

Second DHS grad party draws big crowd

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DALLAS - As Steve and Steve sat back and relaxed in beach chairs, good times were all they were thinking about graduation night.

"I wanted to spend time with my classmates, probably for the last time," was the reason Steve Anton, a member of Dallas High School's Class of 2001, gave for attending Grad 2001.

As Anton sat next to his best friend since freshman year, Steve Stolarick, they shared memories of high school and looked forward to their futures. Anton said he will be attending school in the fall in New Jersey, but plans to keep in close touch with Stolarick who will be working and attending LCCC.

The two graduates agreed, it would have just been another night at home with friends, watching movies, if it wasn't for Grad 2001.

The second annual lock-in party, which started as Grad 2000 at Dallas High School, is an alternative for students on graduation night. The lock-in provides students with a party atmosphere free from drugs and alcohol.

Doors closed at 11 p.m. on Thursday night after graduation and the fun began. Sumo wrestling, jousting, Twister, a hypnotist and lots of food were a



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Jillian Iorio spends her 20 seconds in the Money Machine and walks out with coupons for McDonald's, Burger King, and Wendy's.

few of the scheduled events for the evening.

"There's so much to do," said Anton about the eight hour lock-in. With over 92 percent of graduates in attendance, 68 volunteers, and over \$12,000 in prizes, no wonder Grad 2001 has been a year in the making. For Chairpersons Debbie Cooper and Trudy Matley, this event



Best friends Steve Stolarick and Steve Anton are 'Kings of the Beach' at the Grad 2001 lock-in.



Jousting is serious business to Tony Santarelli and Floyd Mattie.

has been a top priority since last June.

Matley said the Grad 2001 committee raised over \$24,000 to fund the event. Donations from parents, area businesses and the community along with fund raisers paid for the evening.

"Letting the kids see that the adults are just large children," is Dallas High School Principal Frank Galicki's favorite part of

Grad 2001. "In a couple of weeks, they'll realize this was the greatest time of their lives," Galicki said about the graduates.

As the doors opened and the Class of 2001 left Dallas High School for the final time, plans have already begun for Grad 2002. Matley said the committee is still seeking chairpersons for next year's event.



Brook Kryston and Kevin Callahan jam one last time in the Dallas High School cafeteria.

Renowned Israeli guide to speak in Dallas

The Israeli Department of Tourism, Abington Travel and Gifts From Above Christian Bookstores have joined in a cooperative effort to sponsor Mr. Doron Heiliger as a speaker in the Wilkes-Barre, Scranton area from Jun. 22-Jun. 24.

Mr. Heiliger is an internationally renowned, native born Israeli guide and tour operator with over 20 years experience leading tours in his country. His services are used by several Christian Universities as well as Hal Lindsey, Benny Hinn and David Hocking Ministries. He

will address the current situation between the Palestinians and the Israelis.

He will specifically discuss the failure of the media to accurately portray the events that have happened in Israel since this past September.

Current events will be presented as fulfillment of Bible Prophecy. Heiliger will speak Friday, Jun. 22 at 7 p.m., at the Evangelical Free Church, Hildebrandt Rd., Dallas, and on Sat., Jun. 23, at 10 a.m. at Gifts From Above, 419 Memorial Hwy, Dallas. At Gifts From Above,

Heiliger will be promoting: The HolyLand-Follow The Steps of Jesus, this book is filled with beautiful photography from Israel and is published only in Israel by Steimatzy.

Any individuals who have interest in traveling to Israel are welcome to attend any of Mr. Heiliger's speaking engagements. They are open to the public free of charge.

For questions or additional information interested persons may contact Roberta Klein at Gifts From Above Christian bookstores.

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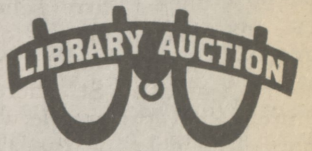
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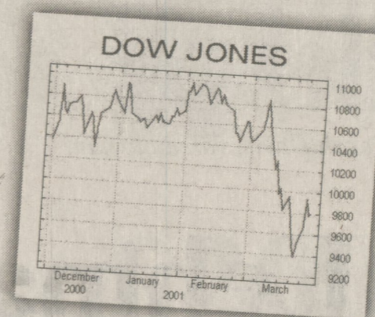
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In addition to antique items and new goods, the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction committee is always on the lookout for good used items that can be sold to support the library. If you have something you think may be of interest, call the library at 675-1182 and let someone know about it. Pickup is available for larger items, and you'll be given a receipt for your donation, if requested.

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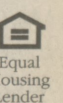
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