

School



Students honored

Forty one students of the Dallas Junior High School were honored recently as recipients of certificates of distinction for the National Educational Development Test (NEDT) taken earlier this year at the school. To receive such an honor, the students had to score in the 90th percentile, or higher, nationally. Overall, Dallas students taking the test scored in the 86th percentile. Thirty-two percent of the students were in the top 10 percent in the national results. Shown here are students who scored in the 90th percentile: from left, first row, Daniel Poorman, Principal; Kristopher Dewey, Joseph Boos, Robert Kruchinski, John Richie, Matthew Lipo, Mark Richard-

son, Enrico Nardone, George Hoffman, Adam Crahall. Second row, Lynn Matus, Annmarie Danna, Erin Cleary, Elizabeth Scott, Vicki Yencha, Kristell Kocher, Cynthia King, Molly Grasso, Denise Corcoran, Eileen Nagy, Lori Brokenshire, Patricia Chismer. Third row, Christine Kaleta, Doreen Karrott, Staci Robbins, Shauna Griffin, Victor Liva, Rosemeilee Wong, Kristen Piatkowsky, Lori Ogurkis, Chritina Bulford, Crystallene Bell. Fourth row, Loren Williams, Truyen Huynh, Thomas McNichols, Cathy Zikor, Mary Elizabeth Smaka, Angela Chiarucci, Elizabeth Adams, Barbara DAVIES adn Pamela Good. Absent at the time of the photo was Jeffrey DePolo.

Area students named to Dean's List at Luzerne

Approximately 250 Luzerne County Community College students earned recognition for outstanding academic achievement during the 1983 Fall semester.

According to Thomas P. Leary, associate dean of admissions and student services, 45 students are listed on the President's Honor Roll, which require students to earn a perfect 4.0 cumulative grade-point average.

In addition, 130 students with grade-point averages between 3.50 and 3.99 made the Dean's List, and 81 students with grade-point averages between 3.25 and 3.49 were listed on the Honors Roll.

Back Mountain residents honored are:
President's Honor Roll—Frank M.

Ferraro, Dallas; Peter Gillis, Shavertown; Barry L. Ottaviani, Swoyersville.

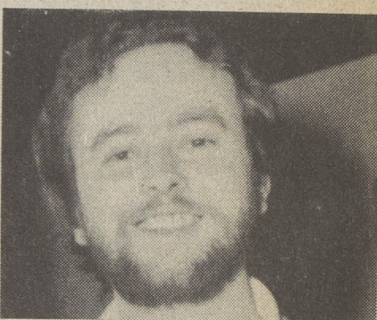
Dean's List—Mitchell D. Diven-tura, Dallas; Bernard Eichhorn, Dallas; Lisa M. Evans, Swoyersville; Edward W. McDonald, Trucksville; Michael A. Podskoch, Swoyersville; Colleen M. Skonieczki, Harveys Lake; Gregory A. Sorber, Shavertown; Walter J. Steltz, Dallas; Lora A. Swatko, Shavertown; Lois R. Williams, Trucksville; Donna M. Cupinski, Dallas.

Also, Tina M. Hlavac, Swoyersville; Margaret R. Kachmarksy, Sweet Valley; Margaret E. Lovetchio, Dallas; Donna M. Newcomb, Shavertown; Scott Paul D. Sterowski, Swoyersville.

Water colorist feted at Misericordia reception

An opening reception for water colorist, Ed Parkinson, was held recently in The Art Gallery at College Misericordia.

Parkins's exhibit which portrays the mountain regions of Wayne and Susquehanna counties, will be on display through February 9.



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Campaign update

Albert Duran, general chairman of College Misericordia's annual fund raising campaign, confers with Alice Solinsky, Development Office secretary and Marge Duran, Alumni secretary, on annual campaign pledges at the first report meeting held recently.

Misericordia campaign progresses

College Misericordia's "Gifts for Learning" campaign in its first week reached over 21 percent of its \$292,000 goal, of \$62,062.

The announcement was made by Albert Duran, general chairman of the 1984 annual fund raising campaign, at a report meeting held Wednesday at the Sheraton Crossgates. Duran, executive vice president of United Penn Bank, said that the dollars were raised through the campaign support student financial aid programs.

