



Following instructions during a story hour at the Back Mountain Memorial Library are, from left, Jodi and P.J. McMillan, Alese and Aprilie Ritts and Sarah and Ethan Coleman.

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Reading for fun

Award-winning early literacy program held every Tuesday

Toddlers and their parents found out quickly that "Mother Goose is Loose" at the Back Mountain Memorial Library during a new award-winning early literacy program. The program combines music, movement, rhymes, fingerplays, visual literacy and

language development to facilitate early literacy skills in children while having fun with a parent or caregiver. Retired third-grade teacher Debbie Miller, of Dallas, has taken on the task of learning and preparing a program for Back Mountain Memorial Li-

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brary patrons. The program is held from 11 to 11:45 a.m. each Tuesday through April 7. Call the library at 675-1182 for more information.



Above: Cora Finn claps hands with her mother, Christina, at a Mother Goose story hour at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Left: Retired teacher Debbie Miller is a volunteer story hour volunteer at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

PEOPLE

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Seybert appears in production at Arcadia

Beth Seybert, a B.F.A. Acting major at Arcadia University, will appear in the Arcadia University Theatre production of "The Women" Feb. 19 through March 1. A 2007 graduate of Bishop O'Reilly, Seybert is the daughter of Tom and Chris Seybert, of Dallas.

John Leahigh takes part in inauguration

Army National Guard 2nd Lt. John A. Leahigh participated in the 56th Presidential Inauguration Jan. 20 as part of the largest-ever contingent of National Guard members to serve in Washington, D.C.

Leahigh, a platoon leader who has served in the military for three years, is a member of the 55th Brigade Special Troops Battalion

based in Berwick. The guard member has served in the military for three years.

The son of Maureen A. Leahigh of Dorchester Drive, Dallas, he graduated in 2004 from Bishop Hoban High School and received a bachelor's degree in 2008 from Kings College.

Two named to dean's list at Messiah College

Alyssa-Rae Novroski, of Shavertown, and Steven Heindel, of Sweet Valley, have been named to the dean's list for the 2008 fall semester at Messiah College.

Novroski is a senior student majoring in biology and Heindel is a senior student majoring in engineering.

Kristen Justice receives academic scholarship

King's College student Kristen Justice, of Dallas, has been awarded the Katherine E. Phelan Memorial Scholarship for her academic performance in King's Physician As-



Justice

Seyler inducted into OT honor society

Angela Seyler, of Noxen, was inducted into the Misericordia University Chapter of Pi Theta Epsilon, the National Occupational Therapy Honor Society.

The honor is bestowed upon the top students in the occupational therapy department at Misericordia who have achieved at least a 3.5 grade point average to be considered and also be in the top 20 percent of their occupational therapy class. The students must also display the potential to take on a leadership role in the profession.

Three named to dean's

assistant Program. Justice received the \$1,500 scholarship to continue her education in the 2008-09 academic year. She is a freshman in the five-year master's degree program.

list at Rensselaer

Three Back Mountain residents have been named to the dean's list for the fall 2008 semester at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

They are Kyle Besecker, of Dallas, a freshman agriculture major; Christopher Baimonte, of Shavertown, a senior computer science major; and Shane Kuffa, of Tunkhannock, a junior physics major.

Halsor earns highest honors at Skidmore

Chelsea Halsor, a member of the Class of 2011 at Skidmore College, earned highest honors for the fall semester. She is the daughter of Sid and Cydney Paul-Halsor of Dallas.

Jarvis participates in

inauguration

Army National Guard Pfc. Caleb G. Jarvis participated in the 56th Presidential Inauguration Jan. 20 as part of the largest-ever contingent of National Guard members to serve in Washington, D.C.

Jarvis, a multi-channel transmission systems operator, is a member of the 55th Brigade, Special Troops Battalion based in Scranton.

He is the son of Benita M. Reed of Osterhout Road, Tunkhannock and a 2003 graduate of Tunkhannock Area High School. His wife, Tara, is the daughter of John R. Wilkes of Rural Road 1, Noxen, and Nancy Wilkes of Dallas.

Burns named to new position at Premier

Colleen Burns, of Elmcrest,

Dallas, has been named vice-president of business development at Premier Healthcare Resources, a Pennsylvania-based nursing home consulting and management company.

Burns is a graduate of King's College and possesses degrees in Health Care Management and Marketing. She is a licensed Pennsylvania Nursing Home Administrator and certified as a Personal Care Home Administrator.

She served as president of The Northeastern Pennsylvania Long Term Care Association for 12 years and is a former association board member.

Previous to that, she was a board member of the Pennsylvania Health Care Association and the Pennsylvania Association of Not for Profit Homes for the Aging. She also co-chaired the Make-A-Wish Crystal Ball for the past two years.

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