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Like Harry Potter, Dr. Larry Pedersen experiments with magic during a Halloween demonstration of science at Misericordia University's amphitheater.

other at night."

"We wanted to blow up stuff together at night," said Pedersen.

Experiments included making pickles glow using electricity, recreating glow sticks through chemiluminescence, and making those pumpkins "vomit" by mixing hydrogen peroxide, detergent and a solution of potassium io-

Another experiment featured a recreation of the Hindenburg disaster using balloons filled with hydrogen gas and a heat source.

When the balloons exploded into flames, youngsters shouted, "Oh, the humanity!" to make the recreation complete.

Pedersen didn't bog attendees down with detailed descriptions of each experiment. The idea is to make science fun, and, dressed as a wizard, Pedersen told the audience it was simply magic.



Chemistry students from Misericordia University demonstrate what happens when gummy bears are heated.

is fun," said Joe Miller, 20, of Tunkhannock. "It's not all serious."

Liz Murdock, 20, of Elysburg, said it's nice to get children involved in all the experiments in order to boost their interest in

"Anybody can do this and have fun," she said.

Jacqueline Ezdebski, of Clark Summit, said she's been attending the program for years and skills. "It's great to bring the communi- mostly enjoys watching the stuty out and show them that science dents show off their scientific kins," she said, laughing.



Luke Coolbaugh, of West Wyoming, joins the fun.

"I love the vomiting pump-

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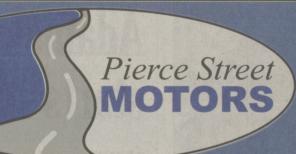
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