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In photos, clockwise from above: Krissy Miller, left, and her sister, eighth grader Alyssa, checked out the projects at the Science Fair; "He was very enthusiastic and I like to see that in the students," said Dr. Prahlad Murty after Chad Gelso presented his project. Dr. Murty, a judge at the science fair, is Chairman of the Environmental Science and Engineering Department at Wilkes University; Kathryn Marianacci, left, looks over the project that won second place honors in the Life Sciences division for Amy Vozzak, pictured on the right.



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Science fair at Dallas Middle School

The Dallas Middle School annual Science Fair was held on March 20. All eighth grade students participated by completing a science project or experiment in one of three categories: Life Sciences, Physical Sciences or Environmental and Behavioral Sciences. Professors and science teachers from College Misericordia, Wilkes University, Kings College, and Dallas High School interviewed the students throughout the day and judged the presentations. Students were judged on knowledge gained, scientific approach, collection of data, conclusions, oral presentation, effort and their exhibits. Awards were given out for the top four projects in each category.

Wilkes University

News

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Wilkes University Approves Faculty for Tenure and Promotions

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Wilkes University students participate in cleanup at Tubs

Wilkes University's Environmental Club recently conducted a cleanup of the Tubs Area, located off Route 115. Members of the club removed cigarette butts, bottles and small garbage from the area.

Those who participated, are show, first row, from left: Jason Maire, Brian Lubenow and Matt Kuntz. Second row: Amy Weissner, Rob Frederick, Dr. Murthy, assistant professor of GeoEnvironmental Sciences & Engineering, Wilkes University; Amanda Muscavage and Holly Peaisely.

For more information regarding future activities of the Wilkes Environmental Club, call (717) 408-4758 or 1-800- WILKES-U, ext. 4758.

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Air samples good at Forest City Elementary

Testing should be done during school year

By Bob Tomaine
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FOREST CITY — The report on air samples taken at the Forest City Elementary School in July indicates no health problems, but suggests testing during the school year.

"It is advisable to collect samples under 'normal' conditions when there is more activity on

the premises," the report states, "and test for additional gases/parameters over a period of time and during different seasons."

It also states that "more representative samples may be obtained during regular school semesters and during different seasons."

The tests were ordered several months ago after questions were raised at a School Board meet-

ing. The results show low counts of bacteria and fungi and no concentrations of gases high enough to cause health problems.

Three classrooms were tested, according to the report prepared by Prashad N. Murthy of Wilkes University, with the results showing "the rooms from where the samples were taken to be well ventilated and the concentra-

tions of the gases tested to be below the acceptable levels.

According to the report, the testing was conducted for "different organic and inorganic gases, such as formaldehyde, carbon tetrachloride, total hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, dioxane, and relative humidity, and for molds and bacteria."

Concentrations of total hydrocarbons and formaldehyde were higher in Room 208 than in other

rooms, and the report suggests that may be a result of installation of new carpeting in the room and the use of cleaning agents in the room and nearby corridor.

Dr. Michael DeStefano, district superintendent, provided the results to *The Times-Tribune* at Monday's board meeting, but the report was not on the agenda and the board took no action on it. The board did, however, han-

dle a number of routine business matters, awarding contracts for the purchase of athletic supplies valued at \$4,161.63; science supplies at \$1,536.09, and teaching supplies at \$606.33.

It also voted to seek permission from the Pennsylvania Department of Education for early dismissals on the following dates: Oct. 20, Dec. 23, Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 16, April 20, June 1 and June 2.