



## St. Therese's Church confirms 61 youth members

Auxiliary Bishop of Scranton, John M. Dougherty, confirmed 61 young members of St. Therese's Church in Shavertown, on Tuesday, May 23. Members of the confirmation class:

Front row, from left: LeeAnn Griffith, Meghan Davis, Anna Dunlap, Kelly Dougherty, Christine Chamberlain, Bishop Dougherty, Amanda Coleman, Sara Chmura, Amy Allbless, Blake Bradley, Simone Allen.

Second row, from left: Vincent Insalaco, Brian Parrish, Brittany Pavlinchak, A.J. Musto, Jacqueline Lovecchio, Gregory Andrusisian, Jennifer Opel, Bruce Deeble, Brigitte Henry, Christopher Benoit, Caila Klais, Ryan Murphy, Nicole Jayne, Kyle Hession.

Third row, from left: Kimberly Toussaint, David Menzel, Lauren Suppon, John Humenansky, Melissa Novitski, Justin Lightcap, Kristina Klokus, Jonathan Krywicki, Samantha Spaciano, James McMahon, Jamie Stanish, Christopher Katyl, Kara Symons, John Considine, Kimberly Reisch, Daniel Retzena, Meghan Mitchell, Edwards Stanks, Jamie Youngblood.

Fourth row, from left: Mark Yankowski, Jeremy Goble, Jonathan Fiorelli, Christopher Belles, Patrick Harmon, Amanda Reese, Aimee Radics, Beth Ann Karwaski, Msgr. Peter Crynes, Amy Pegarella, Kevin Domzalski, Daniel Benedict, Corey Hine, Timothy Kerestes, Ryan Laffey, Jason Demnicki, Thomas VanHorn, Martin Musto.

## MOVERS AND SHAKERS

**David Williams** has been appointed to serve as Habitat for Humanity International's executive vice president and chief operating officer. Williams is currently senior vice president, administration.

Williams, 41, is a dedicated, longtime volunteer and professional member of the Habitat family. Originally from Dallas, Williams came to HFHI from Houston, Texas, where he volunteered for six years with Houston Habitat for Humanity, and was executive director of the Houston Food Bank. Williams holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Bloomsburg University and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Houston. He lives in Americus, Georgia, with his wife and children.



Dedicated to eliminating poverty housing, Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry. HFHI and its 1,916 affiliates in 67 nations have built and sold more than 90,000 homes to partner families at no profit with zero-interest mortgages.

**Alexander H. Sickert, CLU, ChFC, Lutheran Brotherhood** in Shavertown, earned the prestigious honor of attending the 2000 Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT) Annual Meeting, June 11-15, in San Francisco, California. Sickert, a local business leader and first-year MDRT member, was among approximately 6,000

Round Table members, special guests and speakers from more than 50 nations who were in attendance.

During the five-day meeting, about 100 professional, non-member and MDRT member speakers discussed subjects such as state-of-the-art life insurance and financial services concepts and methods of improving client service. Experts in such areas as estate planning, taxes, business and law shared their knowledge during intense workshops and morning general sessions.

MDRT is an international, independent association of more than 21,000 of the world's best life insurance and financial services professionals from approximately 60 countries. MDRT members demonstrate exceptional product knowledge, strict ethical conduct and outstanding client service, and are regarded as busi-

ness and community leaders.

**Denise Yanchik, CDE**, diabetes educator at the Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, has passed the examination to become a Certified Diabetes Educator.



Yanchik has been affiliated with Geisinger for 18 years, including 16 years as an intensive and critical care nurse. She is a member of the American Association of Diabetes Educators, and resides in Lehman with her husband, Chris, and children, Mark and Ashley.

**Kara L. Cadwalader** has joined the United States Army Reserve under the Delayed Training Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Wilkes-Barre.

The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay reporting for basic military training for up to 270 days. An enlistment in the Reserve gives many new soldiers the option to learn a new skill, serve their country, and become eligible to receive money toward a college education and for repayment of college loans.

After completion of basic military training, most soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialty.

Cadwalader will report to Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo., for basic training on June 12.

She is the daughter of Rhonda N. Hannigan of Harveys Lake, and David Cadwalader of Dallas.

## Free choral, music and dance programs at Sem's PAI

The Performing Arts Institute of Wyoming Seminary will present a variety of free programs this July 21-23 which will highlight choral, instrumental, orchestral, and dance performances.

The Guest Artist Series will feature "Meet the Composer; The Music of Bruce Reiprich" July 21 at 8 p.m. The lecture-recital will be held at The Great Hall, 228 Wyoming Ave. Kingston, just north of Kingston Corners. A former faculty member of the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music and Wilkes University, Reiprich is currently on the faculty of Northern Arizona University where he teaches music theory and composition to both undergraduate and graduate students.

