

Sister Therese Marie Marques will receive the McAuley Medal

Misericordia University will honor Sister Therese Marie Marques, RSM, of Shavertown, executive director of the Catherine McAuley Center, by presenting her with the esteemed Mother Catherine McAuley Medal at the University's second annual winter commencement ceremony at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 16 in the Anderson Sports and Health Center on campus.

The McAuley Medal is the university's highest honor. It recognizes significant service to the institution and to the values to which it aspires.

A native of Georgetown, Guyana, Sister Marques had an aunt who was a Sister of Mercy and attended Sisters of Mercy-sponsored schools while growing up. She made the decision to enter the religious community in 1958 and immigrated to the United States to enroll at Misericordia for her academic and religious training.

She graduated in 1963 with a bachelor's degree in French and a minor in English. She later earned a Master of Arts degree in English and American Literature and a Master of Science degree in human resources administration, both from The University of Scranton.

Sister Marques began her



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career as a teacher of adult students at Misericordia and also taught at Catholic high schools in Wilkes-Barre, Plymouth and Freeland.

After determining that her personal mission was to "help those most in need," she returned to her homeland of Guyana in 1966 as a teacher at the high school she attended, St. Joseph High School in Georgetown. She was named principal in 1971 and served

in that capacity until 1984.

While in Guyana, she was appointed a council member and subsequently took on the leadership role as coordinator of the Community of the Sisters of Mercy, Guyana. She later was named chief executive officer of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, also in Georgetown.

She returned to the Wyoming Valley in 1989 where she took the position of educational coordinator and later director of educational and library services at the Sisters of Mercy-run Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

She was named executive director of the Catherine McAuley Center, Scranton, in 1995, upon the retirement of founder, Sister Anne Paye, RSM.

The Catherine McAuley Center was established in Scranton in 1984 as a single guest home for women and children. Under the leadership of Sister Marques, it has expanded and today it is recognized as a vital resource for the community, providing seven safe and drug-free facilities for single, low-income women and women with children in Luzerne and Lackawanna counties. There is also a transitional living center - the Catherine McAuley House - in Plymouth.

Barbershoppers plan holiday show

A "Christmas Love Concert" by the Wilkes-Barre Chapter, Barbershop Harmony society will be presented at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 16 at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 226 S. Washington St., Wilkes-Barre.

The concert will feature the Wyoming Valley Harmony Chorus, Sounds About Quartet, the GAR Young Men in Harmony, the Dallas Middle School Barbershop ensemble, several surprise presentations and door prizes.

Tickets are \$5 each and available from chorus members and at the door.

For more information, call 287-2476.



Planning a 'Christmas Love Concert' by the Wilkes-Barre Chapter Barbershop Harmony Society are, from left, Phillip Brown, Shavertown, assistant chorus director; and Raymond Patsko, Wilkes-Barre, chorus director.

SENIOR CENTER MENU

Senior Citizens Centers sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties offer hot noon meals Monday through Friday to people 60 years of age or older. Donations from participants are gratefully accepted and needed in order to expand this program.

The following is the menu for the week of Dec. 10:

MONDAY: Roast beef, gravy, peas and carrots, parsley boiled potatoes, whole wheat dinner roll, cranberry apple crisp, margarine, milk and coffee.

TUESDAY: Oven-fried chicken, sweet potatoes, creamed cabbage, cornbread, peach pie, margarine, milk and coffee.

WEDNESDAY: Beef cabbage, mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, whole wheat dinner roll, Oreo pudding parfait, margarine, milk and coffee.

THURSDAY: Bag lunch - Pastrami on marbled rye with lettuce and tomato, mayo and mustard on side, coleslaw cup and milk.

FRIDAY: Baked pork chop, sautéed cabbage and onion, buttered noodles, rye bread, sugar cookie, cinnamon applesauce, margarine, milk and coffee.

OBITUARIES

BLUHM - Gary Allen, of Tunkhannock died Saturday, Nov. 31, 2012, in Regional Hospital of Scranton.

