

Pi Day, and pies, at Dallas High

Dallas High School students and faculty celebrated their first annual Pi day on March 14 (3-14) with a variety of activities.

"This winter has been so rough that we wanted to refresh them a little," said Jim McGovern, assistant principal and event organizer. "There is so much stress with the SAT's, PSSA's and all the other testing that we wanted them to have a little fun with their learning."

The day's activities centered around the homophones, pie and pi, which is the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter and is expressed as an irrational number starting with 3.14159.

In photos, clockwise from top: Sandy Sprau, math department chair, joined in sampling some of the 87 pies brought in by students for the judging contest. Winners of the day's events will be treated to a pizza party and ice cream social in April. Pictured from left: Sandy Sprau, Neil Buckman, Josh Brakefield, Spencer Piontkowski, Corey Hine and Jeremy Moore.

Pi Queen and King for the day, Liz Samanas and Michael Yurchak, reigned over the activities that featured a pie eating contest, a free-hand drawing of a perfect circle, and memorizing the most digits of pi.

Junior Corey Hine helped count links in the paper chain that broke the world's current record. Each of the color-coded paper links provided by the school's art students represented a digit in the unending irrational number represented by pi. Math students compiled the chain to accurately present pi out to the 7147th digit.



Sem Lower School team wins math competition

The MATHCOUNTS team at Wyoming Seminary Lower School recently took first place in a regional math competition — the Luzerne County Chapter Competition at Penn State Wilkes-Barre. The team is now qualified to move on to the state competition in March. This is the second consecutive year that Sem students have claimed first place in the competition. Any team that wins the regional competition three years in a row earns the right to have the trophy permanently

"retired" to their school. The full day of competition features individual and team competition, including sprint, target, team, and countdown rounds. Ten other teams also competed, including Bishop Hafey Jr. High School, Crestwood Jr. High School, Dallas Area Middle School, Freeland Middle School, Drums Middle School, Martin L. Mattei Middle School, MMI Preparatory School, Valley Middle School, West Hazleton Jr. High School, and Wyoming Valley West Mid-

dle School. The mission of MATHCOUNTS is to increase interest and achievement in mathematics among all intermediate school students to assist in developing a technically literate population essential to U.S. global competitiveness and the quality of life. Lynda Rogers, math teacher, and Patricia Summerhill, Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs and Coordinator of the Middle School Division, coached this year's Sem team.

Loyack named to dean's list at Lehigh

Adam Loyack of Dallas, was recently named to Lehigh University's dean's list for the fall 2002 semester.

Three local students named to Syracuse U dean's list

Three local students enrolled in the College of Visual and Performing Arts at Syracuse University were named to the dean's list for the fall 2002 semester. To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

Stefanie Pollock, Dallas, a senior majoring in retailing and consumer studies.

Stephen Honeywell, Noxen, a freshman majoring in environmental design.

Segan Millington, Dallas, a senior majoring in biology has been named to the fall semester dean's list in the College of Arts and Sciences at Syracuse University. To qualify for the dean's list, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.



Student standouts for February

Dallas Elementary School recently selected outstanding students for the month of February. Shown from left, first row: Owen Kiluk, Courtney Wagner, Kayla Stearn, Kelly Snyder, Chris Behm, Mary Gittens, Amber Habib.

Second row: Drew Harding, Ryan Georgetti, Meghan O'Brien, Gregory Strazdus, Deidre DeLuca, Katherine Marianacci, Sarah Dennis.

Third row: Robert Baker, Katie Cohen, Paul Brace, Korina Cisneros, Paul Narcum.

Fourth row: May Stettner, Sarah Siminovich, Rikki Shotwell, Vanessa Wells, Bethany Harris.

Fifth row: Megan Schwemmer, Allison Considine, Scott Heuer, Buck Taylor

Absent when picture was taken: Jason Morgan, Darian Healy, Kayla Stearn, and Elizabeth Dillon.

Bishop O'Reilly honor students from the Back Mountain

Susan Dennen, Principal of Bishop O'Reilly High School, Kingston, has announced the school's honor roll for the second quarter marking period. Residents of the Back Mountain area who have merited honors include the following:

Distinguished Honors

Freshman: Laura DeCesaris.

First Honors

Seniors: Erin DeCesaris, Amber DelPriore, Jillian Durr, Molly Guntli, Timur Maskayev, Courtney Reap, Nora Stepanitis, Daniel Suhocki, Jamie Verazin and Sean Walski.

Juniors: Sarah Abrams, Andrew Gialanella, Leeanne Griffith, Meghan Mitchell and Laura Mould.

Sophomores: Robert Baur, Conor Judge, Sandra Krogulski, Margaret Mathewson, Grace-marie Mike, Joanna Smith and Nicole Spencer.

Freshmen: Stephane Afghani, Allison Baur, Jennifer Bonetski, Maria Gialanella, Brittany Grabowski, Ian Herron, Natalie Herron and Tara Shevock.

Second Honors

Seniors: Jonathan Carroll, Adrienne Cebrick, Ryan Ciocca, Jane Clements, Adrienne Gilbert, Maureen Hozempa, Adam Onzik, Meghan Reino, Laura Simkulak and Mary Yanik.

Juniors: Rebecca Hizny, and Mary Herman.

Sophomores: Lauren Chupka, Michael DeRojas, Kimberly Durr, Sarah Mentis, Melissa Millo Gregory Suhocki, and Sara Wolman.

