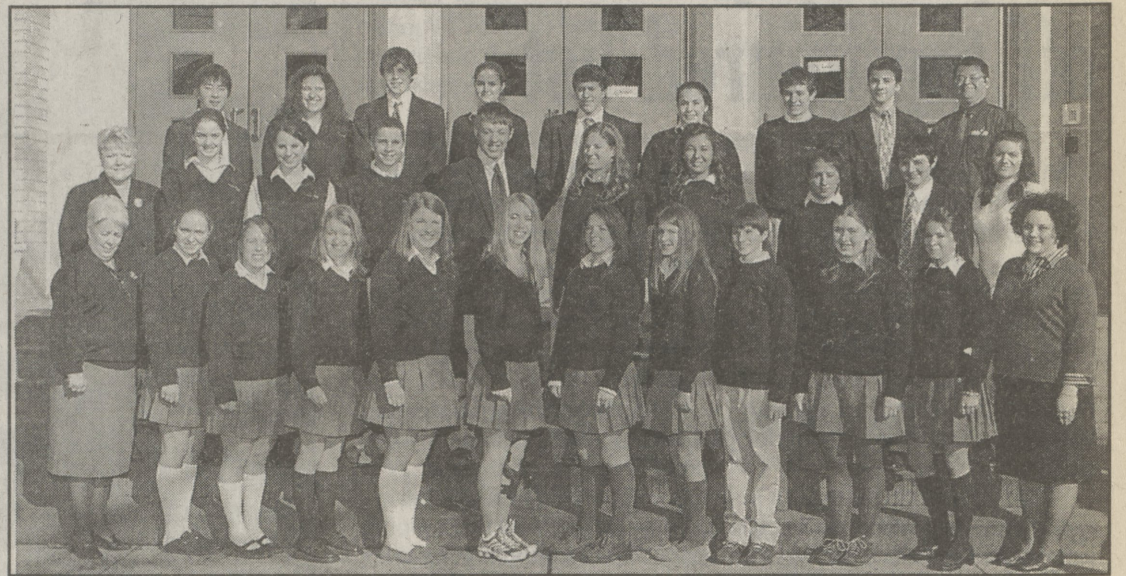


GATE OF HEAVEN HOLDS ACADEMIC FAIR



The students in teacher Colleen Engler's eighth grade class at Gate of Heaven School in Dallas recently presented a "Chronicles of Narnia" theme for the school's annual Academic Fair. Wearing the period costumes, from left, are students Karl Carichner, Mike Pace, Louis Oley, and A.J. Limongelli.

LOCAL BOR STUDENTS WIN SCIENCE, MATH AWARDS



Fifty-four students from Bishop O'Reilly High School, including 26 from the Back Mountain, participated in the 45th regional meeting of the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science at King's College in Wilkes-Barre. Twenty-nine students earned first-place awards and will attend the state PJAS meeting in May at the Penn State University's main campus. Back Mountain participants and their faculty sponsors, from left, are Susan Dennen, principal; Janel Grundowski, second award in math; Katie Giunta, first award in math; Allison Baur, first award in math; Tara Shevock, second award in math; Annie Onzik, first award in math; Erin Tanner, second award in math; Laurie Shevock, first award in math; Conor Harrington, first award in math; Susanna Parmelee, first award in botany; Abbey Zurad, first award in math; and Barbara Warman, coordinator and faculty sponsor. Second row: Linda Rakauskas, faculty sponsor; Katie Goode, first award in math; Hillary Mosca, first award in math; Devin Albrecht, first award in math; Matthew Ruch, second award in math; Beth Ryan, first award in math; Stephanie Hennigan, second award in math; Carolyn Surocki, second award in math; Thomas Mike, first award in math; and Andrea Steele, faculty sponsor. Third row: Kyle Gallagher, second award in earth and space; Kathleen Paley, first award in botany; Justin Sherin, first award in computer science; Susan Krogulski, second award in math; Zachary Wallick, first award in biology; Serena Fulton, first award in math; Casey Judge, first award in math; Patrick DeRojas, second award in math; and Steven Wise, faculty sponsor.



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Amy Wengen of Hunlock Creek shows her mother Gwen how she created a ceramic piece.

ART SHOW

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the work by the students," Smith said. "It's a very impressive show."

And a very large one. "When the pieces are coming in one by one, you don't see the entire scope," said Smith, who has been teaching art at Lake-Lehman for the past 35 years. "But when we're looking for another place to hang something or for more or table surface space, you start seeing how large it really is. It stretches from the entryway through the

grand corridor to the cafeteria and the auditorium. It keeps growing and growing."

Derby, who has been an art teacher at the high school for 31 years, says each show has been unique.

"I don't know if (the artwork) gets better each year, but the projects are certainly different from year to year," he said. "It's a nice variety. It's a good representation of the student body's artwork."

The work was done by the students during their respective art classes. Some of the work was started last school year and was finished this year. There are some things in the world of art that can

be taught, says Smith. Other things, however, must come from within the artist.

"You can absolutely learn to be creative," she said. "You can learn techniques. But you can't learn to be inspired. Inspiration comes from the soul. It's something that you can't teach."

Smith gave some of her older students a mirror to draw their self-portraits. That's when Evans created his masterpiece.

"It was a little weird," said the Hunlock Creek resident. "A lot of people say it looks like me."

And what does he think? "I think it's one of my best drawings."

BARBERSHOP CONCERT TO BE HELD MAY 13



Several Back Mountain men will perform in the 55th annual Wilkes-Barre Barbershop Harmony Society concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13 at the F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts in Wilkes-Barre. Reserved tickets to the concert are \$20, \$15 and \$10. Tickets are available from members or by calling 822-9736. The concert committee includes selected members of the society called "Golden Oldies" because they have been part of the four-part harmony for at least 40 years. Members of the committee, from left, are Ray Patsko, chairman Phillip Brown (Shavertown, 49 years), Robert Carey (Dallas, 44), Ted Rebennack (Shavertown, 40) and William Zdanczewicz. Second row: Earl Loch, Tom Roberts, Philip Tuhy, Hal Cohen, Herbert Daniels Jr., Harry Howell (Dallas, 48), John Metzko and Jack Muchler. Other members are Anthony R. DeAngelo and Harry Taylor.

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