Editor's notes

MY DEEPEST APOLOGIES to the Holthaus brothers whose photos appeared in last week's edition of The Dallas Post with the wrong namelines under them.

Richard and Ryan Holthaus, who were both honored recently for separate accomplishments, had every right to have their pictures in the paper with a little article about what they've done. What they shouldn't have had to put up with, however, was having their names screwed-up under their pictures.

I take full blame for it. It was my mistake and I am terribly sorry for it. And, at the risk of sounding even more human. I think I remember doing the same thing with these same two photos in another edition of paper within the last year.

MARTIN

The boys are so darn goodlooking, though, I must get all nervous when trying to identify which is which. Anyway, sorry

A GREAT BIG WELCOME to some new members of our photography department. Jane Renn, who currently resides

in the Clarks Summit area and is also a staff correspondent in the editorial department of our sister paper, the Abington Journal, is now responsible for all of our darkroom

Jane spends two or three days a week holed-up in our darkroom processing film, printing pictures and doing all photo work for our advertising department. She has already proven to be a tremendous asset to our publication and we welcome her with open arms.

Two of the people our readers will be seeing more of as they, along with their cameras, begin to circulate throughout the Back Mountain area, are Donna Sutliff and Jack Steblinski.

Donna, a resident of Sweet Valley, also works part-time at Dallas Photo and has been taking photographs for some time now. Her smiling face as well as her ability to take great photos will soon become well-known to Dallas Post readers

Jack, who is a college student during the school year, is a freelance photographer whose work very often appears in The Times Leader. A resident of Forty Fort, Jack was first introduced to Back Mountain people as the official photographer of our 1986 graduation

Welcome to all three of these photography people and for those of you who are questioning the whereabouts of our former photographer, Ed Campbell, we're not exactly sure what Ed is doing, either. All we know is that Ed resigned from his position as The Dallas Post photographer, informing us he had accepted a construction job in New Jersey.

CONGRATULATIONS and the best of luck are extended to Jean Innamorati, the proud new owner of a Century 21 Real Estate franchise in the Back Mountain area.

Jean, who currently resides in Tunkhannock, recently purchased Century 21 Rachel's Real Estate where she served as Associate Realtor for several years. Jean's got her work cut out for her, but something tells us her hard work and determination will pay off in the end.

If she can just figure out a way to keep her staff out of the clothing store next to their office and in their own office, she'll have half the battle licked.

GOOD LUCK to our own Jane Cummings who is sporting a new luck with a brand new shiny black Ford Thunderbird these days.

Jane, who is employed as an advertising representative for one of our other publications, the Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal, spends a lot of time on the road, visiting her clients.

So - she decided she should go in style - and in style she is going. Good luck to you, Jane!

SPEAKING OF CARS, I saw my old car the other day - sitting in a

junk pile in Kingston. What an eery feeling - to see an automobile you used to drive around in every day totally demolished and out of commission. To think it could have been me was rather frightening.

WHILE WE'RE ON THE SUBJECT of vehicles, staff writer John Hoinski had a rather weird experience the other day and he'd like the person on the other end of that experience to come forward

and explain himself. John pulled up to a red light in the Back Mountain the other day and found himself stopped alongside another car. It wasn't until John turned to look at the driver of the other car did he realize something

was rather amiss. The driver of the other car was wearing a baseball helmet with two ear flaps. When John looked at him in a puzzled manner, the gentleman simply ignored him as if to question why the puzzled look on John's face.

Now, you have to admit - that's

strange. However, giving this driver the benefit of the doubt, I'm sure there's a good reason why he would feel the need to don a baseball helmet when going out in his car. Could it be that he doesn't trust his own driving?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS are extended ty Myrtle Elston Hess of Shady Side Lake in Kunkle who will celebrate her 88th birthday next week.

Myrtle, who is currently a guest at the Carpenter Nursing Home in Idetown, will note her special day

Happy birthday to you, Myrtle and many more!

SPEAKING OF BIRTHDAYS, we're coming up on one of the biggest birthday celebrations our nation has yet to see - the 100th birthday of the Stateu of Liberty.

It's going to be one wild bash all over the country this Fourth of July, including right here in Wyoming Valley. As the cars from the Great American Race which began last week in California begin to roll into Wilkes-Barre, several thousands of people are expected to converge on Kirby Park for all kinds of events.

