

Kuhns named Assistant Choreographer for Cedar Crest production of *Sideshow*

Jaime Rae Kuhns, a 1999 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School, was recently named assistant choreographer for the production of *Sideshow* to be presented at Cedar Crest College in Allentown. Jaime is a scholarship student at Cedar Crest, majoring in dance and theatre.



JAIME RAE KUHN'S

Sideshow depicts the true story of the Hamilton sisters, Siamese twins who were featured in the sideshow of a circus. The play is directed by Roy Hine of the Wagon Wheel Theatre, and Robin Gerchman is head choreographer.

Jaime's other credits include membership in the Cedar Crest Dance Company and the CM Dance Experience of Allentown. Jaime has also performed in *Once Upon this Island*, *The Water Children*, *Wind in the Willows* and played the part of Meed, the devil's henchman, in *Faust*. She was one of four dancers chosen to perform a modern ballet piece for the Miss Keystone Pageant earlier this year.

Jaime is a voice student of Mr. John Pineno of Lehman, and in Allentown a student of Ms. Elizabeth Falcone, voice director for the *Lion King* on Broadway. She took dance training at The Joan Harris Centre for Gifted and Talented where she is a student aide. Jaime is the daughter of James and Cindy Kuhns of Lehman.



DHS Marching Band opens season

The 2000 Dallas High School Marching Band season opened at the Lake-Lehman March of Champions. The Dallas band is under full swing with a Mardi Gras Ring, an enjoyable field show in which the band and the audience get into a party mood. The Dallas band competed at various marching band competitions at Wyoming Valley West, Lake-Lehman, Montrose and Pittston area. Shown in photo, from left: Amy Koshinski, Kevin Covert and Katrina Rosser.

DHS GUIDANCE NOTES

Coat drive begins Nov. 13

The PTSO Thanksgiving Coat Drive will begin on Monday, Nov. 13 and conclude on Wednesday, Nov. 22. Student co-chairs are Heather Shultz and Stephanie Salavantis. Mrs. Pam Pambianco has graciously volunteered to be the parent chairperson. Students are asked to donate a coat to help the needy of the Back Mountain. Boxes will be placed in the main lobby by grade level to drop off the coats between 7:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. each morning of the coat drive. Call Robyn Jones, school counselor, at 674-7217 if you have any questions.

Dallas High School will be honoring our nation's veterans during our Veteran's Day Assembly on Friday, Nov. 10 at 2 p.m. Student Master of Ceremonies, Jamie Chester, a Dallas senior in the U.S. Army Reserves, will introduce our honored veterans: Kenneth William Fowler, Sr. (posthumously), Paul Grabko, Mary Gunshannon, Tom Gunshannon, Robert Anderson, Louise Olenik, Chris Galicki, and Ralph Galicki. A keynote address will be given by Lt. Col. Gail W. Vonderheid, PA Army National Guard.

The Student of the Quarter Program is off to a good start this year. PTSO parent volunteer Cindy Mitchell, has offered to be the chairperson for this program. She will be looking to find community sponsors for our Student of the Quarter recipients. Each sponsor will be asked to donate a \$100 savings bond. The savings bonds are presented to the students being honored at the Student of the Quarter assemblies

being held three times a year. If you would like to be a sponsor, contact Cindy Mitchell through the PTSO Hotline at 674-7333.

The first Student of the Quarter Assembly will be Tuesday, Nov. 21. Students, teachers, parents and community members are asked to submit a nomination ballot to the Guidance Office by Friday, Nov. 10. Ballots are available in the Guidance Office and the Main Office of the high school.

The new Penn State Employees Credit Union Scholarship is available in the scholarship file in the Guidance Office. Seniors are invited to check it out to see if they meet the criteria.

Any sophomore or junior interested in attending the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine should see Ms. Jones in the Guidance Office.

Many thanks to our senior class officers Luke Miller, Keith Sprau, Heather Schultz, and Heather Harmon for speaking at the PTSO on Oct. 30. Great job, kids!

The graduation 2001 Committee would like to thank all the students, parents, and faculty that have supported our various sales during the past few months. We have several items for sale, including umbrellas, phone cards, rain ponchos, and bagged candy. Currently we are running an Avon fundraiser for the next few weeks.

