

MU commencement speaker was portrayed in movie

Sage Associates CEO known for raising awareness of genocide in Rwanda.

Prudence Bushnell, CEO of Sage Associates, whose role in raising awareness to the genocide in Rwanda in 1994 was portrayed by Debra Winger in the movie, "Sometimes in April," will be the guest speaker when Misericordia University hosts its 84th annual Commencement ceremony at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 23, in the Anderson Sports and Health Center on campus. A baccalaureate Mass will precede the ceremony at 10:30 a.m.

During the ceremony, Misericordia will also present Bushnell, Stanley M. Dudrick, M.D., a native of Nanticoke, and a professor of surgery at Yale University School of Medicine, and world-renowned artist Christopher Ries, of Tunkhannock, with honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees.

As CEO of Sage Associates in Virginia, Bushnell lectures and consults on international and leadership topics that range from crisis leadership and terrorism to leadership effectiveness strategies and women peacemakers. Her work in the public and private sectors reflects her experiences as deputy assistant Secre-

tary of State for African Affairs (1993-1996), ambassador to the Republics of Kenya (1996-1999) and Guatemala (1999-2002) and dean of the Leadership and Management School at the Foreign Service Institute (2002-2005).

Ambassador Bushnell's achievements as a diplomat, leader and educator have been recognized through numerous Department of State awards. She has received the Peace through Commerce Award from the Department of Commerce, the Service to America Career Achievement medal and honorary doctoral degrees from Hartwick College and Sage College. The Nairobi Mission Award for Heroism noted her community's response to the 1998 Al Qaeda bombing of the U.S. embassy in Nairobi, Kenya. Glamour magazine named her one of the Top Ten Women of the Year and Vanity Fair magazine featured her in its Hall of Fame in 1998.

Her efforts to bring attention to the 1994 genocide in Rwanda were featured in the 2005 film, "Sometimes in April," in which she is portrayed by Winger. She is also one of three ambassadors highlighted in the National Geographic special, "Inside an Embassy."

Born in Washington, D.C. and educated in Germany, France, Pakistan and Iran, Bushnell holds a

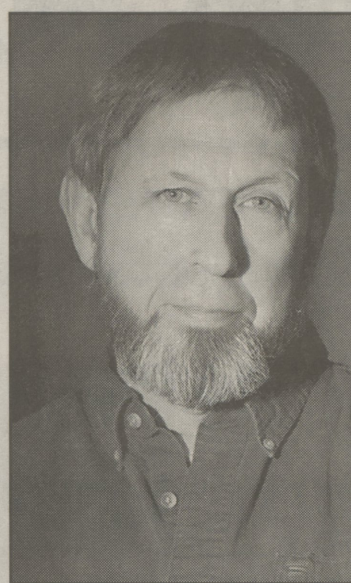
bachelor's degree in liberal arts from the University of Maryland and a master's degree in public administration from Russell Sage College.

Dr. Dudrick is a native of Nanticoke, who is widely recognized and respected throughout the scientific, academic and clinical world for his innovative and pioneering research in the development of the specialized central venous feeding technique known as intravenous hyperalimentation (IVH) or total parenteral nutrition (TPN).

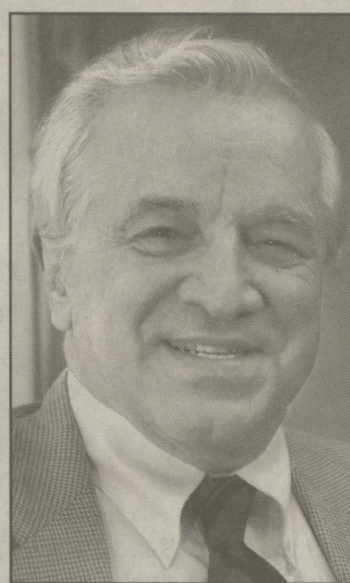
His development and successful clinical application of this therapeutic modality has been described as one of the four most significant accomplishments in the history of the development of modern surgery. It has also been acknowledged as one of the three most important advancements in surgery during the past century along with open heart surgery and organ transplantation.