Freshmen: Joshua Aciukewicz, Mary Balavage, Margaret Guntli, Ann Onzik, Javier Perez, Carla Reino, Samantha Solak, and Erin Tanner.

Bishop O'Reilly junior honor students

Susan Dennen, Principal of Bishop O'Reilly Junior High School, Kingston, has announced the school's honor roll for the second marking period. The following Back Mountain residents have merited honors:

Distinguished Honors: Allison Ustynowski, grade 7.

First Honors: Peter Filak, grade 8.

Second Honors: Meagan Simkulak, grade 8.

Dallas El 2nd grade student standouts

Katherine Marianacci, Outstanding Student and Citizen; Teacher: Mrs. Besecker.

Christopher Reimard, Classroom Participation; Teacher: Mrs. Landon.

Danielle Spencer, Quickest Transition time; Teacher: Mrs. Lyons.

Emilia Kon, Most Improved Printer; Teacher: Mrs. Yurko.

Chloe Alles, Outstanding Student and Citizen; Teacher: Mrs. Zeza.

Free preschool program enrolling now

Luzerne County Head Start, Inc., serving Luzerne and Wyoming Counties, is now accepting applications for the 2003-2004 school year. This federally funded preschool program provided free services in education, health, social services, parent involvement, nutrition, transportation, and disabilities. For information call: Dallas Center, 674-1062 or 674-1063; Lake-Lehman Center, 639-2456 or 639-2465; Ross Center, 477-1513 or 477-1396.

Staff will be available for evening recruitment on: Dallas Center, Tuesday March 25, 5-7 p.m.; Lake-Lehman Center, Wednesday, April 2, 4-6 p.m.; Ross Center, Monday March 31, 5-7 p.m.

Bring the child's birth certificate, shot record, social security cards for your child and yourself, medical card or insurance cards and proof of last year's income.

PENN STATE SUMMER 2003 CLASS SCHEDULE

PENN STATE WILKES-BARRE			
COURSE	CREDITS	TITLE	MEETS
MAY 12 - 30 (3 CREDITS IN 3 WEEKS)			
SPCOM 100A	3	EFFECTIVE SPEECH	MTWRF 9AM - 12PM
MAY 19 - JUNE 27 (6 WEEK SESSION)			
B A 243	4	SOC LEG ETH EVN BU	TR 5:30 - 9:30 PM
CHEM 012	3	CHEM PRINC	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
E MCH 011	3	STATICS	MW 6 - 9:30 PM
ENGL 202D	3	BUSINESS WRITING	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
ENGL 438	3	AMERICAN DRAMA	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
MATH 021	3	COLLEGE ALGEBRA	MW 6 - 9:30 PM
PL SC 003	3	INTRO-COMP POL (on-line component)	W 5:30 - 8:30 PM
RL ST 001	3	WORLD RELIGIONS	MW 6 - 9:30 PM
MAY 20 - AUGUST 5 (12 WEEK SESSION)			
ADM J 439	3	TERRORISM	T 5:30 - 9 PM
JUNE 16 - AUGUST 7 (8-WEEK SESSION)			
GEOSC 020	3	PLANET EARTH	TR 5:30 - 9 PM
MATH 141	4	CALC ONLY GEOM II	MTW 5:30 - 9 PM
PHYS 151	3	TECHN PHYSICS II	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
STAT 200	4	ELEM STATISTICS	MWR 6 - 8:15 PM
JUNE 30 - AUGUST 8 (6-WEEK SESSION)			
INART 115	3	POPULAR MUSIC	MW 6 - 9:30 PM
MATH 026	3	PLANE TRIG	MW 6 - 9:30 PM
MATH 140	4	CALC ONLY GEOM I	MTR 6 - 9:00 PM
ASTRO 001	3	ASTRO UNIVERSE	WF 9A - 12:30PM
ADM J 012	3	CRIMINOLOGY	TR 9:30A - 1PM
ENGL 202C	3	TECHNICAL WRITING	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
HIST 001	3	WESTERN HERITAGE I	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
ENGL 015	3	RHETORIC & COMP	TR 1 - 4:30 PM
JULY 7 - AUGUST 14 (6 WEEK SESSION)			
ECON 002	3	MICROEC ONLY	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
ECON 004	3	MACROEC ONLY	MW 6 - 9:30 PM
JULY 1 - AUGUST 14 (7 WEEK SESSION)			
MATH 022	3	COLLEGE ALGEBRA II	TR 6 - 9:00 PM
JULY 8 - AUGUST 21 (7 WEEK SESSION)			
ACCTG 211	4	FIN MGLACC DEC MK	TR 6 - 9:30 PM
TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM			
INTRO TO TELECOM SYSTEMS (2 credits; meets M-F 9 - 11 AM and 1 - 3 PM)			MAY 12 - MAY 21
SWITCHING TRAFFIC - (3 credits; meets M-F 8-9:50 AM)			MAY 22 - JUNE 20
INTRO TO TELECOM LAB (1 credit; meets M-F 1-2:50 PM)			MAY 22 - JUNE 20
TRANSMISSION (3 credits; meets M-F 10 AM-Noon)			MAY 22 - JUNE 20
ADV TELECOM LAB (1 credit; meets M-F 3-4:50 PM)			MAY 22 - JUNE 20
Call 675-9233 or visit Penn State Wilkes-Barre's Registrar's Office in Hayfield House 110 from Monday-Friday, 8 AM-4:30 PM or e-mail ksb3@psu.edu to register, or for more information. Penn State students can register by touch-tone phone (requires personal access code) or on-line at www.eLion.psu.edu.			