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Homegrown broadcast starts students' day

Dallas Middle School program, 20 years old, adds some new twists.

By CAMILLE FIOTI
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DALLAS TWP. — Like many of their parents, students at Dallas Middle School begin the day watching a morning television news-cast.

But theirs is different, because it is produced and presented by their classmates.

The program, an offshoot of the school's audio-visual club, was introduced 20 years ago and former teachers Bill Roberts and Paul Warshall directed it for the last 15

years. Roberts and Warshall both retired last year.

This year, Dan Flynn, an eighth grade science teacher, and Mandy Nauczczek, a seventh grade science teacher are directing the program. They are building on the foundation laid by Roberts and Warshall.

"They were light years ahead of their time," said Flynn. "Everything we're doing, they pretty much designed it."

Several new twists have been added.

"It was our idea to come up with the teleprompter, utilizing the computer program, Power Point," said Flynn.

In the past, announcers would read from a script based on announcements given to

them by teachers. "Now we have the teachers e-mail us the announcements, then I copy and paste from our e-mail into a script."

Teleprompter operator Beth Martindale scrolls through the script and guides the announcers while keeping up the pace of the show.

Flynn said the changes to the daily morning program are helping to pull kids out of the halls and into their homerooms before the start of classes.

Filling in for Kathy Dolan who is on maternity leave, Nauczczek is in charge of organiz-



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Camera woman Koryn Henry makes fine adjustments prior to the daily broadcast of WDMS.

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Neighbors question new well

United Water is asking to draw up to 432,000 gallons per day from Gephart Well, starting next year.

By RONALD BARTIZEK
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DALLAS TWP. — People who live near a new well drilled by United Water would like to know more about its potential to affect their water supplies.

William Wilkie, whose house is along Old Lake Road about 2,000 feet from the new well, put his concerns in a letter to Paula Ballaron, chief of the project review and compliance section of the Susquehanna River Basin Commission.

"I wasn't even aware this was going on," Wilkie said, until he received a notice by mail that invited comment on the company's application for approval of the well.

United Water is asking to draw up to 432,000 gallons of water per day from the well, named the Gephart Well, which was drilled last year. "Our consultants feel the well will easily support that," said Kirby Pack, the company's operations director.

Pack said that figure is well above the level that needed in the near future, since the commission requires the company to make a 25-year projection on water use.

"That wouldn't happen for years," Pack said.

He said in August that about 50,000 gallons per day would be used initially, allowing the company to turn off an interconnection to its Shavertown division that now supplies about 40,000 gallons daily to Dallas customers.

Neighbors are not sure their private

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An apple today?

Mari Taggart, Wyoming, and her good friend Brittney Winsock, picked out the very best apple from the selection at Dymond's Farm. The apple and cider season is in full swing at local farms.

Youth chess club back on move

The club is meeting every other Saturday at the library, and hopping for big things.

By M.B. GILLIGAN
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DALLAS — The Smart Alekhines chess club has resumed its meetings and is looking for new members.

"We have a bit of a history here," said club moderator and instructor George Trent. "We were state champs four times and placed fourth at nationals in 1990. It is one of our goals this

year to compete in state scholastic tournaments again."

The current membership is rather small but Trent hopes to attract more players. "My goal is to pass on my love of the game to the younger generation," said Trent, who got caught up in the Bobby Fischer craze of the 1970s. Fischer, an American, was world champion from 1972-75.

At the first meeting of the year, Trent set up a tag-team simultaneous meet for the players on hand. Erick Sam, a three-time state champion, and 7-year-old Josef Bystrik of Brooklyn,

New York played against four team members, Michael and Mitchell Rock, Ryan Frania, and Bailey Endler.

The team members played at individual boards while Erick and Josef rotated at each of those boards. The idea was to introduce the club members to different levels of play.

"If you win all of your games, you aren't playing against the right opponents," said Trent.

Josef, a chess student of Trent's during his summer vacation in the area,

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Lots to do, but maybe not in open

By RONALD BARTIZEK
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DALLAS TWP. — The Dallas School Board may talk at Monday evening's work session about proposed renovations at the high school, but the public won't be in on the discussion, according to a preliminary agenda.

Dennis Gochoel, chairman of the property committee, had scheduled a public review for October 28, but that meeting was vetoed by board president David Usavage. Gochoel had invited interested board members to a meeting October 21, at which architects' proposals would be opened.

When no one showed up, he selected four and planned the October 28 meeting, at which "four architectural firms will review their feasibility proposals for construction at the Dallas School District."

But a few hours after notice of the meeting was faxed to the media, the

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Couple transforms home into horrible funhouse

By RONALD BARTIZEK
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HARVEYS LAKE — It's finally done in time for Halloween.

For the past few years, Don and Kim Berrettini have been going well beyond pumpkins and candles when decorating their Birch Street home for the spooky holiday. But until this year, it was never done early enough to get advance publicity for their creation.

Actually, Kim admits, Don is in charge of preparing and setting out grave stones, smoke machines and characters with heads that spin around. They cover the yard and populate a wraparound porch that brings visitors to the goodies.

"He's got a method to all of it," Kim said last week. "To get the candy, you've got to come all the way around."

While Don does the heavy lifting, Kim carves the pumpkins and gets the house ready for visitors. Last year there were about 140, but the couple

Porch of Eternal Peril

6 to 10 p.m.
Birch Street, Harveys Lake
At Pole 129, turn up Grandview Ave. Take first right, the house is fifth on the right.
Or just listen for the wailing.

is hoping for more tonight.

The couple will be ready to join in the fun, "haunting" the porch as kids and their parents haltingly make their way through. "It's just neat to see the reaction," she says.

This is the fourth "good" year, Kim says. Besides calling newspapers and television stations to get the word out, she posts flyers at stores around town, and there's a sign — although perhaps a less-than-welcoming one — at the corner of Lakeside Drive and Grandview Avenue, near Pole 129.

It has taken all month to get the "Porch of Eternal Peril" ready for tonight. The Berrettinis are hoping to share the fruit of their labor with plenty of startled neighbors and friends.



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Kim Berrettini peeked out from behind a ghost figure set up in the yard of her home on Birch Street, Harveys Lake. She and her husband are hoping for a big turnout of trick-or-treaters tonight.

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