

Commentary

Editor's notes

A little of this... ...a little of that

WILLIAM KUBIS, the No. 1 fan of Dallas sports and also of The Dallas Post, stopped by to say hello while Ed Campbell and I were out taking football photos a few weeks ago.

Mr. Kubis is just thrilled with the progress The Post has made and always has some words of encouragement for us. It was nice to see his picture in our sports section recently with the championship team from the Back Mountain Little League. (I think Mr. Kubis enjoyed seeing it, too.)

SPEAKING OF BACK MOUNTAIN LITTLE LEAGUE, congratulations to Bob Graver, coach of the Orioles in the minor league division which won the championship there.

Bob, who also serves as public relations director



MARTIN

of the Back Mountain Little League, is certainly one guy who deserves to have a winning team. With all the time he gives to the Back Mountain Little League, it's nice to see a good guy come out on top.

Congratulations to Bob and his assistants - and, of course, to the players on the team.

A BEAUTIFUL SILVER TRAY can be yours if you stop into our new office in the 309-415 Plaza on the Dallas Highway and purchase a one-year subscription to The Dallas Post.

A one-year subscription is only \$12 and, besides the silver tray you receive right there on the spot, you'll get a year's worth of all the Back Mountain news and events taking place in your community.

Sounds like a pretty good deal, doesn't it? It is! And, all it takes is a visit to our office. We'd love to see you and we'd love to have you as a faithful reader of ours.

A GREAT BIG HELLO to Midge Johnson from the Back Mountain resident. I was thrilled to hear just last week that Midge has become a faithful reader of this column. I understand after Midge reads my column, she then keeps her grandchildren (who reside out of town now) up to date as to what's going on in the Back Mountain.

Wonder where I get all my information, Midge? A little birdie called me last week and told me. It's nice to have you with us.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jean and Phil Lipski, both members of the Lake-Lehman School District staff, on the recent birth of their first child, a daughter.

I was thrilled to learn that Jean, an old college classmate of mine, had become a mother. Good luck to both of you on your new addition.

I SAW A BUMPER STICKER that would fit perfectly on cars of a lot of people I know (and probably on my own car, too, sometimes.)

It said, "I refuse to grow up." I'll bet lots of you know at least one person who would go hand-in-hand with such a sticker.

I MENTIONED MY VACATION in last week's column, but failed to mention one of the places I managed to eat at twice while I was away.

Grotto Pizza, whose headquarters is right here at our own Harveys Lake, is a big attraction in both Rehoboth Beach and Dewey Beach, Delaware.

Joe Paglianite, proprietor of Grotto Pizza, has two locations in Rehoboth and one in Dewey, all of which are packed at almost any hour of the day.

Sure seemed funny, though, after driving five hours to be on vacation and then eating Grotto Pizza.

IT WAS SO NICE TO SEE Maureen and Jeff Banks of Trucksville the other night. I'm afraid, though, that Maureen is going to have to spend a lot more time in the sun next summer to keep up with her husband's tan.

Employed as a nurse on the obstetrics department at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston, and the mother of four children, Maureen has little spare time to spend in the sun.

While husband Jeff is proprietor of Banks Sealcoat Company and gets to spend almost the whole summer outside in the sun. Nice tan, Jeff, but maybe you should give Maureen some more time in the sun next year.

THREE CHEERS to the Belles family of Kingston Township who have nursed their dog, Brownie, back to health, after a severe bout with malnutrition.

Brownie was just one of several dogs found in an Avoca home after a fire who were literally starving to death. After being taken to the SPCA for shelter, Brownie was later adopted to the Belles family.

Now, at age 2 1/2, Brownie is a healthy, happy-to-lucky dog and owes everything to the love and care members of the Belles family have shown her.

