

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Kindergarten program being held at Lake-Lehman

The Lake-Lehman School District will hold the second presentation of its Kindergarten Readiness Program for children planning to enter kindergarten in fall 2007 and who will be 5 years old before Sept. 1, 2007. The program will feature math readiness and faculty members from each building will conduct the presentation.

The presentations will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 7 at Ross Elementary School; at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8 at Lake-Noxen Elementary School; and 9 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 9 at Lehman-Jackson Elementary

School.

Parents may register their children for the program by calling Ross Elementary School at 477-5050 or 256-7897, Lake-Noxen Elementary School at 639-1129, or Lehman-Jackson Elementary School at 675-2165.

Dallas High School holding musical

The Dallas High School Theatre Club will give three performances of the comedic children's musical "The Misadventures of Little Red Riding Hood." The performances will be held at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 17 and 18, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19 in the high school auditorium. The public is

invited.

Dallas H.S. juniors to attend program

Members of the junior class from Dallas High School will attend a "How to Visit a College Campus, 101" program from 8:45-11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15 at King's College in Wilkes-Barre. The program will be conducted by the admission department at King's College and is being organized by the Dallas High School guidance department, Parent-Teacher-Student Organization, and Dallas juniors Katherine O'Brien and Kristen O'Brien.

The O'Brien sisters are organizing the program as part of their completion project.

The timing of the admissions

process, questions to ask during visits to help determine if a college meets your needs, how to distinguish yourself from other applicants, and financial aid will be addressed.

Juniors will be placed in groups and will tour the campus, and hear a presentation from the admissions staff.

Parents of students in the junior class are welcome to attend.

The PTSO is looking for volunteers interested in learning more about the admissions process, or willing to spend time with the junior class. If interested, call the high school guidance department at 675-5201.

Friedman Observatory

open Monday nights

Ever wonder what Neptune looks like? Has the controversy over Pluto piqued your interest in the solar system? The Friedman Observatory at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus in Lehman Township offers opportunities to view the night sky through a computerized 16-inch Meade telescope.

The observatory is open to the public starting one hour after sunset on clear Mondays. If Monday is not clear, the observatory will be open Tuesday at the same time.

John Rovnak, acting director of the observatory, and her assistants will be on hand to answer questions. Rovnak is an amateur astronomer, retired aerospace engineer, and Penn

State graduate. Small groups are welcome on public nights.

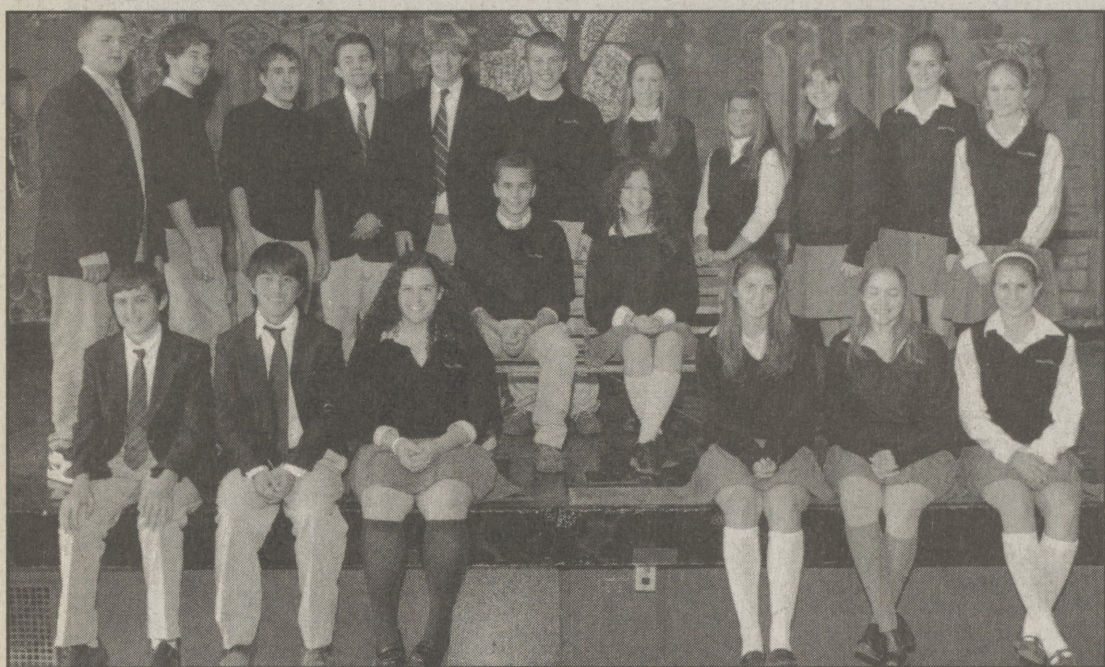
Larger groups, such as Girl and Boy Scout troops, are invited to call for a private session.

The Observatory opened in 1990 and the computerized Meade Schmidt-Cassegrain reflecting telescope is the only one of its kind in the region. The rural setting provides a perfect opportunity for stargazing away from city lights.

For more information regarding viewing opportunities, contact Thomas Winter at 675-9278 or txw2@psu.edu; and Rovnak at 925-2561 or jer32@psu.edu. Information is also available on college's Web site at www.wb.psu.edu.

Go to the quick links for the Friedman Observatory.

BACK MOUNTAIN STUDENTS TO APPEAR IN BISHOP O'REILLY PLAY



More than 20 Back Mountain cast members will appear in the production of "Once Upon a Mattress" at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 10-11 in the Bishop O'Reilly High School auditorium. Ticket prices are \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens, and \$4 for students. The musical comedy is a spin on the fairy tale The Princess and the Pea. Assisting co-directors Thomas Hanlon and Susan Dennen are Steven Wise, Barbara Warman, Linda Johnson, Linda Rakauskas, Andrea Steele, James Lynch, Courtney Mullen, Beth Seybert, Margaret Chulvick, Ada Lynch, Cara Rowan and Alyson Kotch. Back Mountain students who are members of the cast, from left, first row are Thomas Mike, Kyle Gallagher, Kathleen Paley, Katie Goode, Bridget Knepp and Hillary Mosca. Second row: Devin Albrecht and Seybert. Third row: Scott Hinzy, John Petroski, Zachary Wallick, Kevin Gilbertson, Sean McNelis, Matt Ruch, Beth Ryan, Meagan Simkulak, Rebecca Spencer, Susan Krogulski and Leslie Serino.

WYCALLIS STUDENTS ENJOY WALK AT SCHOOL DAY



Students, teachers and parents at Wycallis Elementary School recently participated in the second annual statewide Walk At School Day, a program designed to encourage physical activity and bring awareness to walk-to-school initiatives. The event was organized by Pennsylvania Advocates for Nutrition and Activity, a statewide coalition established by the Pennsylvania Department of Health and funded in part by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Students in the second grade class of teacher Elizabeth Faerber were among those who participated in the walk.

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