

# 'Flamingo Flocking' benefits LL Lock-In

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Hundreds of pink flamingos were sighted throughout Lake-Lehman Junior Senior High School on May 2 and another wave is reportedly coming.

The birds are not migrating north. They are actually part of a fundraiser called Flamingo Flocking to benefit the fifth annual Lock-In event scheduled for next month.

The Lock-In is an annual celebration where graduating seniors and their friends voluntarily opt to be locked inside their school from 10:30 p.m. on June 10 until 5 a.m. on June 11.

Tina Maciejczak, district receptionist and Lock-In committee president, said statistically, "graduation night has the highest teenager fatality rates."

Maciejczak said, once locked inside the school, students can enjoy a wide range of activities, including a magician, kick ball, dancing and a hypnotist.

"The goal is to give our students a safe place to celebrate

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The Flamingo Flocking is a new fundraiser brought to the Lock-In committee by Amy Spess and Gwen Agnew.

The idea of placing pink plastic yard-decorating flamingos in yards originally raised numerous safety issues, Maciejczak said. The idea was tweaked and, when Tom Bryon, Graphic Arts teacher, said he could make one-time vinyl stickers for use on school lockers, the idea fell into place, said Spess.



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Kayla Koziol and Brent Oliver press pink flamingoes on the office window at Lake-Lehman High School as part of their senior completion project to benefit the Lake-Lehman Lock-In.

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"It was a lot of fun," Spess said of the initial "flocking." "The seniors just came back from their senior trip. It was a surprise."

Spess said teachers' classroom doors are not off limits. But protection from the flamingos is available through the purchase of "anti flocking in-

urance." Spess said students or faculty can purchase a sticker of a flamingo with a line through it for \$3. They need to display this on their locker or classroom door.

So far, the new fundraiser has been a success and students and faculty members have had a lot of fun with it. Spess estimates the project has raised over \$100 so far. A grand total is not yet available because a second flocking is anticipated later this month.

"One teacher had pink flamingos all over his door and some inside the classrooms," she said.

# SV Memorial Weekend Fair starts on Friday

The Sweet Valley Volunteer Fire Company, 5383 Main Rd., will hold its Memorial Weekend Fair from 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. on Friday, May 27; from 4 to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 28; and from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday, May 30. The fairgrounds will be closed on Sunday, May 29.

"Pizza Paul" will provide a

fireworks display at dusk on Friday with a rain date set for Saturday. A parade will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, May 30.

Free entertainment from local bands will include "Cactus Jack" on Friday night and "Third Degree" on Saturday night. "The Hess Family" will perform Monday morning followed by the parade and a Fireman's Olympics.

The band "Farmers Daughter" will perform Monday evening.

There will be potato pancakes, pierogies, funnel cakes, fresh cut French fries, pizza, barbeques, soup, hot sausage and cheese steak sandwiches, hamburgers, hot dogs, ice cream and more.

There will be rides for young children as well as a "White Elephant" sale in the fire hall.

Anyone wishing to donate items for the sale is asked to contact Jill Shaw at 477-3166.

Vendors requesting information about leasing lots on the fairgrounds are asked to contact David Pall at 256-7332. Marching units, floats or anyone wishing to take part in the parade are asked to contact fair chairman John Oley at 256-6064.

## PEOPLE BRIEFS

### Wilkinson receives award at SCID

Jacqueline Wilkinson, dental assistant at the State Correctional Institution at Dallas, was presented with the Department of Corrections' Medal of Valor at the annual employee recognition ceremony on May 4.

Wilkinson was on her way to work at 7 a.m. on January 14, driving on Interstate 80 when she came upon a car that had flipped onto its side. The 19-year-old driver was trapped inside the wreckage and was suffering from shock.

Wilkinson climbed onto the wreckage and leaned down into the car, kept the driver warm with a blanket she had in her truck and kept him conscious until ambulance personnel arrived.

Wilkinson lives in White Haven with her husband, Marc.

### Popple inducted into honor society

Roxanne Popple, of Shavertown, was among six Misericordia University students recently inducted into the Alpha Gamma Chapter of the Chi Alpha Epsilon Honor Society during an induction ceremony in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall on campus.

Misericordia University students who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher for two consecutive semesters and are enrolled in the Act 101 program are eligible for induction into the honor society.

### MU students present projects

Two Misericordia University graduate nursing students from the Back Mountain presented their evidenced-based practice projects at the Graduate Nursing Scholarly Synthesis Seminar at the College of Health Sciences on May 5. Angela Evans of Noxen,

presented "Valerian: Nature's Way of Saying Goodnight," which focused on insomnia, an underreported and under-treated health problem in the United States.

Michelle Rowlands, of Dallas, presented "Crunching 'Carbs' for Glycemic Control," which is the cornerstone of diabetes management. Dietary intervention has been a recognized management strategy for type 2 diabetics, however there is a lack of consensus regarding which diet is most effective in promoting glycemic control.

### Saracino joins Century 21 firm

Vincent Saracino has joined Century 21 Signature Properties, 230 Ferguson Ave., Shavertown, as a sales associate specializing in property sales in the Wyoming Valley.

Saracino recently completed extensive training and licensing in Real Estate Fundamentals and Real Estate Practice.

## SCHOOL BRIEFS

### Lock-In Committee meets May 26

The Dallas High School 2011 Graduation Lock-In Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 26 in the Dallas High School auditorium.

### Seminary students present last recital

Wyoming Seminary student

musicians will present the annual Farewell/Senior Recital at 4 p.m. on Friday, May 27 in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., just north of Kingston Corners.

