

Locals dance in 'Nutcracker' production

Artistic Director Kristin Degnan has announced that Ballet Northeast will present its 24th annual full-length traditional "Nutcracker" at the Darte Center for the Performing Arts with performances commencing at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 14 and 15, and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 15 and 16.

Featured in the principal roles of the Sugarplum Fairy and her Cavalier will be guest professional artists Jennifer Moll and Jurij Safonovs of Akron, Ohio. Matthew Ferraro of New York City will appear in the role of the Nutcracker Prince.

Other major supporting roles in this holiday family classic will be essayed by members of BNE's corps de ballet. Julie Degnan of Harveys Lake will share the lead

role of Klara with Katherine Marianacci of Dallas while Mary Mash and Maggie Sullivan portray her mischievous brother, Fritz.

In addition to alternating the Russian trepak dance, Virginia Reinert of Dallas will also share the role of the Ice Princess with Kristin Wempa. Chloe Kalna and Diana Smith of Shavertown will share the Snow Queen's part and Kelly Ferrell and Mary Kathryn Siejak will alternate in the role of the Dew Drop Fairy.

Dan Pascoe will portray the mysterious Uncle Drosselmeier and Grace Schaub of Dallas will be the winsome Baby Mouse. Performing the Chinese variation lead will be Samantha Condo of Dallas and Molly Apfelroth, while Juliana Gorman and Sara Kasper will essay the lead of the

Spanish variation.

Appearing in other supporting roles will be Gina Bartley, Jamie Moran, Nadia Novak, Karla Nave of Dallas Taylor Kazimi, Katrina Schmit, Chava Kornblatt, Tiffany Usavage, Anna Weiss, Victoria Rendina and Kristi Starosta of Shavertown.

Staging of the performance is faithful to the spirit of the original work by Lev Ivanov, the re-

nowned 19th century choreographer of Russia's Kirov Ballet.

Tickets (Adults at \$20, seniors/children/students at \$15) may be secured at the Darte CPA box office immediately prior to each performance. For additional information and ticket reservations, call 287-5802 or 639-1303, or visit Ballet Northeast's website at www.balletnortheast.org.



Some of the Back Mountain residents who will perform in Ballet Northeast's annual production of 'The Nutcracker' are, from left, kneeling, Nadia Novak and Grace Schaub. Standing, Diana Smith, Virginia Reinert, Jamie Moran, Brianna Wise, Chloe Kalna and Katherine Marianacci.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Granddaughter of locals named to NHS

Lauren Dalrymple received the prestigious accolade of induction to the Parkland High School National Honor Society on November 15. A junior at Parkland, Dalrymple is involved in intramural soccer, photography, track and the year-book committee in addition to various after-school and summer jobs.

Dalrymple is the daughter of Kathleen Dalrymple and Steven Dalrymple, both of Allentown. She has a sister, Kelly, and a brother, Kyle.

She is the granddaughter of Don and Jane Dalrymple, of Lake Wallenpaupack and of Joseph and Ann Cominsky of Dallas.

Dr. Blanchard publishes paper

W. Scott Blanchard, Ph.D., professor of English at Misericordia University, recently published a research paper in Renaissance Quarterly about a

15th century humanist and his views on the ethics of world citizenship.

Dr. Blanchard's paper, "Patrician Sages and the Humanist

Cynic: Francesco Filelfo and the Ethics of World Citizenship," focuses on the humanist's involvement with turbulent Florentine politics from 1429-1444 and how he became an advocate for aristocratic oligarchs during the Renaissance city's political crisis.

Dr. Blanchard, of Shavertown, has been an English professor at Misericordia University since 1991. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Middlebury College and a doctoral degree from Columbia University. He has been published widely and has made numerous presentations in the fields of Italian humanism and European literature.

Seminary plans Open House

Parents of students who will be entering preschool through

high school next year and are interested in learning more about Wyoming Seminary, are invited to experience Sem by attending an Open House at both Lower and Upper Schools from 1 to 3 p.m. today, Dec. 9, on Sem's Forty Fort and Kingston campuses. At Lower School, families may tour classrooms from preschool to eighth grade. The Admission staff and the Deans of both primary and middle school will be available to answer any questions regarding curriculum, the admission process or the upcoming Middle-School Merit Exam on Feb. 2, 2008. The Upper School Open House will feature tours of the campus, opportunities to meet teachers and students, and information on admission and financial aid. Visitors are invited to come to the Admission Office in the Stettler Learning Resource Center on North Sprague Avenue to begin their tours and receive information.