Parent/Teacher conferences for secondary students will be held on Tuesday, November 14. Conferences are scheduled from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Back Mountain trio are Seminary Alumni Service Award candidates

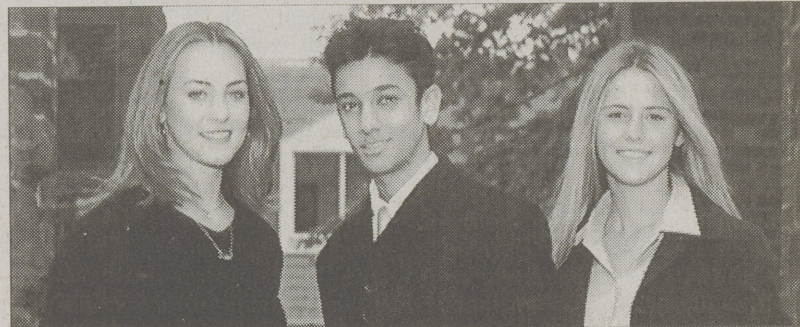
Erin Madigan, Neil Shah and Christine Dempsey were named as candidates for the Wyoming Seminary Alumni Service Award at the school's Homecoming Weekend; Shah was one of two finalists. Eight seniors served in the Homecoming Court for Homecoming Weekend on Saturday, Oct. 21. The Wyoming Seminary student body voted for the candidates who were then interviewed by a committee from the Alumni Association. Two winners, Shah and Naomi Extra of Highland, NY, were recognized at halftime of the Homecoming football game.

Erin Madigan, a Sem student since kindergarten, lives in Shavertown with her parents, Bob and Carol Madigan. She is involved with the Activities Committee, the Environmental Club, AIDS Awareness, Drug and Alcohol Awareness, and the Prom Committee. She plays softball, field hockey and ice hockey, and plays in the Back Mountain Softball League. She has been a member of Choral for two years. Madigan's community volunteer activities include the American Diabetes Association, the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, the Northeast Players, and Blue Knights Sports Camp. She is very active in her community church. She received honorable mention in the National French Contest.

Neil Shah, also a Sem student since kindergarten, is the son of Dr. Naresh and Mrudula Shah of Shavertown. He is president of Student Government, head delegate for the Model UN, co-editor of the Opinator, president of In-

ternational Club, Chair of the Activities and Assemblies Committee, and a member of Blue Key and Jazz Band. He has played varsity tennis for four years and will serve as captain this year, as he did in 11th grade, was Singles District Champion last year and was named team MVP. Shah also plays golf and basketball. His community service activities include the Riverside Rumble, highway cleanup, Thanksgiving baskets, the Wilkes-Barre Triathlon, and others. He is a Levi Sprague Fellow, a National Merit Semifinalist, a new member of the Cum Laude Society, and the recipient of numerous other scholastic awards. Shah has applied Early Action to Harvard, MIT and Brown, and plans to study biochemistry and government.

Christine Dempsey, the daughter of Richard and Joyce Dempsey of Trucksville, is a Dean's List student and a three-sport athlete. She has been a varsity field hockey letter winner each year, is captain of the team, and was invited to the National Field Hockey festival in 1999 and 2000. She also plays soccer and ice hockey. She received Magna Cum Laude recognition for the National Latin Exam. Dempsey is a member of the Drug and Alcohol Awareness Club, the AIDS Awareness Club, was a camp counselor for Sem Summer, an AIDS Walk volunteer, and a CROP Walk volunteer. Her community volunteer activities include St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen and the Meadows Nursing Home. She applied early decision to Cornell University.



Alumni Service Award candidates, from left: Erin Madigan, Neil Shah, and Christine Dempsey.

LCCC to host Civil War program

The Luzerne County Community College Institute of Public Affairs will host "Unknown Gettysburg: Myths, Realities, and Surprises" on Sat., Nov. 18, at 2 p.m., at the College's Educational Conference Center. "Unknown Gettysburg: Myths, Realities, and Surprises" will detail the incredible stories of soldiers and civilians that were caught up in the most dramatic events in history. Participants will include noted Civil War author James Zbick, of Lehigh. Zbick is the author of several articles which have been published in national Civil War journals. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call Fred Walters at LCCC at 740-0424.

L-L Senior High Parent-Teacher conferences

Lake-Lehman Senior High School will hold Parent-Teacher conferences November 14 and 15. Parents are urged to call the high school guidance office at 675-7458, ext. 24, to make an appointment for a conference with their child's teachers. Appointments can be made on Nov. 14 between 12:30 and 3 p.m. and on Wed., Nov. 15, from 12:30 to 5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. No conferences will be scheduled on Wednesday between 5 and 6 p.m.

