

## ROCK

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ronto, Canada in October. In the paper, he analyzes William Gibson's science-fiction trilogy which includes the novels "Neuromancer," "Count Zero" and "Mona Lisa Overdrive." He argues that, even though the environments in the books are supposed to be dystopias, there are groups who resist it and there are utopian impulses.

Wright does research because he has a love for intellectual inquiry and also feels it is part of his job.

"Being a faculty member at a university is more than the time you spend in the classroom," Wright said. "If you didn't do anything outside of school, what would you have to offer?"

Wright obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree from Kenyon College in Ohio and a Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Formerly of Chicago, he joined Misericordia University in 1988 as a professor in the history department. He did his graduate work on French history and specializes in it and has done research in cultural and intellectual history and cultural studies.



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Dr. David Wright, associate professor of history and chairman of the history department at Misericordia University, has published a book on musical rock lyrics.

Wright and his wife, Trish, have two children, Dominic, 9, and Vivian, 4. He enjoys listening to music and spending time with his family. He has served on the board of Wyoming Valley Montessori School where his children go to school and is co-treasurer of the vestry at Prince

of Peace Episcopal Church in Dallas. He also likes to travel, watch movies, go to Chicago, dine on gourmet food and is currently taking a Pilates class.

## Music Box creates academy for young adults

The Music Box Repertory Company announces the creation of a Musical Theater Academy for Young Adults.

Since the Playhouse was opened in 1981, the troupe has reached out to younger residents of Northeastern Pennsylvania and featured them in many of its most successful productions. In the years following, the work of Music Box performers has been seen on television, Broadway, off-Broadway and in regional venues all over the United States.

Beginning on March 25, the same knowledge shared with those successful performers will be shared with a whole new generation of young adults, ages 13 to 18. Classes will overflow with important performance tips and etiquette, stagecraft skills and practical knowledge along with providing fun stage experience and extensive training in how to audition. In addition to attending

classes and receiving invaluable tips, graduates will participate in a very special, full-scale public performance.

All instruction will be provided by some of the Music Box's most recognizable adult performers, state-certified educators and theatrical veterans overseen by Debbie Zehner, an experienced teacher, performer and president of the non-profit theater's board of directors.

Faculty members already committed to the project include Michael Gallagher, Kevin Costley, John Owen Kennedy, H. Blaine McKeown, Jennifer Rogers, Joan Moyer, Ron Araya and Zehner with other familiar faces providing additional instruction and some surprise guest appearances.

In order to facilitate individualized instruction, class sizes will be strictly limited. Please contact the box office at 283-2195.

## CHURCH BRIEFS

### 'Souper Bowl' lunch planned at CUMC

A "Souper Bowl of Caring" soup and sandwich lunch will be held at noon on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3, at the Center Moreland United Methodist Church, Creamery Road.

Those wishing to participate are asked to call 333-4226 for information as to what to bring.

### Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper slated

The Courtdale United Methodist Church will conduct an All You Can Eat Pancake Supper from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5, at the Church, 225 Courtdale Ave., Courtdale.

Fat Tuesday is the traditional celebration before the beginning of the Lenten season on Ash Wednesday. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Contact any church member for tickets or call Roberta Trudgen at 288-6771.

### Ash Wednesday service scheduled

Rev. Roger E. Griffith, pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church,

105 Irem Rd., Dallas, announces that the church will hold an Ash Wednesday service with communion at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6.

### Lenten soup and haluski sale set

St. Frances Cabrini Church, 585 Mount Olivet Rd., Wyoming, will hold a Lenten soup and haluski sale on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 6.

Homemade Manhattan Clam Chowder is available for \$7 per quart and haluski is priced at \$5 per quart. Fresh-baked bread will also be sold for \$3. Deadline for orders is Monday, Feb. 4.

To place orders, please call 675-1860 or 333-4193. Pick up time is between 2 and 6 p.m. at the church.

### Loyalville church plans meat loaf dinner

A Baked Meat Loaf Dinner & Bake Sale will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Loyalville United Methodist Church.

Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12. Take-outs are available and may

be reserved by calling 477-3521 and leaving a message with your name, phone number and the number of dinners you are requesting.

### Church conducts daffodil sale

The Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church is conducting its annual American Cancer Society Daffodil sale. Cost of the daffodils is \$8 for a bunch of 10 flowers, \$15 for a vase with a 10-flower bunch or \$25 for a 10" bear (Bea R. Hope) with a 10-flower bunch.

Orders can be given to Jayne at 639-5051. Deadline to order is February 10. Delivery date is March 30.

### New grief support group forms

The new Grief Relief group that was formed recently will meet at 9 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month at the Center Moreland United Methodist Church, Creamery Road, Center Moreland. The group is open to the public. For information, call Pastor Drew Cottle at 333-4354.

Dates for the next several months are February 3, March 2, April 6 and May 4.

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