December concert planned by symphony

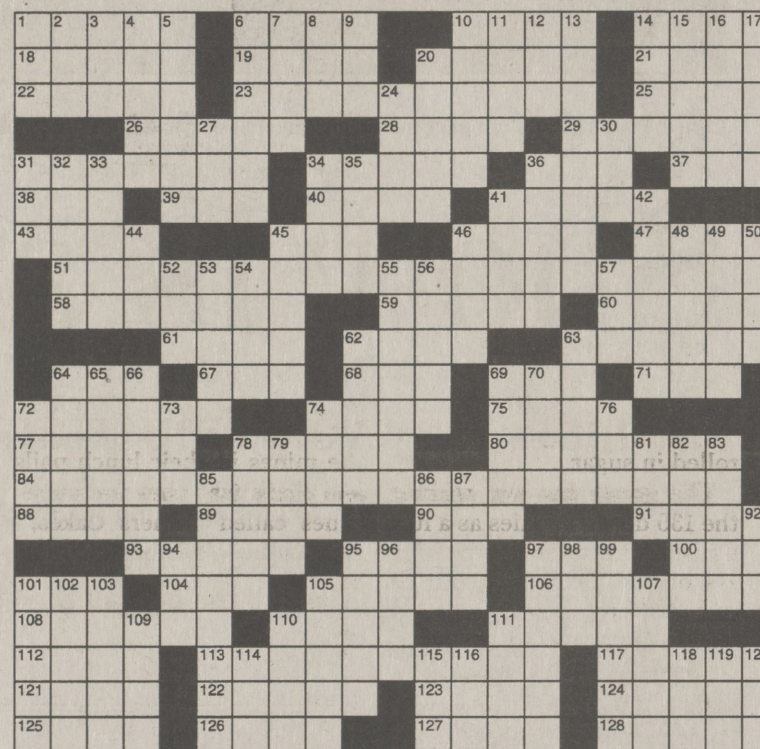
The Wyoming Seminary/PAI Civic Symphony, conducted by Jerome Campbell, will present its annual December concert at 8 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 10, in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., just north of Kingston Corners, and at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the Houlihan-McLean Center, University of Scranton.

