

College Misericordia opens new bell tower

College Misericordia recently opened the Geraldine Ruth Daley Anderson Bell Tower, the newest addition to the renovated Mercy Hall, formerly the Administration Building. The entrance at its base creates a new entrance to Mercy Hall.

Named in memory of Geraldine Ruth Daley Anderson, a noted educator and education supporter in the Wyoming Valley, the bell tower was a gift of her husband, Dr. Robert S. Anderson.

The tower was designed by Quad Three Group, Inc. The contractor was Sordoni Construction Services, Inc., Forty Fort.

Constructed of brick and pre-cast concrete, the tower is 75 feet tall. The new carillon system produces the sounds of up to eight different bells.

The college's Anderson Sports and Health Center as well as the Anderson Athletic Fields are named after the couple. The college also annually awards the Geraldine Ruth Daley Anderson Scholarship to female Coughlin High School students who meet the college's academic requirements and who have demonstrated academic excellence and leadership skills in school.



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Sara Chmura, center, accepts a certificate noting her nomination for the Principal's Leadership Award from Michael A. Gokay, Co-Principal, Lake-Lehman Junior-Senior High School. Sara's parents, Stan and Carol Chmura are at left and Bonnie Gregory, guidance counselor, is at right.

Sara Chmura competes for principals' scholarship

Sara Chmura, a Lake-Lehman Senior High School senior, has been nominated to compete in the national Principal's Leadership Award (PLA) scholarship program, sponsored by the National Association of Second School Principals (NASSP).

Michael A. Gokay, Co-Principal, Lake-Lehman Junior-Senior High School, announced the nomination, which places Chmura in the national competition. One hundred fifty national PLA winners will be chosen this spring to receive \$1,000 college scholarships.

"Sara exemplifies the outstanding qualities necessary to become a leader in today's world," said Gokay. "She is intelligent, well spoken and is involved a wide range of ex-

tracurricular activities. Sara is an outstanding example of what hard work and diligence can accomplish."

In recognizing leadership in co-curricular activities as well as academic performance, the PLA scholarship recognizes the importance of a well-rounded education. Co-curricular activities are an essential part of the school curriculum.

NASSP promotes the intellectual growth, academic achievement, character development, leadership development, and physical well being of youth through its programs and student leadership services. NASSP administers the National Honor Society, the National Junior Honor Society, and the National Association of Student Councils.

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Housing proposed for middle school

By KALEN CHURCHER
For The Post

LEHMAN TWP. — During Tuesday's School Board work session, Bill Jones of Volunteers of America asked the board to consider the possibility of turning the former Lake-Lehman Middle School into subsidized housing for the elderly.

Volunteers of America is in the process of examining costs and designs for the refurbishment and is studying elderly population growth in the Back Mountain. It also must wait for financial support from the U.S. Department of Housing And Urban Development.

In October 2002, Volunteers of America unveiled a similar building in Wilkes-Barre. The Palmer House, formerly the Palmer Elementary School, was renovated to create 28 one-bedroom apartments. It also in-

cludes a commercial kitchen and dining room, large community room, offices and meeting areas.

Jones admitted the process for Volunteers of America to acquire the building could be a long one, but it is possible the School District could be reimbursed for the processing time.

Though the School Board continues to grapple with how it will handle the contents of the building, Solicitor Charles Coslett said removal could become a condition of the final contract, with responsibility placed on the buyer.

Also Tuesday, the School Board agreed to vote next week to authorize an inspection of several roofs within the district. The \$2,880 price tag, quoted by Mark Sobeck Roof Consulting, is "cheap insurance" to insure the life expectancy of the roofs, said Ben Schall, buildings and grounds

supervisor.

A recent examination indicated multiple small holes in the rubberized roof covering part of the junior-senior high school. Should the holes stretch, major roofing problems and leaks could occur.

In other business:

- The following students were honored as students of the month by co-high school principal Robert Roberts: Bryan Poepperling, James Sutton, Brian Cardillo, Mandy Boyle, Patrick McMahon and Sara Chmura.

- Lake-Lehman's School Board will hold its regular meeting at 7 p.m. Nov. 18 in the music room of the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School.

- The School Board's reorganizational meeting will be at 6 p.m. Dec. 2. At that time, new School Board members will be sworn in and a new slate of officers will be chosen.

Galicki honored by principals' groups

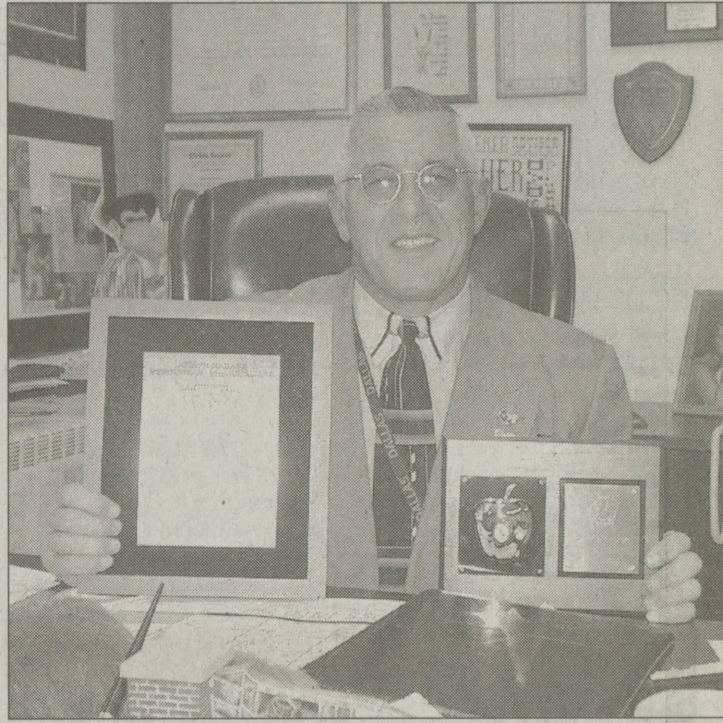
Frank Galicki, long-time Dallas High School principal, was presented with two awards at the October Pennsylvania Association of Elementary and Secondary School Principals (PAESSP) conference.

Galicki received the prestigious Joseph Mamana Meritorious Service Award for his work in securing business partnerships with companies such as The Princeton Review, the Horace Mann Insurance Company, Lincoln Investments and Premier Agenda.

"These business partnerships will garner service and opportunities for members to achieve reduced rates with their companies," said Galicki.

In addition, Galicki was presented with the Past President's Award for his time serving as president of The Pennsylvania Association of Secondary School Principals (PASSP).

Galicki has served as east region I representative, two terms as president, past president, president-elect, alternative funding co-chairperson (current) and joint committee



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Frank Galicki, Principal of Dallas High School, held two awards he was recently presented with by professional organizations to which he belongs.

member and chairperson. In addition he has served on various conference committees and is a long-time PASSP Executive Board member.

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