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David Smith, the new Dallas marching band director, hands a sign-up form to 10th-grader Christine Goodrich. The new band will have its first practice from 3:10 to 4 p.m. on Monday, May 5, without instruments at Mountaineer Stadium.

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band will play the Super Mario Brothers theme and form a castle. The Mountaineer mascot will save the cheerleaders from the castle. Finally, the band will get into a guitar formation and play "Bohemian Rhapsody" while special effects occur on the field.

In an attempt to focus on performances, Dallas will eliminate competition from the band's agenda.

Galicki says the decision to do away with competition for the marching band was a collaborative one between department members, Dallas Middle School Principal Anthony Martinelli, Dallas High School Principal Jeffrey

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Shaffer and Galicki.

"At this point and time, we want to rebuild," Galicki said. "We want to get some more numbers. And right now, to have 13 to 18 members in the band is not a very high number. We're hoping by taking a year off from competition and by utilizing this different approach, we can build a new foundation and next year possibly go back in the competitive vault."

The new band will have its first practice from 3:10 to 4 p.m. on Monday, May 5, without instruments at Mountaineer Stadium. In the event of rain, practice will be in the Dallas Middle School cafeteria.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Sem Jazz Band schedules program

The Wyoming Seminary Jazz Band will present a program of big band music at 7 p.m. today, April 27, at Wyoming Seminary Upper School's Buckingham Performing Arts Center, Sprague Avenue, Kingston. The 18-member band, led by Sem's Lower School music teacher Robert Lulgiano, will perform a variety of jazz standards and big band favorites.

The program will feature student soloists and jazz combos and is free and open to the public. For more information, call 270-2190.

Sem Music Dept. schedules concert

The Wyoming Seminary Music Department will present a Concert of Small Ensembles at 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 1, in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, just north of Kingston Corners.

The concert will feature a variety of vocal and instrumental ensembles per-

forming favorite works from classical and contemporary composers.

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

Misericordia prof offers workshop

James Siberski, M.S., assistant professor, Geriatric Care Manager Certificate Program director and coordinator of the Gerontology Education Center for Professional Development at Misericordia University, will deliver the workshop, "Home Safety Visits," for the Luzerne-Wyoming Counties MH/MR Program from noon to 2:30 p.m. on Friday, May 2, at Luzerne County Parks and Recreation in Forty Fort.

The free workshop is intended for human service agencies, support coordinators and supervisors, provider agency administrators, program managers and director support professionals. It will outline the history of home visits, the characteristics of an aggressive person and define a dangerous situation.

For more information or to register for the workshop, please call the Luzerne-Wyoming Counties MH/MR Program at 825-9441 or 1-800-

732-6330.

Sem dancers set annual performance

The Wyoming Seminary Dance Company will present its annual performance at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 9, and Saturday, May 10, in the Buckingham Performing Arts Center, North Sprague Avenue, Kingston. The company will perform a variety of dance styles including tap, ballet and jazz. Bernardine Vojtko, the company director, is joined by student choreographers to create a performance filled with color and movement. The performance is free and open to the public.

An exhibit of photographs

by the students of photography instructor Mira Torbin also will be on display in the lobby of the Performing Arts Center, beginning at 7 p.m.


For more information, call 270-2190.

Spring concert scheduled at Sem

The Wyoming Seminary/PAI Civic Symphony Orchestra, Jerome Campbell, music director and conductor, will present its spring concert at 8 p.m. on Monday, May 12, in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, just north of Kingston Corners.

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

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