

Positive Pushing' author to speak at Wyoming Seminary

Area parents are invited to attend a free parenting presentation on Tuesday, October 7 at 7 p.m. in the Amato Auditorium of the Wyoming Seminary Lower School, 1560 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort.

Noted psychologist and author Dr. Jim Taylor will be the speaker. The author of "Positive Pushing: How to Raise a Successful and Happy Child" (Hyperion 2003), Taylor has presented his parenting views frequently on television and radio. He has consulted with young achievers and their parents in education, sports and the performing arts for more than 18 years. He also has written a column for The Denver Post and has been interviewed for articles appearing in Parents, Family Circle, The Christian Science Monitor, The Miami Herald, The Ft. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel, The Baltimore Sun, The Denver Post, U.S. News & World Report and many other newspapers and magazines.

Copies of Taylor's book will be on sale after the presentation, and Taylor will be available to sign books.

In addition to his evening presentation, Taylor will speak to Upper and Lower School students during assemblies and will discuss his ideas with Wyoming Seminary faculty during the day.

The Wyoming Seminary Upper School Parents Association is sponsoring Taylor's visit. For information call 270-2140.



Grad 2004 committee fundraiser

The graduation 2004 committee will be selling Kathryn Beich Candy/Gifts, a division of Nestle. All profits will be used to help fund this year's all night graduation party. The sale will run until October 20. Delivery date is November 18.

Anyone interested in supporting program may call 674-7257.

Shown from left: Joyce Pace, Jeff Pace, Bill Calise, Meredith Lacy, Ryan Mark, Mitch Mitchell, Donna King.

Community groups mentor participants in CM Women With Children program

Members of The Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club and the Family Service Association of Wyoming Valley are lending their talents and expertise in the areas of interpersonal communication and financial management to participants in the College Misericordia Women With Children Program during a series of presentations this fall.

Discussions by these organizations are enhancing the educations of the women in the College Misericordia program. These educational programs are part of the Women with Children Mentorship Program that is funded by a grant from the Hillsdale Fund, Inc. Mentors for the program come from College Misericordia's professional staff and faculty, as well as volunteers from throughout the Back Mountain and Wilkes-Barre areas.

"The mentorship program is a critical component of the Women With Children program," says director Elly Miller. "The women in our program are mothers enrolled in College Misericordia who are working so hard to make a better life for themselves and their children. In addition to their academic courses, we provide programs like these on time



Pictured are members of the Women With Children program and their mentors. From left, front row: Christopher Wright; Heidi D'Amore and her daughter, Alyssa Burcher; Amber Ford and her mother, Tuchana Ford; Brian Grutza and his mother, Nicole Fallon. Back row: Kit Foley, assistant dean of students at College Misericordia and a program mentor; Mike Zimmerman, Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club; Elyse Gold, Family Service Association and Elly Miller, program director.

management, money management and other skills they will need when they successfully complete our program and go back into the work world."

The Women With Children Program is designed for academically qualified single mothers of all ages, providing

them with the opportunity to attend classes while living on the Misericordia campus, with their children. The program offers convenience, personal support and financial help that can lead to confidence, academic success and economic self-sufficiency.

Sem homecoming weekend Oct. 10-12

Wyoming Seminary alumni are invited to attend a weekend of fun, friendship and memories at the Upper School on Friday, Oct. 10, Saturday, Oct. 11, and Sunday, Oct. 12, when Seminary holds its annual Homecoming Weekend. Members of the classes of 1988, 1993 and 1998 are also invited to attend class reunion parties.

Activities will begin with the Varsity Club Sports Hall of Fame Reception and Banquet at 6 p.m. Friday at Fleck Hall on the Upper School campus.

Alumni field hockey and soccer games will kick off Homecoming activities on Saturday. Former Sem field hockey players are invited to join captain Janet Murray, class of 1976, at 11 a.m. on the back campus field on Maple Avenue, Kingston. Coffee and pastry will be served at 10:30 a.m.

Members of past men's soccer teams are invited to play soccer with Tom Imperiale, class of 1987, organizer of the annual alumni soccer game. The game will begin at 11:30 a.m. at Nesbitt Field, with coffee and pastry at 11 a.m.

Following the games at 12:30 p.m., alumni and their families are invited to the Homecoming Lunch in Fleck Hall. The annual Homecoming Football Game

at Nesbitt Field follows at 2:30 p.m. The Blue Knights, led by head football coach Bill Russo, will take on the Peddie School. Halftime activities include presentations of the Alumni Service Awards and the Outstanding Young Alumnus Award to Harvey Lake resident Robert Tamburro, class of 1991.

At 5:30 p.m., alumni are invited to visit with faculty and school administrators at a Faculty-Alumni Reception held in the new addition of Sprague Hall, followed by class reunion gatherings at off-campus locations.

This year's new Homecoming event, a Farewell Brunch, will be held on Sunday, October 12 from 9:30-11 a.m. in Fleck Hall, giving alumni a last chance to visit before returning home.

All events, except for the Sports Hall of Fame, are free for Wyoming Seminary alumni, but reservations are required. Alumni may register by mail, phone or on line, using the Homecoming registration form at www.wyomingseminary.org.

For more information and reservations contact Liz Hibbard Ortega '69, director of alumni and parent programs, at 270-2140 or e-mail at lortega@wyomingseminary.org.

Kindergarten Readiness Program at Lake-Lehman

Lake-Lehman School District will feature reading readiness in a Kindergarten Readiness Program on October 14-16. Faculty from each Lake-Lehman elementary building will conduct the presentation.

The program is only for children who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2004 and are planning to enter kindergarten for the 2004-2005 year.

The schedule is:

Ross Elementary: Tuesday, Oct. 14, 10 a.m.

Lake-Noxen Elementary: Wednesday, Oct. 15, 9 a.m.

Lehman-Jackson Elementary: Thursday, Oct. 16, 9 a.m.

Parents are asked to register for the program by calling the appropriate school: Ross, 477-4050; Lake-Noxen, 639-1129; Lehman-Jackson, 675-2165.

SAT prep course

High school students can register now for Penn State Wilkes-Barre's review course for the Scholastic Assessment Test, a seven-session course to prepare for the verbal and math portions of the SAT. The course will be held Thursday evenings, Oct. 16 through Dec. 4, from 6-9 p.m. at the campus in Lehman. Students may take one or both the verbal and math reviews.

For information, call 675-9219 or e-mail paa10@psu.edu.

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