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Our Events

Monday, Dec. 3

- **Light up A.J.'s Way.**

A.J.'s Way, 6 p.m.; reception to follow in Yehl Room. Benefits Make-A Wish Foundation of Western Pennsylvania®.

Wednesday, Dec. 5

- **Distinguished Speaker Series.**

"Live Life at Performance Level." Curtis Zimmerman will discuss ways to become better aware of your habits and how to modify your behavior to realize your ultimate potential. 7:30 p.m., Zurn 104.

Thursday, Dec. 6

- **Mr. and Miss GU Contest.**

Hammermill Center, 8 p.m.; \$2 donation benefits the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Dec. 6-8

- **Gannon University Schuster Theatre.**

"The Other Shore," by Gao Xingjian.
Curtain 8 p.m. at Schuster.

Friday, Dec. 7

- **Prayer Vigil.**

A weekly vigil, "Pray for Peace: No More Victims," will be held on Fridays from 4:30-5:15 p.m. at State Street and the Bayfront Parkway.

Saturday, Dec. 8

- **Social Work Club Christmas Dinner.**

Gannon's Social Work Club will sponsor its 24th annual Christmas Dinner for the Homeless and Needy. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Hammermill Center.



Our Big News

GU contest to benefit juvenile diabetes

Gannon University's Fifth Annual Mr. and Miss GU Contest again will benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Sponsored by the university's Alpha Gamma Delta sorority, the contest will feature eight male and five female contestants. The contestants, all Gannon students, will compete in formal wear and talent categories.

The four males and four females chosen as semifinalists then will answer questions posed by judges.

The event will be held at the Hammermill Center on Thursday, December 6, at 8 p.m. Donation at the door is \$2.

Alpha Gamma Delta's philanthropic focus is diabetes mellitus, also called juvenile diabetes. Proceeds will benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation and Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation, which makes annual grants to individuals and organizations involved in diabetes research, the care and treatment of diabetic patients, and education about the disorder.

The male contestants and the campus organizations they represent are: Buddy Smith, sophomore, Zeta Beta Tau; John Sellner, senior, Pi Kappa Alpha; Tex Williams, junior, Dee X Intramural Team; Phil Zimmerly, freshman, Student Government Association; Rick Bridger, sophomore, Activities Programming Board; Ron Stom, sophomore, ROTC; Josh Hayes, junior, Tau Kappa Epsilon; and Jeremy McCullough, junior, Delta Chi.

The female contestants and their organizations are: Alison Fout, senior, Sigma Sigma Sigma; Rebecca Olson, junior, Alpha Sigma Tau; Kristin Neuman, junior, Alpha Sigma Alpha; Nancy Heiss, junior, Phi Sigma Sigma; and Karen Tellep, sophomore, Student Government Association.



Our Sympathies

Sympathy extended

Please remember all in your prayers as we regretfully announce the deaths of:

✠ **Anna DiJoseph**, mother-in-law of **Linda DiJoseph**, Director of Occupational Therapy.

✠ **Ann Hathaway**, grandmother of student **Chris Oros**.

✠ **The mother** of student **Karen Schneider**.

Prayers requested

✠ Prayers were requested Nov. 29 for **John Thompson**, father of **Jill Slomski**, professor of marketing. **John** was to undergo heart bypass surgery at Hamot.

Cut the Cake...

☺ Dec. 3... **Jennifer Wallen**. ☺ Dec. 5... **Patrick Pontzer, Stephanie Williams, Karen Ann Douglas**. ☺ Dec. 6... **Glenn Levosky**. ☺ Dec. 7... **James Thompson**. ☺ Dec. 8... **Marilyn Dombrowski**. ☺ Dec. 9... **Annmarie George**. ☺ Dec. 11... **Gary Warner, Rev. Scott P. Detisch**. ☺ Dec. 12... **Dawn Coburn Joy, Paula Barrett**. ☺ Dec. 13... **Gary Garnic, Karen Weston, Tammy Leigh Marshall, Barry Brinkman, Ronald Lombard**. ☺ Dec. 15... **Cheryl Rink**. ☺ Dec. 16... **David Eschenbach, Richard Zack**.

Pancake Breakfast

This semester's MID-KNIGHT Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday, December 16, from 9:30 until midnight. The breakfast, provided courtesy of the President's Office and served by faculty and staff, is designed to give students a break as they study for final exams.

Volunteers are needed. For more information, call Nancy Kelly at ext. 7486 or Christine Agnello at ext. 7741.



Our Notes

GU to host Children's Memorial Day

Gannon again will host the local observance of the Fifth Annual National Children's Memorial Day, a worldwide candle lighting ceremony that will honor the memory of deceased children.

The observance will be held Sunday, December 9, on the steps of Gannon's Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel. Registration of the names to be remembered will begin at 6:30 p.m., with the candle lighting and ceremony to follow from 6:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

The event is hosted by Gannon's Office of the Chaplain and sponsored by PROPS, the Erie Chapter of The Compassionate Friends.

In the United States, the memorial day, designated by Congress, is sponsored by The Compassionate Friends, a national, non-profit, self-help support organization that offers friendship and understanding to families grieving the death of a child of any age.

Similar candle lighting ceremonies concurrently will take place around the world to honor children who have died, so that their light may continue to shine, organizers said. As candles go out in one time zone, they will be lit in the next, creating a wave of light that will encircle the globe.

A message board at The Compassionate Friends national web site, www.compassionatefriends.com/, will provide families a place to share their thoughts and experiences as they light their candles. The TCF-Bereaved chat room also will be open for real-time conversation throughout the day.

In the event of severe weather, the ceremony will be moved indoors to the Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel. Those who are unable to attend can still join in, wherever they are, by lighting a candle at 7 p.m. on December 9.

For more information, contact PROPS at 897-0097.

Gannon *the* top choice in Erie

Gannon University received three first-place finishes in a recent poll of readers of the *Erie Times-News*.

Readers selected Gannon as "Erie's number one choice" in three different categories: colleges, universities, and adult education. Gannon's awards will be noted in a special section of the *Times-News* titled *Cornerstones* on December 31.

National Day of Reconciliation

A short prayer service will be held on Tuesday, December 4, at 11:00 a.m. in the Piano Lounge of the Waldron Center. Congress passed an unprecedented concurrent resolution establishing a "National Day of Reconciliation" for December 4, when our nation and elected representatives will pause to seek God's blessings in prayers for unity, forgiveness, reconciliation and charity.