

School

GATE OF HEAVEN SCHOOL NEWS

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THE STUDENTS in Mr. Walutes' Social Studies class are starting their research papers on renowned people and famous historical events. The papers will be due March 28, the first formal research paper for those students.

IN THE ERTLEY 50TH ANNIVERSARY CONTEST, one of Mrs. Ruch's second graders placed third. The requirement - to draw a model car as it may be in the year 2096 - was met by Melissa Slaby, who was awarded a \$75 bond for her futuristic drawing. Congratulations Melissa!

HAVING FINISHED A STORY in their reader about the use of masks throughout history, the students in Sr. Elizabeth's second grade, made some masks of their own. A good representation of the faces of Olympic star, Mary Lou Retten, Mrs. Chihuahua, Grover, the dog, a teenage "screw-up", and various other masks are on display in the corridor near room 202.

THE TELLS TEST in math and reading were administered to grades 3, 5 and 8 on Tuesday morning, March 11. This program, (Testing for Essential Learning and Literacy Skills), was proposed by Governor Dick Thornburgh as part of his educational improvement effort, and is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Test scores for each participant will be sent to the parents and the schools in June.

MR. LOJEWSKI, Guidance Counselor from Bishop O'Reilly High School, will meet with parents of students in grades 2, 4, 6 and 8 to discuss the interpretation of the SAT scores, in the school library on Tuesday, March 11 at 10 a.m. All parents of children who took the test are welcome to attend the meeting.

OUR STUDENT OF THE WEEK

is Mike McLaughlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McLaughlin of Wilkes-Barre. In Mike's free time, he likes to ride his bike, listen to music, skate, and meet with friends. Next year he will be enrolled at Bishop Hoban High School. He plans to attend Wilkes College and work for a degree in Medicine.

THE ANNUAL OFFICIAL VISIT of the Diocesan Administrative team to Gate of Heaven School took place Monday, March 3. Rev. John W. Jordan, Superintendent of the Schools of the Scranton Diocese, and Supervisors Sister Jean Toole, Sister Theresa, and Sister Edward Ann visited each grade during the scheduled classes. Reports are that the visit was enjoyed by all.

THE JUNIOR CHOIR under the direction of Mrs. Diane Wojciechowski have begun practice for the Easter liturgical music. This choir, composed of selected children from grades 2 through 6, provide the music for the 8:30 Liturgy on one Sunday of each month. The guitar accompaniment is provided by eighth graders, Wendy Kuniskas and Patricia Roginski.

MRS. GRAY'S THIRD GRADERS have been making murals of famous national tourist attractions and landmarks in and near Washington, D.C. They are on display in room 3-204.

The second graders' Solar System Project has been completed. The winners were chosen by their class: 2-201 1st. Alison Carey; 2nd. Kendra Reid. 2-202 1st. Stanely Rygelski and 2nd Danny Paley.

THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL on Friday, March 14 at Gate of Heaven. The teachers of all parochial schools on the west side will attend a day-long session on Christian Formation at Bishop O'Reilly High School.



Dallas Post/Ed Campbell

Chorus-bound

Shown here are three girls who will represent Dallas Senior High School at the Pennsylvania Music Educator's Association Region IV Chorus Festival to be held March 12-15. From left, Carolyn Fagan, senior, Alto 2; Beth Adams, junior, Alto 1; and Lori Timek, senior, Alto 1. Also scheduled to represent Dallas is Kathleen McKeown, senior, Alto 2. Mrs. Florence H. Sherwood is the choral director at the school.

SATs at Dallas Saturday

The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) will be given at Dallas Senior High School, Saturday, March 15. Seniors planning to attend two-year or four-year colleges should take this exam. Students planning to attend Luzerne County Community College do not need to take this particular exam.

The doors will open at 8 a.m. Students are reminded to bring their admission ticket and two number two pencils. Standby registrations will be accepted if the student brings to the test center a completed registration form, some type of identification, and a check or money order for \$36.50 made payable to ATP. Registration forms are available in the Dallas High School guidance office. Students having any concerns about their admission tickets should contact Mrs. Russin in the guidance office, 675-5201 ext. 215.

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OMAR NEJIB of Trucksville is the son of Mr. Umid Nejib and Mrs. Mary Savaback. He is involved in the Chess Club at Dallas. In his free time Omar likes to ski, play basketball and baseball. He works part-time at Wilkes College in the Apple Lab. His future plans include attending Wilkes College with a possible major in Computer Science.

DIANE DOUGLASS is the daughter of Mrs. Douglass of Orange. She is involved in Student Council, Drama, and the Yearbook Committee at the high school. In her free time Diane likes to read and listen to music. She would like to attend King's College to major in French and International Business.

DANETTE DOKNOVITCH is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley

Doknovitch. She is involved in the Chorus, Chansonaires, Key Club, Student Council, and was involved in the band in previous years. In her leisure time Danette likes to go dancing and crochet. She works at Mercy center Convent in Dallas. She has done a variety of community activities such as: volunteer work for the Red Cross and volunteer work with the Key Club, which included working with the Big Brother-Big Sister program and Christmas caroling.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MICHELLE BAINES on making Regional Band. Congratulations also goes to the alternates Tracy Baines and Mark Steinkirchner. Regional Band will be held at Dallas on April 2, 3, 4 and 5. The concert will be held on April 2.

Gate of Heaven is Middle States candidate

Gate of Heaven School, Dallas, has established candidacy with the Middle States Assembly of Elementary Schools, and has now begun the evaluation process. Phase I of the process is a self-study that consists of a school philosophy study and a community study. To insure a thorough and valid community report, the administration, faculty and staff of Gate of Heaven are hoping for the cooperation and valuable input of residents from the Back Mountain area.

The Middle States Association was founded in 1887 and has provided standards for American education throughout the 20th century. According to Sr. Davida, principal of Gate of Heaven School, the elementary schools were not evaluated until 1975. Since then, it has become a more frequent process with the

first elementary schools having been accredited in 1979.

For Gate of Heaven, Middle States protocol means a greater clarity of purpose, wider professional participation, motivation for growth, better public relations, and most importantly, a plan for improvement resulting in continuous quality education.

Through this evaluation, the Middle States Association signifies the school's quality development, and affirms to the community that the school is deserving of public confidence.

The self-study phase of the accreditation process is essential, for the educational beliefs of Gate of Heaven School and the needs of the Back Mountain area it serves becomes major determinants for both the evaluation and planning activities that follow.



Check presented

The Dallas Senior High Student Council is shown presenting a check for \$100 to the Dallas Cheerleaders to help defray the expenses for their receipt trip to the National Competition Contest held at Orlando, Florida. Accepting the check are cheerleaders Tracy Richardson, Shawna Griffin and Lori Timek. Presenting the check is Bob O'Donnell, Student Council President, Eileen Nagy, Vice President, Jill Liberman, Treasurer and Michael Shevock, Student Council Advisor.

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