



Cathy Stanski and Art Spears, both from Dallas, enjoy the annual Alumni Valentine Day Dance at Misericordia University.



Sterling Dougherty, of Mountain Top, dances with her husband Dr. John Dougherty.

Dancing alumni at MU

More than 60 Misericordia alumni and friends celebrated Valentine's Day on the Misericordia University campus at the Fourth Annual Valentine's Dinner Dance held in the Banks Student Life Center. Alumni representing classes from 1966 through 2009 enjoyed the evening with a meal, followed by dancing to the music of DJ Jerry Rickus. The event began with a Mass in the University Chapel featuring a couple's blessing by Rev. Donald Williams, campus chaplain, and was sponsored by the Misericordia University Alumni Association.



Richard Curry whispers sweet nothings into the ear of his wife Diane at the annual Alumni Valentine Day Dance at Misericordia University.

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Ross Elementary School Students of the Building for February are, from left, first row, Nathan May, Angel Haines, Lily Johns, Brandon Ritinski, Samuel Kinsley, Lyndsey Sayre and Caleb Kinsley. Second row, Donald James, principal; Rebecca Keefe, first-grade teacher; Jacqueline Davenport, Savannah Purdy, Kara Martin, Amanda Ayers, Katrishka Kipp, Ashley Herceg, Noah Budzak, Miranda Hutchins and Kelly Dougherty, fourth-grade teacher. The students were recognized for their citizenship, academics and/or improvement during the month.

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Community Protection From Natural Gas Extraction Ordinance

As you may be aware, a group of concerned citizens of the Borough have proposed adoption of an ordinance drawn up by the Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund (CELDF) of Chambersburg, PA. After several attempts to convince Harveys Lake Borough Council to advertise the ordinance and hold a public meeting to discuss its merits, the Council agreed to do so by a 3-2 vote at the last Council meeting:

The public hearing is scheduled for March 15, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Harveys Lake Municipal Building.

This ordinance is the most effective method to protect our Borough from the dangers that the gas drilling industry would inflict on our community, including drinking water contamination, air quality issues, excessive noise, decrease in property values and damage to our infrastructure. The ordinance affirms our inherent local governing authority, our right to a healthy environment, specifically bans any corporation from extracting natural gas within the Borough, prohibits the extraction of water from any source for use in extraction of subsurface natural gas and holds corporations engaging in natural gas extraction in neighboring municipalities liable for all harm caused to natural water sources within the Borough of Harveys Lake. Our Council members have expressed several legitimate concerns regarding adoption of this Ordinance, which will be addressed at the March 15th hearing. It is imperative that our local elected representatives are made aware that their constituents demand they protect our Borough from the dangers of gas drilling industrial activity.

We will be conducting a borough-wide canvassing to secure signatures on a petition that will make it clear that we, the people, expect them to enact this ordinance. We will begin this weekend, March 5th-6th, and continue through the following week. The full text of the ordinance is available in the Borough secretary's office for your review, and canvassers will also provide a copy. If the canvassers are not able to contact you, please email nturner@epix.net and we will forward the full ordinance text and arrange a meeting at your convenience to explain the ordinance, and ask for your signature on the petition.

Please make every effort to attend the hearing. Community involvement is essential and we need as many people there as possible.

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