The current campaign total was achieved through the efforts of six community vice chairmen, their captains and solicitors. The vice chairmen are Thomas Jacobs, managing director of Boscov's; Sue Kluger, a director of the First National Bank of Wyoming; George Lister, vice president and general manager of the Times Leader; Raymond McGarry, national account manager of AT&T; Helen O'Connor, Luzerne County Register of Wills; and Daniel Schall, inventory and purchasing manager for Commonwealth Telephone Company.

Benedicta Matchett, chairman of the alumni giving phase of the campaign, reported that \$21,659 has been pledged to date by College Misericordia alumni. She said that amount represents a tremendous early response to the alumni direct mail program. The alumni phanation will be held early in February.

Frank Pasquini, director of development at the College, introduced Mark Kane, a junior business administration major at College Misericordia. A native of Wilmington, Delaware, Kane thanked the campaign volunteers on behalf of the

99 percent of Misericordia's student body which receives financial assistance.

Principal speaker at the report meeting was David M. Payne, Dean of Admissions at College Misericordia. He spoke about the significant changes that have occurred at the College in recent years, including the official change to coeducational status in the late 1970s, the fast-growing men's athletic program, and the overall increase in enrollment of more than 25 percent in the last four years.

Payne noted that the College has

instituted several new academic programs including occupational therapy, medical technology, computer science and business administration, while it has continued to improve those programs for which the College has been traditionally known, such as nursing and education. Payne also reported that Misericordia students now represent a broader geographical area that includes all of the Middle Atlantic states and much of New England.

The next annual campaign report meeting is Feb. 8 at the Sheraton Crossgates.

Penn State presents Financial Aid Night

College bound students and their parents are invited to attend a Financial Aid Night presented by Penn State/Wilkes-Barre on Thursday, Feb. 2, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Hayfield House on the Lehman campus.

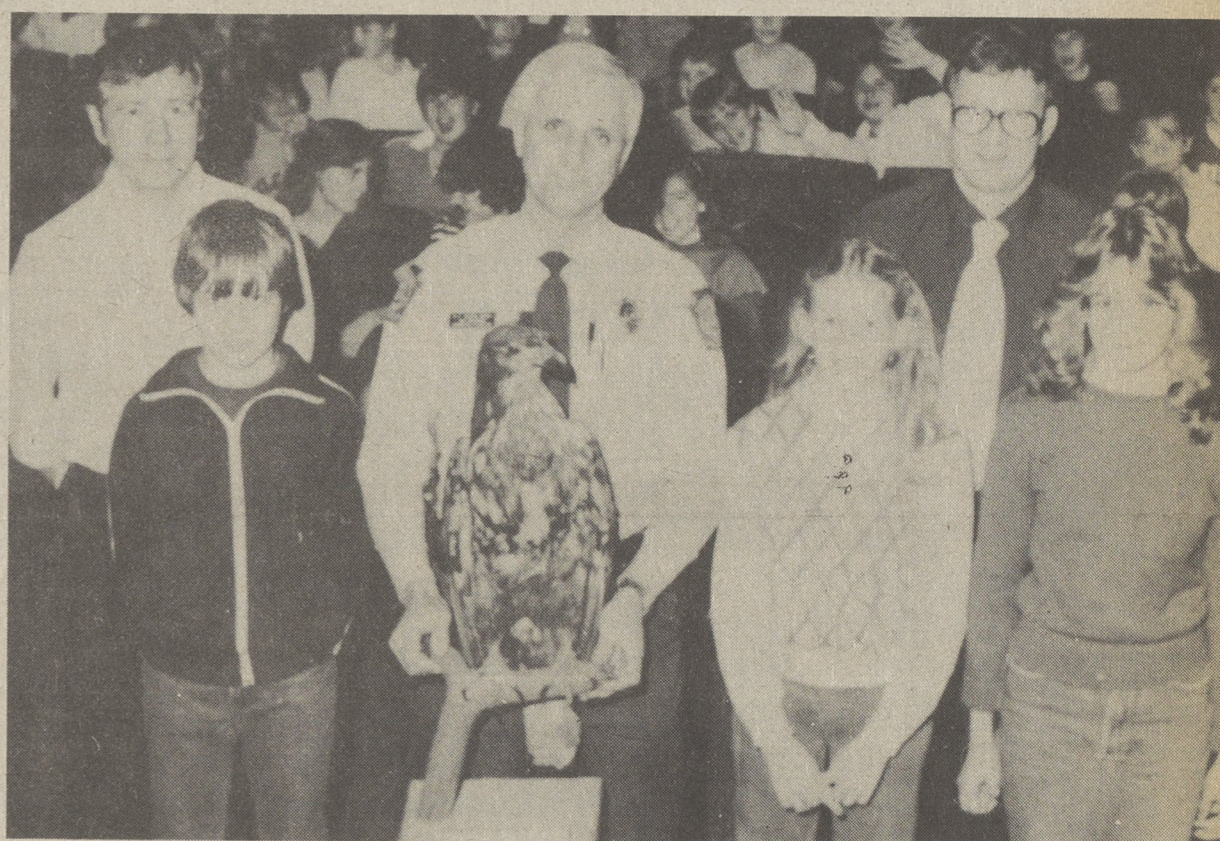
The program will provide information on the application procedures and deadlines for state and federal grants, students loans, Penn State University scholarships and grants and college work study programs.