Dr. Dudrick received his Bachelor of Science degree in biology with honors from Franklin and Marshall College, graduating cum laude. His medical degree was conferred by the University Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

Today, Dr. Dudrick is the chairman of the Department of Surgery, director of the Training Program in Surgery and designated



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institutional officer for Graduate Medical Education at St. Mary's Hospital/Yale Affiliate in Waterbury, Conn. and professor of surgery at Yale.

Ries delivered lectures and presented his glass sculptures for the opening exhibit of the Pauly Friedman Art Gallery on campus. His glass sculptures and talent are known throughout the world and industry. His career and sculptures have been recognized by many in the art world.

Today, Ries is represented in dozens of art galleries and dis-

played in collections from Mainz, Germany to Los Angeles, Calif., and from Tokyo, Japan to Pittston. The artist in residence with international glass maker Schott Glass Technologies in Duryea also participates in annual group exhibitions as far away as the Netherlands and as close as Scranton, Pa.

A graduate of Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in ceramics and glass, Ries founded OSU's glass department. As an undergraduate student, he became the de-

partment's first instructor. He also received a Master of Fine Arts degree in glass from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

During his career, he has received numerous awards, including the Aid to Individual Artists Fellowship from the Ohio Arts Council, the Ohioana Citation for Distinguished Service to Ohio in the Field of Art, the Distinguished Artist Award from the University of the Arts, Philadelphia and the 2005 Artist as Hero Award from the National Liberty Museum in Philadelphia.

Wesley Seminary Middle School students named to Academic Honor Roll

Mary T. Kolessar, Dean of Wyoming Seminary Middle School, has announced the Back Mountain students named to the Academic High Honor Roll and Academic Honor Roll for the second trimester of the 2009-2010 academic year.

HIGH HONOR ROLL

- Grade 6**
Jacob Ridilla, Shavertown.
- Grade 7**
Corinne Conyngham, Shavertown
- Madison Nardone, Shavertown
- Adam Rinehouse, Shavertown

- Grade 8**
Nathan Shearn, Wyoming
- Sai Abhishek, Shavertown
- Gabrielle Coslett, Harveys Lake
- Matthew Doggett, Shavertown
- Andrew Levandoski, Dallas
- Adam O'Brien, Hunlock Creek
- Alannah Trombetta, Shavertown.

HONOR ROLL

- Grade 6**
Dominique Coslett, Harveys Lake

- Jake Kolessar, Shavertown
- Jacqueline Meuser, Shavertown
- Megha Sarada, Dallas
- Grade 7**
Kelley Gavin, Shavertown
- Nathalie Joanne, Dallas
- Emily Mackesy, Shavertown
- Courtney McCarthy, Dallas
- Sara Zaman, Shavertown
- Grade 8**
Ryan Frania, Shavertown
- Christopher Kim, Dallas
- Noah Sunday-Lefkowitz, Shavertown
- Molly Turner, Dallas

BMT students are on Sem Dean's List

Wyoming Seminary Dean John Gordon has announced the Back Mountain students named to the Upper School Dean's List for the winter trimester of the 2009-2010 academic year.

Dean's List High Honors

- Allison Considine, Dallas;
- Lauren Fernandez, Dallas;
- Bijoy Ghosh, Dallas;
- Bryden Gollhardt, Dallas;
- Jared Gollhardt, Dallas;
- Alex Kolessar, Shavertown;
- Evan Leas, Shavertown;
- Olivia Lumia, Dallas;
- Tyler Martin, Shavertown;
- Logan May, Dallas;
- Caroline Meuser, Shavertown;

Marco Santarelli, Dallas;
- Emma Spath, Shavertown;
- Sunny Stirewalt, Shavertown;
- Nicholas Strzeletz, Dallas;
- Mary Thede, Dallas;
- William Thede, Dallas.

