LEGION HOLDS PEARL HARBOR DAY BREAKFAST



Daddow-Isaacs Dallas American Legion Post 672held its annual Pearl Harbor Day Breakfast on December 4 to remember this day 'that will live in infamy.' Local historian Rev. William Lewis, shown here, was the main speaker.

DALLAS FOURTH-GRADERS RAISE MONEY FOR UNICEF



The fourth-grade students at Dallas Elementary School collected donations for the Trick or Treat for UNICEF project. UNI-CEF provides clean drinking water, medication, immunizations and school supplies to needy children around the world. This year marked the 60th anniversary of the Trick or Treat program. The Dallas students had a goal of \$500; they raised \$1,200 in donations. Shown here, from left, first row, are Zachary Palfey and Steven Newell Second row, Mrs. Ford, Joey Nardone, Katie Lydon and Lexie Oster.

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She then got involved in stepaerobics classes, which she said now five pounds shy of her prebreally motivated her to keep on baby weight. her healthy path. After exercising into place, too.

"You tend to eat better when ney. you start exercising," she said.

cereal for breakfast, a salad with fat-free dressing for lunch and pasta for dinner. Snacks include to limit her intake of diet soda, switch. but treats herself to a 20-oz. bottle once in a while.

worried about the scale.

She said she only weighs herself once a month, and at first her "At Easter dinner (this year) I said. bwas getting so many compli-

exercise plan. Make that first step

Don't obsess

portions in moderation.

ments," she said. "I hopped on the scale to see if I made my goal, and I had lost 15 pounds.

The weight loss made a big difference on Hunt's 5-foot frame. She's kept the pounds off and is

She said the key to keeping it for a while, her diet started to fall all in perspective is to not obsess over the scale, and enjoy the jour-

"Don't make it into a project," Hunt said she eats whole grain she said. "I only weigh myself once a month at most."

The confidence she's gained cooks lean meats and whole grain from losing the weight has also spurred another change in her yogurt, nuts and fruit. She tries life - she's considering a career

She currently works from home as a medical transcriber. After six months of enjoying but the newfound energy and r new lifestyle, she wasn't too passion for exercising has influenced her to apply to become a personal trainer.

"I have the drive and the configoal was to lose only 10 pounds. dence to make that decision," she

"And I want to help people."

Gaining life skills

Misericordia University recently completed their Methods in Life classroom instruction and working with eight special needs stu-fit." dents from the Lake-Lehman School District.

Lake-Lehman students visited campus six times from Oct. 1 to Dec. 1 under the direction of life skills teacher Lee Sikora. The students gained additional instruction in advanced sciences and technology.

"I wanted them to be taught by other people and interact with other people," she said, while watching her students design

Special education students at search Institute at Misericordia University.

"It's a win-win situation," Sik-Skills course that combined ora said. "My students benefit and the college students bene-

In the last class of the semester, Misericordia University and Lake-Lehman students worked on computers to design page covers for stories they wrote during the semester. The high school students gained experience working with computers, clip art, illustrator and more with the assistance of MU stuin the Assistive Technology Represent to them as a keepsake.



dents. Sikora plans on taking her Misericordia University student Kayla Turonis of Pittston, helps students' stories and artwork Lake-Lehman student Scott Baker work on the cover for his colorful book covers and stories and binding them together to story in the Assistive Technology Research Institute at Misericordia University.

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making myself crazy," she said. Start slowly

Making small goals and not checking the scale daily helped Hunt to keep everything in perspective during her lifestyle change. "I wasn't Hunt worked up her endurance by walking for a while, then jogging,

then joining a high-energy aerobics class. Sometimes diving into a difficult routine can be discouraging if you aren't honest with yourself

WEIGHT LOSS TIPS FROM SHANNON HUNT

These are some of Hunt's personal tips that helped her to lose weight. Note: Hunt is not a medical professional - it is advised that one should consult a doctor before making substantial changes to one's diet and

Hunt said it was hard to take the leap into healthy living, but once she

did, it was easy to keep at it. She said to take one step at a time. They can be small steps, such as choosing carrots over the chips and to keep

about your own capabilities. Be more health-conscious at home

Hunt said she's now more active with her family, and they've jumped on the healthy bandwagon as a result. She runs around with her young children and cooks healthy meals for the whole family.

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