Not only will the cars from the Great American Race be housed in the Kingston Armory for public inspection, there will also be a display of all kinds of older cars at Kirby Park on July 5. The Philharmonic will provide a free concert in Kirby Park over the weekend while hundreds of joggers will get together for a 10K race and a shorter fun run on Friday and Saturday.

It's going to be a wild time in Wilkes-Barre as Wyoming Valleyites prepare to celebrate Lady Liberty's 100th birthday. Let's do it in style - without any violence or disturbances.

I WONDER if the celebration in New York City will be uneventful. Someone told me the other day that Mayor Ed Koch of New York City has allocated \$6 million in extra law enforcement for the July Fourth weekend. Can you imagine what he must be expecting to put that kind of money aside to prevent it?

I was originally considering joining the millions of people who will be singing Happy Birthday to the Lady on Ellis Island, however, being a small-town girl at heart, something tells me I'm going to be celebrating the Fourth of July either in my backyard or in a city no bigger than Wilkes-Barre.

OH, OH! Yet another celebration in the Harry Lefko family of Dallas. Harry's youngest daughter, Cindy, noted her birthday last week and rumor has it, she celebrated in style - eating German food and playing a boom-bah for the first time in her life.

SOME OF YOU may remember a column I wrote shortly after the Challenger disaster in January of this year. That tragedy touched me rather deeply and I felt compelled to put my personal feelings on

My stepmother seemed to have shared the same feelings I did about the disaster and felt compelled to share both of our feelings, in the way of my column, with none other than President Reagaon - so she sent the leader of our country a copy of what I had written, along with her own personal feelings of sadness on the loss of seven astronauts.

As President Reagan was inundated with correspondence at that time, I'm sure, it took him quite a while to respond to Laura's letter, but he didn't forget it and, just last week, Laura received a letter from the White House, thanking her for taking the time to share our feelings with the White House staff.

Included in the official correspondence from the White House were copies of President Reagan's speech the night of the disaster, which replaced his originally scheduled State of the Union address, along with the words he spoke during the memorial service for the astronauts - a nice keepsake for those of us who were

so deeply saddened by the tragedy. (Dotty Martin is the Executive Editor of Pennaprint Inc. Her column appears weekly)

THE DALLAS POST

J. STEPHEN BUCKLEY



REMEMBERING

Building booths

Workers are shown here as they put the final touches to booths for the annual firemen's bazaar in Dallas years ago. The bazaars are still held every year.

Only yesterday

Vernon planned old-fashioned celebration for Fourth of July

50 YEARS AGO - JULY 3, 1936

An old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration was planned for the village of Vernon. A series of athletic evetns, including a quoit match and races for children, a softball game would highlight the day. The main solibal game would highlight the day. The main sports events, however, was a game between Vernon A.C. baseball team and Forty Fort A.C. team. Dinner was served at noon, followed by a concert by the Gobel Orchestra of Centermoreland at night.

Harry L. Tennyson, new supervising principal of Dallas Borough School District assumed his position.

Bus service between Dallas and Harry van Lake was

Bus service between Dallas and Harveys Lake was extended to run until midnight. The announcement was made by Wilkes-Barre Railway Company

Married - Adda Garinger and Peter R. Kuchta; E Claire Allen and Perry H. Long; Mary Edith Smith and Henry Heberling; Letha Crispell to Francis

Deaths - John S. Davis, Fernbrook.

You could get - Chuck roast 18c lb.; hams 29c lb.; chickens 29c lb.; Little Neck clams 100-29c; tomatoes 3 lb. 29c; peaches 3 lb. 23c; watermelons 29c; fig bars 2 lb. 15c; motor oil 8 qt. can 88c; dill pickles 2 qt. jars

40 YEARS AGO - JULY 5, 1946

Explosion of an alcohol drum at Oliver's Garage shook Dallas and seriously burned Richard Westerman, an employee, who was cutting the empty sheet metal tank with an acetylene blowtorch. Westerman was hospitalized in shock with second degree burns.

The Dallas Post began publishing excerpts from The Story of Wyoming Valley by the late Louis Frank. Lt. Col. Norman W. Smith, Huntsville, Special Service Officer at Fort Monroe received a cittion for meritorius and outstanding service as chief of Special

Services at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation. Engaged - Marian Newton Powell and David Craw-

You could get - Cottage cheese 19c lb.; pollock 25c lb.; Sani Flush 19c can; waxed paper lg. roll 16c; candles 10c doz.; washboards 75c ea.; Mason Jars qts. 65c doz.; vinegar 12c qt.; Spry 3 lb. jar 68c; Spic and Span 20c pkg. Lipton Tea 4 oz. 26c.

