



Lake-Lehman senior Bryan Cardillo recently was a state finalist in the Voice of Democracy essay competition. He finished first on the local level and sixth at states. Participating in the contest, from left, first row, are Bethany Yamerick, second place local level; and Julia Travis, second place in the Patriot's Pen Essay contest. Second row: coordinator Gail Honeywell and Cardillo.

Cardillo wins VFW essay contest

Lake-Lehman High School senior Bryan Cardillo recently took first place in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 283's annual Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen essay competition. Three of the six award recipients were from the Lake-Lehman School District. The students were under the direction of faculty member Gail Honeywell.

Cardillo received a plaque, a citation and a bond for \$500. His essay "Freedom's Challenge" advanced into district competition and statewide competition. Cardillo and his family were treated to a weekend in Harrisburg, capped with an evening reception at the Hotel Carlisle Convention Center. More than 600 veterans were in attendance to honor the 29 district winners. Cardillo's essay finished sixth at the state

competition. He received a \$1,000 bond and a trophy.

Created in 1947, the Voice of Democracy scholarship program is an audio-essay contest for high school students in grades 9-12 that annually provides more than \$3 million in scholarships.

At the post level, eight high schools competed in the annual speech competition, according to Voice of Democracy coordinator Bob Tilghman. Bethany Yamerick, a junior at Lake-Lehman, took second place. She was awarded a \$300 bond and a citation.

In the Patriot's Pen division, eighth-grader Julia Travis placed second. She was awarded a citation and a bond for \$200. The theme of this year's Patriot's Pen was "Citizenship in America."

Green Dog Pottery in Dallas is more than a business; it's an art school, as well.



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bachelor's degree of fine arts in visual communications. Not wanting to be a starving artist, Sensbach decided to pursue a career that would combine his love of art with business. So he became a graphic artist.

Sensbach and his wife Kirsten moved to the area when she accepted a position at John Heinz Institute. Shortly thereafter, Sensbach landed a position as a graphic artist at College Misericordia. In 1998 when their son Ethan was born, the couple decided to create a lifestyle that would allow them to raise their son without relying on outside daycare. So the couple decided to open a business where Skip could practice his art and participate in the care of their son. The Dallas location was selected because of its rural feel.

In addition to working at his business, Sensbach works with special needs adults and children.

"They're fascinating because they don't have the inhibitions found in other adults and children," he said.

"(Many people have) been con-

ditioned to analyze everything and we're afraid to put our work out there for others to criticize. If you're happy doing it, and you're satisfied inside with what you've created, then it doesn't matter what someone else thinks of your work."

Sensbach also has advice for anyone wishing to open a business.

"Understand that you need to commit to your business and be in it for the long haul," he said. "It takes time for people to get to know you and to trust you. You need to immerse yourself in your community."

Sensbach tries to live by those words. He offers free pottery workshops each year at the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction and the Back Mountain Harvest Festival.

In addition to working an average of 50 hours a week at his studio, Sensbach participates in festivals and art shows. His work has been displayed at many galleries, including the MacDonald Gallery at College Misericordia. His work is also on permanent display at the Red Run Gallery in Mount Pocono and The Sea Hag Art Mercantile in Montrose, as well as his studio.

Anyone interested in taking a class should stop by Green Dog Pottery or call 674-2911.

CHURCH BRIEFS

Churches combine for Lenten services

The Center Moreland, Dymond Hollow, Evans Falls, Falls and Lake Winola United Methodist churches will combine for special Lenten services. The feature is a series of monologs "Twelve Ask: Is It I, Lord" by Jean Vaughn. All services will begin at 7 p.m. and an offering will be taken for campus ministries in our area.

The services will be held Center Moreland, March 7; Evans Falls, March 14; Dymond Hollow, March 21 and Falls, March 28.

A Maundy Thursday service will be held at 7 p.m. April 5 at the Lake Winola UMC. Lay members of each of the churches will take part. A Good Friday service will be held at 3:30 p.m. April 6 in Orange. A soup and sandwich dinner will follow at the Dymond Hollow UMC at approximately 4:45 p.m. and a service will follow at 6 p.m.

