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TIMES LEADER FILE PHOTO/AIMEE DILGER

State Sen. Charles Lemmond was the winner of last year's Kiss the Pig contest.

Chili contest to make debut Festival heating up with cook-off

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Mary Ann Ochman
Event organizer

DALLAS - Even though it's the dog days of summer, members of the Dallas Harvest Festival committee are busy making plans for the annual event, which will be held Sunday, Sept. 17 in downtown Dallas.

The Harvest Festival will be held from 1-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17 on Main Street in Dallas. Parking will be available at the Back Mountain Memorial Library with free shuttle service. Volunteers are needed to help with planning. Anyone interested should attend a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17 at the borough building.

A night of dancing to The Original Starfires will usher in the weekend.

"For the first time ever, we're going to hold a chili cook-off during the dance," said Mary Ann Ochman, one of the event organizers. "Everyone can taste the chili for \$5 and can vote for the best."

The committee is looking for 12 local restaurants and/or caterers to enter chili in the categories of vegetarian, normal, hottest, and unusual. Anyone interested should call Ochman at 675-5872 for more information or to register. The entry fee is \$30 and prizes will be awarded at the festival. Half of the money raised will be donated to the Back Mountain Food Pantry.

The Harvest Festival dance will be held from 7 p.m. to midnight Friday, Sept. 15 at Irem Temple Country Club. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at Ochman's Coin on Church Street or at the Dallas

Borough municipal building on Main Street. The ticket price includes food and free beer. A cash bar will be available. Due to catering needs, no tickets will be available at the door.

The Harvest Festival has been a great success in the past and most of the same vendors will be there again this year. There will be a Farmers Market, a Kiss the Pig contest with fire chiefs from five local departments vying for the honor, and local performers will be on center stage throughout the day.

A new feature this year will be the Harvest Festival Idol Contest to be held in the auditorium at College Misericordia on Wednesday, Sept. 13. Registration will start at 5:30 p.m. and will be limited to the first 75 musical performers between the ages of 16-25.

Solo and group acts are allowed, but no acting or poetry. There is also a three-minute time limit per act. Cash prizes will be awarded and the top three finalists will perform from 3:30-5 p.m. at the festival. Anyone in attendance can vote for their favorite act.

As in the past, College Misericordia students will be helping with the festival in a variety of ways.

"We have a lot of team athletes who will help the vendors

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From left, Sergey Ivannov, Celia Cowher, Sarah Kennelly, Janelle Marohallick and Paige Vacante were part of a movies the students made at the camp.

A close-up look at films

Youngsters learn about movie-making during a camp at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus

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LEHMAN TWP. - Have you ever wondered what it takes to make a movie? What goes on behind the scenes of movie production?

Director Bill Bachman and approximately 10 students dissected those questions during the recent "Make a Movie Camp" at Penn State Wilkes-Barre. The young campers were dropped off early in the morning to indulge and absorb everything there is to know about movie-making.

"I have been teaching them everything from movie fundamentals, camera blocking, low and high angles, to music, light and shadowing, and triangular three-point lighting," Bachman said.

With Bachman's impressive background of teaching public speaking, communication and mass media - as well as participating in nationally-recognized video projects at Penn State Wilkes-Barre for 24 years - he surely has much information to share with his campers about the movie business.

After about an hour and half of teaching the campers the ins and outs of movie-making, Bachman showed clips of classic movies, such as Charlie Chaplin's eight-minute silent film called "City Lights," "The Molly McGuire's," "The Day the Earth Stood Still," and the musical "Yankee Doodle Dandy." With these movies, each has its own significant purpose.

"With Charlie Chaplin's silent film, one has to listen with their eyes," Bachman



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Class instructor Bill Bachman prepares the video for Paige Vacante, Shavertown.

"I really liked this camp because I have never been to anything like it before and it was a very good experience."

Janelle Marohallick, 14
Movie-making camper

"This was one my goals," said Bachman. "I believe watching and criticizing these types of movies are how the kids will learn best."

During the last two days of camp, the campers were assigned to make their own short movies. One of the themes was "Being Lost on the Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus." The next day, the theme was completely different with "Finding Safe Shelter During an Earthquake."

Because it was the last day of the camp, Bachman said he felt the campers were ready to put to use what they had learned. Focusing mostly on special effects without

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said. "It is very important for the kids to understand how movies were made without the kinds of special effects we have today."

Not only were the children having fun watching these old movies, but they wanted to learn as much as possible about them.

MCGOVERN BECOMES L-L SUPERINTENDENT



TIMES LEADER STAFF PHOTO/DON CAREY

Jim McGovern was sworn in as the new superintendent of the Lake-Lehman School District during a ceremony Wednesday night. He becomes the district's fifth superintendent in the last six years. In that time, the post has been held by William Price, Robert Roberts, Michael Healey and interim superintendent John Oliver. McGovern, who has also served in the Dallas School District as high school principal and assistant superintendent, took the oath of office from Luzerne County Judge Thomas Burke Jr. A three-sport standout at Crestwood High School, McGovern was also a standout football player at Colgate University. McGovern, who also served as an assistant football coach at Dallas under Ted Jackson, and his wife Maureen have three children, A.J., Tyler and Connor.

COMMISSIONERS HOLD MEETING IN BACK MOUNTAIN



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The Luzerne County commissioners took their on-the-road meeting to the Back Mountain earlier this week, holding the monthly event at the Harveys Lake municipal building on Route 415. During the meeting, the commissioners announced the decision by the Luzerne County Salary Board to give three percent raises to approximately 400 nonunion county employees. There was one Back Mountain-relevant topic when two Harveys Lake residents complained about delays in assigning street addresses to their residences. County Public Safety Chief Alan Pugh told the residents 911 is assisting with the addressing, but local municipalities and the postal service ultimately have jurisdiction.

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