

# Only yesterday

**60 Years Ago - Sept. 4, 1931**  
**WALTER HICKS NAMED KINGSTON TWP. COACH**  
 Local men are turned down on local jobs on nearby highways. Walter R. Hicks was named coach of all sports at Kingston Township School at a meeting Thursday night. William A. Austin is appointed principal of the Beaumont School. Reports show drop in rabid dog cases in Pennsylvania. The Lawyers Secret starring William Powell is showing at Himmler Theater next Monday and Tuesday.

**50 Years Ago - Sept. 5, 1941**  
**WOOD, WOOLBERT WIN SPEEDBOAT RACES**  
 Tax collector battle in Dallas Township primary is a big issue. A winter temperature of 44 degrees was recorded on North Mountain last week. Labor Board approves union election for Noxen Tannery. Local speed boat racers Newell Wood and Billy Woolbert garner highest honors in Lake regatta. Holiday crowd tops 10,000 as season ends at Harveys Lake. Bloomsburg Fair invests \$40,000 in new buildings as it prepares for its 88th year. Engaged - Ruth Ann Boyle and Neil W. McIntyre. Wed - Grace McGuire and Robert Jackson; Arline London and Dale Oney; Anna Agnes Novosel and Joseph William Baer.

**40 Years Ago - Sept. 7, 1951**  
**ONE CONYNGHAM BROTHER RELIEVES OTHER IN KOREA**  
 Circus plays to a good crowd on the Goeringer plot along the Lake Highway. Marine platoon leader relieves brother in Korean front lines. Lt. Guthrie Conyngham unknowingly was sent to replace his brother Lt. John N. Conyngham on the front. Wed - Dorothy Staub and Thomas Cawley; Dora Griffith and Lincoln Hoover. Orange is the championship team for the second season in the Bi-County League.

# Library news

## Auction totals are in and plans begin for next year

By **NANCY KOZEMCHAK**

The Back Mountain Memorial Library also has 'pink ladies'. A very coincidental thing, however, I have a lovely large color picture hanging by my desk in the library, thanks to an 'amateur' photographer, Carol King.

It's coincidental because, I decided to wear my pink dress to work one morning because I was going to a luncheon, and as I drove up Huntsville Road on my way to the library, I noticed the cherry tree on our lawn was in full bloom. I thought to myself, Marilyn, our children's librarian, has a similar pink dress, wouldn't it be funny if she wore hers today. Well, she did, I called Carol and asked what she was doing, she said 'painting my bedroom'. I asked if she had color film in her camera and she said no and asked why. I explained the situation to her and told her I only had 20 minutes before I had to leave the library.

In 15 minutes she was here, paint clothes and all, and took several shots of Marilyn and me in front of the cherry tree. She was so proud of the finished results, that she decided to have the best shot enlarged. She did, to a 20 x 30 beautiful color picture and had it framed at Sue Hand's Imagery. The picture is gorgeous and adds so much to the office area and shows the library 'pink ladies' in full color. Carol King is no longer an 'amateur' photographer in my opinion. We thank Carol so much

for her dedication to our library and especially for this neat picture.

The final financial results are in from the 1991 library auction, thanks to our new treasurer, Sam Perry. The total gross was \$63,000 with bills paid of \$20,500, which gives us a net profit from the auction of \$42,500. This amount, however, is down from the proposed budget amount of \$47,500, which gives us a deficit of \$5,000 from the auction income.

The book total for '91 was \$12,638 compared with \$15,969 received in '90; however, the block total for '91 was \$37,926 and '90 was \$37,864, with accounts receivable in '90 of \$26,139 and '91 of \$28,382. Many other areas of the auction were down and expense was higher which resulted in the decrease in profit. All in all, it was a successful auction; the first billing for accounts receivable is in the mail and we begin to make plans for 1992 and the 46th annual library auction which will be held on July 9-12, Thursday through Sunday, as we go back to a four day auction.

New books at the library: "Rich As Sin" by Patrick Anderson is a passionate story of money and love, murder and revenge, one that will seize readers on its first page and hold them breathless until its shattering conclusion. It is the story of twin sisters torn apart as children and their desperate struggle to be whole again. It is the story of a brutal crime.