30 YEARS AGO - JULY 6, 1956

The first rattlesnake of the summer season was killed in Lehman on the private road leading to the Arch Major property.

Jack Heidig, chairman of the Idetown Civic Association announced Open House at the new playground on the Gilbert Ide property, adjacent to Oak Hill. A ball field, volleyball court, swings and gym equipment for children were included in the playground equipment.

Dallas Legion baseball team, undefeated in six starts, was downed by the Hanover White Sox in a hard fought battle lasting 11 innings. The score was 8 to 6. Bagonis and Hendershot starred.

Married - Naomi Hons to Robert Haag; John Hauck and Priscilla Sonntag; Lena Mossuto and Harold

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones, Harveys Lake, 50 years. Deaths - John Sponseller, Lehman; William Lewis,

Wilkes-Barre; Mary Bound, Binghamton. You could get - Chuck roast 29c lb.; sliced boiled ham 98c lb.; plums 19c lb.; strawberries 16 oz. pkg. 39c; white grapes 25c lb.; Kraft White American Cheese, 2 lb. loaf 99c; Wesson oil 69c qt.; Alpo dog food 2 cans 49c; Blue Bonnet margarine 2 pkg. 53c.

20 YEARS AGO - JULY 7, 1966 Blistering heat over the weekend topped off the driest June on record, searing the lawns, crisping flowers and causing residents to take refuge in lakes and swimming pools. The temperature registered at a

The Lehman Horse Show drew a throng of spectators. The festivities began with a parade featuring the Lake-Lehman High School Band, a yoke of prize oxen and the car bearing the horse show queen, Linda

Engaged - Eileen Michelle Crispell and Elvin T.

Married - Judith Devine and Ronald Cundiff; Jo Ann Bersin and Robert Wilkes; Kathryn Young and Allan

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs Hayden Richards, 51 years; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cobleigh, 30 years; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Varner, 31 years; Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ashton, 40 years; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lamoreaux, 18

Deaths - Mae Case, Sweet Valley; Clarence Henderson, Shickshinny; Ellen Shaffer, Dallas; Eleanor Ellsworth; Hazel Mitchell, Fairmount Springs; Thomas K. Graham, Pikes Creek.

You could get - Boneless round roast 79c lb.; cube steaks 99c lb.; corned beef brisket 79c lb.; bing cherries 39c lb.; peaches 4 lb. 49c; bananas 2 lb. 25c; cheddar cheese 63c lb.; cream cheese 2-3 oz. pkg. 25c; butter 79c lb.; Dixie cups 40-5 oz. cups 69c.

10 YEARS AGO - JULY 8, 1976 Kunkle Fire Company planned its first annual Firemen's Festival. Chairman was Fire Chief Jack Dodson; co-chairmen, Andy Roan, Jr., Weyman Miers and William Jones.

Dallas Area Municipal Authority accepted a \$131,000 grant from the Appalachia Regional Commission which was presented through the Farmer's Home Administration. This grant allowed for 57 new homes in the Kingston Township area to be added to the sewer system.

Married - Jennifer M. Torr and J. Reid Davenport. Deaths - Jack Dowey, Dallas; Mildred Wilson, Oak Hill; Mrs. Percy Smith, Dallas; Frank J. Maznik,

You could get - Boneless chuck roast 99c lb.; cross cut roast \$1.29 lb.; ground chuck 99c lb.; Parkay margarine 2-1 lb. pkgs. 99c; Miracle Whip salad dressing 32 oz. jar 99c; bing cherries 59c lb.; carrots cello bags 2-39c; 18x48 all aluminum pool with fileter and ladder \$369.

Library news

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK Library Correspondent

We are here! The month of July and the 40th annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction is just around the corner.

On Wednesday, July 9 at 6 p.m. the bell will sound ringing in another auction, this year for the first time on the new auction block in back of the library on Huntsville Road. The carpenters and the painters are busy with last minute details and soon the auction block, the antiques room and the new goods room will be given their first challenge as we get into the 40th annual library auction.

Many new pieces have been added to the lobby of the library from the antiques committee on display in anticipation of the bidding. There is a spinning wheel, a drop leaf table, two marble top tables, an end table and lamp, two leather covered chairs and a side chair. Many of these items will be timed items and a majority of them will go over the block on Saturday night. The committees have worked hard on this auction and are hoping that No. 40 will be the best ever. Get your chairs ready, gather your friends and plan to spend five fun-filled days at one of the exciting events in the Back Mountain summertime!

