



### Jazzin' up the festival

The Dallas Middle School Jazz Band, under the direction of Louise Piazza, was the first group to perform at the harvest festival on Sunday. At left Jazz Band, Drew Clouse, left, and Mark Gilbert, entertained at the start of the festival.

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### Kindergarten preparation at Lake-Lehman

Lake-Lehman School District has scheduled a Kindergarten Readiness Program for children planning to enter kindergarten next fall. There will be four presentations throughout the school year. The first presentation will focus on reading. Faculty from each building will conduct the presentation. The schedule is: Ross Elementary, Oct. 13 at 10 a.m.; Lake-Noxen Elementary, Oct. 14 at 9 a.m.; Lehman-Jackson Elementary, Oct. 15 at 9 a.m.

Register for the first presentation of the program by calling Ross Elementary at 477-4050 or 256-7897, Lake-Noxen Elementary at 639-1129, or Lehman-Jackson Elementary at 675-2165. This program is only for children who will be age 5 on or before Sept. 1, 2005, and are planning to enter kindergarten for the 2005-2006 school year.

### Dallas High Nursery School taking applications

The Nursery School class at Dallas High School will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 13, for the new school year. Children participate in free play, story time, snack time, arts and crafts and outdoor play. Sessions are held Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 12:15 p.m. until 2:40 p.m. Children must be 3 or 4 years old and residents of the Dallas School District. The nursery school is held in conjunction with the Child Care and Parenting class. There is no charge. For more information, call 674-7208 ext. 289.

### Open houses for young children at Sem

Wyoming Seminary Lower School invites parents who are considering pre-kindergarten (ages 3 and 4) or kindergarten for their children to attend free open houses, to be held from 4 to 6:30 p.m. on Wed., Oct. 13 (for pre-kindergarten) and Thursday, Oct. 14 (for kindergarten) on the school's Forty Fort campus, 1560 Wyoming Ave. The afternoon event will include tours of the school as well as opportunities to meet with teachers in their classrooms. Sem's pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs provide developmentally appropriate learning, individual attention and small classes. The Lower School is now accepting applications for the 2005-06 school year. Children entering pre-school must be 3 years old prior to Sept. 1, 2005; prospective kindergarten students must be 5 years old prior to the same date. For further information, call the Lower School admission office at 718-6610.

## College Misericordia faculty earn recognition

Several College Misericordia faculty members have been recognized by their peers through publications and presentations at national conferences. Deron Grabel, program director of Sport Management, is a committee member for NYC2012, the organization attempting to bring the 2012 Summer Olympic Games to New York City.

Dr. Mark Painter, professor of philosophy, had an article accepted for inclusion in the forthcoming volume of "Philosophy and Praxis," scheduled for publication by Rudolphi Press, Amsterdam and the U.S., in 2006. Dr. Painter's article, "Protestantism and the Spirit of Nationalism," will appear along with articles by faculty members from prestigious universities such as Purdue, Boston College, Paris-Sorbonne and Hamburg.

Dr. Joseph Rogan and Carole Fisher of College Misericordia's Alternative Learners Project have been invited to present at the 26th annual International Conference on Learning Disabilities, sponsored by the Council for Learning Disabilities.

During their presentation, which is set for early October, they will discuss research they completed on the concept of what constitutes a reasonable testing accommodation. They contrasted the perceptions of reasonableness shared by secondary-level learning support teachers, high school social studies teachers, college professors, and college-level disability providers.

Dr. Lalit Shah, OTR/L, associate professor of occupational therapy at College Misericordia, presented the research poster, "Therapeutic Horseback Riding: Effects on Postural Control/Dynamic Sitting Position," at the annual American Occupational Therapy Association conference held in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dr. Matthew L. Swanson, Dallas, associate professor of philosophy, has been accepted for publication in Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2003-2004. Dr. Swanson holds a Ph.D., from the University of Missouri-Columbia. His areas of specialization are social/political philosophy, 19th Century, ethics and existentialism.

## Penn State Wilkes-Barre engineering open house

Penn State Wilkes-Barre will host an Engineering Open House on Friday, Oct. 15, at the Bell Atlantic Center for Technology on the campus in Lehman.

High school students will have the opportunity to learn about various disciplines of engineering including aerospace, architectural, civil, environmental, electrical, mechanical, telecommunication, surveying, and more.

Information on nanofabrication manufacturing technology, the newest associate degree major at the campus, will also be available. Highlighting the program is an afternoon on-site

visit to a local engineering firm where students can experience the day-to-day activities of engineers working in the field.

Students can choose to visit one of the following companies: Borton-Lawson Engineering, Commonwealth Telephone Quad Three, The Architecture & Engineering Group, or Martin & Rogers. Lunch will be provided.

For more information or to make a reservation, call 675-9238, e-mail wbadmissions@psu.edu or visit <http://www.wb.psu.edu/openhouse/eoh> to register on-line. Registration deadline is October 8 and seating is limited.



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