Speakers will be Dr. Peter Yasen-chak, regional representative, Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistant Agency (PHEAA); Ms. Sharon Salvatore, student loan officer; Mr.

Kevin Boylan, assistant vice-president of the Wyoming National Bank, Wilkes-Barre; Ms. Lorraine Mrackoski, assistant in the Office of Student Financial Aid on the Wilkes-Barre Campus; and Ms. Jean Narcum, EOP Coordinator, Penn State Wilkes-Barre.

The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) at Penn State/Wilkes-Barre admits students who are both academically and financially disadvantaged. Many students in this program are eligible for a freshman EOP grant in addition to other financial aid.

Registration for the Financial Aid Night may be made by calling Penn State/Wilkes-Barre at 675-2171.



Officer speaks

The Dallas Junior High School hosted Officer Edward Sherlinski of the Pennsylvania Game Commission for a presentation on the Bald Eagle. The game commission has established a program to reinstate the Bald Eagle population in the Commonwealth. Officer Sherlinski spoke to the student body on the life patterns of the eagle, showed a film on the eagle in its natural habitat, and entertained questions on the eagle's near extinction and the re-establishment program underway through efforts of the game commission. Shown here, from left, are Frank Kopko, science instructor, Dallas Junior High; Jim Newell, seventh grade; Officer Edward Sherlinski holding a mounted bald eagle used in the presentation; Kim Thompson, seventh grade; Paul Warchal, science instructor, Dallas Junior High and Michell Egan, seventh grade.

Start a job with a spurt

Much has been said about the turtle and the hare, but evidence suggests a hare-like spurt at the start of a new job can set you apart - not just at the beginning, but for the length of your career.

"The faster you rise, the higher you aim," writes William D. Ellis in the February Reader's Digest. "Conversely, a plodding start induces lower expectations." Moreover, a team of management researchers found that sophisticated organizations make very early judgments about their new people, and these become self-fulfilling prophecies.

In the article, Ellis describes strategies successfully used by leaders in their fields - they worked for them; they may also work for you:

— Make yourself visible early. To distinguish himself from the pack, one advertising trainee, sent to interview drug-store managers, made his calls in a chauffeured limousine. Impressed, the managers always received him courteously, and he brought back an outstanding number of interviews.

— Overkill that first assignment. Sent to sell health and beauty aids, one young man worked 12 hours a day, six days a week, calling on potential customers.

— Get the lay of the land. Make it your business to know "everybody" in the company and what each department does. Following this precept, one bank trainee knew so much about the bank's operation that veteran officers came to rely on her. She's now an officer herself.

— Say "sure" and figure out how later. Management values the new employee who grabs a challenge and runs with it, Ellis advises.

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