

'FORK & THE CORK' AT MISERICORDIA



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Emma Martin, left, and Elizabeth Poole, Dallas, enjoyed the ice cream.

# Tasting area's best

Regional chefs, representing some of the finest dining establishments in Northeastern Pennsylvania, paired their signature dishes with premium wines during the Second Annual "Fork & the Cork Grand Tasting Event" at College Misericordia on June 1. "Fork & the Cork" is an evening of elegantly-paired wines, specialty cheeses, distinctive foods and live music in support of College Misericordia's Women with Children program. It is held on the picturesque grounds of the college outside and inside the Back Mountain Student Life Center. America's premier wine-tasting event is sponsored by Back Mountain and features more than 20 premium wineries, including Lehigh Valley, St. Francis, Taylor, Pilsner, Chimay beer, Taittinger, Grey Range and more. Guests enjoyed a beer bar, a chocolate fountain, gourmet grilled-cheese sandwiches and carving stations, as well as martinis, and specialty wine and gourmet food from around the world, plus the cuisine of local restaurants. Local restaurants participating included AV Restaurant/Lounge, Back Mountain, Bakehouse, Kingston, Olivia, Pittston; Harry and David, North Scranton; Kazimi's Restaurant, Kingston; Linea, DuPont; Riverstreet Ale House, Pittston; Ahl Some Chocolates, Wilkes-Barre; and Vida Tapas, Scranton.



Catching up on old times are, from left, Ron McRipley, Sharon Lombard and Jeannie Clemens.



Meeting up at the Fork and Cork event are, from left, Atty. Sheila Saldman, Kingston; Dr. Steve Kaffrisen and Mary Beth Farrell, Lehman.



Melissa Heath tries to convince Alyssa Burcker and her mother Heidi D'Amore that the ice cream is pretty good.

The inaugural "Fork & the Cork Grand Tasting Event" attracted more than 600 people to the Back Mountain campus and raised more than \$10,500 for the Women with Children Program at College Misericordia was established in 2000 to provide support to women and their children by helping them realize their full potential through high-quality education. The program was designed to provide support, services, housing and financial aid for academically-qualified single mothers of any age who are determined to complete their undergraduate degree.

The program has grown steadily from a pilot project to a successful education model. Due to limited facilities and funding, enrollment is capped at six adults, leaving well short of the demand.

Funding is primarily derived from civic groups and individuals through grants from private foundations, corporations, government agencies and contributions. The program currently has 20 women on its waiting list.



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## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH HOLDS CONFIRMATION



Thirteen members of the 2007 Confirmation Class at St. Paul's Church made the decision to accept the responsibilities for their faith and church membership on Sunday, June 3. At Baptism, the Church proclaims the child as a member of the Church, the People of God; at Confirmation, the young person proclaims himself a member. At Baptism, the Church accepts the child; at Confirmation, the young person accepts the Church. Members of this year's confirmation class are, from left, first row, Lauren Henry, Timothy Miller, Katelyn Confer, Olivia Marquart. Second row, Dianna Morgan, Stacey Stepniak, Wyatt Phillips, Keith Roberts, Leah Kaiser. Third row, Carlie Kropp, Colin Grube, Rev. Charles H. Grube, Pastor, Sarah Flannery, Alexandra Berry.

## BMT RESIDENTS GRADUATE FROM WYOMING SEMINARY



Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School celebrated its 163rd Baccalaureate and Commencement on Saturday and Sunday, May 26 and 27, as 109 seniors from six states in the United States and nine other countries completed their high school educations. Members of the Class of 2007 from the Back Mountain are, from left, standing, Megan Messersmith, Dallas; Julia Ross, Dallas; Kaytlin Kopen, Shavertown; Christina Brown, Shavertown; Jacqueline Thomas, Dallas; Kristi Stoyko, Shavertown. Second row, Rebecca Thalenfeld, Dallas; Abigail Sordoni, Shavertown; Kendra Sirak, Dallas; Elizabeth Killian, Shavertown; Samantha Marquart, Dallas; Chelsea Halsor, Dallas. Third row, Michael Millington, Dallas; Jonathan Janerich, Shavertown; Jason Brady, Shavertown; Stephen Levandoski, Dallas. Fourth row, Dylan Seeley, Shavertown; and Corey Konycki, Hunlock Creek. Absent at the time of the photo was Kaitlyn Snyder, Shavertown.

### W. CURTIS MONTZ FILM SERIES

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### Summer 2007 Film Schedule

Showtimes: 1:00 pm \$6 • 7:30 pm \$8  
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#### THE ITALIAN • June 13 • Rated PG-13; 92 Minutes

Based on a true story, six-year old Vanya, living in a state-run orphanage in contemporary Russia must choose between adoption by an affluent Italian family or running away to find the mother who abandoned him. Nicknamed "The Italian" by the other orphans, Vanya steals his birth records and his mother's address, and escapes. This initiates an intense pursuit by the adoption broker and the head of the orphanage. Find the runaway child or lose a very lucrative deal.



#### VENUS • June 20 • Rated R; 95 Minutes

Giving a staggering, fearless, defiantly untamed performance, Peter O'Toole, 74, plays Maurice, a still-employable British actor enthralled with a friend's visiting 19 year-old grandniece, Jessie. Although petulant and crude, Maurice ignores those characteristics and sees Jessie as a reason to live. Jessie soon blossoms under Maurice's attention and they become deep genuine friends in this May-December relationship. With Vanessa Redgrave and the great Leslie Phillips.



#### THE LIVES OF OTHERS • June 27 • Rated R; 137 Minutes

This political thriller and human drama won the 2007 Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film. Set in 1984 East Germany, this heart-jolting film explores oppression and personal liberty under the constant watch of the State Secret Police. With their goal to know everything about the lives of its citizens, the story focuses on the surveillance of a famous playwright, his celebrity actress live-in girlfriend, and the Stasi officer assigned to watch them. The drama unfolds with the officer transforming from a shell of a man leading an empty existence to a human being deeply involved in the couple's lives. In the finale, this turnabout brings surprises and profoundly moving perspectives on lives, actions, and consequences.