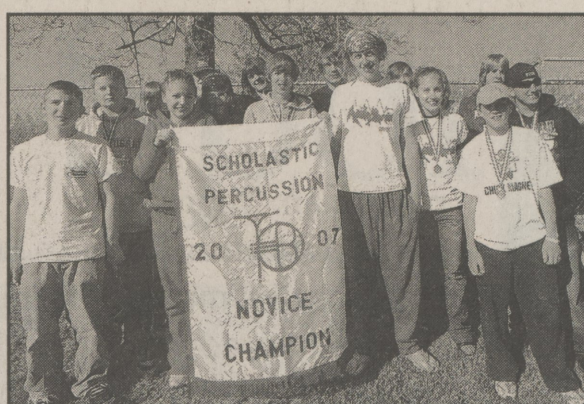




Pam Pearson hugs a band member as she gets off the band bus at the Lehman High School.



Members of the Lake-Lehman High School Band proudly display a banner from their win.

## Lake-Lehman Junior High/Senior High Band wins Atlantic Coast Championship



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The Lake-Lehman High School Band is escorted into town by fire trucks after winning a band competition in New Jersey.

# Best in the state

It was a wild weekend in Wildwood, New Jersey for members of the Lake-Lehman Junior High/Senior High Band as they came away from an Atlantic Coast Championship with several awards.

The indoor percussion group won first place, marking the fifth time it has taken top honors. The group also won first place in 19098, 2000, 2002 and 2005.

Members of the indoor percussion group include Eric Ellis, Rachel Adams, Curt Sharding-Taras, James Morrisey, Joe Dixon, Nathan Crane, Evan Scott, Jon Anderson, Erik Sandstrom, Vito Sicurella, Molly Murphy, Robert Gionfriddo, Stephanie Ciehoski, Chris Gerlin,

Leslee Everett, Trevor Borger, J.J. Ford and Seana Schweizer.

Also walking away with first place honors that weekend were members of the outdoor percussion group, including Tim Bendick, Eric Ellis, Joe Dixon, Jordan Barski and Robert Gionfriddo.

The Lake-Lehman Junior High/Senior High Band won third place overall in the Atlantic Coast Championship outdoor marching band division on November 13 at Lackawanna County Stadium.

Members of the outdoor marching band are Sierra Houck-Boyer, Nina Jones, Vincenzo Sicurella, Jenna Barski, Trevor Borger, Kameitri Saxe, Jacob Sedorchuk, Kendra Smith, Jon Anderson,

Nathan Crane, Robert Gionfriddo, Lindsey Knepp, Jordan Barski, Thomas Bassett, Stephanie Ciehoski.

Also, Leslee Everett, Tom Herrick, Joe Dixon, Eric Ellis, Heather Lake, Adam Patla, Erik Sandstrom, Curtis Sharding-Taras, Evan Scott, Wally Simko, Rachel Adams, Tim Bendik, Briana Schweizer.

Also, Marissa Brooks, Allison Sanky, J.J. Ford, Kaitlyn Martin, Symone Vaughn, Tyler Pearson, Jessica Buzink, Seana Schweizer, Diana Gionfriddo and Cassie Steltz.

Greg Riley is director of the Lake-Lehman Junior High/Senior High Band.

### SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### Seminary seniors present final concert

Wyoming Seminary student musicians will present the annual Farewell/Senior Recital at 4 p.m. on Friday, May 25, in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Avenue, just north of Kingston Corners. The students will perform their favorite pieces for the last time as Sem students.

The performance is free and open to the public. For more information, call 270-2190.

#### DHS Class of '67 plans reunion

The Dallas High Class of 1967 will hold a reunion picnic from 1 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 16, at the Castle Inn. Food and soft drinks will be provided and a cash bar will be available. Cost is \$15 per person and reservations are required. Send payment to Donald Dennis, P. O. Box 325, 1321 Durham Road, Pineville, PA 18946. For further information, call Bob Kelley at 1-800-775-8975.

#### Kiwanis awards two scholarships

At a recent dinner meeting, the Kiwanis Club of Dallas presented two book scholarships to seniors from Lake-Lehman and Dallas High Schools.

This particular scholarship is the Annual Golf Scholarship given in memory of former Kiwanis member Walter Kozemchak. The scholarship recipients are recommended by their high school golf coaches on the basis of academic achievement as well as achievement in their chosen sport of golf.

