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The return of the Beaumont Inn

Rob Friedman expects to open Back Mountain landmark by end of May.

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The Beaumont Inn is about a month away from being reborn.

Rob Friedman, who purchased the Back Mountain landmark on Route 309 in Dallas Twp. from Jim and Beth Harkins, expects to open his newest venture by the end of May.

"It's going to be spectacular," Friedman said of the inn which, except for a one-year stint as a housing

unit for Misericordia University students, has sat idle for about seven years.

"I have hired an excellent group of people," said Friedman, former owner of Friedman Electric and current owner of the Riverstreet Jazz Cafe in Wilkes-Barre and Friedman Farms in the Back Mountain.

John Golecki, an area native who lived away for about 10 years, has returned and is the executive chef while Ed Sampiero, another area native who has returned after living out of town for several years, is the manager. Liz Lynch is the inkeeper and Amy Giuli is the assistant man-

ager and event coordinator.

Friedman has added a fireplace to the first floor dining room and installed new lighting throughout the building as well as an entirely new kitchen and windows to brighten the ambience.

Ten bedrooms on the second floor have all been remodeled, each one featuring a different theme but all with the traditional country look.

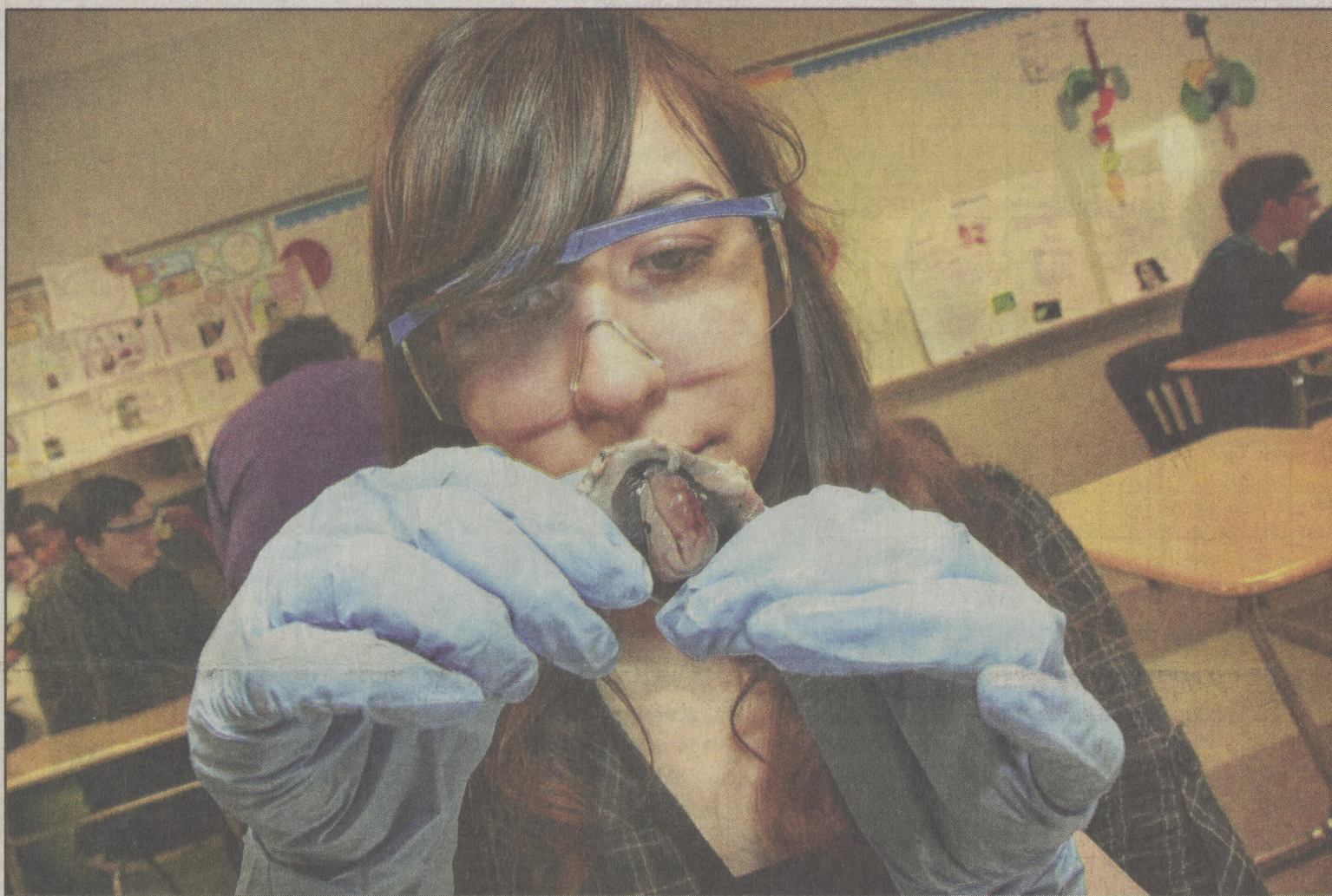
Landscaping around the building's perimeter will feature 200 different types of perennials and trees to block the scene from the high-

