

CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK PHOTOS/ FOR THE DALLAS POST

Students from Arcadia University held a Media Day workshop for middle school students and parents explaining the do's and don't's of communicating on the Internet.

Internet do's and don'ts

A group of seniors from Arcadia University's Communications Program, including Britt Demming, daughter of Lake-Noxen Elementary School Principal Debra Demming, have formed a committed partnership based on their passion for communications and their desire to understand media's place in our society.

As communication majors and advocates for a healthy media diet among individuals and families alike, the students have implemented MediaBytes, a media awareness program/event that they presented at the Lake-Lehman Junior/Senior High School recently.



Playing an audience game at the end of the workshop are, from left, Carol Paul, Heather Burke, Heather Hospodar and Tyler Burke.

MediaBytes is a media awareness workshop targeted about four elements concerning the presence of media in

their lives: the potential dangers, the positive elements, the creative outlets and the practice of good media citizenships on sites like MySpace.

The Media Fair part of the event allowed for students and their parents to interact with local media professionals to see the media from the other side of the screen.

The program ended with a game show, allowing parents and students to compete in an exciting exchange of information that was not only fun, but reiterated everything they learned throughout the day, conclusively showing families how they can enjoy the media together.

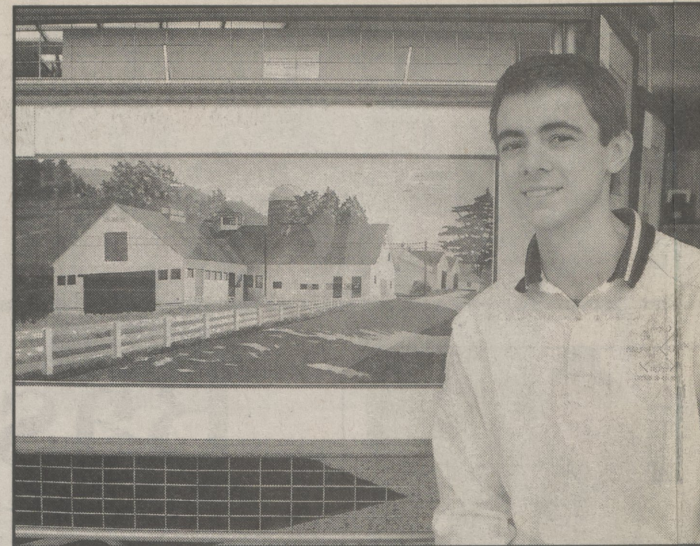


Middle school students played an audience participation game show after media Day at Lake-Lehman High school. The students learned the do's and don't's of the Internet.

ROSS STUDENTS OF BUILDING FOR MARCH NOMINATED



Students at Ross Elementary School who have been nominated as March Students of the Building for academic excellence, citizenship and/or improvement are, from left, first row Gabriel Mitchell, Jakob Trumbower, Andrew Jubis, Bryce Taylor, Brittany Swartz, Mackenzie Love and Elana Herceg. Second row, Donald James, principal; LeeAnn Bauer, teacher; Jonathan Letter, Luke Hummel, Jessica Derhammer, Tyler Bonner, Adam Dizbon, Cayle Spencer, Cole Spencer and Virginia Ide, teacher.



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The art work of Derek Kopen, of Shavertown, a student at Wyoming Seminary, is on display through May 3 at the Citizens Bank in Forty Fort.

Derek Kopen displays art work at FF bank

Derek Kopen, a Wyoming Seminary student, is currently exhibiting a collection of his prize-winning artworks at the Forty Fort branch of the Citizens Bank.

Kopen began studying art at the age of 5 with artist Sue Hand of Dallas. He has become proficient in all fine art drawing and painting media and is a consistent prize winner in numerous art competitions. This past March, he won the Best of Show trophy at the prestigious Suzanne Maria Rossetti Memorial Juried Art Contest exhibited at Luzerne County Community College's Schulman Gallery.

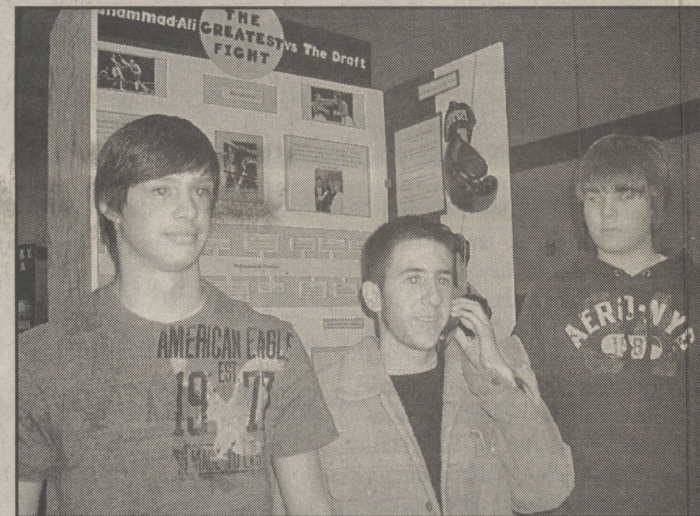
Kopen, who lives in Shavertown with his parents, Dr. Dan

and Kathy Kopen, is active in Wyoming Seminary's student government, Blue Key (Community Service), the tennis team and serves as editor-in-chief of the school newspaper. He is a member of the Pennsylvania En Plein Air Society and a teaching assistant at Sue Hand's Imagery.

The exhibit includes views of Hillside Farms and Hunlock Creek as well as wildlife still life and Kopen's signature subject, the American flag in townscapes.

Kopen's work may be viewed at the Forty Fort Citizens Bank, corner of Welles Street and Wyoming Avenue through May 3 during regular banking hours.

LAKE-LEHMAN JUNIORS WIN FIRST PLACE AT REGIONAL HISTORY DAY



A group of Lake-Lehman juniors recently took first place in the regional National History Day in Pennsylvania competition at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus in Lehman. Bryan Poepperling, John Sweeney, Mike Ryan and Bob Peron won with their group exhibit entitled "The Greatest Fight: Muhammed Ali vs. The Draft." This year's theme was "Conflict and Compromise." The group will go on to compete in the state competition at Millersville University in May. From left, are Bryan Poepperling, Mike Ryan and John Sweeney. Bob Person was absent at the time of the photo.

Chollak art work displayed

The Dallas branch of the Citizens Bank is currently exhibiting a solo display of artworks by Diane Chollak, a local artist who has exhibited widely in the area.

Chollak's drawings and paintings depict such popular imagery as landscapes with old trucks and still lifes of colorful fruits and vegetables. Her exhibition compositions have been created with colored pencils, watercolors and the newly popular watermiscible oils.

Chollak and her husband, Chris, reside in Dallas. They are the parents of three grown children and the grandparents of one grandson who has figured in many of the artist's works in recent years. She holds an associate degree in Commercial Art



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from Luzerne county Community College and is employed at Sue Hand's Imagery.

The exhibit will continue through May 3 at Citizens Bank, 15 Main St., Dallas, during regular banking hours.

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