BILL TARUTIS/ FOR THE DALLAS POST

Theresa Heintz of Dallas won honorable mention in the Broadcast Education Association competition for her video 'Life After Death,' a documentary that recapped her family's struggle to deal with her father's death in 2003.

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home on weekends to interview her sisters and mother in one-on-one settings.

Katrina said she was still leery opening up on camera, even though her mother and sister broke down at one point.

"It's always a hard subject ... I was very sort of closed, I guess you could say, because it's hard to convey such emotions in front of the camera like that," she said.

Theresa also focused on the continuously changing emotions her family members have felt from that fateful day and the years after her father's death, including recounting the strength her mother had to muster in order to continue as a single parent in mourning.

"If anything, I guess it just make me think about how I really do feel about his death because after watching ... my mom on camera I didn't realize how much pain she was hiding from us, because after he passed away we all talked about it and we all said our feelings but being the mother it was kind of hard for her to be like, 'Well, I'm sad, too,'" said Katrina.

Theresa said the closeness of her family has grown throughout the experience, and she believed reliving the story so many years later gave the family a new way to look at that difficult time.

"It was actually a really eye-opening and kind of amazing experience," she said. "I was behind the camera and they were just opening up. My older sister and my mom broke down in front of the camera, and it was kind of difficult because I wanted to go over and give them a hug ... but I was also trying to capture the moment."

Though it was a difficult experience for her family to relive, Theresa believes they are all better for going through the ordeal together and the documentary will give them something positive to reflect upon in the future.

"They were all just so open to talking about it and so happy that this was maybe something we can look back on in a couple years, like 20 years from now, and be like, 'This is beautiful how we captured this moment,'" she said.

CABARET

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sold dozens of pierogies from the Shadyrill Bakery and Café in Lehman over the past few months to raise money for the production.

Tyler Pearson, 17, of Harveys Lake, said she and others performed musical numbers from "Cinderella" in the cabaret show as a way to give audiences a sneak peek of the musical.

"It's good exposure and advertising for us, and it gives others a chance to see what we're all about if they're interested in mu-," said Pearson, who will play the role of "Cinderella" next weekend.

Last year all three of the theater group's performances of "The Wizard of Oz" sold out, and Major Ackerman is hoping for similar success this year. About 500 seats are available in the auditorium, and if need be, a fourth show will be added on Sunday evening to accommodate the audience.

Major Ackerman wants attendees to know that this is not Disney's "Cinderella." She said it was a struggle to teach her students, many of whom grew up with the 1950 Disney classic, about the realness of the play.

"It's a story that dates back to Egypt and China thousands of years ago," she said. "I try to pick things that have historical, cultural values."

Major Ackerman used other versions of the tale, including those performed by Julie Andrews in 1957 and Leslie Ann Warren in 1965, to explain the difference.

"The godmother is not a fairy," she said. "She's actually Cinderella's godmother. She comes to help out – she has some magical 'adult powers.'"

The musical will also feature about 20 children from the district's three elementary schools. The set spans the height of the stage and includes a castle setting as well as a luxurious dressing room setting.

Parents of the theater students have been a big help in creating the magic of the musical, including designing, painting and assembling the set, sewing costumes and coaching the vocalists. Karen Steltz, who performed in several plays at Lake-Lehman when she was in high school, manned the ticket table during the cabaret.

"We are supporting the second generation of theater students," said Steltz, whose son Ben will play the Prince.

The group is also looking for donations from businesses for a raffle drawing to be conducted on the last night of the play. So far, the parents have received goods for a few baskets, but more are needed. Businesses can donate gift certificates or coupons to be a part of the drawing.

Even students who participated in the cabaret show recognize the importance of supporting the arts.

Jake Sedorchuk, 18, of Hunlock Creek, and Cameron Warner, 16, of Sweet Valley, played two songs with their acoustic band, "Wood" as part of the talent show.

"We always want to help out," said Warner. "Any time we get to play music for a good cause, we're there."

CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK/ FOR THE DALLAS POST

Jenna Mortenson sings during a benefit cabaret evening for the Lake-Lehman High School Theatre Troupe.

Dr. Hage receives scholarship

Brenda L. Hage, Ph.D., C.R.N.P., associate professor of nursing and director of the graduate nursing program at Misericordia University, has been named the recipient of the advanced degree scholarship from the Nightingale Awards of Pennsylvania.

HAGE

Hage is board certified in Family Practice by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, as an Adult Health Nurse Practitioner, a Gerontologic Nurse Practitioner and in Informatics Nursing by the American Nurses Credentialing Corporation.

Dr. Hage maintains an active clinical practice in the specialty of physical medicine and rehabilitation with Northeastern Rehabilitation Associates, Wilkes-Barre, and in family practice as a volunteer with the Hope Clinic, Trucksville.

She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of the State of New York, Albany; her master's degree at Misericordia University and her Ph.D. in health-related sciences with a specialization in gerontology from Virginia Commonwealth University, Medical College of Virginia campus.

Hage and her husband, Nafty, live in Dallas Township.

AIMEE DILGER PHOTOS/ THE DALLAS POST

Men in high heels set out to walk a mile for the fundraiser Walk A Mile In Her Shoes at Misericordia University last week.

WALK

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wearing the shoes to empathize with women."

Lee Ann de Reus of the foundation spoke to the group after the mile walk around campus.

The Panzi Foundation supports the Panzi Hospital, which provides care to all people living in the eastern part of the Democratic Republic of Congo. A special wing of the hospital is dedicated to treating women who are victims of political violence and their children, including providing counseling and daycare services in addition to health care, said Caleb.

Men wait to trek a mile in heels to raise money for a "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" fundraiser.

TEARIN' IT UP COMMITTEE MEETS

A group of Dallas High School Alumni from the 1960s-2000s will present an unprecedented 'all-class' reunion and music festival at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds on May 29. The event will be open to the public. Members of the Tearin' it Up For the Tear Down Committee are, from left, seated, Joe Simon, Liz (Gerald) Martin, Chris Gillis, Kim (Bonawitz) Turner. Standing, Barb (Burkhardt) Menzel, Diane (Werts) Morse, Brittany Willis, Mike Breakstone, Mike Crane and Patti (Wadas) Snyder. Absent at the time of the photo were Denise Overman and Mark Moran.

Program set for Cross Creek

Cross Creek Community Church, located two miles from the light in Trucksville at 370 Carverton Rd., welcomes back Dr. Dave Earley on April 10.

He will join the Cross Creek congregation for both Sunday morning services at 9 and 10:45 a.m.

Dr. Earley is chairman of the Department of Pastoral Leadership at Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary and Liberty University and has written 12 books and several church growth and health resources.

Pastor Dave Martin encourages all families, friends and neighbors to join the Cross Creek Community for this special time together.

A fully-staffed nursery will be available for children under 2 years of age and Junior Church is also available.

For more information, call 696-0399.

Dallas HS tennis team wins, 5-0

The Dallas High School tennis team defeated Berwick, 5-0, recently.

Eathan Pensak(D) defeated C. Fetterolf, 6-4, 6-2; Scot Riccetti(D) defeated D. Volkel, 6-0, 6–0; Andrew Nakkache(D) defeated S. Ceeli 6 - 4, 6 -1; Blake Donovan/Ryan McCarthy(D) defeated B. Haydt/E. Dangelinian, 6 - 1, 6 – 3; and Tyler Tuck/Francios Ross(D) defeated J. Moyer/A. Reyes 7-5, 6 – 2.

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King Crossword

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Super Crossword

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