He was born in Sayre on Oct. 19, 1952, was a 1970 graduate of Tunkhannock High School and attended King's College. He was the owner of Gary Bluhm Real Estate and the Endless Mountains Exterminating Co. in Tunkhannock.

He served as mayor of Tunkhannock for several years and was a PIAA referee for basketball. He was a former member of Temple Lodge #248 F&AM of Tunkhannock, Irem Temple Club, Shadowbrook and Irem Temple Country Club, Tunkhannock Kiwanis Club and Triton Hose Co. No. 1.

Surviving are his mother, Mary Kreichbaum Blumh, of Tunkhannock; a son, Michael, of Lake Winola; daughter, Kellie Jo, of Jermyn; brothers, Jeffery, of Tunkhannock; David, of Honesdale; sister, Karen Brown, Tunkhannock; four grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to a diabetes Association of the donor's choice.

BOLINSKI - Stephen S., of Thorny Apple Road, Hunlock Creek, died unexpectedly.

He was born Jan. 9, 1954, in Sault Sainte Marie, Mich., and was formerly employed by Volunteers of America, Wilkes-Barre. He was currently employed by Veritas Medical Review Solutions, Wilkes-Barre.

He was a member of St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

He and his wife, the former Kathy O'Malley Bolinski, celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary Oct. 10, 2012.

Surviving are his mother, Catherine Maxwell Bolinski; his wife, the former Kathy O'Malley, with whom he celebrated his 31st wedding anniversary on Oct. 10; his brother, Harveys Lake; sister, Jeanine Pysniak, Hanover Township; nephews and a

niece. Memorial donations to St. Therese's Church, Shavertown.

D'ANGELO - Sister Maria Josephine, RSM, a member of the Mid-Atlantic Community of the Sisters of Mercy, died Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2012, at Mercy Center in Dallas.

She was born March 19, 1924, in Philadelphia, graduated from the South Philadelphia High School for girls and obtained her bachelor's degree from Moore Institute of Art in Philadelphia, and a master's in fine art from Notre Dame.

She entered the Sisters of Mercy on Sept. 8, 1948, and took her vows March 12, 1951. She was assigned to Mount Aloysius. She was recognized by the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art with its Service to the Arts Award for her impact on the development of Art in the region.

Surviving are her sister, Patricia Schneider, of Deerfield Beach, Fla.; brothers, Joseph, of Bradenton, Fla.; John, of Warrington; and the Sisters of Mercy.

Memorial donations to the General Scholarship Fund at Mount Aloysius College, 7373 Admiral Peary Highway, Cresson, PA 16630 or Mercy Center, PO Box 370, Dallas, PA 18612.

GILROY - Dorothy A., of Morio Drive, Tunkhannock, died Monday, Nov. 26, 2012, at Tyler Memorial Hospital, Tunkhannock.

She was born in Wilkes-Barre on April 21, 1944, and was employed in housekeeping at Tyler Memorial Hospital, Tunkhannock.

Surviving are sons, Michael and Richard Sr., of Tunkhan-

nock; brother, Bernard Kinsley, of Dushore; sisters, Catherine Saxer, of Wyalusing; Elizabeth Shaffer, of Dushore; Beverly Richards, of Rockland, Mass.; Jean Zielger, of Burlington; and Wanda Manoogian, of Halifax, Mass.; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations to the Wyoming County Cancer Society, PO Box 629, Tunkhannock, PA 18657.

KOVAL - Anthony (Tony) Sr., 81, of Dallas, died Saturday, Nov. 17, 2012, at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

He was born Jan. 27, 1931, in Plains Township and was a graduate of Plains High School, class of 1948. Prior to retirement, he was employed as an engineer for Procter & Gamble. Most recently, he owned and operated restaurants in the Poconos, The Colonnade, Pagoda and Anthony's Steak and Seahouse.

Surviving are children, Blaise, Alyson Kolojechick and Anthony Jr.; two grandchildren; a sister, Sylvia Campbell; former wife, Rosemary Casper Koval; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to the Blue Chip Animal Rescue and No Kill Shelter, 971 Lockville Road, Dallas.

