

## Shaver family celebrates four recent graduates

Mr. and Mrs. George Shaver of Dallas have four grandsons graduating this spring.

Erick C. Shaver, son of George Shaver, Dallas and Sharon Shaver, Wilkes-Barre, will graduate from GAR, Wilkes-Barre and will attend LCCC in Nanticoke.

Robert J. Shaver, son of Tom and Betty Ann Shaver, will graduate from Tunkhannock High

School and will attend E. Stroudsburg College.

Alan Shaver Jr., son of Alan and Marleen Shaver of Dallas, will graduate from Ebenezer Christian School in Plymouth and will attend Pensacola College in Florida.

Also, His brother, Eric, graduated from kindergarten at Ebenezer.

## Pomrinke honored at Allegheny

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced that Jon Pomrinke III, of Dallas has been named an All-American Collegiate Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Collegiate Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines.

Only scholars selected by a school official or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

Pomrinke, who attends Allegheny County Community College

was nominated for this national award by Charles P. Bostaph, Director Career and Counseling.

Pomrinke will appear in the All-American Collegiate Yearbook, which is published nationally.

He was also selected to receive an honorary award recognition by The National Dean's Test publication which recognizes academically gifted students selected by their college.

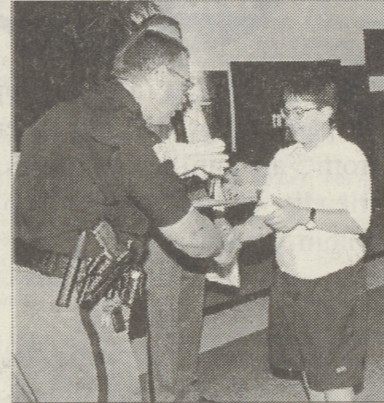
He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jon L. Pomrinke of Dallas. His grandparents are, Mrs. Ellen Williams and Mrs. Sarah Pomrinke of Dallas.



## DARE graduates

Fifth graders at Gate of Heaven graduated from a 17-week DARE Program, sponsored by the Kingston Township Police. Officer Frank Ziegler and Chief James Balavage handed out Certificates of Achievement and DARE teachers at a graduation ceremony.

Holding up their brand new DARE shirts are, from left, Liz Byron, Monica Armand and Lauren Collini. At right, Cole Ciprich received his diploma from Officer Ziegler.



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## Valley Tennis and Swim Club institutes new scholarship

The Valley Tennis and Swim Club, located on Harris Hill Road in Truicksville, has instituted a unique scholarship program. The coaches of each high school tennis and swim team and each college tennis and swim team in Wyoming Valley have been invited to designate six deserving individuals from each team to take advantage of the Club's facilities for the 1998 summer season.

Those chosen will have use of the large heated pool, the har-true and hard surface tennis courts and all other club facilities for the entire season.

At 1 p.m. on Sun, June 7, the designated students, their coaches and parents will be in-

cluded at the Club's opening day. They are invited to bring their swimsuits and tennis rackets to enjoy the day's activities. Anyone desiring further information may call the Valley Tennis and Swim club at 696-1414.

The Valley Tennis and Swim Club was founded in 1961 by a group of dedicated tennis players who wanted to play on top quality courts in a rural, no-frills atmosphere.

A swimming pool was built to accommodate the members' families, but the basic atmosphere of the club has remained unchanged. Len Matyszczak, Dallas High School Tennis Coach, is the current club manager.

## Matthew McMahon represents Lake-Lehman at HOBY seminar

Matthew McMahon recently attended the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Central Pennsylvania Seminar at Lebanon Valley College. Matthew joined more than 227 other young leaders representing as many high schools from throughout Central Pennsylvania.



MATTHEW MCMAHON

Representing Lake-Lehman High School, he is the son of Martin and Tammy McMahon.

As HOBY celebrates its 40th

anniversary, its leadership seminars continue to bring together select groups of high school sophomores who have demonstrated leadership abilities in their high schools and communities so they can interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues.

The goal is to provide the students with a stimulating forum for learning about the American incentive system and democratic process and for broadening their understanding of their leadership potential and quest for self development.

