



Planning the 30th Annual Bowl for Kids' Sake to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters are, from left, seated, Sue Jones, caseworker; Sandy Frazier, program assistant; Tanya Olaviany, program director; Nicole Nealon, caseworker. Standing, Meghan Bedwick, caseworker; and Melanie Maciejczak, caseworker.

## Bowl for Kids' Sake March 31

Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, a program of Catholic Social Services, is seeking local businesses to sponsor lanes and assemble teams for its upcoming Bowl for Kids' Sake, which will take place on March 31 at six different lanes throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Big Brothers Big Sisters is a United Way partner agency and

Bowl For Kids' Sake is its largest annual fundraiser.

All proceeds from Bowl For Kids' Sake help provide mentors for the young people of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Local businesses or individuals wishing to sponsor a lane or assemble a team of bowlers may call 824-8756 or visit [www.bbbsnepa.org](http://www.bbbsnepa.org).

In recognition of the 30th anniversary of the Wilkes-Barre Bowl For Kids' Sake at Stanton Lanes, the agency is also asking past participants of the event to post their Bowl For Kids' Sake photos and photos of Bowl For Kids' Sake memorabilia on its Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/bbbsnepa](http://www.facebook.com/bbbsnepa) from March 9 through March 12.



The Dallas Township Police Department announced seat belt education and enforcement activities as part of a teen driver safety mobilization program from February 14 through March 4. From left, are Officer Brad Balutis, Dallas Township Police Department; Frank Galicki, superintendent, Dallas School District; Jeff Shaffer, principal, Dallas High School; and Chief Robert Jolley, Dallas Township Police Department.

## DT police provide education

The Dallas Township Police Department announced seat belt education and enforcement activities as part of a teen driver safety mobilization program from February 14 through March 4.

Law enforcement and school administrators were at the Dallas High School to kick off the program on February 14 as students left school at the end of the day. This informational session was comprised of a police seat belt

check point set up at the high school entrance and informational materials distributed by members of the Dallas High School Emergency Responders Club.

This educational outreach, coupled with enforcement activities, will raise awareness of the new teen driver law that went into effect in December. The primary law states all vehicle occupants under 18 must wear a seat belt.

The Dallas Township Police Department has been actively involved with both Aggressive Driving and Seat Belt Programs that provide funding for education and enforcement in the interest of traffic safety. Funding is provided by a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

### PEOPLE BRIEFS

#### MU head named to state panel

Misericordia University President Michael A. MacDowell, Ed.D., has been named by Gov. Tom Corbett to a state panel that will study how to make higher education accessible and affordable to the students and taxpayers of the commonwealth.

The 29-member panel is charged with developing a long-term strategy for higher education with regard to the changing and future demands of Pennsylvania's economy and jobs, according to the governor's office. The panel has been asked to review programs and policies in education to ensure educational options for students align with workforce needs.

Dr. MacDowell has been president of Misericordia University since 1998. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, and his master's in economics from the University of North Texas, Denton, Texas. He received his doctorate

in social science from Ball State University, Muncie, Ind.

#### Mazur named to dean's list

Michael Mazur, of Shavertown, has earned dean's list honors at Saint Joseph's University for the fall 2011 semester. Mazur is majoring in Economics at the university.

Students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above, a B or greater in all their classes and complete at least 15 credits to earn dean's list status for a semester.

#### Shatrowskas named to honor's list

Steven Shatrowskas, of Shavertown, a student on Fairleigh Dickinson University's Metropolitan Campus, located in Teaneck and Hackensack, N.J. has been named to the honor's list for the fall 2011 semester.

To qualify for the honor's list, a student must carry a 3.5 or better grade point average out

of a possible 4.0 and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 letter-graded hours.

#### Corcoran named MACCA president

Carolyn Yencharis Corcoran, of Harveys Lake, assistant director of the Insalaco Center for Career Development at Misericordia University, has been named president of the Middle Atlantic Counseling Association (MACCA).

The MACCA is a specialized, supportive and diverse organization where career professionals in the Middle Atlantic States can enhance the quality of their skills while networking and collaborating with others in the field, according to the organization's website ([www.maccanet.net](http://www.maccanet.net)).

Corcoran earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature with an economics minor from Susquehanna University, Selingsgrove, and her Master of Science degree in organizational management with a specialization in marketing from Misericordia University.



## Legion donates to food pantry

Members of the Daddow-Isacs Post 672 of the American Legion in Dallas recently attended a meeting of the Back Mountain Food Pantry to deliver a check for \$300 to help with the work of the pantry in the Back Mountain area. The funds arrived just in time to help meet the needs of many families for the holiday as the pantry distributed more than 185 holiday baskets this year. The donation was from the Ladies Auxiliary, The Sons of the American Legion and American Legion Post 672. From left, first row, are Past Commander Clarence Michael, Ginger Spencer, Margaret Rydock, Commander Jim Spencer and Food Pantry Board President Rev. Roger Griffith. Second row, Food Pantry Treasurer Harry O'Neil, Food Pantry Board Member Christopher Czeka-laski and Past Commander of Post 672 John Emil, Sr.

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