

PEOPLE BRIEFS

Posatko inducted into honor society

Paulina Posatko, of Dallas, a student at King's College, was recently inducted into Psi Chi, the national psychology honor society. She is a senior psychology major.

Membership requirements for Psi Chi are juniors or senior in the top one third of their class with a minimum 3.4 grade point average on a scale of 4.0.

Two receive MU Service Award

Alysa Scavone and Jennifer Kates, both of Dallas, were among Misericordia University students recently presented with the Misericordia Service Award during the 27th annual Service Leadership Awards Dinner at the John and Mary Metz Dining Hall in the Banks Student Life Center on campus.

The award recognizes students who exhibit qualities of service to the campus and community.

Butruce named to honor society

Eric Butruce, of Dallas, a student at King's College, was recently inducted into Phi Alpha Theta, the history honor society.

He is a junior history major with a minor in philosophy.

Membership for Phi Alpha Theta is granted to elected students who have completed at least four undergraduate history courses with a 3.1 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 and a 3.0 grade point average in two-thirds of all undergraduate courses completed.

Two installed as BPA officers

Kristina Hrabcak, of Trucks-ville, and Bernadette Lawler, of Harveys Lake, were recently installed as officers of the Misericordia University Business Professional Association (BPA).

Hrabcak will serve as the organization's vice-president while Lawler has been elected treasurer.

Simpson is award winner

Donna J. Simpson, a graduate of Lake-Lehman High School, has been named winner of the 2010 Eastern Pennsylvania Women in Business Champion award by the Small Business Association's Philadelphia District Office.



Simpson

In her role at The University of Scranton SBDC, Simpson coordinates the University of Scranton SBDC's Award for Woman Entrepreneur program, helped establish and develop the SBDC's annual Award for Women Entrepreneur (AWE) program and developed the WOMEN WIN! educational seminar series, teaching women how to start their own businesses.

She is the daughter of Donald and Jennie Jones, of Gates Road, Shavertown.

Leandri cited

William Leandri, of Shavertown, was recently presented a plaque by the Penn State



Leandri

Wilkes-Barre Advisory Board, noting his dedication and service to the campus through

the purchase, update and expansion of the Nittany Commons, an independent apartment complex immediately adjacent to

campus.

Esopi on dean's list

Mia E. Esopi, of Dallas, a junior at Penn State's University Park campus majoring in Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences, was recently named to the dean's list for the spring 2010 semester.

To achieve dean's list distinction, students must be full-time and earn at least a 3.5 out of a possible 4.0 grade point average.

Esopi is the daughter of E. Gene and Margaret Esopi, of Dallas.

Three named to dean's list

Brian Karwaski, of Trucks-ville, and Jeremy Stull and Lauren Zimmiski, both of Dallas, have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2010 semester at Quinnipiac University.

Sensbach receives art award

Howard "Skip" Sensbach, of Dallas, was awarded the Sister Ruane Graduate Medal for Excellence in Art at Marywood University's 2010 commencement ceremony.



Sensbach

Sensbach, owner of Green Dog Pottery Studio in Dallas, received a Masters of Visual Arts in Ceramics.

He was also a member of the Alpha Epsilon Lambda Honor Society.

Two inducted into honor society

Elena Habersky and Edward Stredny, both of Dallas, were among 174 University of Scranton students inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta, the national honor society of freshmen, at a ceremony held recently on campus.

Inductees are full-time students enrolled in degree program with a grade point average of 3.5 or above who rank in the top 20 percent of their class.

Heinz earns nursing degree

Elizabeth Heintz, of Dallas, graduated cum laude from York College of Pennsylvania on May 15 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing.

MU students inducted into society

Back Mountain students inducted into the newly-formed chapter of the Sigma Beta Delta International Business Honor Society at Misericordia University are Cheryl Montigney, Hunlock Creek; Michael Dirsas, Shavertown; Alicia Koepke, Hunlock Creek; Brian Burd, Tunkhannock; Pamela Langdon, Shavertown; Maureen Hornlein, Dallas; Paul Sgroi, Dallas; Scott Berecin, Dallas; Emilie Peters, Trucks-ville; Regina Martin, Dallas; Amy Bachman, Dallas; Jessica Milbrodt, Dallas; and Virginia Conrad.

BMT residents earn nursing degrees

Back Mountain residents class who received a Bachelor of Science Degree in nursing from Misericordia University during the 84th annual Commencement ceremony are Sarah Henry, Seven Valleys; LeAnn Newell, Tunkhannock; Katharine Niezgoda, Shavertown; Daniel Patzek, Harveys Lake; Susan Thomas, Harveys Lake; Tamara Chinikaylo, Dallas; Jason Dempsey, Dallas; and Laura O'Gorman, Hunlock Creek.

MU cites two BMT students

Misericordia University recently recognized the academic accomplishments of Jason Platts, of Tunkhannock, and Bethany Daron, of Shavertown, by presenting them medical imaging awards during the institution's annual Honors Awards Ceremony at Lemmond Theater in Walsh Hall.

Platts was awarded the Mal-linckrodt Award for a traditional student and Lipinski received the award for a non-traditional student. The award is given to a traditional and non-traditional student who possess the highest grade point average in medical imaging.

Daron was presented the Robert C. Fisher Clinical Excellence in the Study of Medical Imaging Award. The award is given to the student or students who best exemplify the qualities of cooperation, competition and dedication to helping others while achieving the highest standards of clinical excellence.

Kozick is top OT student at MU

Amy Kozick, of Shavertown, was recognized as one of the top graduating students by the Misericordia University Occupational Therapy Department during the institution's annual Honors Awards Ceremony at Lemmond Theater in Walsh Hall.

Kozick received the Occupa-



Kozick

tional Therapy Curricular Award presented to a graduating OT student who has demonstrated exemplary academic performance and leadership potential in the profession.

Bauman receives academic award

Laura Bauman, of Dallas, received the Speech-Language Pathology Academic Excellence Award granted to the graduating student at Misericordia University who has demonstrated academic excellence superior to the rest of the graduating class.

The award was presented during the university's annual Honors Awards Ceremony at Lemmond Theater in Walsh Hall.

Stephanie Kayla Wallace, of Dallas, was awarded a bachelor of science in Special Education and Elementary Education during Salve Regina University's 60th commencement on Sunday, May 16.

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BMT dancers to perform at Wilkes

"Young Dancers' Repertory" scheduled for this weekend at Darte CPA.

Artistic Director Kristin Degan Boonin has announced that the Degan Ballet Center's "Young Dancers' Repertory" performances, including residents of the Back Mountain, will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 5, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 6, at Wilkes University's Darte Center.

Opening the program will be the children's ballet "Snow White" with original choreography by the late Peter Degan and Ms. Boonin.

After intermission, other works will include Lynne Mariani's original contemporary work entitled "Empire State of Mind" and another original piece by Associate Director Sara Gravine.

Among Back Mountain residents performing in the program are Grace Schaub, Gina Bartley, Gabrielle Caravaggio, Markayla Harrison, Karly Milazzo, Sarah Stec, Emily Williams and Katharine Mariani, all of Dallas; Julie Degan and Mary Sharon Ciaccia, Harveys Lake.



Rehearsing for the Degan Ballet Center's 'Young Dancers' Repertory' are, from left, seated, Mia Carlson and Katharine Mariani. Back row, Julie Degan and Cally Richardson.

Admission is \$20 for adults and \$15 for seniors, students and children.

Tickets will be available at the Darte CPA box office one hour prior to each performance or may be reserved by calling 287-5802.

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