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

CROSSWORD CORNER

Super Crossword TIME WARP

- ACROSS**
- 1 Puccini heroine
 - 6 Keen
 - 10 Actress
 - 14 Be in charge
 - 18 Fully developed
 - 19 Farm measure
 - 20 Sag
 - 21 Inspect too closely?
 - 22 Automaton
 - 23 Start of a remark by Doug Larson
 - 25 Sue of "Lolita"
 - 26 Squander
 - 28 Clinton's hometown
 - 29 Woodland delites
 - 31 Sporting dog
 - 34 Manifest
 - 36 Heredity
 - 37 — know do
 - 38 Antiquity, archaically
 - 39 Born
 - 40 "Serpico" author
 - 41 "The Donkey Serenade" composer
 - 43 — September (61 film)
 - 45 Fire
 - 46 James of "Misery"
 - 47 — fact
 - 51 Part 2 of remark
 - 58 Kind of clam
 - 59 Dhamar's locale
 - 60 "Rebel Without a Cause"
 - 61 Rocker
 - 62 "Man bites dog," e.g.
 - 63 Myrdal or Halliwell
 - 64 Fall behind
 - 67 Encore exclamation
 - 68 Flock
 - 69 Norm
 - 71 Move, with about
 - 72 Spanish title
 - 74 "... some curds and —"
 - 75 Tennis pro
 - 77 Ralph of "The Waltons"
 - 78 Stilller's partner
 - 80 "Appalachian Spring" composer
 - 84 Part 3 of remark
 - 88 Siamese
 - 89 Coup d'—
 - 90 Good
 - 91 Chucky, for one
 - 93 Yellowish brown
 - 95 WWII site
 - 97 Room for research
 - 100 Ginnie —
 - 101 Friend
 - 104 EMT's skill
 - 105 Command—
 - 106 Remarkable
 - 108 Tailor
 - 110 Galaxy
 - 111 Buy off
 - 112 Writer
 - 113 Paretsky
 - 113 End of remark
 - 117 Too heavy
 - 121 Mix with water
 - 122 Inexperienced
 - 123 European capital
 - 124 Talk really big
 - 125 Away from the wind
 - 126 Richard of "Inter—"
 - 127 Rocker Van Halen
 - 128 Birth-related
 - 1 Pitch
 - 2 "Deep Space Nine" role
 - 3 Fill in
 - 4 Circus performer
 - 5 Reach
 - 6 Fowl feature
 - 7 Feel sore
 - 8 Wrath
 - 9 Permit
 - 10 Act like
 - 11 Stud site
 - 12 Impresario
 - 13 Italy's —
 - 14 Celeste or lan
 - 15 Tut's turf
 - 16 Maui greeting
 - 17 Octuse
 - 20 "Light My Fire"
 - 24 Big bird
 - 27 "I told you so!"
 - 30 Tasty tuber
 - 31 Wine word
 - 32 Deere
 - 33 Actor
 - 34 Fess up
 - 35 Windmill part
 - 36 — butter
 - 41 Actress
 - 42 Fondness
 - 44 Printemps follower
 - 45 Comic
 - 46 Machine parts
 - 48 Neighbor of
 - 116 Down
 - 49 "Slammin' Sam"
 - 50 Bouquet
 - 52 Crone
 - 53 Simple life form
 - 54 Garr of "Mr. Mom"
 - 55 Glasses
 - 56 Loser to Truman
 - 57 Big bird
 - 62 Jawaharlal's jacket
 - 65 A Pointer
 - 66 Brits
 - 68 Early
 - 69 Brits
 - 70 Baseball family name
 - 72 "M*A*S*H" Emmy winner
 - 73 Actor
 - 74 Power unit
 - 76 Urban transport
 - 78 Carpenter's corner
 - 79 List ender
 - 81 Postfix
 - 82 Cover girl
 - 83 Poet
 - 84 Thomas
 - 85 Seductive
 - 86 Without value
 - 87 Detect
 - 92 Triangle part
 - 94 Tennis term
 - 95 Ignominy
 - 96 Starch source
 - 97 It's down in the mouth
 - 98 — Blue?" (29 song)
 - 99 Zoo attraction
 - 101 It's tossed with sauce
 - 102 Menotti title character
 - 103 Novelist
 - 105 Place for pots
 - 107 Striped sprinter
 - 108 Path
 - 110 Move a bit
 - 111 Unadorned
 - 114 Dundee denial
 - 115 Hoopsters' org
 - 116 Newark's st.
 - 118 Put away a pastry
 - 119 Police hdqrs.
 - 120 Sniggle's quarry



Puzzle answers, Page 7

GO FIGURE!

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16		10			23

DIFFICULTY: ★
 ★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
 ★★★ GO FIGURE!

King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 That girl
 - 4 Sculptures, e.g.
 - 7 Hemingway sobriquet
 - 11 Government overthrow
 - 13 Shad product
 - 14 Wife of Osiris
 - 15 Emanation
 - 16 "The Simpsons" network
 - 17 Apiece
 - 18 Soup stock
 - 20 — have this dance?"
 - 22 LummoX
 - 24 Parody
 - 28 Tabloid topic
 - 32 Pilfered
 - 33 Ridge
 - 34 Web address part
 - 36 Sharpen
 - 37 Islander's farewell
 - 39 Unspecified
 - 41 Extorts
 - 43 —
 - 44 Audacious
 - 46 Exposed
 - 50 Arp's style
 - 53 Charged bit
 - 55 Italian's 37-Across
 - 56 Grand story
 - 57 Figure head? (Abbr.)
 - 58 Otherwise
 - 9 It lasts for days
 - 60 Crucial
 - 61 "— the fields we go"
 - DOWN
 - 1 Wound cover
 - 2 TV time slot, often
 - 3 Franc replacement
 - 4 "Bow-wow!"
 - 5 Leeway
 - 6 Largest of the lower 48
 - 7 Comic's pitch?
 - 8 Simile center
 - 9 Snapshot
 - 10 Blond shade
 - 12 "Well done!" gesture
 - 19 Possessed
 - 21 Affirmative reply
 - 23 Craze
 - 25 Entrance
 - 26 Arm bone
 - 27 Orange coating
 - 28 Clear the decks?
 - 29 Honeycomb compartment
 - 30 Lotion additive
 - 31 Journal
 - 35 Afternoon affair
 - 38 Commotion
 - 40 Sister
 - 42 Willy
 - 45 Info
 - 47 Narc's quip
 - 48 Relaxation
 - 49 No stay-at-home
 - 50 Morning moisture
 - 51 Gorilla
 - 52 Conk out
 - 54 Aye antithesis

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