

Zalatimo receives leadership prize at Bucknell

Omar Zalatimo, Dallas, received The Stephen A. Barowsky Prize during convocation ceremonies at Bucknell University. The prize recognizes a student who has demonstrated campus leadership during the junior year.

A senior majoring in biochemistry, Zalatimo is the son of Suhair and Akram Zalatimo, Dallas. He is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary, Kingston. A dean's list student and member of Alpha Lambda Delta honor society, he is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

Zalatimo was one of eight students chosen as Homecoming Host/Hostess. Selected on the basis of campus leadership, the students were nominated by faculty, administrators and student organizations based on their academic and athletic performance, extracurricular involvement and ability to further Bucknell's goals. A steering committee of faculty and administrators narrowed the list and the entire student body voted on the final eight.



Area students receive scholarships at Penn State

Thirty-seven Back Mountain area students received Penn State Wilkes-Barre scholarships this academic year. The generosity of donors to the 2001-2002 Annual Fund campaign and the sponsors of endowed scholarships enabled Penn State Wilkes-Barre to award over 150 scholarships to first-year and returning students. Students recently had the opportunity to meet and thank their benefactors at the annual Scholarship Recognition dinner at Apple Tree Terrace in Dallas.

Shown, from left, seated: Louis Spaciano, Harveys Lake; Megan Basar, Dallas; Joan Kupstas, Dallas; Jennifer Kuligowski, Dallas; Gina Chocallo, Dallas; and Tiffany Maslowski, Dallas. Second row: Abraham Stone, Shavertown; D. Earl Weidner, Dallas; James Belles, Dallas; Richard Hislop, Harveys Lake; Daniel Penka, Shavertown; David Riaubia, Sweet Valley; Robert Hivish, Trucksville; Wilson Reakes, Hunlock Creek; and Steven Weber, Dallas. Third row: Luke Kasper, Hunlock Creek; Ryan Balara, Shavertown; Melvin Morris, Dallas; Jeffrey Jumper, Trucksville; and Kenneth Sprau, Hunlock Creek.

Absent from the photo are: Alec Baird, Dallas; Kimberly Boyle, Dallas; Brian Burkhardt, Dallas; Rachele Cole, Dallas; Janet Connolly, Dallas; Christopher Coslett, Hunlock Creek; William H. Evans, Hunlock Creek; Gregory Finan, Dallas; Seth Hudzik, Hunlock Creek; Daniel Karlotski, Hunlock Creek; Peter Kennedy, Harveys Lake; Anthony Lubinski, Sweet Valley; Casey Noreika, Dallas; Kevin Razawich, Shavertown; Adam Reggie, W. Wyoming; Sarah Rodgers, W. Wyoming; and Nicholas Yanchik, Hunlock Creek.

DHS yearbooks are in

The 2002 Dallas yearbooks are now available to those students who placed orders earlier this year. Alumni may pick up their yearbooks from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily in the high school main office. Receipts are helpful, but not necessary. A limited number of extra copies are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Payment is due in full upon receipt of the book.

College Misericordia will dedicate 'Mercy Hall'

College Misericordia will host a special Mass and dedication ceremony on Sunday, December 8 when the newly renovated administration building will be re-named Mercy Hall.

Students, staff and faculty are invited to attend along with alumni, select donors and members of the Board of Trustees and advisory groups. A special invitation will be extended to honored guests, members of the Religious Sisters of Mercy, for whom the building will be re-named.

The day's events will begin with a Mass at 12:30 p.m. in the chapel, followed by a dedication ceremony at 1:30 p.m. in the lobby of Mercy Hall.

As part of the ceremony, the

new donor tile wall will be unveiled on the first floor and guests will be invited to attend a special dedication of the Founders Room on the second floor.

The Founders Room is a lasting tribute to the founders of College Misericordia, the Sisters of Mercy, and will feature artifacts, words and images describing their unparalleled contributions to the success of the institution.

