



Summer camp counselor Bryn Harvey, of Shavertown, captures the attention of young thespians.



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The summer theater camp at Misericordia University always attracts many participants.

Young thespians at work

Maybe we'll see these young thespians on Broadway someday. Actors between the ages of 8 and 14 performed scenes from an American Girl script about World War II, a pirate's musical and the "Wizard of Oz" during the annual Northeast Youth Theatre Camp at Misericordia University held July 5-9. Gina Major Ackerman was director of the camp.



Gina Major Ackerman, director of the summer theater camp at Misericordia University, encourages Danny Hancuff.



Braelyn Kolvenbach presents her monologue.



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Felix Dolman, Kyle Razawich, David Schnabel and Calvin Crane, of Boy Scout Troop 281 of Dallas, re-painted fire hydrants in Dallas Borough and Dallas Township to help with the Eagle Scout project of John Murray.



Contestants in this year's Kiss the Pig contest to benefit the Dallas Harvest Festival are, from left, Scott Jenkins, Jack Snyder, Dallas Borough Manager Tracey Michael Carr, Jeff Henry and Dan Maloney.

Painting the town red

Fire hydrants throughout Dallas Borough and Dallas Township are easier to see these days, thanks to the efforts of Eagle Scout candidate John Murray and his fellow Boy Scouts of Troop 281 of Dallas.

United Water co. provided paint, brushes, wire brushes, rubber gloves, safety vests and cones and the Scouts provided the elbow grease to paint the hydrants a bright red.

Murray provided water, drinks and snacks throughout the project and pizza for lunch.

A swim party at the Murray house on Westminster Drive in Dallas completed the day.



Painting the fire hydrants in Dallas Borough and Dallas Township is the Eagle scout project of John Murray, of Dallas.

Youth sports officials step up to plate for 2010 Kiss the Pig Contest

One with most votes gets to kiss Rocco Rooter and earn money for their group.

The Dallas Harvest Festival Steering Committee announces the start of the 2010 Kiss the Pig Contest.

This year, four Back Mountain youth sports officials have agreed to be contestants in an effort to raise funds for their sport, landing the winner an opportunity of a lifetime - to kiss the festival's favorite potbelly pig, "Rocco Rooter."

The 2010 Kiss the Pig contestants are Scott Jenkins, Dallas

Youth Basketball; Jack Snyder, Back Mountain Baseball; Jeff Henry, Back Mountain Youth Soccer; and Dan Maloney, Dallas Junior Football.

For a \$1 donation, the public is invited to vote for the winner by choosing for their favorite youth sport or official.

In addition, ballot jars, ballots and posters will be placed in a number of Back Mountain businesses, including (but not limited to) N-Mart, Trucksville; Unimart, Dallas; Ochman's Coins and Jewelry, Dallas; J&J Deli, Dallas; Curry Donut, Dallas; and the Back Mountain Memorial

Library, Dallas.

All ballot jars will be collected on Sept. 18 and the votes tallied.

The winning "smooch" will take place during the Eighth Annual Dallas Harvest Festival on Sunday, Sept. 19, and will be announced by District Judge James Tupper.

On behalf of the winner, the winning sports organization will then be awarded 50 percent of all ballot monies collected and the remaining funds will be applied toward next year's festival.

This year's sponsor of the Kiss the Pig Contest is Frontier Communications.