

PEOPLE BRIEFS

GRADUATES CUM LAUDE

Meaghan Anne Pietraccini, of Dallas, graduated Cum Laude with a degree in Kinesiology - BS from James Madison University during commencement exercises May 4.

MERICILE GRADUATES

Kelly Mericle, of Shavertown, graduated from Villanova University with a Bachelor of Business Administration during a spring commencement ceremony held Sunday, May 19.

TWO HONORED AT U OF S

Two Dallas area University of Scranton graduates were recognized for academic excellence and outstanding service by the university at commencement.

Michael Ryan Moleski, of Dallas, received the Excellence in Biochemistry Award. Moleski majored in biochemistry. He is a member of the Health Professions Organization (HPO), chemistry and biology clubs.

A graduate of Holy Redeemer High School, he plans to pursue a master's degree in biochemistry at The University of Scranton. Elena Marie Habersky, of Dallas, graduated magna cum laude and received a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship to Jordan. She also received the Excellence in International Studies Award from the university.

A graduate of Dallas High School, Habersky majored in international studies with minors in philosophy, Arabic and theology and a concentration in peace and justice studies. She is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta (the national honor society for first-year students), Alpha Mu Gamma (the national honor society for foreign languages), Phi Alpha Theta (the national honor society for history), Theta Alpha Kappa (the national honor society for religious studies and theology) and Alpha Sigma Nu (the honor society for Jesuit universities and colleges).

She was a member of the Special Jesuit Liberal Arts Honors Program, the Honors Program and Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

JONES JOINS LEWITH & FREEMAN

Maribeth Jones has joined the Shavertown office of the Lewith & Freeman team. In her new position with Lewith & Freeman, she will continue to sell real estate and provide marketing services to clients. Additionally, she will assist Lewith & Freeman sales members through her position as Vice President of Strategic Planning.

Jones brings 34 years of experience in all facets of real estate in the Wyoming Valley, from sales and relocation through all levels of management.

A graduate of the Real Estate Institute of Pennsylvania (GRI), Jones is a Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) and Certified Residential Broker (CRB) through Realtor's National Marketing Institute, Chicago. She has owned her own real estate businesses for the past 23 years, most recently serving as an owner and co-owner of Prudential Poggi & Jones for 10 years. She also held the position of Relocation Director with that agency.

TWO ON DEAN'S LIST

Erik Cannon and Christine McCarthy, both of Dallas, have been named to the 2013 spring semester dean's list at Lafayette College. Both are graduates of Dallas High School.

RYAN EARNS HONORS

Michael Ryan, of Dallas, has earned honors for the spring semester of the 2012-2013 academic year at the University of New Hampshire. Students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

JACKSON GRADUATES

Jill Jackson, daughter of Sandra and Ted Jackson, of Shavertown, graduated magna cum laude from Ithaca College in May with a bachelor's in clinical health sciences.

Named to the dean's list for the spring 2013 semester, Jackson was inducted into the Alpha Eta National Allied Health and the Phi Kappa National Honor Societies. She also received the Department of Physical Therapy's Professional Excellence Award given to undergraduates who have exhibited outstanding qualities in the areas of leadership, clinical practice, service and academics.

Jackson is currently OVERSET FOLLOWS: serving a physical therapy internship in Casper, Wyoming. She will return to Ithaca College in the fall to begin work on a doctorate in physical therapy, which she plans to receive in 2015.

TWO GRADUATE FROM WIDENER

Shauna Phillips and Amy Vodzak, both of Dallas, earned degrees from Widener University during the annual commencement ceremony on May 18.

Phillips received a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and Vodzak received a master of business administration degree in business administration.

MONTROSS GRADUATES

Tyler Montross, of Dallas, graduated with a Associate of Science in Design Technology from LeTourneau University.

LEE ON DEAN'S LIST

Katherine Lee, of Tunkhannock, has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2013 semester at Drew University. In order to qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of 3.6 or above.

LOCALS ON U OF S DEAN'S LIST

Several Back Mountain students have been named to the dean's list at The University of Scranton. A student must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better with a minimum number of credit hours to make the dean's list.

Named to the list are Nicole E. Clemson, Dallas; Christopher B. Donahue, Dallas; Elena M. Habersky, Dallas; Max C. Lubin, Shavertown; Kaitlyn R. Slaff, Dallas; Edward S. Stredny, Dallas; Rebekah Stuart, Dallas; Cory C. Templeton, Trucksville; Paul J. VanLoon, Dallas.

PANZETTA STUDIES IN EUROPE

Carisa Panzetta, of Dallas, is currently participating in a faculty-led study abroad experience to Eastern Europe as part of the College's Geographies Series. The trip includes excursions to the Czech Republic, Poland and Slovakia.

Panzetta is a junior majoring in psychology and criminal justice at King's College.

COPEMAN AT DELAWARE

Jolisa Copeman, of Harveys Lake, will join the incoming class of Blue Hens during the University of Delaware's New Student Orientation (NSO) program this summer.

Copeman is one of approximately 3,600 new students scheduled to attend NSO.

KARICHNER ON DEAN'S LIST

Karl Carichner, of Tunkhannock, has been named to the 2013 spring semester dean's list at Cazenovia College. Those named to the dean's list have achieved a 3.5 or better grade point average for all courses attempted and have earned 12 or more academic

credits during the semester. A graduate of Tunkhannock High School, Carichner is a junior majoring in criminal justice and homeland security studies.

FLACK ON HONOR ROLL

Melissa Flack, of Dallas, a student in the sixth form (12th grade) at Kent School in Kent, Connecticut, was named to the honor roll for the spring term of 2012-2013.

