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Back Mountain residents who will appear in "American Stars of Tomorrow" at 2 p.m. today, Jan. 13, at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swyersville, are Joanna Wallace, on floor. From left, second row, Mikayla Orrson, Jonathan Wallace and Caitlyn Metz. Back row, Katharine Moran, Sarah Siegel, Jeff Kelly, Rebecca Stall and Alyssa Horvath.

BMT kids are 'Stars of Tomorrow'

A special program of music from Broadway shows, the world of pop music and popular patriotic songs, called "American Stars of Tomorrow" will be performed by 21 young talented people (ages 8 to 18) at 2 p.m. today, Jan. 13 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swyersville, PA. The musical revue is directed

by Debbie Zehner and musical direction is by Anthony George.

The "Stars of Tomorrow" are Mikaylan Orrson, Katherine Moran, Jonathan Wallace, Brianna Redding, Rebecca Stull, Alyssa Horvath, Monica Vera, Caitlyn Metz, Ashley Kaplan, Madison Woods, Ariana C. Notartomaso, Joanna E. Wal-

lace, Victoria Jayanti Morrison, Jeff Kelly, Christine Mackin, Madeline Jones, Sarah Siegel, Sarah James, Julia Kurdratic, Marikate Sullivan and Eric Werbin.

Adult tickets are \$12 and tickets for children, students and senior citizens are \$10.

Tickets will also be available at the door.

Career Day custom is being revitalized



2008 has bred a certain determination at Dallas High School, as the second half of the calendar year is already proving to be one full of hard work and success.

With the new year, Dallas High School will revitalize an old custom - that of Career Day. On January 25, all students in grades 9-12 will attend select sessions in chosen career fields during the morning hours of the school day. Students can craft an individual schedule online. Seniors did so on January 10, juniors on January 11, sophomores will do so on January 14 and freshmen on January 15. Parents and students should be aware that, despite the program, classes will be held on January 25. It should also be noted that, through interaction with professionals, students may be able to develop a new outlook on their futures.

Strategizing for graduation

Dallas High School seniors are already strategizing for graduation.

Senior Steering, with the assistance of the senior class, has been raising funds for the Class of 2008 graduation ceremony and accompanying Senior Lock-In through a variety of recent fundraisers this year. Battle of the Bands has been a major aid to the senior class over the past few years. This year the event will be held from 6 to 11 p.m. on March 1.

Although this day is quite far away, auditions for the contest are coming up on February 2. Starting at 9 a.m. in the high school auditorium, auditions will

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determine which six bands will compete in the contest. Each audition will last about 20 minutes. In order to audition, all bands must pay \$35 upfront on the day of the audition. Fortunately, all bands that are not selected for the battle will receive a full refund, in addition to complimentary tickets to the show.

On March 1, the champions of this musical battle will be awarded \$250, second place will receive \$100, and third place will be awarded \$50. All bands eager to participate in the Dallas High School Battle of the Bands must come to the tryouts on February 2 for a shot at a nice monetary prize, as well as the opportunity to present their music to peers.

For an audition time and any additional information, contact Cory at DHSBattleofthebands2008@gmail.com.

Connect-ED launched

Due to frequent powerful weather events, the Dallas School District has launched Connect-ED, a new program that allows for district communication with parents or guardians. In the event of weather-related school delays, closings or early dismissals and other emergencies, Connect-ED will alert parents of the situation.

However, Connect-ED was also designed to inform caregivers of the dates of important school events, such as report card distribution. Much change is going on in the high school, as well as the district itself and this one appears

to be among the positives.

Yearbooks still available

The above issues, however, are not the sole occurrences at the high school. Students should be reminded to pick up their yearbooks in the office. Copies still remain for purchase at \$110 from those students who have not yet purchased one.

Juniors should schedule meetings

Juniors under Ms. Sherman are reminded to schedule junior meetings, if possible, with friends to plan for their senior year.

FAFSA Night planned

A second FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Night will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 14, in the high school auditorium. Parents and students are welcomed to attend for expert insight on applying for financial aid.

Selective Service registration

Senior males are also reminded to register for Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. As a federal law, failure to register will disqualify students for federal student loans or grants for college, job training benefits and many state and federal jobs. Register at www.sss.gov or pick up a registration form at the post office.

It is sure to be a busy year, yet the work seems worth the promise.

Rosemary Shaver is a senior at Dallas High School. Her column appears every other week in The Dallas Post.

'Into the Woods' today

The Conservatory at Wilkes University proudly presents "Into the Woods" at 2 and 6 p.m. today, Jan. 13, at Wilkes University's Darte Center. Tickets are \$5 per person.

Inspired by Bruno Bettelheim's 1976 book, "The Uses of Enchantment," the musical intertwines the plots of several Brothers Grimm fairy tales and follows them further to explore the consequences of the characters' wishes and quests. The main characters are taken from the stories of Little Red Riding Hood, Jack and the Beanstalk, Rapunzel and Cinderella, tied together by an original story involving a Baker and his wife and their quest to begin a family and including references to several other well-known tales.



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Shana Weinstock, right, plays the Witch in today's performance of "Into the Woods" at 2 and 6 p.m. at Wilkes University's Darte Center. Shown here with Weinstock are, from left, Kevin Hourigan, of Mountain Top, who plays the Baker, and Stephanie Makowski, of Kingston, who portrays the Baker's Wife.

"Into the Woods" is a Tony award-winning musical with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and book by James Lapine. It is directed by Corinna Sowers-Adler and features Sha-

na Weinstock of Dallas as the Witch. Amanda Reiser, also of Dallas, plays Cinderella's stepmother in the production.

For more information, call 408-4426.

CHURCH BRIEFS

Chicken dinner planned

A Chicken & Biscuits Dinner and Bake Sale will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. today, Jan. 13, at the Loyalville United Methodist Church. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12. Take-outs are available and may be reserved by calling 477-3521, leaving your name and the number of dinners needed.

Rescheduled play is set for today

The Christmas play, "Tremendous Love ... From the Manger to the Cross" will be

performed at 6 p.m. today, Jan. 13, at the Noxen Bible Baptist Church. The program was postponed from December 17 due to inclement weather.

A light refreshment reception will follow. For further information, contact the church office at 298-2030.

Shape Note Singers meet today

The Endless Mountain Shape Note Singers meet from 3 to 5 p.m. today, Jan. 13, at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 33 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre.

All singers, as well as interested listeners are welcome, and there is no admission. The group sings a cappella four part shape note music and uses the

"Sacred Harp," a collection of sacred songs, and anthems, published continuously since 1844 (loaner copies are available).

For further information call David Martin, 570-333-4007 or visit folkloresociety.org.

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