



Amanda Feher, left, as 'Nefario' and Ian Cavalari as 'King Raynah.'



Rebecca Balara, left, as 'Scheherazade' and Madison Chulick as 'Dinarzade' star in the Take the Stage Center for the Performing Arts presentation of 'Scheherazade, Legend of the Arabian Nights' at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Outdoor theater at BMT library

Revenge isn't always "sweet" as King Raynah, of the "1001 Arabian Nights" fame, soon discovered. Scheherazade, the "greatest storyteller of all time" used her talent of magic and spinning tales to save her people from certain revengeful harm.

Magic, mystery and comedy were spun together as the "Take the Stage Players" presented "Scheherazade," a lighthearted tale of an Arabian night storyteller and her efforts to teach their king to turn away from the use of revenge in ruling his kingdom.

The play was performed during "Theater on the Auction Block" children's summer theater series at the Back Mountain Memorial Library grounds on Huntsville Road in Dallas.

Plays are selected to give children a broad range of styles, such as comedy, musicals and



Madison Chulick, left, as 'Dinarzade', Mark Bulford as 'Grand Visier' and Kaleigh Shisson as 'Wom-an 2' act out a scene of 'Scheherazade, Legend of the Arabian Nights' at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

dramas." Some plays are traditional while others have twists to them with surprise endings. This play used comedy to teach lessons about compassion and

walking in another person's shoes.

Children ages 5 to 18 are welcomed to audition for the summer plays. Cast openings are

still available for the August show "RAP-Punzel" scheduled for Aug. 17 and 18. Anyone interested in auditioning is asked to call 690-5439.

CHURCH BRIEFS

Back Mountain Assembly plans VBS

Vacation Bible School will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 13-15 at Back Mountain Harvest Assembly, Carverton Road, Truckville.

Children will take off from Worship at the Worship Rally Hanger and make their first stop at Victoria Falls for Bible study and many other stops along the way. Remote-controlled airplanes and rockets will drop candy from the sky for the kids to enjoy.

For more information, call 696-1128 or log onto www.bmha.org.

Music camp set

Carl Shinko will direct a music camp for children ages 6-13 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Aug. 13-17 at St. Peter's, SR 6, Tunkhannock.

This camp will be for choral singing for a variety of age groups. Call 836-2233 to reserve a space.

Chicken barbeque set

The Maple Grove United Methodist Church, 5876 Main Road, Sweet Valley, (1/4 mile from O-Live Restaurant, Route 118) will hold its annual chicken barbecue from 4 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 18.

Adult dinners are \$80 (1/2 chicken, baked potato, corn-on-the-cob, cole slaw, cake and beverage) and child dinners are \$4, eat in or take out.

For information, call 639-2958.

LIUM Church plans summer services

The Lehman-Idetown United Methodist Church Summer Worship Services will be held

through Aug. 19.

This will include an 8:30 a.m. contemporary worship service and a traditional service at 10 a.m. A coffee break will be from 9:30 to 9:55 a.m.

SUMC Fine Arts plans concert

The Fine Arts Committee of Shavertown United Methodist Church will begin its 10th season of concerts with Steve Green, Christian recording artist, at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 23.

Tickets for the concert are \$20.

Call the SUMC office at 675-3616 or Deb Kelleher at 881-9468.

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PEOPLE BRIEFS

Mulhern named to dean's list

Abigail Mulhern, of Dallas, was named to the dean's list at Villanova University for the 2011-2012 academic year. She is pursuing a bachelor's degree in the College of Nursing.

To qualify, a student must be full time and earn a semester grade point average of at least 3.5.

Simonovich named to dean's list

Sarah Simonovich, a 2011 graduate of Dallas High School, was named to Bloomsburg University dean's list for the spring 2012 semester.

Clemson siblings named to dean's list

Nicole Clemson, of Dallas, has been named to the dean's list at The University of Scranton for the spring semester.

She will enter her senior year this fall, completing a major in Biology, a major in

Philosophy, a minor in Bio Chemistry and a minor in Entrepreneurship.

Christopher Clemson, also of Dallas, has been named to the dean's list at the University of Pittsburgh for the spring 2012 semester. He will enter his sophomore year this fall.

Gilligan receives Dean's Award

Molly Gilligan, of Dallas, has received the Dean's Award for Academic Excellence for the spring 2012 term at Colgate University.

A 2009 graduate of Dallas High School, Gilligan is majoring in Environmental Geology with a minor in Education while attending Colgate.

Jose graduates from Villanova

Dominic Jose, of Shavertown, graduated from Villanova University with a Bachelor of Science during a spring commencement ceremony on May 20.

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