For more information, call pastor Mary Jean Simonin at 333-4354 or pastor Joan Dodson at 378-2545 or 378-2806.

Ham, cabbage dinner to be held March 14

The men of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church will hold a ham and cabbage dinner from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 14 in the parish hall at the church on Main Street in Dallas. Takeouts will be available from 4-5 p.m. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Tickets are available from parishioners. For more information, call 675-1723 from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays or Fridays. For takeout orders, call 675-1723 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday.

March 14.

Chowder, haluski at St. Frances Cabrini

St. Frances Cabrini Church in Carverton is holding a clam chowder and halushki sale. Orders are being accepted and may be picked up from noon to 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 23. The prices are \$7 a quart for clam chowder, \$5 a quart for halushki, and \$2.50 for a loaf of fresh-baked bread. Orders must be placed no later than Wednesday, March 21 by calling 675-1860.

Prince of Peace sets Stations of the Cross

Prince of Peace Episcopal Church will hold Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. each Friday during the Lenten season at the church on Main Street in Dallas. Contemplative evening prayer will begin at 6 p.m., followed by a soup supper and discussion of the book "Following Francis: the Franciscan Way for Everyone" by Susan R. Pitchford. For more information, call the church office at 675-1723.

Ballroom dancing at St. Paul's Lutheran

St. Paul's Lutheran Church will hold an evening of ballroom dancing from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, March 17 at the church on Route 118 in Dallas Township. Tickets are \$30 a couple. Refreshments will be available. Space is limited. Tickets are available in the church office or by calling 675-3859.

Roast beef dinner to be held March 24

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

will hold a roast beef dinner at 4-6:30 p.m. Saturday March 24 at the church on Route 118 in Dallas Township. Takeouts will be available at 3:30 p.m. For tickets, call 675-3859. The church is handicapped accessible.

Book discussions at Prince of Peace

Prince of Peace Episcopal Church will hold "Tea on Tuesdays" during March at the church on Main Street in Dallas. Tea will be served at 3:30 p.m. and the book discussion starts at 4 p.m. The discussions will be held March 6, 13, 20 and 27. The group will discuss "Ten Gospel Promises for Later Life" by Marie Thibault. Books are available by calling the church office at 675-1723.

River of Life sets craft/collectible show

The River of Life Fellowship Ministries Church will hold a craft/collectible show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 17 at the church, 22 Outlet Road in Lehman Township. The church is located across from the former Lake-Lehman Junior High School.

The show will feature hand-crafted items, homemade Easter candy, makeup, collectible items, household items, and home and garden items. There will also be a rummage sale. Proceeds from the event will benefit the church's new roof fund.

Vendor space is available and may be reserved by calling 639-1769 or e-mailing jskoja@netzero.net.

Men's breakfast held each Tuesday

The Shavertown United

Methodist Church recently began holding a weekly ecumenical men's breakfast. The group meets at 8 a.m. each Tuesday at Pickett's Charge restaurant on Route 415 in Dallas. The Dutch treat breakfast is followed by fellowship and a short devotion period. The breakfast, fellowship and devotion period last no longer than one hour.

Men from all Back Mountain churches are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Bob Deeble at 696-2148.

River of Life begins nightly meetings

Pastors Stephen and Mary Ann Kotch of River Of Life at Kingdom Power Ministries in Shavertown will hold special meetings at 7:30 p.m. each Tuesday through Sunday at the church, located at 219 North Memorial Highway. The Sunday meetings will be held at 6 p.m.

The meetings will vary each evening to include teaching on spiritual gifts, prophecy, healing, dreams and visions interpretation, spiritual counsel and worship. The public is invited.

Awana Club meets at Grace Community

The Awana Club of Grace Community Church meets from 6-7:45 p.m. each Wednesday at the church, located across from Chapel Lawn Cemetery on Memorial Highway. The club holds its meetings through April.

The Bible-based club is open to boys and girls in kindergarten through sixth grade. For more information, call the church office at 675-3723.



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