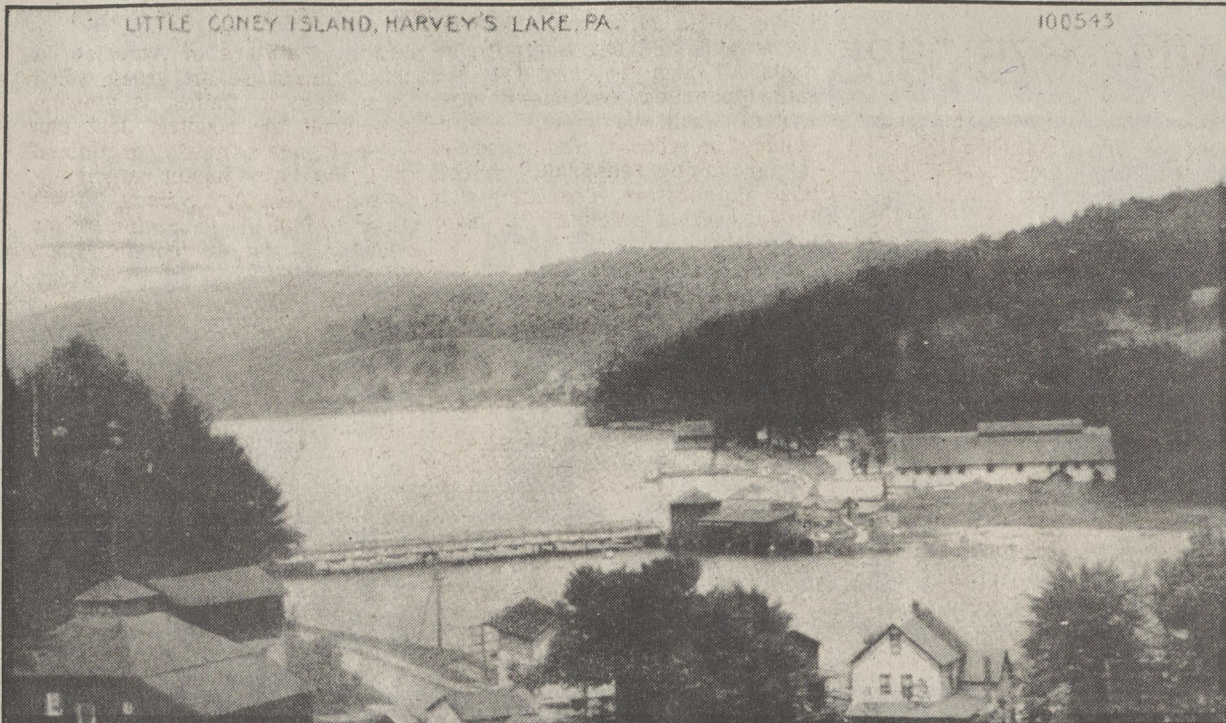
It's not often you hear of stories with happy endings, but this sure is one and the Belles family is to be commended for the kindness they have shown this animal. As an animal lover, I certainly appreciate what they've done for their dog.

WELCOME ABOARD TO DEBBEY WYSOCKI, a resident of Swoyersville and a teacher here in the Back Mountain. Debby joins our staff this week as the author of an entertainment column which will appear in The Dallas Post on a regular basis.

Debby, who holds both a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's Degree in English from Wilkes College, is a real television buff and corresponds with people all over the world who are as much into television as she is.

A walking encyclopedia of what's going on in the entertainment world, Debby will be offering some of the information she receives with readers of The Dallas Post.

I think you'll find her column interesting and welcome any comments or criticisms from anyone who may want to offer them.



REMEMBERING

Little Coney Island

Shown here is a photo of Little Coney Island at Harveys Lake. The photo is courtesy of Mrs. Jack Conrad of 6312 Arlingham Road, Flourtown, Pa. 19031.

Only yesterday

Dallas voters support independent candidates

50 YEARS AGO - SEPT. 20, 1935

In vigorous protest against efforts of county political leaders to dictate the policies of local government, Dallas voters turned out in record-breaking numbers to give overwhelming victory to every slated independent borough candidate.

Shavertown and Dallas tennis players clashed in the first tourney held on the new Shavertown courts. Shavertown's team included Machel Hildebrandt, Robert Bachman, Ray Major, Willard Woolbert, Dr. Malcolm Borthwick, A.G. Eddinger, John Jackson and Fred Eck. Dallas' team members were Philip Anderson, Edward F. Kotch, Willard Westover, Chan Bluhdorn, Howard Carey, William Dix, Robert Westover and Jack Hazeltine.

Engaged - Mary E. Minnich to Philip Meyers; Margaret Hoffman to Stanley H. Thomas; Frieda Elizabeth Daubert to Floyd R. Neeley.

Married - Florence Morris to Thomas Shaw; Hope Kathryn Roberts to George Cameron Orcutt.

Deaths - Henrietta Marth, Loyalville; James Eddy, Lehman; Nelly Martin Hoyt, Demunds Road. You could get - Pork butts 29c lb.; hams 29c lb.; sausage 35c lb.; round steak 32c lb.; cheese 19c lb.; sauerkraut 4 big cans 25c; pink salmon 2 tall cans 21c; stewing oysters 3 doz. 25c; trout 2 lb. 25c; bass 10c lb.; haddock 2 lb. 25c.

40 YEARS AGO - SEPT. 21, 1945

Four former pastors returned to St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Noxen, to participate in the church's 50th anniversary celebration: Rev. H.F.J. Seneker, Rev. Christian Krahrmer, Rev. Luther B. Scheehl and Rev. John R. Albright.

