

## DARE GRADUATION HELD AT WYCALLIS ELEMENTARY



A DARE (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) graduation ceremony was held recently for fifth-grade students at Wycallis Elementary School. The nationally-recognized drug program was instructed by Officer Frank Ziegler of the Kingston Township Police Department. From left, first row, are Samantha Blamire, Christina Schuler, Kelly Young and Abby Curtis. Second row, Dr. Paul Reinert, principal, Wycallis Elementary; Kathleen Sebastian, manager, Kingston Township; Liz Martin, supervisor, Dallas Township; Shirley Moyer, supervisor, Kingston Township; Timothy Carroll, mayor, Dallas Borough; Frank Wagner, supervisor, Dallas Township; James Balavage, police chief, Kingston Township; and Traci Carr, manager, Dallas Borough.

## MU art students will exhibit work

Exhibit at Pauly Friedman Art Gallery will run March 17-31 and feature more than 40 student works.

The Pauly Friedman Art Gallery at Misericordia University will host a student exhibition March 17-31 featuring more than 40 student works in ceramics, drawing, painting, photography, sculpture and watercolor.

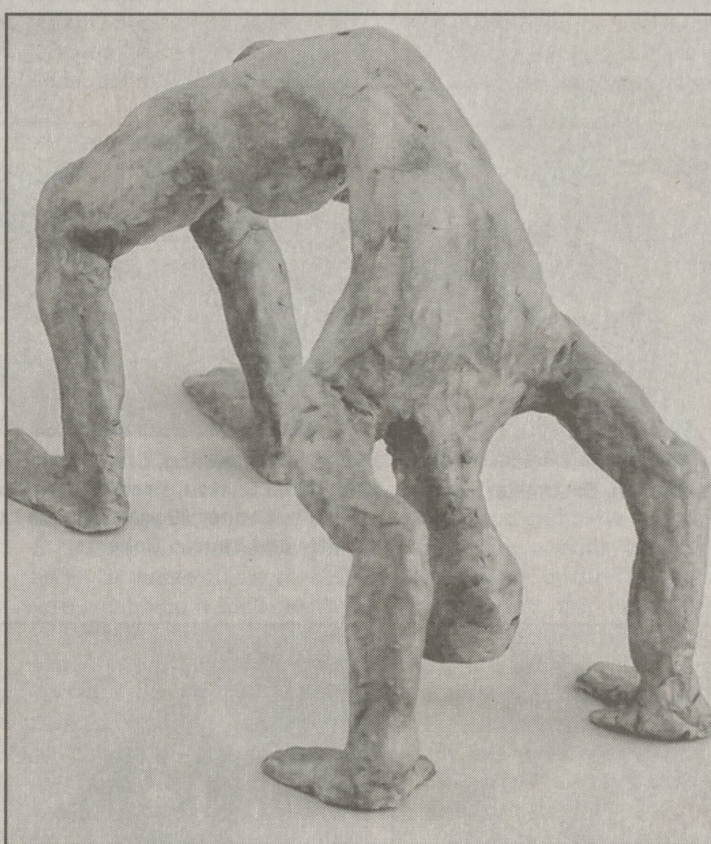
Also on display will be a visual fine arts faculty exhibition in the adjacent MacDonald Art Gallery featuring faculty members Babetta Wenner, Georgiana Cray

Bart, David Klevisky and Skip Sensbach.

The exhibits will open with a free reception from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 17. Students of John Curtis, director of performing arts, will provide music for the reception. The student exhibition will include art created in the studio art classes during the fall 2011 and the spring 2012 semesters.

Pauly Friedman Art Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

For more information, call 674-6250.



"Bent Man," a clay sculpture by Misericordia University student Andrea Schiappa, of Dallas, will be displayed at a student art exhibition March 17-31 at the Pauly Friedman Art Gallery at Misericordia.



Misericordia University Artist-In-Residence Skip Sensbach, M.F.A., seated left, poses with fellow artists Georgiana Cray Bart, M.F.A., center, adjunct faculty of fine arts; and Babetta Wenner, M.S., assistant professor of fine arts and art studios coordinator, as Misericordia students practice throwing clay on pottery wheels.

## Misericordia offering non-credit art courses

Misericordia University is now taking registrations for a slate of non-credit art classes offered to the community this spring. The classes in painting, ceramics, sculpture and drawing, as well as wearable art and fly tying will be held in the new Misericordia University Art Studios, rear 50 Lake St., Dallas.

The Art Studios opened in the fall of 2011 in conjunction with the start of the university's new undergraduate minor in fine arts that offers concentrations in dance, visual art, photography and music. The facility includes fully functional painting, ceramics and sculpture studios and offers 18 drafting tables, eight pottery wheels, a clay pugger-mixer, an electric kiln, a glass kiln, a slab roller, a clay extruder and other intrinsic equipment.

The credit and non-credit courses in the fine arts required the Department of Fine Arts to add Skip Sensbach as an artist-in-residence and several regionally acclaimed artists as faculty and adjunct instructors.

Sensbach has a bachelor's degree in visual communication and a Master in Fine Arts from Marywood University, and he

worked as an award-winning graphic designer in New Jersey.

