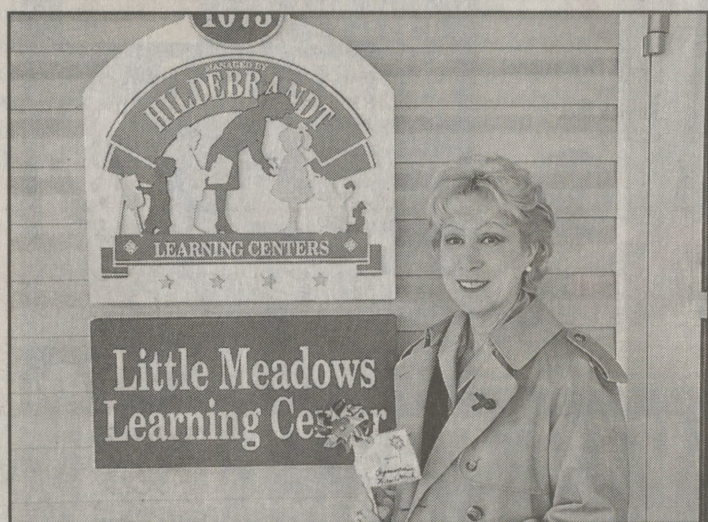


SENATOR BAKER READS AT LITTLE MEADOWS CENTER



In celebration of the National Week of the Young Child, Little Meadows Learning Center, managed by Hildebrandt Learning Centers LLC, invited Senator Lisa Baker to be a guest reader to the prekindergarten classes. Senator Baker chose to read the 2012 Pennsylvania One Book, Every Young Child book, "Stop Snoring Bernard." The One Book, Every Young Child program is designed to encourage adults to read daily to children and promote early literacy activities through reading, conversation and quality interactive experiences. Shown here, from left, are Isabella DeCesaris, Christopher Sholtis, Senator Lisa Baker, Noah Moran, HLC's Health Consultant Lauren O'Shea, HLC's Chief Operating Officer Timothy O'Shea, Jacob Bedosky, Little Meadows Assistant Director Jeanette Niebauer and Rebekah Jia.

REP. BOBACK PARTICIPATES IN LITTLE MEADOWS PROGRAM



Representative Karen Boback participated in the "Pinwheels for Prevention" program at Little Meadows Learning Center, managed by Hildebrandt Learning Center LLC. The program, held during the national "Week of the Young Child," taught child abuse awareness and prevention. During the month of April, Little Meadows displayed pinwheels as a pledge for the fight against child abuse. For a donation, families could sign a pledge card supporting the fight with all proceeds donated to the local Victim's Resource Center.

KIWANIS AWARDS THOMAS' GIFT CERTIFICATES



The Dallas Kiwanis held a drawing for its annual food giveaway before Easter at Thomas' Foodtown in the Dallas Shopping Center. Money generated from the drawing will help with children's programs sponsored by the Dallas Kiwanis. Prizes were gift certificates to Thomas' Foodtown. Winners were Diana Konopki, Hunlock Creek, first place, \$300; Bernard Banks, Shavertown, second place, \$150; and Phyllis Shalata, Shavertown, third place, \$50. From left, are Brian Boraski, Kiwanian; Beverly Atherholt, president, Dallas Kiwanis; Charles Kishbaugh, Kiwanian; and Michael Zaleskas, manager, Thomas' Foodtown, Dallas.

PEOPLE BRIEF

Hilary Hoover is award recipient

Hilary Hoover, of Trucksville, was among 11 Misericordia University students recently presented the Misericordia University Logo Leadership Award at the 29th Annual Student Affairs Leadership Awards Dinner in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall on campus.

CIVIC BRIEFS

JT Fire Dept. plans Open House

The Jackson Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept. and Ambulance Association will hold an Open House from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 20 at the fire department, 1160 Chase Road. There will be free refreshments, door prizes, safety material and equipment demonstrations.

SAL meets May 21

Harveys Lake American Legion Post 967 Sons of the American Legion will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 21 at the post home, 4907 Memorial Hwy., Dallas. Nomination of officers will take place. Food will be served after the meeting.

PennFuture plans program at Hillside

Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future (PennFuture) and The Lands at Hillside Farms will host an evening of food and drink from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 24 at Hillside's historic Coach Barn, 65 Hillside Road, Shavertown. Speakers will lead a discussion on the impact of climate change on food supply in Pennsylvania and what local citizens can do about it. Guests will enjoy local and sustainably produced hors d'oeuvres, ciders, wines and beers as well as informational displays highlighting key elements related to Pennsylvania's changing climate. Admission is free for PennFuture members and \$10 for non-members. Reservations can be made by calling 208-1757.

Dinner will kick off library auction

A dinner to kick off the annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 4 at Apple Tree Terrace. A social hour will be followed by a buffet-style dinner and a mini auction. For ticket information, call the Back Mountain Memorial library at 675-1182.

Hope Center to offer new program

The Hope Center, in conjunction with The Wilkes University School of Pharmacy, will initiate a Pharmaceutical Patient Assistance Program. This program will be for the uninsured and underinsured and will concentrate on those patients needing assistance for injectable insulin, steroid inhalers and Plavix. Call 696-5233 for qualifications and appointments.

PEOPLE BRIEFS

Kelly named to All American team

Lindsey Kelly a student/athlete from Dallas High School, was recently named to the National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association of America Academic All America Team. To qualify for this award, the athlete must have a minimum GPA of 3.750 on 4.0 scale or 95.75% on the grade scale the



Kelly



Members of the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction Committee are, from left, first row, Carol Sweeney, Ernest Ashbridge, Mary Ann Finch, George Finch and James Snyder. Standing, Martha Butler, Joyce Gebhardt, Leslie Horoshko, Ruth Tetschner, Marilyn Feldman, Dianna Berry, Karen Schuster, Victoria Gryzboski, Vicki Austin, Wayne Williams, Jane Kishbaugh, Pauline Kutz and Susan Berdis.

Library auction committee preparing for its 66th event

The 66th Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Antiques & New Goods Auction will be held July 5-8 on the library grounds, Huntsville Road, Dallas. This year's event features Jon Myer and Renie Workman from WNEP-TV as honorary co-chairpersons. Booths open at 5 p.m. and

the bidding starts at 6 p.m. who have helped make the auction a success over the year. Thursday night is Family Night, Saturday morning the Children's Auction and patrons can bid on Sue Hand's painting at 9 p.m. Sunday. Last year's painting sold for a record \$87,000. This year, the auction celebrates the many volunteers

Soccer medals on display at BMT library

Spring brings grass and kids kicking soccer balls. Kaitlyne Patla, a fifth-grade student at Lake Lehman, has been playing soccer since she was 4 years old. This June, at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, she will display the medals and trophies she has won playing this sport. Kaitlyne said it was her dad who got her interested in playing soccer. She has since played on both intermural teams and in travel leagues. "I am a defender on the Wyoming Valley Soccer Club '00 girls team and I also play for the Pittston Stoners," she said. Her jersey number is # 7. Her favorite professional player is Alex Morgan. Kaitlyne lives in Harveys Lake with her brother, Nathaniel, sister, Morgan, and their parents, Ed and Krista Patla.



Kaitlyne Patla, a fifth-grade student at Lake-Lehman, is displaying medals and trophies she has won for playing soccer at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

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