Dean's List

- Oren Adam, Harveys Lake;
- Benjamin Adrian, Dallas;
- Mordechai Bell, Shavertown;
- Emma Bertram, Harveys Lake;
- Catherine Clements, Shavertown;
- Julia Clements, Shavertown;
- James Curtis, Dallas;
- Jason Curtis, Dallas;
- Omeed Firouzi, Shavertown;
- Amber Gollhardt, Dallas;
- Madeleine Hackett, Shavertown;

- Frank Henry, Dallas;
- Jane Henry, Shavertown;
- Sergey Ivanov, Trucksville;
- Joseph Kapolka, Dallas;
- Louise Lumia, Dallas;
- Nadine Malik, Shavertown;
- Mia Medico, Shavertown;
- Danielle Melnick, Dallas;
- Katelyn Mericle, Shavertown;
- Kristen Mericle, Shavertown;
- Harry Parkhurst, Trucksville;
- Ashlyn Reiser, Shavertown;
- Brandon Rome, Shavertown;
- Ronald Rose, Shavertown;
- Alaina Schukraft, Dallas;
- Lauren Skudalski, Wyoming;
- Megan Ustynowski, Shavertown;
- Brianna Wise, Shavertown.

Emmy Award winner will speak to PSU/WB graduates

Emmy Award winner and current Chairman of the Board of API Systems, Inc., David W. Reese will address the graduating class of Penn State Wilkes-Barre at the campus commencement ceremony at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 15, in the campus' Athletics and Recreation Building.

Reese, a 1978 graduate of Penn State with a B.S. in accounting, previously served as President and Chief Executive Officer of ACTV, Inc., a New York City-based digital media company and leader in the provision of technical and creative services, tools and proprietary applications for digital television, broadband media and a number of new media initiatives undertaken by companies such as News Corporation, Motorola, AT&T, and NASCAR.

In 2003 and again in 2004, the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences recognized ACTV and Reese's team with an Emmy Award in the category of "Outstanding Achievement in Interactive Television



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A member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Reese began his career with Deloitte, an international consulting and auditing organization, where he specialized in the consumer electronics field and served a number of industry-leading clients, including Toshiba and Panasonic. Reese also served as a board member and chairman of the Audit Committee

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He was the first chair of Penn State's College of Information Sciences and Technology Advisory Board and led a team of corporate experts who devised a program whose graduates would understand the impact of technology on business, government, social services and education in a digital, global economy.

He remains an active member of this committee and also sits on Penn State Wilkes-Barre's Advisory Board.

During this year's commencement exercise, Penn State Wilkes-Barre expects to award 76 diplomas to students who are completing 13 associate's degrees and 63 bachelor's degrees.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

MU hosts spring ensemble concert

Misericordia University will host the annual spring Ensemble Evening, featuring performances by students and faculty in concert and jazz bands, two choirs and five dance ensembles at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28, in Lemmond Theater in Walsh Hall.

For more information, call the Misericordia University Box Office at 674-6719.

Movie will be topic of discussion

Athletics Movies and Discussion Series: "A League of Their Own" will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 29, at the Penn State Wilkes-Barre Science Center Auditorium.

Instructor is Bill Bachman, Penn State Wilkes-Barre communications instructor. Cost is \$12 per person.

For more information, call 675-9253.

Spring concert set

The Wyoming Seminary Music Department will present its annual spring concert at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 30, in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., just north of

Kingston Corners.

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

Nursery school being planned

The child development class of the Lake-Lehman School District will sponsor a nursery school for 3 to 5-year-olds from 8:15 to 9:45 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from May 4 to May 27.

For more information, contact Robin Rogers at 255-2871.

LHS Class of 1951 will meet on May 5

Members of the Lehman High School Class of 1951 will gather for a Dutch treat lunch at noon on Wednesday, May 5, at the Red Rooster in Pikes Creek.

Those planning to attend are asked to call Millie Yockavitch Pall at 477-5907 or Grace Barrall Lord at 675-1503.