## Lehman-Jackson holds Arts and Science Fair

The Lehman-Jackson Elementary School in conjunction with the Parent Teacher Association sponsored its annual Art and Science Fair recently.

Grades K-6th assisted with the transformation that changed the halls and walls of Lehman to a scene from a tropical rainforest. Complete with sights and sounds from the heart of a jungle, the art work displayed included an aquarium filled with tropical fish, trees filled with jungle animals and even a life size alligator roaming the front lobby of the elementary school.

Coordinated by elementary art teachers, Susan Roese, this outstanding program owes its success to an energetic group of PTA

volunteers, headed by Victoria Grzyboski.

Grades 4-6 put their imaginations to the test with projects ranging from "crystal growing" to a "bed of nails."

Environmentally minded students tried their hand at things like a natural water filtration system, checking the cleanliness of our air, and making homemade paper.

Will solar energy power a Ferris Wheel? Will an egg bounce? How can you build a lamp with a lemon? The answers to all these questions were found as students and parents alike observed and participated in what promised to be an enlightening night at Lehman-Jackson.

## LCCC announces graduates from the Back Mountain

More than 700 students from Luzerne County Community College graduated May 28 at the 30th annual Commencement exercises held at the Kingston Armory.

Associate in Applied Science - Wesley Bruce Atkinson, Dallas; Susan Katarina Baluh, Dallas; Karen Marie Bean, Dallas; Bradley Burnaford, Dallas; Tammy Sue Crispell, Shavertown; Jean Marie Daniels, Truicksville; Ranece Aleen Eckhart, Shavertown; Theresa M. Ely, Noxen; Brian Emershaw, Dallas; Renne Lynn Evans, Sweet Valley; Marcelline Mary Hardwick, Dallas; Jason M. Hudak, Dallas; Terri Ann Kelley, Dallas; Stacey Patrick Kenney, Dallas; Scott E. Kocher, Harveys Lake; Heather Lynn Kowalski, Dallas.

Also, David William Lashford, Dallas; Tammy Jean Lewis, Shavertown; Tracy Lee McRoy, Harveys Lake; Amanda Jean Newman, Dallas; Paul Charles Novak, Noxen; Christine L. Perkoski, Dallas; Michael David, Petroski, Dallas; Maria Elizabeth Pitcavage, Shavertown; Ann Heffernan Root,

Dallas;

Also, Matthew Peter Ross, Jr., Shavertown; Henrietta Schooley, Shavertown; Robin S. Shook, Noxen; Eric Lamar Silas, Dallas; Christine Marie Sopko, Truicksville; Leighanna Jean Sult, Harveys Lake; Irene M. Szczesniak, Dallas; Martina Taylor, Harveys Lake; Ruthann Taylor, Dallas; Michael A. Tomasura, Shavertown; Karen Urzen, Shavertown; Mary Elizabeth Valentine, Dallas; Olga Welch, Dallas; Gregg R. Wyland, Dallas; Kimberly Ann Yanchick, Dallas.

Associate in Science - Bradley Walter Adams, Shavertown; Carey Ann Bartoo, Truicksville; Kevin Wallace Cannady, Dallas; Jennifer Ann Dunn, Harveys Lake; Robin Evans Geisinger, Shavertown; Kenneth John Marsola, Jr., Dallas.

Also, Joseph Michael Merigris, Dallas; Debra Lynn Miers, Dallas; Philip Rosencrans, Dallas; Edward John Thomas, Dallas.

Diploma - Michelle Falchetti, Truicksville.

## College Misericordia dean's list

The following Back Mountain residents have been named to the Dean's List at College Misericordia for the spring semester, according to Dr. Mary Glennon, RSM, vice president of academic affairs and dean of the College.

