

SCHOOL

Middle School to offer 'Homework Hotline'

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Parents who wonder what work their children should be doing, or who want to find out the schedule for after-class activities will soon be able to find out just by dialing the phone.

The Dallas Middle School, with the cooperation of Commonwealth Telephone, is announcing the introduction of "Homework Hotline" a pilot program for middle school students and their parents.

Middle School faculty member Jack Wolensky first saw a similar program while watching television one weekend and became interested.

"The program was about a school in California where the district set up a similar project for helping parents in their efforts to know what homework their children had and means by which they could find out what programs and other projects were going on in the school. I could see where something similar might work for us at the Middle School," Wolensky said.

Wolensky and members of the administration contacted Commonwealth and after obtaining their cooperation sat down and worked out the project. Since the Dallas Middle School uses team teaching, the Homework Hotline needed to have many phone numbers arranged by each team in order to record the messages each day for each of the various teams.

Each student's parents will be sent the number of their child's team as well as a listing of the phone numbers needed for information about daily assignments, upcoming projects, and due dates. Also listed will be numbers for academic, athletic and social activities.

School officials plan to have every course, every activity and information on tests given by the class faculty member. Parents will be able to call to double check on what is going on with their son or daughter. It is expected to keep more students up to standard in their class work.

"Commonwealth Telephone Company was a key factor in coming up with the program," said Wolensky. Susan Stravinsky took

the idea and came up with some of the options. In June we will evaluate the project and if it proves successful it will be used throughout the district."

The information will be sent by mail to the parents in order to make the plan work. If persons have questions after receiving the information, they may call Wolensky at the school.

Wolensky explained that on each team there is history, science, math and English and by calling the student's team number, assignments in these may be obtained. Messages will be changed by 3 p.m. daily on the hotline.

The Homework Hotline is to start in March, so parents should be receiving their information this week.

Area students earn honors at LC College

Four hundred eighty four students have earned recognition for outstanding academic achievement during the 1990 Fall semester at Luzerne County Community College.

In making this announcement, Thomas P. Leary, dean of admissions and student services at LCCC, noted that 94 students attained the distinction of being listed on the President's Honor Roll. To qualify, a student must earn a perfect 4.0 cumulative grade point average.

Two hundred fifty nine students attained a grade point average between 3.5 and 3.99 for placement on the Dean's List, and 131 were listed on the Honor Roll with an average between 3.25 and 3.49.

Back Mountain students were: President's List: Alan L. Dennis, Hunlock Creek; Lori Ann Garavaglia, Dallas; Charles W. Jaget, Hunlock Creek; William Lacomis, Hunlock Creek; James McGuire, Dallas; Clifford Newman, Dallas; Judy A. Panek, Dallas; Deborah Radley, Harveys Lake; Rick L. Shaffer, Hunlock Creek; Jerry Southerland, Dallas; Robert Stout, Hunlock Creek; Charles A. Strait, Hunlock Creek; David C. Traver, Hunlock Creek.

Dean's List: Edward Ancas, Jr., Dallas; Robert Bailey, Hunlock Creek; Doreen G. Bevan, Dallas; Judith A. Brokenshire, Harveys Lake; Christina Casterline, Dallas; Dawn K. Clark, Harveys Lake; Clarence Davis, Dallas; Ken L. Evans, Shavertown; Patricia A. Fisher, Shavertown; Joseph Gillis, Shavertown; Randall H. Greene, Dallas; Richard Hatalski, Sweet Valley; John S. Horner, Hunlock Creek; Heather Hoyes, Dallas; Dennis Hughes, Dallas; Alex L. King, Dallas; Thomas W. Lowe, Dallas; Elizabeth A. Masters, Hunlock Creek; Michael L. O'Connell, Hunlock Creek; Keith Schultz, Shavertown; Fiorangel Spezialetti, Hunlock Creek; Heidi Strazdus, Dallas; Colin R. Tworek, Hunlock Creek; Jeffery L. Watson, Dallas; Eileen Weaver, Noxen; Dale R. Wittick, Dallas.

Honors List: Robert Brown, Trucksville; Justin Kraynack, Trucksville; Tanya K. Meeker, Hunlock Creek; Esther Payne, Dallas; David Sawicki, Shawanese; Ronald P. Smith, Hunlock Creek; Ralph D. Vandermark, Hunlock Creek; Alonzo J. Watts, Dallas; Steven W. Weigel, Hunlock Creek; Wilbur W. Wenner, Jr., Shavertown;



Lake-Lehman Ping-Pong winners

Lake-Lehman physical education instructor Dwight Barbacci conducted a ping pong tournament at the senior high school recently in which 32 students participated. The top three winners were from left, Jarrod Baranowski, first place; Jeff Hynick, second place; and Coach Barbacci. Mike Sholtis, third place winner was absent. The tournament was for students ninth through 12th. (Post Photo/Charlot M. Denmon)

Lake-Lehman Junior High honor roll

Mr. Robert O. Roberts, Principal, Lake-Lehman Junior High, releases the attached honor roll consisting of 55 scholars and 85 honor students.

