



Gate of Heaven students who performed in the school's production of "The Wizard of Oz" are, from left, first row, Adrian Wesolowski, Anthony Huntington and Kurtis Carichner, munchkins. Second row, Nick Duris, Oz; Tommy Calpin, Tin Man; Michael Gatusky, Scarecrow; Maegan Wrubel, Lion; and Miguel Divasson, Toto. Third row, Molly Hampsy, Glinda; Jade Broody and Maria Khoudary, shared role of Dorothy; Wicked Witch Jennifer Ringsdorf, Wicked Witch; Jamie Carty, Lady-in-Waiting; Cristina McFarlane, Guardian of the Gate; and Victoria Gulton, Good Witch of the North.

'Wizards' at GOH

Gate of Heaven School students held their annual academic fair on April 7.

For the project, Mrs. Colleen Engler's eighth-grade students chose to perform an adaptation of "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz."

Their inspiration for the performance came when the class was in seventh-grade and they listened to a homily by Rev. James Paisley, pastor of St. Therese's Parish in Shavertown. During that particular school mass, Fr. Paisley discussed the movie with the students.

Mrs. Engler, who was also their seventh-grade religion teacher, followed the homily with more discussion in religion class. The students then excitedly began preparing their project for the following year.

During the summer months, Engler searched for a viable script and, during the first week of school, students chose the role each would like to play. Every student had a role in the play and excitedly learned their lines, taking stage directions from their classmate, Jamie Carty.

Student Maria Khoudary de-



Molly Hampsey plays the role of Glinda the Good Witch in the Gate of Heaven production of "The Wizard of Oz."

signed and applied all of her classmates' make-up; costumes were purchased and/or created by the students. The elaborate Good Witch Glinda, flying monkey and Dorothy costumes were created by parents Mark and Judy Broody.

Miss Ashley Walters, Gate of Heaven art teacher, taught the students how to design and cre-

ate their backdrop which consisted of four set changes, all drawn and painted by the students.

On the afternoon of the performance, the class chose to stay after school and have its cast party prior to the performance.

Singing, dancing and eating were interspersed with applying make-up, curling hair and dressing in costumes.

'One Book' program is May 12

For the sixth consecutive year, Pennsylvania's One Book, Every Young Child program will lead the way and highlight the importance of early literacy development in preschoolers ages 3 to 6.

The Back Mountain Memorial Library will once again take part in this endeavor by presenting a special One Book program at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 12 in the Children's Room of the library.

Jean Grube will read the Pa One Book to the children and lead them in songs, fingerplays and puppet fun. Grube is an adjunct faculty member of Misericordia University in the Fine Arts Department teaching voice. She is also the director of the youth choirs at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Lehman.

"Whose Shoes? A Shoe for Every Job" by Stephen R. Swinburne has been chosen as the 2011 One Book, Every Young Child title.

"Whose Shoes" explores various occupations through simple text and colorful photographs. In the middle of the book, there is a guessing game where the reader is shown footwear worn by people in different occupations on one page and, when the page is turned, there is a photo



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of the entire person showing the occupation.

Each child in attendance will receive a paperback copy of the book, stickers, a bookmark and a parent's guide to reading fun.

This will be the only program scheduled for the book distribution this year.

Parents are asked to register their child by calling the library at 675-1182.

Sem students named to dean's list

Wyoming Seminary Dean Jay Harvey has announced the Back Mountain students named to the Upper School Dean's List for the winter trimester of the 2010-2011 academic year.

DEAN'S LIST HIGH HONORS

Sai Abhishek, Shavertown; James Curtis, Dallas; Lauren Fernandez, Dallas; Bryden Gollhardt, Dallas; Jared Gollhardt, Dallas; Joseph Kopolka, Dallas; Christopher Kim, Dallas; Alex Kolessar, Shavertown; Andrew Levandoski, Dallas; Tyler Martin, Shavertown; Logan May, Dallas; Danielle Melnick, Dallas; Kristen Mericle, Shavertown; Caroline Meuser, Shavertown; Adam O'Brien, Hunlock Creek; Kelly Platt, Dallas; Ashlyn Reiser, Shavertown; Julia Ridilla, Shavertown; Amanda Schall, Hunlock Creek; Emma Spath, Shavertown; Mary Thede, Dallas; William Thede,

Dallas; Alannah Trombetta, Dallas; Brianna Wise, Shavertown.

DEAN'S LIST

Jason Curtis, Dallas; Matthew Doggett, Shavertown; Omeed Firouzi, Shavertown; Anita Ghosh, Dallas; Bijoy Ghosh, Dallas; Frank Henry, Dallas; Jane Henry, Shavertown; Mia Medico, Shavertown; Cecilia

Norris, Shavertown; Harry Parkhurst, Trucksville; Joseph Ridilla, Shavertown; Brandon Rome, Shavertown; Ronald Rose, Shavertown; Lauren Skudalski, Wyoming; Noah Sunday-Lefkowitz, Shavertown; Katrina Wallace, Dallas; Zachary Wise, Shavertown; Spencer Youngman, Dallas.

