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Sr. Ann Frances Pulling, a retired Sisters of Mercy teacher, has published her 12th book, a history of Dallas Borough. Sr. Ann Frances will hold a book signing from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 17, at the Heritage Hallmark store in the Dallas Shopping Center.

Mercy sister finishes book

Sister Anne Francis Pulling, of Dallas, has finished her 12th pictorial book titled, "Dallas, Pennsylvania."

A native of Central Islip Long Island, N.Y., Pulling is a graduate of College Misericordia, now Misericordia University, and Fordham University. The

retired Sister of Mercy is a former Catholic elementary school teacher. She resides at the Mercy Center in Dallas.

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ADAMS

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kus as the head junior high track coach eight or nine years ago and is also an assistant coach for the high school track team. She ran cross country in high school in New Jersey and for the former Glassboro State College.

"I think a big thing with all the girls for cross country is the camaraderie," Marjorie said. "They really develop close friendships."

Whitney graduated from Dallas High School in 2004 and Hillary in 2006. But four other members of the Adams family are still enrolled in Dallas schools.

Marjorie, a senior, decided to run to stay physically fit for diving and gymnastics. She was the captain of the girls cross country team last fall and was fourth in the state for diving in the 2008 season.

"I kind of felt obligated, but I didn't mind doing it," Marjorie said. "My whole family was involved and it keeps me in shape." Griffin organized the "Run for the Fallen" last August at Penn State Wilkes-Barre to fulfill his senior completion project requirements. Marjorie and Nell both ran the race.

"It was a lot of work," Griffin said. "They're going to do it again for juniors next year so if they need help, I'll help them."

A freshman, Jess won district championships for the boys cross country team in the fall, then par-

ticipated in the USA Track and Field Regional Race in November in Syracuse, N.Y. He qualified to advance and ran the National Race the weekend of Dec. 13 in Syracuse, placing 128th out of 270.

Nell, a seventh-grader at Dallas Middle School, ran for the junior high girls cross country team for the first time in the fall. She had always been a soccer player and is a swimmer for the Dallas Mounts Aquatic Club.

"At the beginning, I kind of thought I was just going to do soccer," Nell said. "But I really liked it. My favorite part was being with all the girls. We got really

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Marjorie Adams
Mother of runners

close." Whitney and Marjorie plan to run a marathon together, which may prove to be difficult since Whitney is currently a senior at Brigham Young University in Salt Lake City, Utah. She just returned home after 18 months of missionary work in Temple Square in Salt Lake City.

Marjorie believes all of her children are above-average runners who have encouraged many of their friends to join the cross country and track teams and insists she never forced any of them to run.

"I never did push them to go out for the team," she said. "It was their decision. My only goal for them is that they are active and, to me, running is a life sport."

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Sherrie Waslick and her son, Zachary, dance to the music of the Shavertown Methodist Church "Praise Band."



Courtney Hoats, left, and Ally Rome play a board game after the church dinner.



Singing and clapping to the music are, from left, Susan Roese, Nancy Dingman and Bonnie Zeigler.

Game night at SUMMC



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Mary Baker sings as part of the Step-By-Step Praise Band at the Shavertown Methodist Church.

It was game night at the Shavertown United Methodist Church on December 30 when members of the congregation gathered for all kinds of fun. Following a potluck dinner, the Step-by-Step praise band offered music. Participants then competed in games and contests.

CIVIC BRIEFS

Meet the artists reception planned at Lizza Studios

A meet the artists reception featuring photographers Chip Forelli and Robert Rodriguez Jr. will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. today, Jan. 11, at Lizza Studios, 155 Bridget St., Tunkhannock. There will be live music, food and refreshments.

Music Box sets auditions

Auditions will be held for "Fiddler on the Roof" at 7 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 12 and 13, at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville. All roles are open.

Production dates are February 14, 15, 20-22, 26-28, March 1 and 5-8. For information, call 283-2195.

Carney's staff will visit Dallas

Staff members of Congressman Chris Carney will be at the Dallas Borough Building, 25 Main Street, from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 13. The congressman's Director of Constitu-

ent Services will meet individually with constituents to assist them with any problems they may have with federal agencies and departments. The staff will be available to meet with anyone who would like to voice their opinion regarding federal legislation or policy which is pending or being discussed in Congress.

Vet rep to visit Boback's office

A representative from the Governor's Outreach Program will be available from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Friday, Jan. 16, at Rep. Karen Boback's office, 5315 Main Rd., Sweet Valley. Call 477-3752 for more information.

Bingo set for January 17

A 50/50 Bingo will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 17, at the Noxen School, School Street.

Food and beverages will be available and players will pay per card. All proceeds benefit the Noxen-Monroe Sportsmen's Club.

For more information, call 298-2052.

Nite at the Races planned

A Nite at the Races, a special fund-raising event to benefit the Music box Players, will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 17, at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville. Admission includes food, beer and soda.

For details, call 283-2195.

Vet rep will be in Tunkhannock

A representative from the Governor's Outreach Program will be available from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 26, at Rep. Karen Boback's office, 6 Cross Country Complex, Tunkhannock. Call 836-4777 for more information.

Legion sponsors essay contest

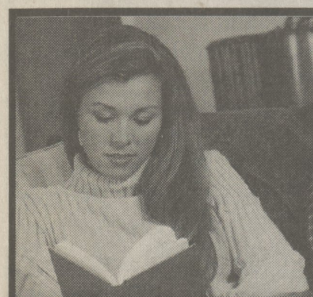
Dallas American Legion Daddow-Isaacs Post 672 is sponsoring its annual Essay Contest for high school students in grades 9 through 12. All Back Mountain students are eligible to participate.

Interested students may contact their school office or call Commander Clarence J. Michael at 675-0488. Deadline for submission is February 6.

PEOPLE BRIEFS

Stanks receives BS degree

Edward William Stank, of Shavertown, received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in Sport Management from the Stillman School of Business at Seton Hall University.



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