GRADE 7 - SCHOLARS: Heather Barsh, Erica Conrad, Jennifer Dinger, David Dulebohn, Cathy Dymond, Rebecca Hoyt, Dianne Jones, Rachel Kaufman, Stacey Kehler, Jennifer Kordowski, Amy Leitam, Cori Manka, Ben McEntee, Kevin Newell, John Oliver, Jessica Pickett, Jennifer Rakowski, Jared Schneider, Cara Stroud, Mike Swanson, Christopher Swire, Erin Toole.

GRADE 7 - HONORS: R.J. Brooks, Christopher Caines, David Cardwell, Jeffrey Castellano, Rachel Chamberlain, Michael Chopyak, Janelle Elgaway, Jaime Elston, Rosemarie Ferraro, Sarah Beth Gorgone, Olivia Hendershot, Kelly Holcomb, Angela Hoyt, Shane Hunter, James Jantz, Heather Klamovich, Jennifer Kobal, Lori Kubacki, Linda Lanning, Lisa Metzger, Joseph Morris, Nica Murphy, Michelle Nallon, Nicole Pagoda, Nicole Parry, Matt Raczkowski, Jennifer Reno, Pamela Rish, Christopher Rishko, Harold Roberts, Amy Shoemaker, Alison Stubb, Jay Sudhakaran, Corella Tamagnini, Bethany Tenenbaum, Dan Thomas, Beth Turner, Sunny Vespico, Valerie Wolfe, Amanda Zdonczyk.

GRADE 8 - SCHOLARS: Michele Andes, Brad Bittenbender, Tom Brown, Nathan Dale, Rhonda Evans, Jennifer Feehan, Kim Frederick, Courtney Heiser, Kristine Hozempa, Beth Kelly, Shannon Kelly, Richelle Kovach, Jason Krywicki, Allison Milunic, Thomas Nalbome, Nicole Naugle, Jessica Noon, Christopher Pagoda, Prerana Patel, Vito Pilosi, Kerry Rittenhouse, Gary Rogan, Amy Rogers, Christian Scott, Nicole Sennett, Judy Sichler, Tina Sidonio, Melanie Sidorowicz, Jonathan Tenenbaum, Joel Toluba, Mandy Turner, Tim Waslick, Jessica Winslow.

GRADE 8 - HONORS: Keri Amos, Star Andrews, Mark Andru-

sis, Angela Boltz, Hope Boston, Matt Bullock, Kevin Cragle, Kabita Das, Eric Dieffenbacher, Tara Dymond, Jeremy Fleeger, Ryan Gold, Jonathan Grutkowski, Nevin Hoyt, Crystal King, Beth Kline, Kelly Komsisky, Sheila Lee, Joshua Longmore, Stasia Maculloch, Peter Malak, Mark Manzoni, Joe Marchakitus, Kristy Mascalis, Brian Meehan, Autumn Montouri, Megan Mosier, Cara Nygren, Melissa O'Donnell, Bethany Offshack, Geoffrey Oldham, Jessica Oplinger, Shelene Perlis, Jaclyn Race, Tiffany Roese, Sonya Sabaluski, Joe Scavone, Nicole Schweikert, Jenny Shook, Glenn Sipple, Tom Smigielski, Cara Sudol, David Thomas, Brian Welby, Christy Jo Welter.

Local students graduate from King's College

Dr. Donald Farmer, vice president for academic affairs at King's College, recently announced that 76 students have completed requirements for graduation following the fall 1990 semester. Among those who graduated were:

Rita Brody, Sweet Valley, business administration; John But-

ler, Shavertown, business administration; Kathleen Kozel, Dallas, communications; James Alkman, Dallas, human resources management; Russell Coolbaugh, Dallas, human resource management and psychology and Michael Farrell, Dallas, marketing.

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Some adolescents tend to squint when they're growing up. By the time they are 20 or 21, many of them will realize that their nearsightedness is a problem that needs help.

In some cases, the nearsightedness will have improved by then; in others it may have gotten progressively worse. For most people, however, the degree of nearsightedness will have reached a plateau by the time they're fully grown.

The problem may be in one eye or both. Only an eye examination can determine that. Corrective lenses can be prescribed so that squinters no longer have to strain their eyes to see clearly.

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