Order deadline is Nov. 20

Back Mountain Memorial Library

Citrus Sale

Orders for citrus fruit will be taken by the Back Mountain Memorial Library until Nov. 20. This is an annual fundraising event to benefit the library. Navel oranges and red grapefruit, in 2/5 bushel lots, are available at \$12 each.

Mixed 2/5 bushel packs of orange and grapefruit are \$13 each.

Sunburst tangerines are available at \$16.50 per 2/5 bushel.

The fruit will be delivered to the library on Dec. 8.

Pickup hours are: Friday, Dec. 8, 7-9 p.m.; Sat., Dec. 9, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Here's my order for:

___ 2/5 bushel of Navel oranges @ \$12 ea.	\$ _____
___ 2/5 bushel of red grapefruit @ \$12 ea.	\$ _____
___ 2/5 bushel of mixed orange/grapefruit @ \$13 ea.	\$ _____
___ 2/5 bushels of Sunburst tangerines @ \$16.50 ea.	\$ _____

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____

Checks should be made payable to:
 Back Mountain Memorial Library.
 Send or bring completed form to: Back Mt. Memorial Library
 96 Huntsville Rd.
 Dallas, PA 18612

SCHOOL MENUS

The following school lunch menus are for the week of Nov. 8-14, 2000. All lunches include milk.

DALLAS SCHOOLS

Dallas Elementary

THURSDAY - Pork rib sandwich, cheese steak hoagie, green beans, shape-up.

FRIDAY - Chicken nuggets w/ sauce, dinner roll, cheese steak hoagie, rosy applesauce.

MONDAY - No school.

TUESDAY - Hot dog/bun, bbq rib sandwich, potato wedgies, oranges.

WEDNESDAY - Chicken nuggets w/dinner roll, bbq rib sandwich, salad/dressing, shape-up.

Middle School

THURSDAY - Pork rib sandwich, steamed broccoli, shape-up.

FRIDAY - Pizza bar, Salisbury steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, cinnamon applesauce.

MONDAY - Chicken parmesan sandwich, green beans, apple slices.

TUESDAY - No school.

WEDNESDAY - French toast stix w/syrup, sausage patty, shape-up.

High School

Soup of the Week - New England Clam Chowder

THURSDAY - Pork bbq, steamed broccoli, shape-up.

FRIDAY - Salisbury steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, cinnamon applesauce.

Soup of the Week - Italian Wedding soup

MONDAY - Chicken parmesan sandwich, green beans, pudding pastry cups

TUESDAY - Open faced turkey sandwich, potato wedges, pudding.

WEDNESDAY - Cheese ravioli w/

sauce, roll, tossed salad, shape-up.

GATE OF HEAVEN

Alternative - Pizza, salad, grilled cheese

THURSDAY - Turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, corn, cranberry sauce, stuffing, cake.

FRIDAY - Stuffed pizza stix, salad, fruit cup.

Alternative - Pizza, pasta, salad, peanut butter/jelly sandwich.

French fries, corn, Rice Krispie treat.

TUESDAY - No school.

WEDNESDAY - Taco salad, Mexican beans, fruit cup, churros .50

WEST SIDE TECH Breakfast

THURSDAY - Waffles/syrup or cereak juice, fruit, pastry.

FRIDAY - Pumpkin bar, cereal juice, fruit

MONDAY - Apple cake, cereal, juice, fruit.

TUESDAY - Pancake/syrup, or cereal, juice, fruit, pastry

WEDNESDAY - Hot ham w/cheese, or cereal, juice, fruit, pastry

Lunch

THURSDAY - Pierogies/sauteed onions, roll, chicken veg. soup/crackers, apple vanilla cake/chocolate frosting.

FRIDAY - Pizza, tossed salad/dressing, chilled fruit.

MONDAY - Chicken patty, lettuce/tomato, soft bun, macaroni salad, chilled fruit.

TUESDAY - Italian meatballs, seasoned green beans, chilled fruit, soft pretzel.

WEDNESDAY - Turkey or tuna hoagie, lettuce/tomato, vegetable beef soup/crackers, apple vanilla cake/chocolate frosting.

