

HOLY REDEEMER STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEMBERS INDUCTED



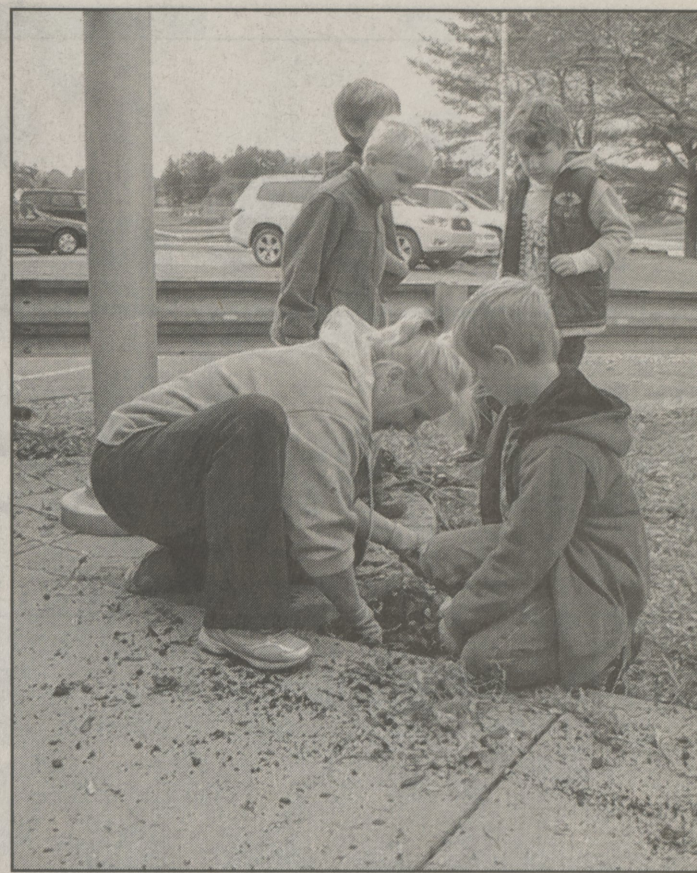
Holy Redeemer High School recently held an induction ceremony for members of its 2011-2012 Student Leadership Council (SLC). Each member received a pin at the ceremony, which was part of a special school Mass.

Student Leadership Council officers for the 2011-2012 school year are Sarah Cavanaugh, president; Michael Martin, vice president; Julia Wignot, secretary; David Gawlas, treasurer. Vice Principal Michael Booth is council advisor.

SLC members are, from left, first row, Bryce Partlow, Nanticoke; Megan Banks, Dallas; Donald Stephens, Shavertown; Vince Villani, White Haven; Casey Carty, Harvey's Lake; Audrey Zavada, Forty Fort; Krista Heller, Wilkes-Barre; Meghan Burns, Wilkes-Barre; Miranda Robasky, Kingston; Rachel Sowinski, Mountaintop; Cornelia Chmil, Hanover Twp.; Bethany Chmil, Hanover Twp.; Rebecca Makar, Wilkes-Barre; Stephanie Amendola, Mountaintop; Shaina Dougherty, Shavertown; Vera Sedlak, Kingston; Rachel Platko, Hanover Twp.; Anna Layaou, Tunkhannock; Mary Pat Blaskiewicz, West Pittston; Elizabeth Arensmeyer, Kingston; Julie Kosik, Lafflin; Melanie Kusakavitch, Pittston; Christopher Pawlenok, Mountaintop; Ryan Doyle, Mountaintop.

Second row, Robert Bertram, Wilkes-Barre; Michael Dubinski, Hanover Twp.; Michael Kosik, Lafflin; Alyssa Platko, Hanover Twp.; Thomas Caffrey, Hanover Twp.; Joshua Foust, Mountaintop; Daniel Seasock, Wilkes-Barre; Vito Aiello, Wilkes-Barre; Andrea Zupko, Plymouth; Ashley Leighton, Wilkes-Barre; Cody Januszko, Wilkes-Barre; Sara Cavanaugh, Plains; Amy McLaughlin, Mountaintop; John Jablowski, Wilkes-Barre Twp.; Mary Catherine Evans, Mountaintop; Jennifer Ringsdorf, Shavertown; Madison Mishanski, Wilkes-Barre; Patrick Villani, White Haven.