MESSINGER GRADUATES

Henry Charles Messinger, of Trucksville, graduated from University of the Sciences during a ceremony on Wednesday, May 22, 2013, as part of the university's 192nd commencement celebration in Philadelphia. Messinger graduated with a bachelor of science in pharmaceutical and healthcare business degree. The son of Dan and Jane Messinger, he was a member of the men's basketball team.

NOTHSTEIN GRADUATES FROM POCM

Jared Matthew Nothstein, of Dallas, was among 266 graduates awarded the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine at the college's 122nd commencement. He was hooded by his father, a 1986 POCM graduate.

A son of Mrs. Mary Ann and Dr. Gary Nothstein, of Dallas, he earned a bachelor of science degree in biology from Wilkes University in 1009 and will continue his medical training in internal medicine at St. Luke's University Health Network, Bethlehem.

MCCARTHY RECEIVES AWARD

Kristine Ertley McCarthy, of Dallas, fourth-grade teacher and testing coordinator at Wyoming Seminary Lower School in Forty Fort, received the prestigious Frances and Louis Maslow Award for excellence in teaching during the school's recent eighth-grade Commencement ceremony. McCarthy received the honor in recognition of her effective teaching, support of the program and ideals of the Lower School and her positive influence on the lives of the students.

BOLTON GRADUATES

Brieann Bolton of Trucksville, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Childhood Education from Elmire College on June 2.

RUTALIS ON DEAN'S LIST

Jennifer Rutalis, of Dallas, a graduate of Dallas High School, has been named to Alvernia University's dean's list for the spring 2013 semester as a junior Psychology major.

To be eligible for the dean's list, students must carry a semester GPA of 3.5 or better and take a minimum of 12 credits.

GRADUATES FROM BU

James A. Wise, of Shavertown, received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Management from Boston University in May.

TAMANINI STUDIES IN ITALY

Christopher Tamanini, a 2011 graduate of Dallas High School and a current student at Villanova University, recently completed a six-week International Studies curriculum and Global Business Practicum at John Cabot University in Rome, Italy.

While in Italy, Tamanini visited historic attractions, including the Colosseum, the Vatican, the Pantheon, Trevi Fountain, the wine region of Tuscany, the cities of Florence and Venice, the Statue of David, Saint Mark's Basilica, Giotto's Bell Tower, Basilica di San Miniato, and the Amalfi Coast.

Tamanini will enter his junior year at Villanova University in the fall with a double major in Economics and Finance. He is the son of Tim and Sandy Tamanini, of Kingstown Township.

TWO RECEIVE FELLOWSHIPS

Matthew Doggett, of Shavertown, and Andrew Levandoski, of Dallas, are recipients of Levi Sprague Fellowships at Wyoming Seminary, which represent the highest honor that the school bestows for leadership service.

FOUR NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

The following local residents made the dean's list for spring 2013 quarter at Rochester Institute of Technology:

Robert Adams, of Dallas, is a third-year student in the computer science program in RIT's B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

James Curtis, of Dallas, is a third-year student in the computer science program in RIT's B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

Michael Rutalis, of Dallas, is a fourth-year student in the packaging science program in RIT's College of Applied Science and Technology. Catherine Sullivan, of Lehman, is a fifth-year student in the computer science program in RIT's B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

MILLINTON ON DEAN'S LIST

Taylor A. Millington, of Dallas, has been named to the dean's list at Boston University for the spring semester.

TWO ON DEAN'S LIST

Ashley Inman and Sara Petokas, both of Tunkhannock, have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2013 semester at Mansfield University.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must attend the university full-time and attain at least a 3.5 GPA for the semester.

TWO ENROLL AT COASTAL CAROLINA

Christie Cawley, of Shavertown, and Kasey Wasyluk, of Sweet Valley, are enrolled at Coastal Carolina University as members of the Class of 2017.

Market on the Pond always a good time

There were bargains galore - and a great opportunity to support a good cause - at the annual Market on the Pond at the Meadows Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Dallas.



Hundreds of shoppers peruse the items for sale at the Market on the Pond at the Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas.



Two mallard ducks make their way around the pond at the Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas during the Market on the Pond.



Teddi Janosov, of Nanticoke, looks over kitchen appliances for sale at the Market on the Pond.



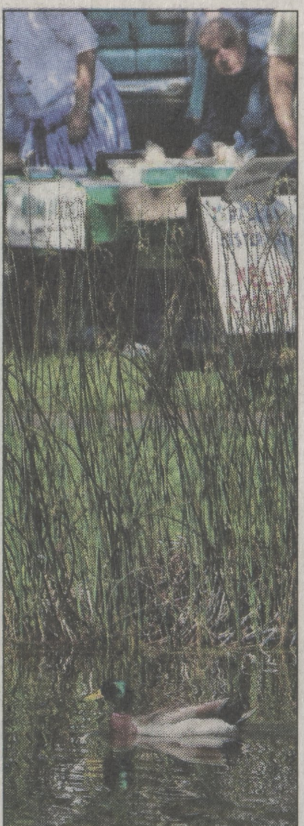
Theresa Dehaut, of Dallas, pets Alice, owned by Sara Perez, of Harveys Lake, as they make their way around the Market on the Pond.



Nancy Dunn, of Nanticoke, looks over clothing items for sale at the Market on the Pond.



Shoppers take advantage of the Saturday morning sunshine at the Market on the Pond.



A mallard duck is spotted by visitors at the Meadows Nursing Center in Dallas during the Market on the Pond.

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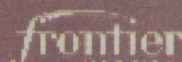
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