The students are: Mary L. Brown, Dallas; Shellenne M. Bruno, Dallas; Carolyn Burke, Dallas; Christian J. Carbe, Shavertown; Cheryl Carey, Dallas; Katie Chimock, Dallas; Dawn DiVentura, Harveys Lake; Catherine Dymond, Shavertown; Dyan Dymond, Shavertown; Jennifer Feehan, Sweet Valley; Sheryl E. Goss, Dallas; Rebecca E. Haines, Dallas; Terry Joyce, Dallas; John J. Kachurick, Jr., Dal-

las; Kimberly Kovalick, Noxen; Constance A. LaJeunesse, Dallas; Alice Lawrence, Dallas; Elizabeth Lockavich, Sweet Valley; Melanie Love, Dallas.

Also, Peter Malak, Lehman; Sean H. McMahon, Shavertown; Shannon Newell, Dallas; Jessica Pickett, Sweet Valley; Sharon Pizzella, Dallas; Christine M. Roberts, Dallas; Judy A. Simon, Harveys Lake; Michelle Slezak, Shavertown; Amy M. Smith, Dallas; Rebecca Stredny, Dallas; Melissa Tyira, Dallas; Candice Valentia, Dallas; Scott Van Etten, Dallas; Robin Wilson, Noxen; April Wrubel, Harveys Lake; William Yannuzzi, Shavertown; and Beverly Zerfoss, Harveys Lake.



## Women's club awards scholarships

The Dallas Area Federated Women's Club recently awarded book scholarships to David Williams and Brian Blase. Both are seniors at Dallas High School and plan to attend college in the fall. The Scholarships were awarded on the basis of scholastic achievement, school activities, community involvement, and financial need. Book scholarships have been sponsored by the Dallas Woman's Club each year for the past 21 years as part of the Club's commitment to furthering the education of students in the Back Mountain. Pictured from left are: Shirley Forney, President; David Williams, Brian Blase and Joan Rogers, Education Chairperson.



Holding their plaques, row 1: Amy Pack, Jamie DeAngelo, Mike Swartwood, Amanda Alles, and Jamie Youngblood. Row 2: Joseph Bednash, Sylena Marmo, Ashleigh King, Morgan Anderson and Steve Losh. Row 3: Mike Miller, Brandon Pall, Jeff Jumper, Laura Vodzak, Chuck Suppon, Elizabeth Eby, Philip Pack, Ryan Morgan, Martin Musto and Kelly Jacobs.

## Dallas Middle School holds first Science Fair

Recently the students at Dallas Middle School competed in the school's first Science Fair. Students from grades, 6, 7 and 8 competed in the areas of life, physical and behavioral sciences. There were over 275 projects that were entered into the Science Fair. The projects were judged on many aspects including creativity, originality, data collected, conclusion, written report, exhibit and oral presentation. The students were required to explain their projects to one of the 20 judges that participated in the Science Fair. The volunteer judges were from College Misericordia, Wilkes University and Penn State University in addition to Dallas Administrators. Winners of the Science Fair were announced at an award ceremony held Thursday evening.

The eighth grade winners were: Life science, 1st place, Ryan Morgan; 2nd place, Philip Pack; 3rd place, Laura Vodzak; honorable mention Herb Bressler and Erica

Ayers. Physical science, 1st place, Charles Suppon; second place Brandon Pall; 3rd place, Kelly Jacobs; honorable mention, Gregory Finn and James Gray. Behavioral science, 1st place, Michael Miller; 2nd place, Elizabeth Eby; 3rd place, Jeffrey Jumper; honorable mention, Whitney McOwen and Sharon Adamvage.

Sixth and seventh grade winners were: Life science, 1st place, Michael Swartwood; 2nd place, Amy Pack; 3rd place, Leah Bolton and Jamie DeAngelo; honorable mention, Jason Alfano, Amy Allbless and Katie Dale. Physical science, 1st place, Stephen Losh; 2nd place, Joseph Bednash; 3rd place, Sylena Marmo and Ashleigh King; honorable mention, Megan Riley, Mary Yanik and Dustin Bednarz. Behavioral science, 1st place, Martin Musto and Morgan Anderson; 2nd place, Amanda Alles and Jamie Youngblood.

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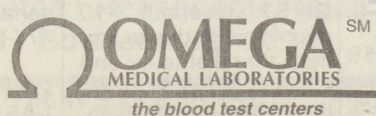
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