An exciting update! Paul Deeble just dropped in and iave me a very nice large starfish to put on top of the display case which is showing his seashells. This starfish was found in Florida and adds a nice finishing touch to the seashell collection. This display is attracting a lot of attention by young and old alike, and will be at the library until August 30. If you can't get to the seashore, you can see seashells at the library

The Children's Room at the library is indeed buzzing with activity these days. The summer reading monopoly game has attracted 221 players so far. This is an exciting way for young people to have fun and keep their interest in reading at the same time. The three story hours for three to five year olds are under way, with a total of 53 children in attendance. A toddler Bedtime story hour for two year olds in their pajamas accompanied by a parent is something new and quite a hit on Tuesday evenings. There are 10 children involved in this. Children from the nearby playground and Day Care programs make regular scheduled visits for stories in the Children's Room.

Gate of Heaven, Wyoming Seminary, Lehman and Dallas Schools have given their students summer reading lists. The young patrons are madly scrambling for some of the best books in children's literature. We have started waiting reserve lists for some of the more popular books. The library is the place to visit this summer for fun and education

(Nancy Kozemchak is the assistant librarian at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Her column appears weekly in The

State Capitol roundup

By REP. FRANK COSLETT Special to The Dallas Post

Here is a summary of important events that occurred on Capitol Hill last week from Rep. Frank Coslett, 120th Legislative District.

EDUCATION FUNDING - An amendment to the proposed state budget which would remove \$130 million from Philadelphia's public school allocation and distribute it to school districts across the state was introduced by Rep. Stephen Freind (R-Delaware). The measure is needed, Freind said, to restore equity to education funding. He said Philadelphia has been receiving additional funding for the past two years under a special plan designed to provide only temporary assistance. "Unless action is taken to remove the blank check we gave the city for the past two years, Philadelphia will receive \$130 million this year it does not deserve," Freind said. he said his proposal would mean significant subsidy increases to the state's other 500 school districts.

PUC REFORM - The House and Senate approved legislation this week to reform and restore the state's Public Utility Commission (PUC). The measure would prevent the PUC from expiring at the end of the year under the sunset law and would institute a number of changes in the agency's operation. Under the bill, terms for PUC commissioners would be reduced from 10 to five years, their salaries would be increased from \$40,000 to \$55,000, and Senate confirmation procedures for commissioners would be changed. It would also authorize the PUC to deny a rate hike request if a utility's service is inadequate and would prohibit a utility from passing along unnecessary advertising costs. The measure has been sent to the governor.

(Rep. Frank Coslett serves the 120th Legislative District which encompasses parts of the Back Mountain area. His column appears weekly in The Dallas Post.)

Letters

Director asks that we remember servicemen who fought for freedom

DEAR EDITOR:

As we celebrate the 210th anniversary of the birth of our great nation, it is easy to recall those whose names are recorded in the annals of history. However, there are many unsung heroes deserving our recognition and thanks who have namelessly contributed to the strength of the United States of America.

From the days of the first permanent settlement in Jamestown, DEAR EDITOR: through the American Revolution, the War of 1812, the American Civil War, both World Wars and most recently Vietnam, men have borne arms to fight the common foe when

occasion demanded. During peace and during war, committeed men have maintained the military strength so vital to the strength of the nation. Today we are blessed with peace and are fortunate to celebrate more than 13 years

of draft-free existence. However, we must be prepared to bolster the all volunteer armed forces in the event of a national emergency.

Since Selective Service registration was reinstituted in 1980, more than 16 million men have added

their names to the list of those eligible to serve their country in a time of need. WILFRED L. EBEL

ACTING DIRECTOR SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM WASHINGTON, D.C. 20435

Auxiliary seeks

Residents of Jackson Township must realize how important our fire department is to each and every one of us. What you may not realize is how important our Auxiliary is to our fire department. Our main objective is to help our fire department whenever and however they need our help.

Our auxiliary was started back in 1949 and most of our members today are among its original foun-

ders. It would be such a shame to see all their hard work and dedication go to waste due to lack of

If you would like to help support our fire department our auxiliary meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Jackson Township Fire Hall.

LOUISE ARNOLD SECRETARY/PR DIRECTOR JACKSON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT AUX.

DAVID F. CONNER

DOTTY MARTIN