KRISTULA - Anna, 91, formerly of Dupont and a resident of Ethel's Country Lane PCH, Tunkhannock, died Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2012, at Ethel's Country Lane PCH, Tunkhannock.

She was born in Pittston Junction on June 29, 1921, was a member of Holy Mother of Sorrows Polish National Church, Dupont, and a former member of the Ladies Adoration Society.

Surviving are two sons, Martin, Millsboro, Del.; and Michael, Suscon; daughter, Anne Hastie, Tunkhannock; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to Asera Care Hospice, 749 Northern Blvd., Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

KUBASTI - Mary, 96, of Dallas, died Monday, Nov. 26, 2012, at Riverstreet Manor, Wilkes-Barre.

She was born in Swoyersville on September 19, 1916 and was a lifelong resident of Dallas.

Prior to her retirement, she was employed by General Cigar Manufacturing, Luzerne. She was a member of the Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas.

Surviving are her children, John, Jr., Shavertown; and Mary Michaels, Berkley Springs, W. Va.; brothers, George Ondish, Dallas; and Peter Ondish, Ocala, Fla.; sisters, Ann Plesnar and Helen Kamont, both of Dallas; five grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

LANDMESSER - Barry R., 71, of Shavertown, died Nov. 26, 2012, at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

He was born April 4, 1941, and was a life resident of the Back Mountain. He was a graduate of Wyoming Seminary in Kingston and attended Penn State University and Luzerne County Community College.

Barry owned and operated an International Harvester dealership and then, for 19 years, owned and operated L&W Creations,

a jewelry distribution business.

He was a member of the George M. Dallas Lodge F & AM and of the Irem Shriners of Dallas.

Surviving are a niece and a nephew.

Memorial donations to Blue Chip Farms Animal Refuge, 74 Lockville Road, Dallas, PA 18612.

PIPER - Georgette (Parry), a guest at the United Methodist Home, Tunkhannock, died there on Monday, Nov. 26, 2012.

She was born in Chester on May 3, 1920. She volunteered as a tutor for R.S.V.P. at St. Michael's School for Boys beginning in 1979. She received the Mary E. Dreisbach Memorial award for distinguished community service in 1995.

She served on the altar guild at St. Peter's Episcopal Church and was a member of the Tunkhannock Chapter 74 Order of Eastern Star.

Surviving are a daughter, Faith Conklin, of Wake Forrest, N.C.; two grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations to Sacred Heart Hospice, 600 Baltimore Drive, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702.

SCHILLING - Jason A., 18, of Dallas, died from injuries sustained in an automobile accident Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012, on Carpenter Road, Dallas.

Born Jan. 4, 1994 in Trucks-ville, he was a life resident of the Back Mountain. He attended Dallas Elementary and Middle Schools and was a 2012 graduate of Dallas High School. He was

enrolled at Luzerne County Community College, Nanticoke, and employed at Hoppy's Pizza, Dallas.

He was about to begin employment at Jack Frost/Big Boulder Ski Resort in the Terrain Park, Carbon County.

He played ice hockey for the Pocono Pirates and the Back Mountain Ice Hockey Club and was a member of the Dallas High School baseball team.

Jason volunteered at the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, Jackson Street, Wilkes-Barre, and the Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Surviving are his parents, James J. and Susan J. Pentrack Schilling; his brother, Stephen T.; grandparents, Dennis A. and Carol Pentrack, Johnstown; aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial donations to the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, 39 E. Jackson St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702.

WEBB - Amy Lyn (Pouser), 63, of Dallas, died Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012, at her home.

She was born April 30, 1949, in Binghamton, N.Y., graduated from Wyoming Seminary and Wilkes University with a teaching degree. She taught for many years until the birth of her son in 1992.

Surviving are her husband, Harmon Webb Jr. of Dallas; her son, Scott, of Dallas; stepdaughters, Jennifer Rossi, of Mountain Top; Christine Orluk, of Avoca; four grandchildren; several nephews; and her brother, Richard Pouser, of Bangor.

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