The evening program will be hosted by Victor Liva, also a faculty member at Northern Arizona University, where he conducts the orchestra and teaches violin. Mr. Liva is a doctoral candidate at the University of South Carolina (ABD) and holds degrees from Wilkes University and Temple University.

Saturday's concert at 8 p.m. will also be held at The Great Hall. John M. Vaida, Chairman of the Fine Arts Department at Wyoming Seminary, will conduct the Masterworks Choral and the Institute Chorus. Under his leadership, the Wyoming Seminary choral program has developed into one of the leading independent school programs in the eastern United States.

The Chamber Orchestra will perform Benjamin Britten's "Simple Symphony" under the direction of Victor Liva. Completing the concert will be the Sym-

phony Orchestra, under the baton of Maestro Kenneth Jernigan, performing works by Franz Liszt, Dmitri Kabalevsky, and Giuseppe Verdi. Mark Kratz, a junior at the Eastman School of Music, and a counselor at PAI, will be the guest soloist. He will sing the tenor aria, "Se' miei bollenti spiriti" from Verdi's opera La Traviata.

Dr. Terry Oxley, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Bloomsburg University, will open Sunday's 3 p.m. concert by conducting the Wind Ensemble. The concert, which will be held at the Buckingham Performing Arts Center, Sprague Ave., between Hoyt and Market Sts., also will feature the Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of James Orfanella, Band Director at Valley View High School.

The weekend performance series will conclude Sunday evening at 8 p.m. with a presentation by the PAI Dance Company at the Buckingham Performing Arts Center. The dance program is headed by Timothy Ricker Early, Artistic Director of the modern and jazz troupe Opus I Contemporary. He also dances and teaches with the Brandywine Ballet, and is a faculty member at Temple University.

Appearing as special guests will be Meghan Bailey, principal dancer with Brandywine Ballet and Heather Tomlinson, who dances with Opus I Contemporary.

For additional information about the Performing Arts Institute, contact Nancy Sanderson at 570-283-6086 or visit the website [www.wyomingseminary.org/pai](http://www.wyomingseminary.org/pai)

## Kids program at Harvest Assembly

"Road Rally 2000," a summer program for children ages 3-12, will be held July 30-Aug. 2 at Back Mountain Harvest Assembly of God, Carverton Rd., Trucksville. There will be Bible lessons, games, songs and surprises. Each child will take something home each night. Programs will be held 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. each night. Call 696-1128 for information or to register.

## Dallas Fire & Ambulance fund drive underway

Dallas Fire and Ambulance annual fund/subscription drive is currently under way. All residents and businesses within the coverage area have been sent informational material for participation. Anyone who has not received information should call 675-0636, to obtain material and be added to the mailing list. Donations may be sent to "Dallas Fire and Ambulance" at P.O. Box 41, Dallas, PA 18612. For any additional information, please call the above number.



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Dr. Yavorski is an Associate Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and is Board Certified by the American Board of Surgery in both General and Vascular Surgery.

Dr. Yavorski did his General Surgery residency at San Diego Naval Medical Center and completed a Fellowship in Vascular Surgery at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. Prior to his appointment at Surgical Specialists, Dr. Yavorski served as a Vascular Surgeon at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, also Assistant Professor of Surgery for the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland. He is a member of several distinguished medical societies and has authored many scientific publications.

During his military career, Dr. Yavorski served as the Senior General Medical Officer and Commanding Officer's Medical Advisor for the 1st Marine Air Wing, Fleet Marine Forces, and the Third Marine Expeditionary Forces, Okinawa, Japan. He also participated in a number of operations including Beachcrest, Team Spirit, Operation Evergreen and Desert Storm. His awards include the Navy Achievement Medal, The National Defense Medal, the Fleet Marine Forces Ribbon, the Marine Expeditionary Unit Ribbon, the Overseas Duty Ribbon and Expert Pistol and Rifle Medals.

Dr. Yavorski performs all Vascular procedures to include angioplasty and endovascular graft placement and performs over 100 aneurysms per year, including angioscopic side branch occlusion for insitu distal graphs. He also performs carotid artery angioplasty/stenting for indicated patients.

Dr. Yavorski and his wife, Sandra, live in Shavertown with their two children.

Dr. Yavorski joins us in the practice of Vascular and General Surgery and will be working in association with Dr. Juan DeRojas as the second Vascular Surgeon to the group.

You can call to schedule an appointment at 821-1100.

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