The Religious Sisters of Mercy laid the cornerstone in 1922 for College Misericordia, Luzerne County's first four-year college. The college was opened to students on Mercy Day, September 24, 1924. One building contained all functions of the col-

lege. Known for most of its existence as the administration building, the facility was expanded and renovated over the years to accommodate the growing needs of the student body. During 2002, the building underwent extensive renovation, resulting in more classrooms and better facilities for stu-

dents. A tile mural on the first floor gives thanks to many of those donors who made the renovation effort possible, and a tile plaque will adorn the entrance to commemorate the dedication.

For more information, please contact the institutional advancement office at 674-6333.

Gate of Heaven School first quarter honor students

Gate of Heaven School principal Mrs. Mary C. Tighe recently released the honor roll for the first marking period of the 2002-2003 school year. The following students in fifth through eighth grade made the honor roll.

FIFTH GRADE Honors with Distinction:

James Amarando, Emily Banas, Jennifer Boland, Jill Cawley, Sarah Gallis, Samarah LaFoca, Gabrielle Olshemski, Stephen Olshemski, Mikaela Pricher, and Joshua Stephens.

First Honors: Rachel Buckman, Laura Casey, Julia Clements, Tara Connors, Blair Constantino, Gianna DeGraba, Steven Gulotta, Patrick Kalish, Sara Krogulski, Meredith Moga, and Rebecca Spencer.

Second Honors: Chelsea Kon, Nicholas Pilch, Theresa Restaino, and Robert Yanik.

SIXTH GRADE Honors with Distinction:

Casey Hampsey, Casey Judge, Adam Karwaski, Colleen Leahigh, Sarah Moga, and Abbey Zurad.

First Honors: Emily Baut, Erin Crossin, Patrick DeRojas, Yahan Derby, Erin Fallon, Colleen Frederick, Serena Fulton, Mary Elizabeth Gulotta, Conor Harrington, Thomas Horn, Megan Jordan, Michael McLaughlin, Megan Millo, Laurie Ann Shevock, Carolyn Suhocki, Thomas Stepanski, Zachary

Wallick, and Bryan Weaver.

Second Honors: Joseph Byczek, Samantha Condo, Breanne DeRemer, Erin Dougherty, Anne Marie Greenhalgh, Nicholas Latosek, Jonathon Orlando, John Petroski, Tara Puffenberger, Allison Scoble, Jennifer Sobock, and Jamie Wesley.

SEVENTH GRADE Honors with Distinction:

Lauren Blanc

First Honors: Devin Albrecht, John Bailey, Dominic Jose, Carl Peterlin, Matthew Ruch, and Noah Zurad.

Second Honors: Katie Banas, Aaron Cusma, Benjamin Gardner, Hillary Mosca, Gregory Notstein, Melanie Walsh, and Lauren Weaver.

EIGHTH GRADE Honors with Distinction:

Alicia Evans, Molly Kalish, and Caroline Zielinski.

First Honors: Kathleen Garrity, Katie Goode, Keith Hizny, Bryan McLaughlin, Kathleen Paley, Elizabeth Ryan, Kristine Stanks, and Eric Wroblewski.

Second Honors: Jeffrey Clemente, Brendan Delaney, Christopher DeRojas, Elizabeth Gardner, Joseph George, Robert Greenhalgh, Janel Grundowski, Amanda Kowalek, Susan Krogulski, Jamie Krywicki, Christine Marley, Brianna McLaughlin, Scan McNealis, Kelsey Moody, Christopher Taylor, and Ariel Zurad.

Gate Singers have a busy season

The Gate Singers a 35-member (Gr. 6-7-8) select chorale group from Gate of Heaven School, have a busy December of singing engagements. They will participate at the Luzerne County Courthouse Holiday Fair, the Wyoming Valley Mall Oldies 92.1. Choral Program on Dec. 9, the K-1 GOH Christmas Program and the Newberry Estates Altar & Rosary party on Dec. 15, and the Citizens Bank in Dallas on Dec. 18. The Gate Singers are under the direction of Gate of Heaven music teacher Susanne Motyka.

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