Third row, Michael Conlon, Inkerman; Michael Morrison, Dallas; Matthew Nicholas, Courtdale; Darik Johnson, Wilkes-Barre; Conlan McAndrew, Mountaintop; Shane Flannery, Wilkes-Barre; Eric Gdovin, Kingston; Eric Jones, Wilkes-Barre; Dalton Ell, Plains; Cody Tsevdos, Glen Lyon; William Cavanaugh, Plains; Kurt Jones, Mountaintop; Davis Gawlas, Shavertown; Michael Martin, Mountaintop; Mario Adajar, Plains Twp.; Cole Kebles, Dallas; Zachary Evans, Mountaintop; Michael Brown, Mountaintop. Absent from photo: Julia Wignot, Christian Choman.



Students beautify grounds

Students in Miss Heather Pitcavage's first grade class at Dallas Elementary School recently spent time weeding the beds around the school, working on area beautification. In the photo at left, Erin Oldt pulls weeds. The top photo shows, from left, Miss Pitcavage, Nathan Deyo, Jimmy Fazzi Nicholas Godin and Brian Kwak.



The Misericordia University Nursing Department inducted 31 students in the Theta Phi Chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau Society during an induction ceremony in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall. Participating in the ceremony were, from left, first row, Laura Herbener, Tyler Anderson, Amanda Ollivier, Jane Stredny, Michele Switzer, Stephanie Castle, Jacqueline Polito, Kelly Johnson, Aubree Petrone and Anne Kulick. Second row, Angela Evans, Wendy Franklin, Chantelle Udzella, Yvette Ploskonka, Colleena Jenceleski, Jeffrey Hartzell, Jean Bantell, Marcia Pollack, Karen Simeone, Kimberly Loftus, Angela Anderson, Patricia Dupak and Kathleen Clutcher.

MU nursing students inducted into society

Thirty-one students in the Misericordia University Nursing Program were recently inducted into the Theta Phi Chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing during an induction ceremony in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall on campus.

In order to be nominated for membership into the International Honor Society of Nursing, undergraduate nursing candidates must have completed at least one half of the nursing curriculum, maintained at least a 3.0

grade point average and be ranked in the top 35 percent of the graduating class. The students must also demonstrate leadership in nursing at Misericordia University and in the greater community.

Graduate nursing candidates must have completed one fourth of the nursing curriculum and achieved a 3.5 grade point average.

Students inducted into the Theta Phi Chapter are Angela An-

derson, Shavertown; Tyler Anderson, Denver; Jean Bantell, Hughestown; Stephanie Castle, Canton; Kathleen Clutcher, Shamokin; Patricia Dupak, Mountaintop; Angela Evans, Noxen; Wendy Franklin, Hanover Township; Jeffrey Hartzell, Stroudsburg; Laura Herbener, Freeland.

Also, Colleena Jenceleski, Nanticoke; Kelly Johnson, Branchville; Ann Jones, Plymouth; Christine Karosa, Dupont; Anne Kulick, Elysburg; D'Andra Lindbuchler, Wyoming;

Kimberly Loftus, West Pittston; Jennifer McDonald, Dushore; Amanda Ollivier, Palmyra.

Also, Avani Patel, Philadelphia; Aubree Petrone, Bellevernon; Yvette Ploskonka, Mountaintop; Jacqueline Polito, Whitestone; Marcia Pollack, Barnesville; Kerri Ryan, Beach Lake; Karen Simeone, Northumberland; Christine Stich, Drums.

Also, Jane Stredny, Harveys Lake; Michele Switzer, Sunbury; Chantelle Udzella, Kingston; and Emily Wolter, Harveys Lake.

MU paper wins two awards

The staff of Misericordia University's The Highlander student newspaper won two prestigious Pennsylvania Newspaper Association Keystone Press Awards.

The contest provides no divisions among four-year schools and The Highlander competes equally with all universities in the state, including Pittsburgh, Penn State and Temple universities.

Writer April Dulsky, of Dallas Township, won a third-place award for her enterprise news story, "Loophole Lassos Students' Health Care."

