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Teacher of the Week Betty Louise Hershey



Dave and Sallie Halbleib with Alison and Adam

Parents of the Week

Dave and Sallie Halbleib

Dave and Sallie Halbleib do a lot with their kids: Alison, 7, and Adam, 4.

For example, how many parents still make their kids own Halloween costumes? This year the Halbleibs made a Swiss cheese costume, with holes in it, of course. Last year the kids were a pair of dice on Halloween.

"It's more fun to make them to go out and buy them," say the Halbleibs.

Or, how many parents run with their children?

Dave, of course, a Marathoner, does more

running than any other member of the family. He runs twice each day getting ready for his Marathons. On weekends he thinks nothing of running from his home in Mount Joy to Columbia and back, a distance of 18 miles.

His daughter Allison got interested in running, so after doing his distances, Dave would take Allison out for, what were originally, little runs. He made clear to her that running was her decision, that she should run only if she wanted to, and not to please anyone else.

Last spring Alison won the Optimist Run in her age group. This past August she was the only child her age to run in a 10,000-meter race (6.2 miles).

Dave takes his daughter to dances at the junior high, where he teaches reading. Alison had so much fun dancing with the older girls, Dave had trouble taking her home.

The family was also at almost every girls' basketball game last winter. No doubt they'll be at every game this year, when Donegal should have an even better season than last year's spectacular one.

Sallie Halbleib says that a lot of their family's simple pastimes together result from earlier times when they didn't have much money.

Sallie went to Donegal schools with Dave. She was Sallie Wisegarber then. They didn't get married, however, until Sallie had gone off to junior college in Florida and Dave was in the Navy, keeping in touch with her by mail. Eventually both Halbleibs became teachers. Sallie still does a lot of substituting but would like to reduce the amount of teaching she does, in order

and chorus will perform. Mark Wagner and Deb Torres will sing a duet, and Shelly Hildebrandt and Lonette Earhart will dance. In addition, the Rhythm Singers will appear.

Mark Wagner will narrate the program, and play the part of a guardsman at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. He was coached for the part by Bruce Cirrinone, a former guard at the Tomb.

More than 200 students will participate in this event.

As an illustration of how good a teacher Betty Louise Hershey is—when told she had been selected as Teacher of the Week, she asked the reporter to talk to her kindergarten class at Kraybill Mennonite School about reporting, and show the children the tools of his trade and how he uses them.

Betty Louise Hershey never misses a learning opportunity for her pupils.

Here is the news from Miss Hershey's class last Wednesday at Kraybill Mennonite School.

The children made cookies and decorated them.

The children then presented the cookies to different people, with letters attached to the cookies. The letters were thank-you notes to people who had done things for the children. The children were responding kindly to people who had been kind and considerate toward them.

The children gave decorated cookies to Nyla and Carol, the secretaries; to the principal of Kraybill and the milkman and the music teacher; to Miss Westenberg, the librarian; to Chris, a 5th grader who helps out in the kindergarten; to Mrs Wright, the phys. ed. teacher; and to the reporter from the Susquehanna Times.

There, you have several examples of Miss Hershey's teaching abilities: a lesson in journalism and a lesson in human kindness.

Miss Hershey has been a teacher at Kraybill for the past eight years. Before coming here she had taught at Locust Grove Mennonite School, at schools in New York City and Washington, D.C., and in Ethiopia.

She says that teaching in Ethiopia "was a wonderful experience, just living in another culture." About teaching in American big

cities: "I learned it's nice and comfortable at a place called Kraybill's."

About her teaching philosophy, she says, "It's really important to care for each individual child, to make sure that each individual child feels special and important.

"I do a lot with the idea that God has made each child a special person. So, then, it's important to bring out each child's gifts. We sing a little song about this idea:

'I'm a special person.

God made me in his image.

God made me for himself.

That is why I love Him so.'

"At the beginning of every year I stress how to get along, how to resolve conflicts, how to work out relationships.

"It all ties together, [continued on page 2]



Betty Louise Hershey with her students. Beginning at the top of the stairs, left to right; Kaylene Oberholtzer, Amy Weaver, Adam Lehman, Meribeth Miller, Darryl Stauffer, Jacob Breneman, Tonya Wert, Braden Hess, Jesse Mummau, Marcy Miller, Doug Hallman, Mark Schildt, Scott Heistand, Mark Clapper, Sonya Martin and Jamie Zimmerman.

Veterans Day at DHS Fri., Nov. 9, at 8 p.m.

The 10th annual Veterans Day Program will be staged at Donegal High School on Friday, Nov. 9th, at 8:00pm. There is no charge for admission.

The script for this year's play was written by John Gible, who will also portray George Washington. Other members of the cast are Grace Snyder, Scott McMartin, William Hall, Maxine Maxwell, and Christopher Hildebrandt.

The Donegal High band

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