More than 150 Back Mountain families utilized the cannery set up at Lehman High School during the summer months. More than 5,000 cans of food were processed. Mrs. Hannah Orr, home economics teacher, directed the cannery.

Married - Ruth Culp to Sgt. Joseph A. Mattern. Birthdays - Mrs. Jane Stroud, 93 years old. Deaths - Mrs. Daniel Denmon, Beaumont.

You could get - Beef short ribs 19c lb.; chickens 47c lb.; gingerbread cake mix 18c pkg.; Devil's food mix 18c pkg.; cream of rice cereal 21c pkg.; Palmolive soap 7c bar; 3 lb. can Cresco 68c; cabbage 3c lb.; cauliflowers 23c lg. hd.

30 YEARS AGO - SEPT. 23, 1955

Natona Mills rented the former Ritter Paint Shop located on Main Street in Dallas where the Mills planned to move their Thread Drawing Department. Between 125 and 150 women were employed in this department headed by James Gallagher. Mrs. Harriet Thompson was supervisor.

Dr. Lester E. Jordan, Trucksville, took a sweepstakes award for the second consecutive year in the

American Dahlia Society exhibit at the Essex House in New York. He also won two other medals and 12 ribbons. Winning two consecutive years disqualified Jordan for future amateur competition. He had achieved professional status.

Married - Mary Buza and Theodore Kerpovich; Alice Ann Schenck to Aldus C. Meyers, Jr.; Courtiss Kathleen Eubank to Frederick F. Murray.

Deaths - Robert B. Hislop, East Dallas; Deborah Meeker, Fairmount Township; Paul Dunn, Wardan Place, Harveys Lake.

You could get - Eggs 59c doz.; cider vinegar 59c gal.; canning jars 88c doz. for pts.; pt. bot. Kraft salad oil 34c; Lipton Tea bags box of 48, 65c; Lifebuoy soap 3 reg. bars 28c; picnic hams 29c lb.; McIntosh apples 4 lb. 33c.

20 YEARS AGO - SEPT. 23, 1965

The Back Mountain YMCA discussed an indoor-outdoor swimming pool fitted with a bubble for cold weather. The board also talked about room for organizational meetings and space for expanding programs.

Raymond Goeringer, Dallas, entered one head of Guernsey cattle in the 1965 National Dairy Cattle Congress at Waterloo.

Married - Sandra M. Welton and Airman 2nd Class Stuart Stahl.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Scott, Lehman, 44 years; Mr. and Mrs. Arja Brown, Shavertown, 18 years.

Deaths - Andrew Lucas, Jr., Wyoming; Marie Pomeroy, Sutton Creek Road; Arthur Newman, Dallas; Earl F. Johnson, Beaumont.

You could get - Sirloin steak 79c lb.; ground beef 3 lb. \$1.39; baked ham 99c lb.; rolled rump roast 95c lb.; lemons 49c doz.; celery 2 lg. bunches 35c; fresh mushrooms 49c lb.; shrimp \$1.29 lb.; cheddar cheese 55c lb.

10 YEARS AGO - SEPT. 25, 1975

Dr. Lester Jordan was recipient of Rotary International's highest award, the Paul Harris Fellowship. Jordan is considered the founder of the Rotary International Exchange Student Program.

Dallas resident Andrew Preslopsky discovered a four-foot long 10-pound squash growing in his garden. Upon researching the squash he discovered it to be a Chinese variety uncommon to this area.

Married - Jeanne Heffner and Robert Faneck. Deaths - Daisy Prynne, Rochester, N.Y.; Mallie Shaver, formerly of Dallas.

You could get - Chicken, whole 53c lb.; ground chuck 99c lb.; Royal Crown 8-16 oz. bot. 98c; frozen cut green beans 3-9 oz. pkg. \$1; Silver Floss sauerkraut 2-69c; peaches 3 lb. \$1; carrots 2 pkg. 29c; half gal. apple cider 89c.

LIBRARY NEWS

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK
Library Correspondent

Well, we did it again! By we I mean authors, publishers, writers, librarians and anyone connected with the written word. Last year, we had Lee Iacocca as the grand marshal of the Rose Parade and this year's news is that Erna Bombeck has been chosen to be the grand marshal of the 1986 Rose Bowl Parade.

That's exciting news about an exciting writer who writes a weekly syndicated humor column for 900 newspapers worldwide. She is the author of 7 books and a regular on ABC's 'Good Morning America'. She is also a popular author in our library.

