

# SCHOOL

## Misericordia begins building program, to join NCAA

College Misericordia began a decade of growth and expansion on Tuesday, April 3, at 10 a.m., when the college broke ground for housing for 48 students, said Dr. Pasquale DiPasquale, Jr., Misericordia president.

Building the new student townhouses is part of this first phase of growth, which also includes joining the NCAA Middle Atlantic Conference Division III, redesigning existing athletic fields,

and building a new softball field. The \$1 million residence construction project will create new student housing on the college's front campus, and will be completed by August for occupation in the fall semester. Financing for the project was arranged through United Penn Bank.

Russo Construction Company of Exeter and Richard Kresge Construction Company of Bear Creek received the project through

a bid process. Construction of the townhouses includes 12 two-story units, each with the capacity to house eight students. For the immediate future, however, only 48 students will occupy the apartments. The new housing is the first residential construction on Misericordia's campus since its last dormitory was built in 1972.

Misericordia has petitioned to become an official member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III in 1992.

As a member, Misericordia would seek competition against other division institutions such as King's College, Wilkes University, University of Scranton, Lycoming College and Widener.

This spring Misericordia will also redesign and upgrade its soccer and field hockey fields as well as cutting its first regulation size women's softball field. The new playing fields will be designed to meet NCAA regulations.



### Stahovec student attends Music Festival

Greg Stahovec, a senior student at Bishop O'Reilly High School, Kingston, attended the PMEA Region 4 Chorus Festival, held recently at Dallas High School. He qualified for attendance by undergoing qualifying auditions at Carbondale High School and Tunkhannock Area High School earlier in the year. Over 50 schools were represented at the Regional event, at which the guest conductor was Dr. William Cutter of MIT. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stahovec of Dallas, Greg is pictured above at left with Mr. Thomas Hanlon, coordinator of the school's music department.

### Scholarship honors James Connery

College Misericordia will establish a new scholarship for students majoring in business administration, said Linda Stallone, executive director of institutional advancement.

The scholarship, called the James J. Connery Scholarship in honor of the College's late former business manager, will be funded by the James J. Connery Endowed Scholarship Fund. Eligibility for the annual scholarships will be determined by the College Financial Aid Office and will follow established guidelines.

Misericordia currently is accepting contributions from the community, College personnel and friends of the Connery family. Major contributors to the fund include Mrs. James J. Connery, his wife; Attorney and Mrs. Paul Ackourey, Dr. Sheila Connery, Drs. Todd and Christine Phillips, and Mr. and Mrs. James J. Connery, his children; and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Blier, friends of the Connery family. Scholarships in Connery's name could be awarded as early as the 1991 fall semester, Stallone said.

Members of Misericordia's administration praised Connery and his 25 years of service to the College, saying he was a significant part of the College's development. Thomas O'Neil, dean of finance and administrative affairs, said Connery established and supervised several departments, and played an important role in the construction of two buildings on campus.

"He was the College's first male employee and its first business manager," O'Neil commented. "He ran the business side of the College and really got it in line."

Anyone wishing to contribute to the James J. Connery Endowed Scholarship Fund are asked to contact College Misericordia's Office of Institutional Advancement.



### Misericordia students meet astronauts

College Misericordia students will meet and discuss space exploration and its effects on our culture and civilization with former astronauts Michael Collins and Scott Carpenter. The two space travelers will be in the Wyoming Valley to give a free lecture in King's College Scandlon Gym on Tuesday, April 3, 7:30 p.m. The lecture is open to the public.

Misericordia students, along with those from the other sponsoring organizations, King's College, Luzerne County Community College, Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus, Wilkes University and the Jewish Community Center, will meet the astronauts in a question and answer session prior to the lecture. The Back Mountain students selected to attend the special session are, from left, seated, Jeanne Williams, Carrie Arnold and D. Scott Francis. Standing, Dr. Pat DiPasquale, Misericordia president; Clayton Dymond and Dr. Mary Glennon, RSM, academic dean.

### Scholarship applications available

Students who will enter the ninth, 10th or 11th grade, and who are members of the United Methodist Church are invited by Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School, Kingston, to apply for the 1990-91 Kingswood Scholarships.

The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry of the United Methodist Church has established the Kingswood Scholar Program to commemorate the Church's historic commitment to preparatory education. Through this program, Wyoming Seminary may provide two \$2000 Kingswood Scholarships to new students each school year.

Jennifer Bradley of Kingston, and Roy Harvey of Tunkhannock are the 1989-90 winners of these Kingswood Scholarships to Wyoming Seminary.

Interested applicants should contact Wyoming Seminary's Admission Director John R. Eidam in writing, or by calling 283-6060. Candidates will be required to submit an information sheet, plus recommendations from their pastor and teachers, and a school transcript. Deadline for applications is May 15.

## Area students named to Seminary Dean's List

Carmen Marnell, Dean of Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School, Kingston, announced the Dean's List High Honors and Dean's List for Winter, 1990. Local students honored were:

Dean's List High Honors: Danielle Baker, Dallas; Gregory Choi, Shavertown; Laura D'Anca, Shavertown; Joanna Garbush, Shavertown; Janelle Kellman, Shavertown; Stephen Kimm, Shavertown; Brian Koo, Dallas; Jeffrey Malak, Shavertown; Jane Oh, Dallas; Jeana Oh, Dallas; Matt

Shea, Dallas; Janice Shynn, Shavertown; Ray Shynn, Shavertown; Sanjay Udoshi, Dallas.

Dean's List, Amy Brown, Dallas; Corine Casterline, Dallas; Kim Ertley, Dallas; Stacey Eyerley, Shavertown; Barrett Feldman, Shavertown; Courtney Feldman, Shavertown; Jennifer Mugford, Dallas; Ashish Patel, Shavertown; Kristin Roberts, Dallas; Durelle Scott, Dallas; Allyson Turner, Shavertown.

## Misericordia sets financial planning seminar

As the costs of a college education continue to climb, many parents wonder how they will ever be able to pay the bills for their children's educations. One way to ease the financial burden is sound financial planning and investment, but it's not always easy to know which investment strategies are the best.

To help clear the confusion, College Misericordia will offer a free seminar entitled "Financial

Planning for College," April 18 at 7:30 p.m. in McHale Hall. The two-hour program will feature four local experts on investment, insurance, taxes and financial aid.

According to Gale Rand, chair of Misericordia's business division and program moderator, parents can no longer count on loans alone

to finance their children's education. This seminar is intended to help people determine their own investment strategies, he said.

Because seating will be limited, interested people should call 674-6430 during business hours for reservations.

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