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Rob Friedman hopes to re-open the Beaumont Inn in Dallas Twp. by the end of May.



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Christie Conway, of Shavertown, examines the eyeball of a cow in wellness class at Dallas Senior High School. The program was brought to the class by the DaVinci Science Center, Allentown.

THE EYES HAVE IT - Science programs a success

By SUSAN DENNEY | Dallas Post Correspondent

"Anybody need the bucket?" Ruthie Skammer asked cheerfully as she walked into her wellness class at Dallas High School on April 17.

The students were just beginning to dissect cow eyes as part of a visiting presentation by the Da Vinci Science Center in Allentown.

But the bucket went unused. Some students looked a bit squeamish but all were attentive as their classmates cut into the eyes and placed the different parts in a tray provided for them.

Skammer teaches wellness and is the wellness chair for Dallas High School.

For those who have been out of high school for a while, wellness classes

combine traditional physical education classes and health classes.

Skammer brims with enthusiasm when discussing her chosen field.

She said the Da Vinci presentations were made possible by a grant she applied for after attending a presentation on organ and tissue donation awareness. She received \$3,927 to enrich the classroom experience.

Skammer explained that one of Da Vinci's presentations involved dissection and that the other used brain sensory activities to teach students how their brains work.

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Students in the wellness class at Dallas Senior High School got to dissect animal parts, including a cow's eyeball during a program brought to the school by the Da-Vinci Science Center in Allentown. Working here are, from left, Logan Bullock, Jared Brady and Dante DeAngelo.

Voting for Lemmond Award ends Friday

Readers have until Friday, May 3 to vote for the person they believe should receive the Charles D. Lemmond Jr. Community Spirit Award.

The award, established by The Dallas Post, has been named in memory of the late senator who passed away in 2012.



Lemmond

A ballot appears in today's paper. All entries must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 3.

It honors those who endeavor to improve the lives of Back Mountain residents through outstanding community service, public service or philanthropy and embody Senator Lemmond's commitment to doing the right thing, in the right way, for the right reason.

Charles D. Lemmond Jr. called the Back Mountain home for more than 50 years.

Through his constant and active involvement in a wide range of community groups, he touched many lives, gave a sense of direction and responsibility to numerous improvement projects and served as an inspiration to countless individuals.

As a soldier, solicitor, prosecutor, judge and legislator, Lemmond demonstrated a strong devotion to civic duty. His 21 years as a well-respected state Senator were marked by his standard of integrity, his pursuit of justice and his desire to do what was right for the people and the community he served.

A ballot appears in today's paper. All entries must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 3. An announcement of the winner will be made in a future edition of The Dallas Post and an award reception will be held Tuesday, June 4 at Lemmond Theater on the campus of Misericordia University.



The bridge on Center Street in Shavertown opened April 21 after being closed for repairs for nearly a year.

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East Center Street Bridge in Shavertown opens

The East Center Street Bridge was closed nearly a year for repairs

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After more than a year and more than a million dollars, the East Center Street Bridge Project in Shavertown is complete.

The bridge, which was closed on April 16, 2012, re-opened to traffic on April 21. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was planned for April 26.

"We're relieved," Kingston Township Manager Kathleen Sebastian said of the

bridge's opening. "It's beautiful. They did a fantastic job and everybody is thrilled."

Sebastian explained that plans to renovate the bridge started in 2000 and included removing the old bridge, widening the area, building a new bridge and new roads.

Kingston Township budgeted \$220,000, or 20 percent of the overall cost, while the remaining 80 percent of the project's cost was paid for by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

"Everything went smoothly," Sebastian said, although crews did run into

soil erosion problems when digging into the creek bed, making redesigns necessary. "Everybody cooperated. Once it started, it was smooth sailing."

Bob Nause, proprietor of Top Value

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