The students will perform their favorite pieces for the last time as Sem students.

The performance is free and open to the public.

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## CIVIC BRIEFS

### 'The Wedding Singer' comes to Music Box

The Music Box Repertory Company presents the regional premiere of the new musical, "The Wedding Singer," based on the Adam Sandler movie at 2 p.m. today, May 22 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swoyersville.

A buffet dinner is served 90 minutes before curtain. For information and reservations, call 283-2195.

### Alzheimer's Assn. planning gala event

The Greater Pa. Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will hold its eighth annual gala event, "An Affair to Remember" today, May 22 at Fox Hill Country Club, Exeter.

This year's event will be a brunch beginning at 11:30 a.m. and will feature a Silent Auction as well as an art auction of works donated by regional artists.

Tickets are \$100 per person and are available by contacting the Alzheimer's Association office at 822-9915.

### Choral Society plans spring concert

The annual spring concert of the Catholic Choral Society of Northeast Pennsylvania will be presented at 7 p.m. today, May 22 at St. Ignatius Church, 339 N. Maple St., Kingston.

Tickets, at \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and students and free for children under 12 years of age, are available from society members or by calling 587-2753.

### Event will benefit Blue Chip Farm

Friendly's Restaurant in Dallas will host a benefit for Blue Chip Farm Animal Refuge from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25. A percentage of the total sales taken in during those three hours will be donated to the Back Mountain's only no-kill animal shelter.

Margaret Bart, the director of the shelter, and several volunteers will be on hand to answer questions about the work Blue Chip does at the farm and in the community.

### Jackson Twp. sets memorial program

The annual Memorial Day service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 28 at the Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department, 1160 Chase Rd.

### Memorial Day service scheduled

The Kocher Cemetery Association will hold a Memorial Day service at 10 a.m. on Monday, May 30 at the flagpole in the cemetery in Ruggles, Lake Township. In the event of inclement weather, the service will be held in the chapel.

For more information, contact Carlene McCaffrey, association secretary, at 639-5308.

### Irem Women plan card party

The Irem Women's Auxiliary will host a card party from noon to 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 2 at the Irem Country Club.

Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased from Hope Beisel at 675-1652, Lorraine Hastie at 654-3755, Mary Lou Bechtold at 655-1089, Lorraine White at 328-1381 or at the door. Ticket includes parking, lunch, prizes and games.

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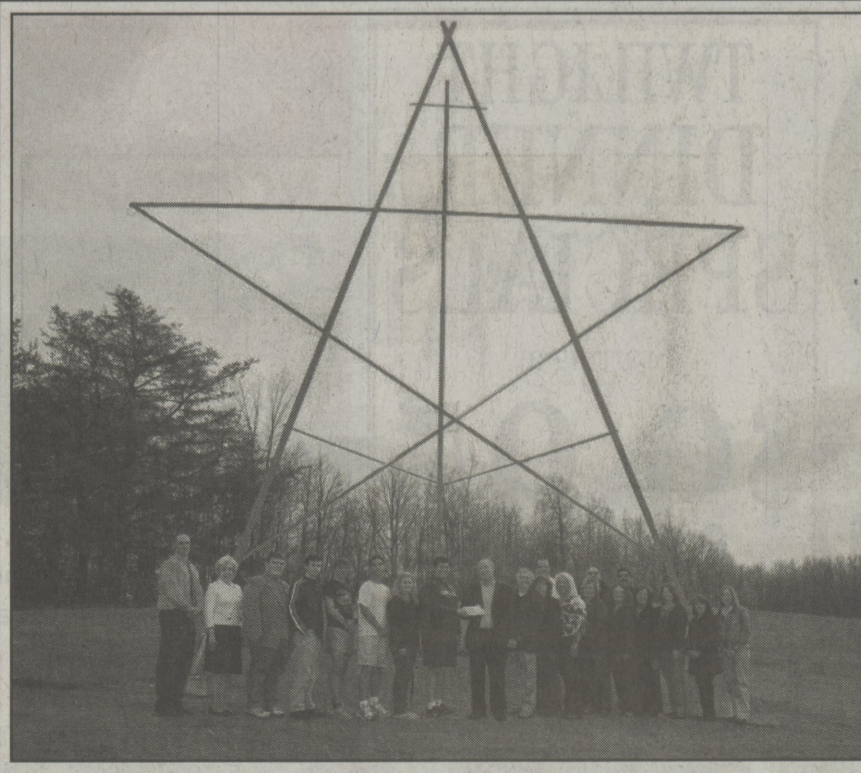
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### ATLAS REALTY MAKES DONATION FOR RESTORATION OF THE PITTSTON AREA STAR

The former Stauffer Heights star was disassembled and relocated to the grounds of Pittston Area High School and restored by members of the Pittston Area Honor Society. In order to assist in the funding of the project, the realtors of Atlas Realty donated a portion of their commission from sales in the Pittston Area School District.

Pictured are John Haas (Principal), Joyce Salve (National Honor Society Advisor), Anthony Guariglia, Vincent Riggi, David McLean, John Lombardo, and John Poli, Honor Society members being presented with a check from Charles Adonizio, Atlas Realty Broker along with Realtors Tom Salvaggio, Colleen Turant, Joseph Caprari, Michele Reap, Kerri Best, Fred Mecadon, Melissa Hudzinski, Phil Semenza, Nancy Bohn, Terry Guasto, Angie Dessoye and Luann Sperrazza. Absent from photo: Bill Williams, Glen Gubitose, Julio Caprari, and Kim Reilly.