The members of the library board of directors are having a "Thank you for helping the Library" cocktail party at Monte's in Luzerne on Tuesday, Sept. 24 for staff members and library volunteers. The library will close at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 24 instead of 8:30 p.m.

The library is displaying an antique sampler cotton quilt on the quilt board in the office area. This quilt is the property of Genevieve Hall of Pikes Creek, who has loaned it to us.

The blocks are samples of quilt patterns made in antique cotton fabrics. It is a beautiful quilt and was given to her by an aunt who died at the age of 99. The quilt was done in the early 1900s and will be on display for the next four weeks.

The Back Mountain Memorial Library will be 40 years old on Oct. 12, 1985 and we are planning a birthday party for Saturday between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. There will be a birthday cake and fruit punch for all visitors and we will be decorated with balloons, streamers and birthday cards. We are inviting everyone in the Back Mountain area to come in, have a tour of our new building and say Happy Birthday to the library and get to know how the library functions.

The Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society has donated a book to the library. It is "The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad in the Twentieth Century", volume 1 by Thomas Taber. This book will be a welcome addition to the shelves.

The Summer Youth Employment and Training Program has ended for this year and we were fortunate to have the services of two youths from the area. Paul Rowe worked as a janitor assistant and Lisa McCulloch worked as a library page handling inside library clerical work.

The library has a nice starter collection of records available for patron use. We have 122 records including classical, modern and poetry. There are also 10 combination albums and some language learning records. Some artists are Bellefonte, Lawrence Welk and American astronauts in a recording called "To The Moon."

STATE CAPITOL ROUNDUP

PennDOT's proposed layoff of 371 workers came under the scrutiny of the House Transportation Committee this week. Transportation Department officials testified that the furloughing of laborers and hiring of 154 new equipment operators would make the agency more efficient. Officials said the laid-off workers would be considered for the new positions. Rep. Rudy Dininni (R-Dauphin) questioned the roll PennDOT district engineers played in the proposal. "We ought to investigate the district engineers. The department is taking their word 100 percent. I am disturbed by the methods they used," said Dininni.

Pennsylvania's controversial Catastrophic Loss Trust (CAT) Fund was the subject of a report issued by the Senate Banking and Insurance Committee this week. The study supported the CAT Fund concept but was critical of the collection method. (The CAT Fund is part of the state's new auto insurance law. Pennsylvania vehicle owners are billed \$5 annually for each registered vehicle. The money forms a financial safety net for individual medical expenses resulting from an auto accident in excess of \$100,000.) The committee recommended that PennDOT, rather than a private agency, collect the fee. Meanwhile, Rep. Leonard Qu. Gruppo (R-Northampton) requested an extension for vehicle registration renewals because of the CAT Fund confusion. In a letter to PennDOT, Gruppo asked that the Sept. 30 registration deadline be extended.

House Health and Welfare Committee members received comment on a proposal to limit capital spending by hospitals and other health care facilities. Rep. George E. Saurman (R-Montgomery), a sponsor of the bill's intent is to "change what appear to be expenditures based upon a system that encourages inefficiency." Supporters of the proposal agree that the limit is necessary to eliminate inefficiency in construction costs. Opponents of the plan contend that limiting spending for hospitals, especially for medical equipment, would result in a lower quality of medical care.

OPINION

National Newspaper Week

Freedom of the press is everybody's freedom

By SENATOR JOHN HEINZ

This week marks National Newspaper Week and provides an opportunity to reflect on the benefits to democracy provided by unfettered press freedom.

Freedom of the press is everybody's freedom. No other medium of communication provides as much in-depth analysis and information on events and issues affecting our daily lives. No other medium lends itself to the kind of coverage of important occurrences that results in an educated public.

Freedom in a democracy is about making choices for ourselves and our families and our future. But, only informed choice can lead to sound decision-making. Without freedom of the press, we place all of our other freedoms at the hazard of ignorance.

We in Pennsylvania are fortunate to be served by top-quality newspa-

pers whose foremost concern is responsible information necessary to make responsible judgments.

I would encourage all Pennsylvan-

ians to join me in saluting the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association for its commitment to freedom and democracy.

President commends newspaper carriers

RONALD REAGAN
United States President

On this International Newspaper Carrier Day, I am pleased to have the opportunity to commend and congratulate those who deliver America's newspapers.

Millions rely on you for the news and vital information they need daily in order to be responsible, productive citizens of our Republic.

You can take considerable pride in your key role in keeping our nation informed. This is the very basis of democracy.

The United States continues to be free in part because of those who report, publish and relay the news. You are an essential component of this process. On behalf of all Americans, thank you for your very important contribution. Again, congratulations on a job well done.

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