Music Box slates workshops

The Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville, will conduct the following Theatre Workshops:

Children's Summer Theatre Workshop for ages 8-12. Classes begin July 25 and run from 9 a.m. to noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays through August 19. The students will perform Disney's "Aladdin

Kids" on August 19 and 20. Music Box Theatre Academy for ages 13-18. Classes begin August 30 and will be held twice weekly in the evening through October 13. The students will perform "Grease" on October 14, 15 and 16.

Call 283-2195 for enrollment forms or additional information.

CHURCH BRIEFS

Mindful meditation workshop slated

The Health Ministry at Prince of Peace Episcopal Church in Dallas will present a free workshop on mindful meditation from 6 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4.

The workshop will be conducted by Cathy Mascelli, employee wellness coordinator for The University of Scranton.

To register, call the Prince of Peace office at 675-1723.

Prayer ceremonies slated for CUMC

State Representative Karen Boback will be the guest speaker at the National Day of Prayer Ceremonies on Thursday, May 5 at the Centermoreland United Methodist Church.

The sanctuary will open at 6 a.m. A free breakfast will be available at 7 a.m. in the dining/kitchen area of the church. Ceremonies will begin at 8 a.m. following the theme of "A Mighty Fortress is Our God."

The ceremonies are non-denominational.

Dorcas Society sponsors sale

The Dorcas Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Route 118, Dallas, will sponsor its annual spring rummage sale from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday and Saturday, May 6 and 7 in the church social hall.

Items available for purchase will include clothing, toys/games, jewelry, seasonal decorations, books, household items

such as dishes, pots and pans and more. Homemade baked goods will also be available. Bag Day will begin at noon on May 7.

For more information, call 675-3859.

TUMC trustees plan chicken barbeque

The Trustees of the Trucksville United Methodist Church will hold their Spring Chicken BBQ from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, May 6 and 7 at the Dickson Educational Facility, Church Road, Trucksville. Take-out orders will be available from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children and must be reserved in advance by calling the church office at 696-3897

from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through or by fax to 696-3898.

Roast beef dinner set

Huntsville United Methodist Church will hold a roast beef dinner on Saturday, May 7.

Eat-in or take-out dinners will be available at \$8.50 each. Call Shirley at 675-1937 for tickets.

Sweet Valley church

will hold sales

A craft show, flea market and bake sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 7 at Maple Grove United Methodist Church, 5876 Main Rd., Sweet Valley.

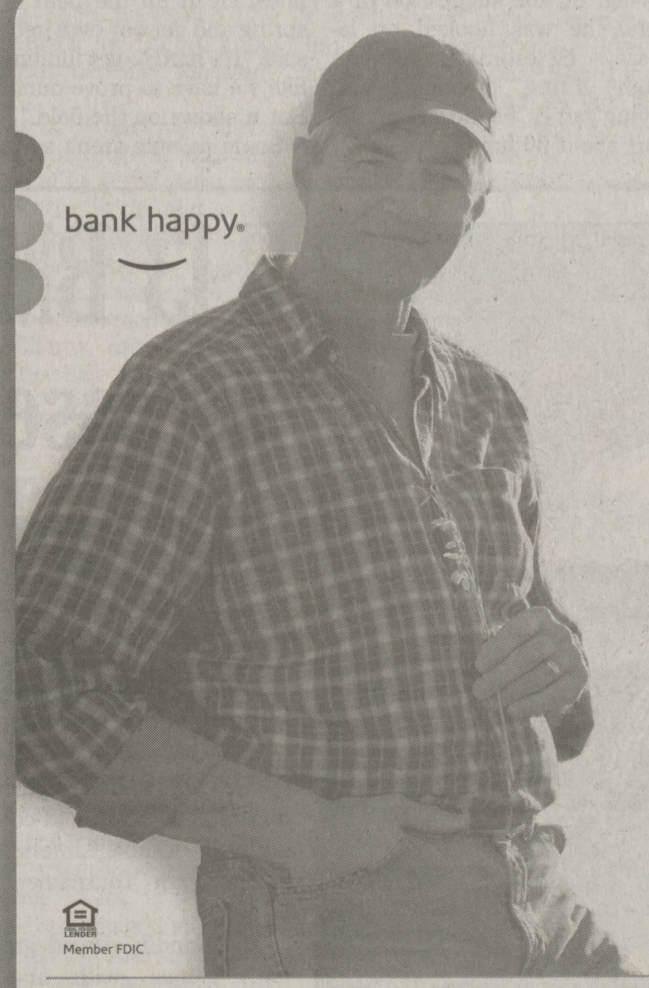
For information, call Kathy Brown at 709-0289.


Turkey dinner slated

A roast turkey dinner and bake sale will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 14 at Loyalville United Methodist Church.

Cost is \$8 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12 years of age.

Takeouts are available by calling 477-3521 and leaving a message with a name, phone number, number of dinners requested and pickup time.





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