activities (can include school activities and outside employment). Applicants must be in the upper one-third of their graduating class and must be accepted into an accredited program of higher learning to begin immediately following graduation from high school for that year's fall and spring semesters.

Each applicant must write a 500 word essay expressing his reasons for choosing his particular medical field and submit this essay to the school's guidance office by the first Friday in March. Applicants must also submit at least two letters of recommendation: one from school faculty and one from a qualified member of the public (minister, employer, 4-H, Girl or Boy Scout leader, coach, etc.)

Interested students should visit their guidance offices for more information.

## Alumni Association Accepts Donations

Donations made to the Canton High School Alumni Association support scholarships and commencement awards to graduating seniors and also support various projects at the Canton Schools.

Donations may be made to the Alumni Association at PO Box 113, Ralston, PA 17763

## John Shaffer and Canton Sentinel/Troy Gazette Wins BEMY Award



Pictured above making the presentation to John Shaffer, Editor and Publisher of the Canton Independent-Sentinel/Troy Gazette Register LLC are several members of the Rialto Advisory Board. In the photo with Mr. Shaffer are in front from the left: Carol Lane, Carol Morgan, Mr. Shaffer, Elaine Poost. Back row, Angela Schoonover, Dennis Foust, Maribeth Schoonover, Kelsey Dowling, and Robyn Chamberlain.

An awards ceremony was held in January to honor patrons of the arts by Bradford County Regional Arts Council. Known as the BEMY Awards, which is to honor Brooks Eldridge Martin, the council selects businesses and individuals who make great contributions to the arts in the form of time, expertise, work, or donations.

This year, among the recipients was John Shaffer, owner, editor, and publisher of the Canton Independent-Sentinel/Troy Gazette Register. Mr. Shaffer was unable to attend that ceremony, so the Board of the Rialto Theater thought it might be quite appropriate to make the presentation to him at a meeting of the board at

## Wizelman Elected President of Elder Law Association



The Pennsylvania Association of Elder Law Attorneys (PAELA) has announced that Attorney Leslie Wizelman has been elected President of their association. Attorney Wizelman's term is for two years, beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2017.

PAELA is a non-profit association which assists lawyers, bar organizations and others who work with older clients and their families. PAELA provides a resource of information, education, networking and assistance to those who work with the many specialized issues confronting the elderly and the disabled.

Attorney Wizelman is one of only 471 Certified Elder Law Attorneys nationwide. Ms. Wizelman is the only Certified Elder Law Attorney in the 4-county area of Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna and Tioga. She has practiced law in Wyalusing since 1983 focusing her practice on long term care planning and estate administration. Ms. Wizelman is a graduate of Cornell University Law School and is a lifetime resident of Towanda.

## The Weather

We had a bit of snow on Tuesday morning, Feb. 9. The forecasts haven't been admirably accurate lately, but we have been told that the mercury could plunge to the minus nine degree range later this week. That should "quiet things down considerable."

## Canton Weather Substation

(Data is for 24 hour period ending at 8:00 am on day of report)

Date	High	Low	Precip
Feb 3	47	22	0.33
Feb 4	48	36	0.47
Feb 5	41	29	0.01
Feb 6	33	17	0.00
Feb 7	40	17	0.00
Feb 8	45	19	0.00
Feb 9	40	21	0.01

the Rialto Theatre. Along with a certificate and a wonderfully crafted handmade table by Larry Burke, the following letter of recognition was read:

The Canton Independent-Sentinel has been a corner stone of the Canton Community and surrounding areas since 1871 when it was founded by Charles H. Butts and successively owned by many well-known citizens of the Canton area. Charles E. Bullock A.B. Bowman, Charles D. Denrah Fred Newell, Sr., and Fred and Hattie Newell.

The Sentinel merged with the Canton Independent in 1941, which was founded the same year by the Canton Publishing Company, owned by Earle Wooten. This brings us to 1983 to the Canton Independent-Sentinel, then owned by T. W. Shoemaker and in 1988 the ownership went to John Shaffer. John also acquired the Troy Gazette Register in 2008 and the community paper now carries to mastheads, representing both communities.

John Shaffer, the son of Martin and Margaret Shaffer and was born and raised in Canton, and a graduate of Canton High School class of 1970 and is also a graduate of Eisenhower College class of 1974 with a Bachelor of Arts in history.

He is true to a saying that "Anyone born in the shadow of Armenia Mountain shall return," and return he did.

John is a true lover of history. The preservation of the heritage and stories of the communities seems to be the banner under which the Canton Independent-Sentinel flies.

Under John's generous guidance and faithful observations, each week the citizens of Canton and Troy are sure to have the most up to date coverage of current events and activities in the communities.

Although John does not claim to possess any artistic talents, his

## Kindergarten Registration For Troy Area School District

from the Troy Area School District

The Troy Area School District is pleased to announce the dates, times, and procedures for Kindergarten Registration at the W.R. Croman Primary School for the 2016-2017 school year. The following schedule applies:

Tuesday, March 15, 2016  
Wednesday, March 16, 2016  
Thursday, March 17, 2016

Please call the W.R. Croman office at 570-297-3145 to schedule an appointment to register your child.

The times for appointments on all three days are: 8:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 1:15 p.m. (There will be 10 -12 students scheduled per time slot.)

The following information must be brought to the registration site:

- Official birth certificate (student must be 5 years of age on or before August 31, 2016)
- Immunization record

love of cultural and artistic events is very evident in the support he lends them through his newspaper.

The Canton Independent-Sentinel is a corner stone of the community. It has been a BIG supporter of the Rialto Theatre and through that, the BCRAC. For years and years the Canton Sentinel has been the extension of the Rialto's Box Office. Since the Rialto is only open weekends, the Independent-Sentinel office and its employees act as agents of the Rialto, selling tickets and gift bags for the Rialto, selling special event tickets for the Rialto, displaying posters, selling their promotional items, and promoting all of their activities and movies by listing them in the paper.

This is all done voluntarily as a community service to support the Rialto Theatre. The Canton Independent-Sentinel also supports the Rialto through FREE advertising. All of the movie listings, promotions of special events, let alone the photos and articles John and his staff write covering the theatre's activities are all done through the generous support from John Shaffer and the Canton Independent-Sentinel. On any given week, it is not unusual to find the Rialto and BCRAC events listed on two to three pages in the paper, along with photo documentation of the events.

The Rialto Theatre and BCRAC are proud to be recipients of such generous support of the arts, given by the Canton Independent-Sentinel. Members of BCRAC are honored to be presenting this county-wide BEMY Award to the paper, under the steady direction of John Shaffer, publisher, editor, and owner and Lois Shaffer, owner and business manager, and their very capable staff, Andrea Sutton and David Preston. We thank them for their continued support of the Arts.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS Will be found on page twelve.