# Letter

## Thanks for helping kid's football

Editor:  
 On behalf of the Back Mountain Junior Football Club, the officers, board members, coaches and parents take this opportunity to sincerely thank Dr. Richard Langdon and his staff for donating their time to give our boys physicals and showing their support. It's because of support by people like them that makes us proud to know them.

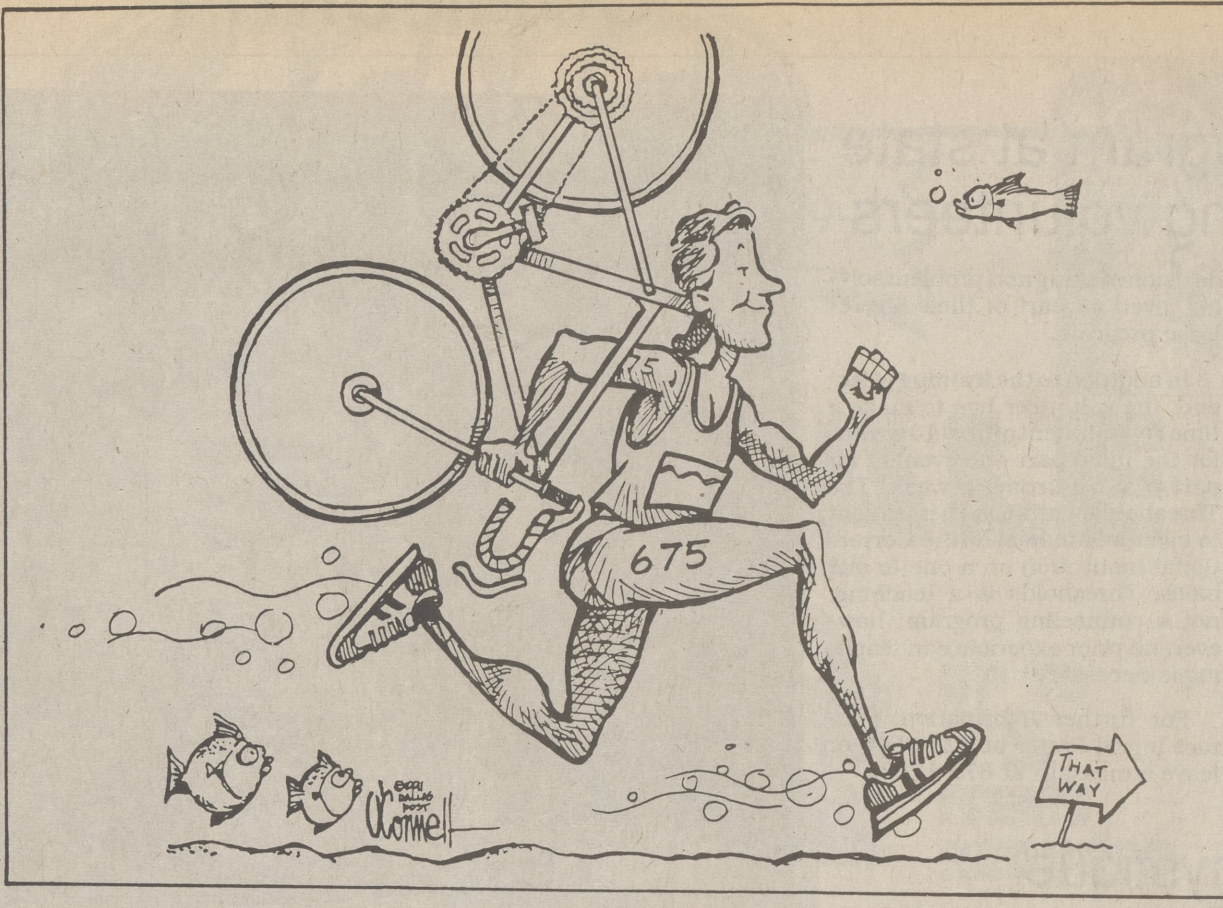
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Rooms are rearranged in the Dallas School so the entire first floor will be for the kindergarten and first, second and third grades.

