

## DALLAS MIDDLE SCHOOL WINS MATHCOUNTS AWARD



The Dallas Middle School was recently awarded the "Most Improved School" in the annual Mathcounts competition at Luzerne County Community College. Members of the team, from left, first row are Monica Esopi, Amanda Thompson, Brandon Harding, Drew Schaub. Second row: Tim Reinert, Hunter Englehart, coach Michael Rother, Christopher Clemson, Brad Sherman and Pat Touhey.

## Students present research papers

Forty-four students from Wilkes University, including several from the Back Mountain, recently presented research papers with their biology faculty mentors at the 82nd annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Academy of Science in Grantville.

Dallas High School graduate Patricia Shepherd, a junior biology major, joined senior business administration major Salman Purnekar and Nicole Ciancio to present "Thrombospondin 1 in Ulcerative Colitis-Associated Dysplasia."

Jennifer Ramil, a senior biology major from Tunkhannock and a 2002 graduate of Tunkhannock High School; Keith Heim, a senior pharmacy major; Stephen Lehmkohl, a senior biology major; and David Scordino, a senior biology major, presented "Making Plants with Peroxisomes That Fluoresce Yellow."

Trucksville resident and Bishop

Hoban High School graduate Beth Karwaski, a junior pre-pharmacy major, and sophomore biology major Rachel Giroux presented "Role of Plant Architecture and Cuticular Features in Removing Iron from Wetlands Constructed to Treat Abandoned Mine Drainage."

Abigail L. Redmond, a senior biology major from Shavertown and a 1996 graduate of Dallas High School, Aunisha Desai, a senior biology major, Alfonsino Lavaglia, a senior biology major, and John R. Cybulski, a senior biology major, presented "Phylogenetic Distribution of Riverine Coliformes."

Cecelia Candelario, a junior biology major from Harveys Lake and a 2003 graduate of Lake Lehman High School, joined biology majors Cassie Sailus, Christopher Pray and Kamran Kalim to present "Analyzing the Acclimation Potential of Red and White Oak Seedlings."

## SCHOOL BRIEFS

### Lake-Lehman changes calendar

The Lake-Lehman School District announces the following changes to the 2005-06 school calendar. Students will not report to school Monday, April 17 and Tuesday, April 18. Students will report to school, however, Thursday, June 8 and Friday, June 9.

### Summer Fun Night at Dallas Elementary

The Dallas Elementary School will hold "Summer Fun Night" from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, April 26 in the school cafeteria. The school is located on Hildebrandt Road in Dallas. Sponsored by the Dallas Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization, the event is open to the public. More than 50 local businesses and organizations will present information about summer programs for children of all ages.

### SAT prep course set for PSU W-B

Penn State Wilkes-Barre will

hold a review class for the new SAT beginning April 20. The classes will be held for eight weeks from 6-9 p.m. Thursdays at the campus in Lehman Township. The course will cover preparation for the critical reading/writing and math exams, and will include a sample essay for the writing component. The course is designed to provide information on the current format of the SAT and will provide students with test-taking techniques to help them realize their full potential.

Topics will address increased reading comprehension and strategies for sentence completion for the critical reading section. The writing component will cover grammar and mechanics and effective essay writing. Students will be introduced to a math grid and learn when to use a calculator on the test. Instructors will also cover the advantages and disadvantages of guessing.

The cost is \$289 for the full review, including critical reading/writing and math. The cost for one portion of the review is \$149. For more information or to register, call Janet Rosenbaum at 675-9102 or e-mail her at jqr8@psu.edu.

### Film series at PSU W-B

Penn State Wilkes-Barre is holding its "Film, Food and Fun Facts" series at 6:30 p.m. each Thursday in the science building on the campus in Lehman Township. The film screenings, which are open to the public, look at the contribution of Northeastern Pennsylvanians have made to the film industry.

The series is offered in the spring and fall at Penn State Wilkes-Barre and is moderated by Penn State communication arts instructor Bill Bachman. The cost is \$10 per film for adults; \$5 per film for students.

For information about the other films in the series, call 675-9143.

### Gardening course available at college

College Misericordia is offering non-credit course that will give students of all ages an opportunity to develop a green thumb for gardening.

The Garden of Possibilities course allows students to discover the tools that are needed to build a greener, healthier

lawn, plant and maintain colorful flower beds and how to properly care for various plants. Students also will learn about fertilizers and chemicals, soil testing and the lifecycle of root-eating grubs.

The six-week will be held from 6-8 p.m. each Wednesday from April 19 through May 24 in the MacDonald Art Gallery. The instructor is Barbara Anderson and the course costs \$60.

For more information about the non-credit classes being offered at College Misericordia or to register, contact the adult education office at 674-6289.

### Nursing open house at Misericordia

College Misericordia will hold an open house for adult learners to learn more about the opportunities in the graduate nursing program. An open house for the undergraduate nursing program will be held at 5:30 p.m. April 27 in Kennedy Lounge.

The deadline to register is April 20. To register for either event, call Larree Brown at 674-6451.

## RIDGEWAY'S at IREM

Irem's 3 Chefs

Brian Kravitz, Laurie Knauer, Michael Wysocke

Irem's 3 chefs bring a variety of experience, backgrounds and taste to the menu of Ridgeway's at Irem. Brian Kravitz ran all aspects of food operations in the Officers Club for the past 20 years from Maine, N. Carolina, S. Carolina, and Nebraska. Brian also gained international experience while residing in Belgium for three years. Laurie Knauer, formerly Drury worked with her father Jim Drury at Drury's Deli & Restaurant in Harvey's Lake. Then in 2002 Laurie opened her own restaurant, Brunch Express in the Twin Stacks Center, specializing in breakfast and lunch fare. She closed Brunch Express in 2004 to spend more time with her family and joined the team at Irem. Michael Wysocke has previously worked as the owner/operator of the Lake Carey Inn, chef at Hotel Jeremiah in Aspen, CO, Sous Chef at Casa Marina Resort and Key West, FL, and Matri d Hotel at the Hilton International in Albany, NY.

Ridgeways at Irem features all you can eat breakfast buffet every Sunday (except holidays) and daily lunch and dinner specials.

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## PUZZLE ANSWERS

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### King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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