LCCC engineering program information night

Luzerne County Community College will hold an information night for building trades and engineering programs on Thursday, Nov. 16, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the College's Advanced Technology Center and Building 2. Participants will have the opportunity to meet with faculty and tour the College's technology facilities. Information on enrollment procedures, tuition and financial aid will be available.

The information night is open to the public, free of charge. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 740-0343.

Reminder about Kingston Twp. school bills

Kingston Township Tax Collector Janice Castellani reminds residents that face value on 2000 school bills will end Wednesday, Nov. 15. Penalty will go into effect the following day until the last day of collection, Dec. 8. Office hours at the Township office at 180 E. Center St. in Shavertown are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Projects

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while helping others who are less fortunate.

The Nov. 6 school board work session opened with a talk by four Dallas High School teachers who served as Completion Project Advisors: Frank Galicki, DHS Principal; John McCarthy, English teacher; Jay Pope, Social Studies teacher, and Maureen Whalen, English teacher.

Pope enumerated some of the places students went for their Completion Projects, which included the SPCA, the Red Cross drive in Dallas, the Lake-Noxen Head Start, the Hospice program, the Little Theater, and the St. Joseph's Center in Scranton.

Whalen explained that students were taken to the facilities once as part of the project, and then encouraged to go again independently. "We would try to take them to places they would not normally go on their own," she said, and added that many of the students did go on to volunteer on their own initiative for certain projects, such as helping with a Red Cross blood drive and working at the Head Start in Wilkes-Barre over the summer.

Galicki said when students came back from the facilities, "the kids stated up front that they thoroughly enjoyed their experience and wanted to continue it."

McCarthy feels the projects help students appreciate their good fortune. "It was amazing to hear the kids say 'We're more fortunate

than we thought.' It's really a learning experience for them," she said.

Whalen said a video was being compiled consisting of footage of the students working on their projects. She noted many projects provided excellent experience for students planning to go into certain fields. For example, at the SPCA potential veterinarians cleaned up after the animals and watched surgery being performed on them, and at the Head Start future educators made lesson plans and learned firsthand about working with children.

The students made a good impression on the staff at the various institutions, Whalen said. "The people working in the facilities want them to come back. They have given the kids every kind of compliment." It was most impressive, she said, because the students "go to places most adults wouldn't go." Furthermore, despite the mixture of different kinds of students, they all worked together well. "You're talking about kids with all different abilities ... they might not all be friends, some might not necessarily be academically advanced, but they rose to the same level."

Superintendent Gilbert Griffiths agreed the students had done well. "When they present their projects, they do so with humility," he said. "They really had some compassion for what they did, and tried to get that

across not only to the people grading the projects, but to anyone who reads them."

The faculty advisors did mention some transportation concerns, such as the possibility of buses being late, the impracticality of using buses to transport smaller numbers of students, and liability issues for parents and faculty who transported students. Galicki said he would like to present the board with a list of sites to cover so it can be approved and also made a part of public record. Board member Frank Natitus said he would talk to the district's insurance representative.

At the close of the presentation, board members expressed their enthusiasm for the success of this year's projects and regard for the participants. "I think you've given the kids a real positive way of using the Completion Project," Karen Kyle said. Assistant Superintendent Michael Speziale spoke of getting grants and told the advisors, "You've done an outstanding job."

In other business, Paul DiGillio of Foreman Burkavage reported the company was 35 to 40 percent finished with the project development stage of the middle school plans; this is the stage in which the designs are laid out and the materials are selected. On Thursday the documents will be finished and given to Reynolds Construction for pricing.

Walter Tack of Reynolds Construction outlined the company's pre-construction plans for the board. Tack said the preliminary Design Development estimates and Land Development plans will be ready for submission at the December meeting, and he will meet with Dr. Griffiths, Tony Martinelli, middle school principal and DiGillio on Tuesday to review the phasing plans for the project. Phasing plans and Land Development plans are required for approval by Dallas Township. Tack also said the preparation of asbestos abatement documents is proceeding, with bids from contractors to be taken by the end of the year and the abatement to be done in summer of 2001.

"What happens if we have a problem with one of the contractors and they come in with the low bid?" Dr. Griffiths asked, worried about a repetition of the situation with two other projects where the lowest bidder — the same contractor in both cases — was not competent, which led to problems.

"It depends on how aggressive your attorney is," DiGillio said, and explained it was necessary to have concrete evidence to show the contractor did not perform according to standard, and to be able to provide documentation from throughout the whole building process in order to prove a solid case that a particular contractor should not be re-hired.