College to host piano duo 8 p.m. today in Elmira College's Gibson Theatre. The duo is made up of Brazillian Fabio Witkowski and his wife Gisele, known for fourhanded piano performances. The concert is part of the Encore Performing Arts Series. Tickets are \$10 with discounts offered for students, seniors, and groups. For details, visit www.elmira.edu.

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Mansfield University sees record enrollment THE LEADER STAFF

MANSFIELD, PA. Mansfield University officials said various factors have contributed to record enrollment for the fall 2009

Officials said enrollment for the current semester is

semester.

3,569 students, including 717 freshmen, a 5.6 increase over the number of freshmen last year.

The school also had 263 transfer students this semester, a 16.3 percent increase from the fall 2008 semester.

While acknowledging the economy and uncertain job market are factors, Mansfield President Maravene Loeschke credits the campus community with attracting students.

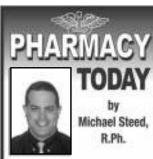
"A Mansfield education is much like a small, private, liberal arts education," Loeschke said. "Word is spreading about Mansfield. We are known for being strongly liberal-arts-based with high individual attention, smaller classes, and early opportunities at an affordable cost. Add the fact that Mansfield is located in one of the most beautiful and friendly places in the world and we have a great story to tell."

Police blotter

Yates Sheriff

ALCOHOL POSSES-SION

KEUKA COLLEGE | Kristina C. Truman, 18, of 575 Pennsylvania Ave., Apalachin, Jayme Y. Peterson, 18, of 64 Washington St., Gloversville and Ashleigh R. Jones, 18, of 77 N. Main St., Mt. Morris, were charged Sunday with possession of alcohol by a person under 21-years old. Deputies said they received a report of a highly intoxicated female at Keuka College. Peterson was taken to Soldiers and Sailors Hospital for treatment.



DIVIDED INTERESTS

Not all medications can be split, and not all patients should split pills. For instance, medications that require a very precise dosage should never be split Nor should capsules; pills with enteric coatings; pills with extended-, slow-, or timerelease formulations; or pills that contain combinations with two (or more) ingredients. On the other hand, patients with good dexterity and vision may be able to stretch their medication dollars by splitting scored tablets that provide two doses in one pill (i.e., a 100-mg. pill that is split to provide two doses for the same price as a 50-mg. pill). The best way to go about splitting a pill is to purchase a pill splitter at the phar-

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of our medical equipment. Hint: A pill-splitter device requires only that the pill be lined up with the blade in a pillholding compartment and the lid closed with gentle pressure.

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Corning-Painted Post Airport



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Visitors check out the planes and classic cars, including a 1957 Ford Thunderbird, at the food pantry benefit at the Corning-Painted Post Airport Sunday.

Food pantries benefit draws hundreds

BY BOB RECOTTA rrecotta@the-leader.com

COOPERS PLAINS

Hundreds of area residents came out Sunday to attend the second annual chicken barbecue at the Corning-Painted Post Airport to benefit area pantries.

Mike Sorge, one of the organizers of the event, said the crowd kept him busy cooking.

"It's overwhelming," Sorge said. "The community has come out to support the event. I'm pleased with the outcome. By the end of the day we should be in the range of what we hoped to raise."

Sorge said he hoped to raise \$6,000, which would be split between the Corning Food Pantry and the Painted Post Churches Food Pantry.

This is more than twice as much as the benefit raised last year.

Sorge gave credit to the volunteers from the Big Flats Lions Club, the Corning Rotary, the Corning District modified cross country team and the two food pantries for making the event such a success.

"I can't thank the community enough for



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A group of kids watch the Guthrie helicopter take off from the Corning-Painted Post Airport Sunday as part of the chicken barbecue which benefits the Painted Post Churches Food Pantry and the Corning Food Pantry.

coming out and supporting the event," Sorge said.

Amanda Bathrick, a seventh grader from the cross country team, said she jumped at the chance to be involved with the benefit.

"I've always volunteered for things like the church and school activ-"This was one I wanted

Bathrick had one of the most thankless jobs at the benefit, collecting garbage. She said, however, she didn't mind.

"It's not the funnest thing to do, but it's fun because I get to talk to people," Bathrick said.

Music for the benefit was provided by the Three Rivers City Jazz Band. Band leader David Anderson said the band has a long history of community involvement.

"We only play benefits, nursing homes, boy scout meetings, PTA meetings, senior citizen centers," Anderson said. "We rarely take any money. If somebody ities," Bathrick said. needs us, we do it and talk about expense money later.'

> Natalie Dureiko, a second grader from Carder Elementary School, said she came to the benefit to go on an airplane

"It was fun," Dureiko said. "The last time I was in an airplane I didn't like it. It was too bumpy. Today was a smoother."

Schlumberger review process continues

BY DERRICK EK

HORSEHEADS | The Horseheads Village Board will continue its review of the potential environmental impacts of the Sch-lumberger project this week.

The trustees will meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at Horseheads Village Hall, 202 S. Main St.

