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Aubrey Spearling of Lewisburg, Madeleine Boerckel and Claire Castle rehearsed this week for the Camp eXpresso musical theatre presentation planned for 10 a.m. Saturday at the Central Oak Heights tabernacle.



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Valerie Flamini Caldwell, Camp eXpresso director, led campers in musical theatre rehearsal in advance of a performance, 10 a.m. Saturday at Central Oak Heights, West Milton.

eXpresso

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which would not only be helpful for their presentation, but also when a local high school or community theater has roles which require it.

How the vowel sounds are formed make a big difference.

“For the British accent, we are focusing on pure vowels, and not letting our American ‘R’s’ color the vowel,” she said.

Flamini Caldwell said the tongue curls in the American pronunciation of a word like “bird,” but stays flat and relaxes to produce the British accent.

“It actually changes the vowel in addition to the ending consonant.”

As the familiarity with the accent grew, the group of about 40 young performers sounded more and more like they were from London’s East End.

Flamini Caldwell explained lyrics in some of the numbers would be “signed,” not only for hearing impaired persons but also to help add expressiveness to the performance.

“We sign and sing,” she noted. “The whole premise of the camp is expressive singing. Our hope is that they will put the expression both in their voices, but also in their bodies. The signing helps with that. It’s amazing.”

Caldwell led campers through rehearsals including Aubrey Spearling of Lewisburg, Madeleine Boerckel and Claire Castle. The preparation was fun, they said, but intense.

“I was expecting a lot of singing,” Boerckel said.

They noted their next lessons would be choreography which would go with a rendition of “Walking on Sunshine,” the popular hit from 1985.

Events at the 2017 Acorn Family Festival include:

- 10 a.m. Camp eXpresso, musical theater closing performance
- 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., family art activities
- Noon, dancers and storytellers
- 1 to 4 p.m., cottage open houses, artists-in-residence exhibit
- 1:30 p.m., Steve Britton and Imus guide dog
- 4 p.m., swing dance class with Frank and Sandy Hartzel
- 7 p.m., Seasoned Sounds big band music

Other features include young balloon artists offering creative works for all.

Donations will be accepted and shuttle transportation from the parking field to the tabernacle will be provided. Email Ann Lawrence, lawrencecoha@gmail.com for more information.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Bridge work

SUNBURY — There will be lane restrictions today in both directions on the Route 61 Veterans Memorial Bridge between the City of Sunbury in Northumberland County and Shamokin Dam in Snyder County.

Traffic will be reduced to a single lane so two light standards can be replaced. This work is expected to be performed between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Motorists should be alert and drive with caution through the area.

\$1 million winning lottery ticket sold in Shamokin

SHAMOKIN — A jackpot-winning Pennsylvania Lottery Cash 5 ticket for the Monday drawing was sold at Turkey Hill, 501 N. Second St., Shamokin.

The ticket matched all five balls drawn, 08-13-32-34-35, to win \$1 million, less applicable withholding. The

Northumberland County retailer earns a \$5,000 selling bonus.

Winners can be identified only after prizes are claimed and tickets validated. Cash 5 prizes expire one year from the drawing date.

Anyone holding a jackpot-winning Cash 5 ticket should sign the ticket, call the Lottery at 717-702-8146 and file a claim at the nearest Lottery office.

More than 68,100 other Cash 5 tickets also won prizes in the drawing. Players should check every ticket, every time, and claim lower-tier prizes at a Lottery retailer.

In the 2015-16 fiscal year, in addition to awarding more than \$24 million in prizes to winners in Northumberland County, the Pennsylvania Lottery contributed more than \$12.7 million to programs serving the county’s older residents.

Mount Carmel Township road work

MOUNT CARMEL — On Monday a PennDOT maintenance crew will seal coat a section of Brennans Farm Road in Mount Carmel Township.

The road will be closed from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. from Fir Street in Kulpmont Borough to Utah Drive in Den Mar Gardens.

A signed detour will be in place using Routes 61 and 54.

The work will take place weather permitting.

Paul

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Other band members, such as Paul Curcurto, of Winfield, on guitar, were in other rooms.

“I wanted to go with a slightly haunting theme,” Gibson added. “The title, ended up being ‘Ghost,’ is about somebody returning to their childhood home and realizing it is not exactly be the same.”

Gibson said the band dressed for the video in more formal and darker tones, differing from other videos they’ve done. A somber mood prevailed under his direction, as Gibson instructed the players to limit their movements and



Photo provided
Karen Nogle, a noted vocalist from Northumberland, sings lead on ‘Ghost’ by Pages of Paul.

not smile.

The video is also on the Pages of Paul Facebook page. It has received attention from a West Coast music blog.

Nogle and Curcurto are

joined in Pages of Paul by Jeff Wisor of Corning, N.Y. (fiddle), Mark Tomeo (pedal steel guitar and dobro) and Bill Engel of Bastress (bass).

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