Dulsky is a junior majoring in communications and English. She is the web editor for the newspaper and a frequent contributor since her freshman year.

The daughter of Debra and Kenneth Dulsky says she was inspired to write the article because fellow Highlander staffer writers and campus friends were going to lose their health care coverage because of the legislative glitch.

SEMINARY MOCK TRIAL TEAM WINS SECOND PLACE



The Wyoming Seminary Mock Trial Team recently won second place in the fifth annual Empire City Invitational Mock Trial Competition, held at the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York in Brooklyn, New York. This was the second time Sem had been invited to compete in the event. The Sem team concluded the tournament with a 10-11 record, defeating four teams from Texas, Ohio, California and Wales, United Kingdom to compete in the championship round. Seen following their return from the Empire City Invitational Mock Trial Competition are, from left, first row, Harry Parkhurst, Trucksville, team co-captain; Renata O'Donnell, Wilkes-Barre, co-captain; and Logan May, Dallas, co-captain. Second row, Lauren Cappello, Manassas, Va.; Alaina Schukraft, Dallas; Ashlyn Reiser, Shavertown; Amanda Immidisetti, Princeton Junction, N.J.; and Caroline Reppert, Kingston. Third row, Adam Carlisle, teacher-coach; Joshua Greenberg, Wilkes-Barre; Andrew Drewchinn, White Haven; Jason Curtis, Dallas; Leah Goldberg, Wilkes-Barre; and Justin Naylor, teacher-coach. Absent at the time of the photo were Neil T. and Catherine R. O'Donnell, Sem Mock Trial attorney-advisors.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

WAHS Class of '86 plans reunion

The Wyoming Area High School Class of 1986 will hold its 25th anniversary class reunion at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 26 at Bar Louie, Mohegan Sun Casino. Reservations are required.

Contact one of the following classmates for ticket information: Leslie (Olerta) Leibman at lolerta@comcast.net, Trisha (Kamor) Seidel at 885-4121 or trisha.seidel@sbcglobal.net or Lee (Stelacone) Seaman at las0311@gmail.com.

For more information, call 270-2192.

Twelve Twenty Four performs at TAHS

Twelve Twenty Four will bring its holiday rock orchestra concert to the Tunkhannock Area High School Auditorium at 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 9. The performance features the music of the Trans Siberian Orchestra, as well as the local band's own recorded holiday creations.

The Tunkhannock High School performance proceeds will benefit the Tunkhannock Area Music Program.

Tickets, at \$15 per person presale or \$20 at the door, can be purchased from Tunkhannock Marching Band students, Gay's True Value, Bridge Street, Tunkhannock; Rock Street Music, Pittston; or online at www.twelvetwentyfour.net.

For more information, call 836-6979.

Recital slated

Wyoming Seminary's Guest Artist Series presents Amber Docters van Leeuwen on cello, Taisiya Pushkar on piano and John Michael Vaida on violin in recital presenting piano trios by Haydn, Mendelssohn and Schoenfield at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 30 in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., Kingston.

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call 270-2192.

Sem Jazz Ensemble plans concert

The Wyoming Seminary Upper School Jazz Ensemble, recently selected by the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) as the best jazz ensemble in the state will present a concert at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 13 in the Buckingham Performing Arts Center on the Upper School campus.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Christmas Choral Concert planned

The Wyoming Seminary Madrigal Singers and Choral will present their annual Christmas Choral Concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4 in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., just north of Kingston Corners.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Miss American preliminary pageant set for November 26

The non-profit NEPA Scholarship Association will present the 2011-12 Miss America preliminary local pageant competition on Saturday, Nov. 26 at the Woodlands and stage finals at the Dallas Middle School.

Private interviews will be held at the Woodlands.

Stage finals will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Dallas Middle School Theatre.

Eighteen young women from Northeast Pennsylvania will compete for three official titles

leading to Miss America state events and then into the national Miss America nationals.

Nine teens will compete for the title of Miss Luzerne County and nine college women will compete for the titles of Miss Wilkes-Barre/Scranton and Miss Northeastern PA.

Tickets, at \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 years of age, will be available at the door.

For more information, call 675-1761.