They are in the process of completing the Environmental Assessment Form required for proposed largescale projects under the state's Environmental Ouality Review Act.

At their last meeting, trustees identified a number of potential impacts the project might have on land, water, air, plants and animals, traffic, public health and "growth and character of community or neighborhood."

The next step is to evaluate the plans that Schlumberger and its engineering firm, Bergmann Associates, have in place to mitigate those potential impacts.

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what | Schlumberger public hearing **when** | 7 p.m. Thursday where | Horseheads Village

If they feel there's a serious issue that hasn't been adequately addressed, they can require a more stringent review process known as an Environmental Impact Statement. If they're comfortable with the project, they can allow the project to move for-

the Schlumberger project will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at Horseheads Village Hall. Schlumberger is planning

Also, a public hearing on

a facility in The Center at Horseheads industrial park

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Public health care option defeat Massa, Reed express opposing reactions

BY BOB RECOTTA

CORNING | The two candidates for the 29th Congressional District seat had different reactions to the defeat of the public health care option in the Senate Finance Committee

The committee Tuesday defeated two plans for a public option, which would allow the federal government to negotiate rates with doctors, hospitals and other health care providers.

That proposal was defeated 13-10. A proposal to tie those rates to those paid by Medicare for two years lost

Republican candidate Tom Reed, applauded the



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move.

T am pleased it appears Washing-ton, D.C. is moving away from the public option as part of health care reform," Reed said. "That is a path we need to avoid. I am greatly concerned with Congressman Massa's support of H.R. 676, single-payer health care, which would be complete government-run

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County to offer dental exams

HORSEHEADS | The Chemung County Health Department is offering free dental exams to county students without insurance. Free clinics will be held from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday and Oct. 14, and 22 at the GST BOCES campus, building 12, located at 459 Philo Road. The New York State Education Department requires dental exams for all students entering second, fourth, seventh, and tenth grades, as well as new students entering Pre-K or kindergarten. For details, call Amy Limoncelli at 739-3581, Ext. 1618.

■ Staff report



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'The Big Read' to begin soon

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CORNING Southeast Steuben County Library and the Corning-Painted Post Area School District will present "The Big Read" in late October and November.

The Big Read, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts, is designed to revitalize the role of reading in American popular culture, with the goal of bringing communities together to read, dis-

cuss, and celebrate a great literary work, according to a press release.

In the Corning area, the celebration will focus on "Love Medicine" by Louise Erdrich.

The novel examines the struggle to balance Native American traditions in the modern world through the lives of two Chippewa families living in North Dakota.

There will be book discussions, lectures on issues facing Native Americans.

family events and activities, dance performances and film screenings as part of "The Big Read."

There will also be related events at the Rockwell Museum of Western Art, and an American Indian artifact display at the Southeast Steuben County Library.

Corning-Painted Post Area School District students will also participate in "Big Read" events in the

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'Big Read' schedule of events

- Oct. 25 | 1-2 p.m., "The Big Read" kickoff extravaganza, Southeast Steuben County Library.
- Oct. 26 | 7 p.m., "Jim Thorpe: the World's Greatest Athlete" film screening, Southeast Steuben County Library.
- Oct. 27 | 12:20-1:30 p.m., Author talk with Ioseph Bruchac, Corning Community College's Triangle Lounge.

■ Nov. 4 | 10:30 a.m., Native American Story

- Time, Southeast Steuben County Library. ■ Nov. 6 | 12:30-1:30 p.m., "Love Medicine: What it Means to be Native American in a White World" with Dr. Peter Schwartz,
- Southeast Steuben County Library. ■ Nov. 6 | 7 p.m., "Pow Wow Highway" film screening, Southeast Steuben County Library.
- Nov. 8 | 2-4 p.m., "Big Read" celebration, Corning's 171 Cedar Arts Center. ■ Nov. 10 | 6-8:30 p.m., Native American and
- First Nations Herbal Medicine Class, Spencer Crest Nature Center, Corning. ■ Nov. 12 | 12:30-1:30 p.m., Author talk with

- Linda Underhill, Arthur A. Houghton Library at Corning Community College.
- Nov. 12 | 7 p.m. Family activities and Native American crafts, Southeast Steuben County Library, Nonnie Hood Parent and Family Resource Center.
- Nov. 13 | 1 p.m., "Native American Legal Issues" with Dr. Eric Cheyfita, Southeast Steuben County Library.
- Nov. 16 | 12:30-1:30 p.m., Book talk with Kristie Gates, Southeast Steuben County
- Nov. 18 | 12:30-1:30 p.m., Book talk with Louise Sullivan-Blum, Southeast Steuben County Library.
- Nov. 19 | 5:30-7 p.m., Poetry readings from "Words from the West," Rockwell Museum of Western Art, 171 Cedar Arts Center.
- Nov. 20 | 6-8 p.m., "Big Read" closing celebration, Southeast Steuben County
- Nov. 20 | 8-10 p.m., "Thunderheart" film screening, Southeast Steuben County Library.