Lock-In Committee sets meetings

The Dallas High School 2010 Graduation Lock-In Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, May 6 and May 26, in the high school library.

There will be a final, manda-

tory run-through for all those working the night of the lock-in at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1, at the high school.

Students are asked to e-mail a baby or toddler photo and a senior photo to lockinpics@comcast.net for the Lock-In video.

Friendly's sponsors Lock-In fundraiser

The Dallas Lock-In Committee will hold a fundraiser from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, at Friendly's Restaurant in Dallas. A percentage of the sales will be donated to the Lock-In on eat-in and take-out orders.

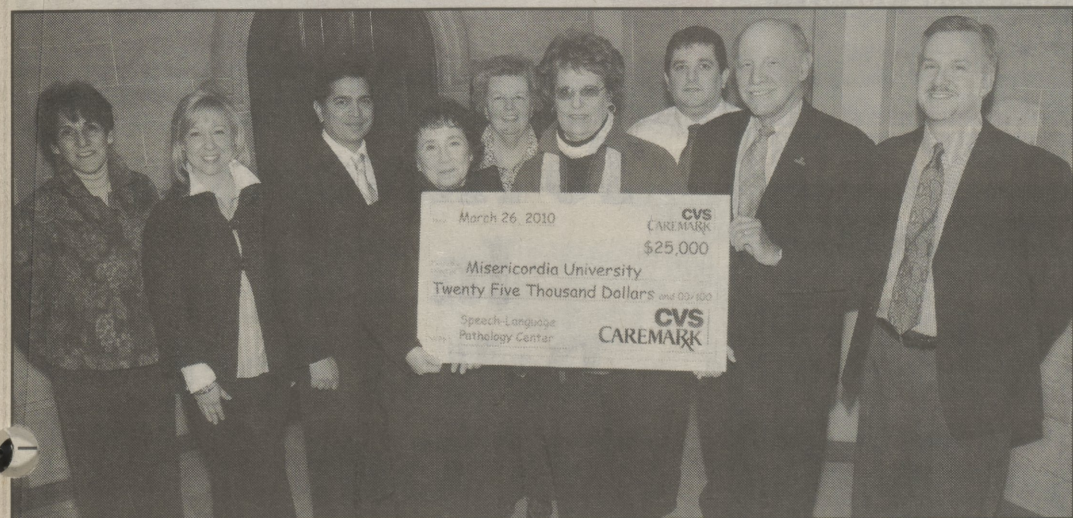
The Lock-In is an alcohol-free, drug-free, fully chaperoned, all-night party for the graduating class on June 4.

Lock-In fundraiser at T.G.I. Friday's

Back Mountain residents are asked to support the Dallas High School Grad Lock-In by eating in or taking food out at T.G.I. Friday's in Wilkes-Barre any Wednesday or Thursday until May 20.

A portion of sales will be donated to the Lock-In and coupons must be presented to servers. Coupons can be printed from the Dallas School District website.

CVS CAREMARK DONATES \$25,000 TO MISERICORDIA



Misericordia University has received a \$25,000 grant from the CVS Caremark Charitable Trust, the private foundation created by CVS Caremark Corporation. The funding will be used by the Misericordia University Speech-Language Pathology program. Participating in the ceremonial check presentation at Misericordia are, from left, first row, Judith Ellis, manager of corporate, government and foundation relations, Misericordia University; Amy Suda-Ruskey, HR analyst, CVS Caremark; Glen Tellis, Ph.D., chair, Speech-Language Pathology Department; Jean Dyer, Ph.D., dean, College of Health Sciences; Rose Lang, R.Ph., vice president, general manager, CVS Caremark; Michael A. MacDowell, president, Misericordia University; Douglas A. Hertel, S.P.H.R., manager, human resources, CVS Caremark. Second row, Leslie Bullock, grants and gift research manager, Misericordia University; and Steve Uhl, director of operations, CVS Caremark.