This year's recipients were David Hanadel from Dallas High School and Kurt Jones from Lake-Lehman. David is the son of George and Sandi Hanadel. He will attend Millersville University. Kurt is the son of Terry and JoAnn Jones and will attend Bloomsburg University.

#### Pre-school students visits center residents

The pre-school class of The Little Meadows Learning Center, Dallas, regularly visits with the residents of The Meadows Nursing Center. The residents of the center truly enjoy these visits. The children sing songs, tell stories and participate with arts and crafts. This is considered a highlight of the day at the center.

Taking place in last week's activities were residents and Elizabeth Sherknsas. Students who participated were T.J. Heron, Christian Reino, Jillian Clarke, Zachary Holman, Chad Lehman, Faith Butler, Madison Pertl, Jacob Onda, Kanisha Cheshire, Jordan Stefanowicz, Alexis Warrelman, Nicholas Budner, Jimmy Goodrich, Danielle Eldred, Thomas Michak, Rachel Klings, Gavin Lahart, Xander Shaner, Nicholas Price, Dennis Dukinas, Calvin Barto, Robbie Lauer.

Also participating were Nancy Space, activity director; Angie Paugsch, volunteer; Leicha Cilvic, activity staff; Amanda Johnson, pre-k teacher; Kristine Loszynski, pre-k teacher; Sharon Reino, pre-K teacher; and Cynthia Scott, volunteer.

#### O'Reilly students participate in PJAS contest

The 46th regional meeting of the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science was held recently

at King's College. Fifty one students from Bishop O'Reilly High School participated in the contest with 34 of them who received first place award planning to attend the state meeting at Penn State University this month.

Back Mountain participants and their sponsors are Mrs. Linda Rakauskas, faculty sponsor; Leslie Serino, first place biology; Hillary Mosca, first place math; Devin Albrecht, first place math; Abbey Zurad, first place math; Carolyn Suhocki, first place math; Catherine Becker, second place math; and Ms. Barbara Warman, faculty sponsor and PJAS coordinator.

Also, Mrs. Alexandra VanDerLyke, faculty sponsor; Conor Harrington, first place math; Janel Grundowski, first place math; Kathleen Paley, first place microbiology, a perfect score, senior high excellence award in microbiology and 6-year perseverance award; Elizabeth Ryan, first place math and 4-year perseverance award; Serena Fulton, first place math; Laurie Shevock, second place math; and Ms. Andrea Steele, faculty sponsor.

Also, Mr. Steve Wise, faculty sponsor; Sara Krogulski, second placed math; Patrick DeRojas, second place math; Patrick Kalish, first place botany, junior high excellence award in botany and a perfect score; Justin Sherin, first place math; James Amarando, first place chemistry; Zach Wallick, first place biology; and Ms. Susan Dennen, principal.

Also, Susanna Parmelee, first place chemistry and a perfect score; Thomas Mike, second place biology; Nicholas Latosek, second place math; and Casey Judge, first place math.

#### Friedman Observatory open Monday nights

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.

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.

#### Families sought for exchange students

ASSE International Student Exchange Programs (ASSE) is seeking local host families for boys and girls from a variety of countries around the world. These students are 15 to 18 years of age, and are coming to this area for the upcoming high school year or semester.

The students are well screened and qualified by ASSE. Families may select the youngster of their choice from extensive student applications, family photos and biographical essays.

To become a host family or find out more about ASSE and its programs, please call Sue 1-732-251-1517 or 1-800-677-2773. Or visit us at www.asse.com.

## Kindergarten Readiness Programs scheduled

The Dallas School District will conduct Kindergarten Readiness Programs for the parents and /or guardians of incoming Kindergarten students.

The sessions will be held in the Wycallis Elementary School cafeteria. Parents of students whose last names begin with A-K are invited to the evening session at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22. Parents of students whose last names begin with L-Z are invited to the evening session at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 24.

There will also be a morning session at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22, for any parent who is unable to attend the evening sessions.

Teachers and staff will be present to distribute information and offer suggestions for development of self-help/social skills, fine/gross motor skills, language/literacy skills and math/science skills.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Baron at 674-7291.



Preparing for the Kindergarten Readiness Programs are, from left, seated, teachers, Jenny Gibbons, Karen Heitzel and Karen Mertz. Standing, Tom Traver, Dallas Elementary School principal; Kathleen McCarthy, Wycallis Elementary School principal, Luci Callahan, Kindergarten teacher, Chris Baron, Wycallis Elementary School counselor. Absent at the time of photo was Betsy Jerome, Dallas Elementary School counselor.

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