After moving to Pennsylvania in 1994, he began working in clay and opened Green Dog Pottery in Dallas in 1998. His studio work focuses on functional clay work as well as teaching.

In 2010, Sensbach was the winner of the Ruane Graduate Award for Artistic Excellence. Sensbach's functional and sculptural ceramic works have been recognized in many regional shows, including Wilkes-Barre's Fine Arts Fiesta (first place in craft and sculpture) and honorable mention in Binghamton, N.Y.'s WSKG-TV Art in Motion competition. His work also was accepted in the 2011 Art of the State exhibit at the State Museum in Harrisburg.

Wenner has a bachelor of arts in art education and a master's in education. As the coordinator of the Arts Studio, she is responsible for developing and scheduling non-credit courses and recruiting talented adjunct artists as instructors. Her specialty is watercolor and drawing.

For more information, call the Center for Adult and Continuing Education at 674-6289.

### SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### Head Start plans open recruitment

Luzerne County Head Start, Inc. will hold open recruitment from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 8 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, RR 4, Dallas, for children living in the Dallas and Lehman-Jackson areas. For more information, call 829-6231, ext 363.

#### Senior Lock-In rummage sale set

The Dallas High School Senior Lock-In Committee will hold its third annual rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 10 and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 11 at the Dallas Middle School.

There will be a variety of items, ranging from jewelry, clothing, toys, books, household items, antiques, collectibles and appliances.

#### Students will perform at Seminary

The Wyoming Seminary Music Department will present a special performance by members of the Bratislava State Conservatory of Music, Slovakia, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 15 in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, just north of Kingston Corners.

The concert, titled "An Evening At The Opera And More," will feature a 12-year-old violinist and four student singers, performing popular works of opera.

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

#### Craft show slated

The Tunkhannock Area Middle School Band will host a

craft show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 24 at the middle school.

#### Movie presented at Misericordia

The Misericordia University Student Activities Department will present "New Year's Eve" as part of its Movie Nights at Misericordia film series at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25 and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 26 in Lemmond Theater at Walsh Hall.

Admission is \$1 for Misericordia students with proper identification and \$3 for the general public.

For more information, contact Patrick McKamy, coordinator of student activities, at 674-6411.

#### Seminary presents Music Festival

The Wyoming Seminary Music Department will present a Shostakovich Chamber Music Festival featuring the music of

Russian composer Dmitri Shostakovich, at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 31 and Sat 3 p.m. Sunday, April 1 in the Great Hall of Wyoming Seminary, 228 Wyoming Ave., Kingston, just north of Kingston Corners.

The concerts will include instrumental and vocal works and will feature professional and student performers.

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

#### Craft show set

The Lake-Lehman Band will hold its spring craft show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 31 at the Lake-Lehman Junior/Senior High School, Old Route 115, Dallas. Parking and admission are free.

There will be handcrafted items for the home and garden, Easter candy and fudge, handcrafted silver and beaded jewelry, matted pictures, candles, pottery, wood crafts and much more.

The school cafeteria will offer hot lunch items and homemade baked goods. There will also be a Chinese auction.

For information, contact

Kathy Marchakitis at bandcraftshow@gmail.com.

#### LL Lock-In Committee plans rummage sale

The Lake Lehman Last Knight Lock-In Committee will hold its first-ever rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 14 at the Lake-Lehman High School.

Set up begins at 7 a.m. Cost is \$10 for a 10x10 indoor space. Checks should be made payable to Lake-Lehman Last Knight and mailed to Lake-Lehman School District, P.O. Box 38, Lehman, PA 18627.

## Head Start plans recruitment

Luzerne County Head Start, Inc. (LCHS, Inc.) announces an open recruitment from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 8 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dallas for the Back Mountain Center and from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, April 23 at the Roslund Elementary School, 99 Digger Dr., Tunkhannock for the Tunkhannock Center.

Head Start is a federally and state-funded comprehensive pre-school program that provides a range of free services to 3- and 4-year-old children and their families in Luzerne and Wyoming counties. The program gives low-income children a chance to achieve their full potential and attain school

readiness. Special enrollment consideration is given to recipients of TANF Benefits, SSI, Foster/Kinship Care and children with disabilities. Transportation is provided on a limited basis.

Any parent or caregiver planning to attend a recruitment session is requested to bring proof of child's age, child's current shot record, documentation of child's diagnosed disability/special needs (if applicable), medical insurance coverage, and verification of one year's income (previous 12 months or last calendar year).

For additional information, contact the LCHS Central Office at 829-6231.

## DHS PTSO COLLECTS FOR BLUE CHIP ANIMAL RESCUE



The Dallas High School PTSO Steering Committee, in conjunction with the guidance department, is conducting the Blue Chip Animal Rescue Collection Drive from March 5-9 in all of the district's schools. Donations can be dropped off in the main lobbies of the elementary schools, the middle school and the high school. From left, kneeling, are Sara Evans, Nugget and Arnie Brodhead. Standing, School Counselor Robyn Jones, Bonnie Stachnik, Laura Harrison, Jessi Mendoza and Laura Stearns.