

#### Academic awards

Charles C. James, Principal at Lehman-Jackson Elementary School, presented 57 sixth grade students with the Presidential Academic Fitness Awards at the annual Awards Day Program held at the school on June 10. To qualify for this award a student must achieve an average of 90 percent or better and maintain a good attendance record. Certificates were presented to the following students:

Row 1: Ty Yost, J.C. Link, Ronald Kinney, Howard Hazeltine, Thomas Beck, William Wright, Joshua Adams, Adam Staats, Heather Chvotzkin, Annette Lanning.

Row 2: John Niezgoda, Larry Smith, Brian McDermott, Heather Gray, Seth Marlatt, Brian Gizenski, Janine Jenkins, Christina Jones, Doris Shambora, Julie Demidovich, Helen Wasi-

Row 3: Erin Hughes, Rebecca Lathrop, Natalie Karpinich, Kim Daniels, Tammy Gregory, Nick Staub, Harry Owens, Georgeann Ayers, Scott Walters, Kevin Kopinski, Gina Traver, Shannon Klemunes, Julie Babcock, Lynn Turner.

Row 4: Daniel Lukasavage, David Pall, Jennifer Patalonis, Ryan Heiser, Shelly Chvotzkin, Robert Sayre, Jarrod Baranowski, Ernie Chamberlain, Theresa Cipolla, Janel Womelsdorf, Debbie Coslett, Jonelle Kopcho, Heather Evanish, Lisa Gunn, Thomas Williams, 6th grade teacher.

Row 5: Charles C. James, Joseph Matysik, Amie Grutkowski, Shannon Swan, Jessica Hynick, Karen Komsisky, Michael Petruska, David Fosko, Christopher Walsh9W1/2erine Cortegerone and Mrs. Carol Wiliams, 6th grade teachers.



#### Top speller

Lisa Gunn, winner of the 6th grade spelling bee at Lehman-Jackson Elementary School was presented with a plaque at the annual Awards Day Program held at the school on June 10. Pictured in the photo are Charles C. James, Elementary Principal, presenting the award to Lisa, along with Lisa's parents, Ed and Judy Gunn of Lehman.

#### Local students win awards at King's Commencement

Following is a list of recipients of the various academic awards presented at Commencement exercises of King's College.

Paul R. Jones, Shavertown, co-recipient of the Vincent D. Garvey. Julie A. Napieralski, Shavertown, recipient of the Vincent D. Garvey. recipient of the Vincent D. Garvey, Jr., Memorial Award for English; mist's Award.

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**Matt Reinert** 

### **Matt Reinert** is awarded scholarship at Wilkes

Matt Reinert, Shavertown was recently named as a recipient of a Trustee Scholarship from Wilkes College.

Reinert, whose past accomplishments include being Valedictorian of the Lake-Lehman Class of 1988, winning the Luzerne County Science Teacher's Association Science Award, being listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students, and being a member of the National Honor Society, will be required to keep a 3.25 Grade Point Average and carry 24 credits a year in order to maintain the fouryear scholarship.

While in high school, Reinert was active on the Wrestling and Soccer teams as well as participating in the theater program.

Reinert listed Wilkes' scholarship opportunities, size, location and reputation as factors in his decision to enroll there.

Reinert was selected for a Trustee Scholarship by a review panel including senior faculty, administrators, and trustees from Wilkes. He qualified by being within the top 5 percent of his high school class and scoring better than 1200 on the Scholastic Aptitude

Matt Reinert is the son of James and Margaret Reinert of Shaver-

### Pitcavage wins scholarship

Holly Pitcavage, Shavertown, was recently named as a recipient of a Trustee Scholarship by Wilkes

Pitcavage, who is the valedictorian of this year's graduating class from Dallas High School, has been active in the high school chorus, band front, Madrigal singers, drama club, and was President of the National Honor Society. She received the Spanish Department Award for the highest average in Spanish as well as the Presidential Academic Fitness Award, and as a junior, the Wellesley Book Scholar-

Pitcavage listed Wilkes' Engineering program, the individual attention available at an institution of Wilkes' size, and the location of the campus as her reasons for enrolling at Wilkes.

Trustee Scholars receive a full four-year scholarship, but must maintain a 3.25 average and carry at least 24 credits each year. To be eligible, an applicant must be within the top 5 percent of his or plans to major in E her high school class and must Engineering at Wilkes.



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Pitcavage is the daughter of Myron and Mary Theresa Pitcavage, who received her Master's Degree from Wilkes in 1987. Holly plans to major in Environmental

## Student exchange group seeks host homes here

Imagine being able to absorb the culture of a foreign country for a whole year without ever having to leave home. That's exactly what the ASSE Student Exchange Program offers local families who want to host an enthusiastic teenager from abroad.

Having a European or Australian youngster becomes part of the family for an academic year gives everyone in the house the opportunity to learn more about themselves and the world they live in.

ASSE teenagers are wellscreened students from Europe, Australia and all points in between. They're motivated 15-18 year olds who want to become part of an American household, which means they pitch in on everything from chores to family discussions. They're also enthusiastic about sharing the culture and customs of their own homeland. And although most ASSE kids are fluent in English, they love to help teach their own language to their American family.

Host families also gain a new perspective on their own way of life. Parents and kids alike come to appreciate lots of things they've

probably taken for granted. Like all the TV channels they have to choose form (not to mention MTV) plus all the great things to buy in our consumer wonderland.

The ASSE exchange program only lasts ten months but host families discover the special relationship they build go on forever. "It was like having another son. A son, plus a whole new family we get to visit when we go to France.' (Mary Smith, Phoenix, Arizona). "From our one ASSE exchange student we got a whole new family overseas." (Kim Kirkaby, New Orleans, Louisiana)

And it's reassuring to know that the ASSE Program is affiliated with the most esteemed government education departments in the world; the National Swedish and Finnish Departments of Education and the Australian and New Zealand Departments of Education have approved the ASSE Peogram, and the United States Information Agency has officially designated ASSE as an exchange visitor program. If you want to give your family a foreign accent for a year and even a lifetime, contact ASSE local Representative: Cindy and

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