**30 Years Ago - Sept. 7, 1961**  
**JACOBS WRITES FROM THE PHILIPPINES**  
 Open house at new high school draws thousands. Local service clubs to hear Dr. Wen Ten Tsao, cultural counselor to the Chinese Embassy in Washington, D.C., serving in the post since 1957. Berlin Crisis is greatest problem facing the United States, many tell Post's Inquiring Reporter. Lake-Lehman gridders set for opener against Nescopeck, Saturday. Wed - Gail Elizabeth Payne and Craig A. Bryan; Sharon J. Butler and Peter V. Lukasavage. George Jacobs, Rotary Exchange student writes to tell how he enjoys his experiences in the Philippines. College Misericordia presents Theatre 3 to Back Mountain residents. Love In A Goldfish Bowl playing at Dallas Outdoor Theatre.

**20 Years Ago - Sept. 2, 1971**  
**SCOUTS WILL CLEAN UP 309 INTERSECTION**  
 Boy Scout Troop 281 plans beautification effort at the triangle of land at the intersection of Route 415 and 309. Project manager says there will be no water, air or land pollution due to Dallas Area Municipal Authority treatment plant. Gate of Dallas Fall Fair will swing open Friday night. Lake-Lehman Band begins rehearsals. Six County 4-H clubs participate in Round-up. Wed - Karen Kaschenbach and Robert A. Griffith; Miriam E. Mohr and John R. Deem; Diane Lenore Hozempa and Bradley E. Bryant; Carol Ann Reimiller and Robert D. Elston; Abby Ann Jones and Paul L. Campbell; Allison Galletly and Edard R. Maier; Christine A. Lacy and Joseph J. Wilson. Construction to begin on Brandywine Apartments.



**NEWS ITEM -** The 10th annual Greater Wilkes-Barre Triathlon will bring the world's best professional triathletes and many local competitors to the Back Mountain Sunday, Sept. 1.

# Triathlon

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sponsoring the team.

Though Butcofski and Kuschke have gone as far as Virginia to compete in triathlons, they say that this is the big one they train for.

"In Virginia, you have a flat course and here you have all the hills," said Butcofski. In Virginia, the swimming leg of the race was also done in a pool. Here, Butcofski figures he'll have the home court advantage, as his family's boat house overlooks the swimming course at Harveys Lake.

"The first few years, we did it individually," said Kuschke. "I was never a good swimmer. The pros would be out in 17 minutes and I'd be in the upper 30's. We've always finished well under three hours. Now, as a team, we're hoping to do two and a half hours."

The event draws some of the best triathletes in the world, particularly women competitors.

Karen Smyers, defending world champion, Colleen Cannon, and Joy Hanson, all of the U.S. National Championship team, are scheduled to compete, as well as Canadian National Champion Carol Montgomery, Ironman Champion Erin Baker, and Paula Newby-Fraser, named the world's top female athlete in 1990.

Professional men scheduled to compete will include Mike Pigg, Wesley Hobson, and Rob Mackle of the US Championship Team.

"This has to be in the four star category," said Keith Martin, 44, of Shavertown. Martin, the news anchor for WBRE TV, channel 28, ought to know. He estimates he's been in 50 to 60 triathlons in the past 10 years, and founded the YMCA Triathlon in Lancaster nine years ago.

"This will be the fourth time I've done this one," said Martin. "This one is very well organized."

"I think people feel comfortable in this one if they are doing it for the first time," said Anne Holmes, of Shavertown, who teaches physical education and health classes at Penn State Wilkes-Barre.

Holmes will be swimming in this triathlon as part of a team - Mobile Holmes - with her brothers, David, of Baltimore, who will do the bicycling, and Thomas, of Scranton, who will be running.

Previously she's competed as an individual in the Wilkes-Barre triathlon for three years, and also the Lancaster, and Harrisburg triathlons.

And while she says that this the "most fun and well-organized," it's also got the toughest running course she's seen.

"The running course for Wilkes-Barre is the run from hell. I've never seen hills like that in sequence. It's a tough one for me, there's so many hills, but I won't have to do it this year," said Holmes, sounding somewhat relieved.

All of the competitors say that the triathlon provides a focus for their year-round exercise.

"I work at a very sedentary job. I spend my life at a typewriter and a telephone," said Martin. "I was coming up on the 35th birthday and I decided I wanted to do endurance sports instead of strength-related sports. The endurance sports are healthier for you, the evidence is persuasive."

For Holmes, competing has professional benefits as well.

"It helps me with my classes because if my students see me in my training then it's not just do what I say," she said. "It's setting a good example."

For Len Barcik of Dallas, doing a triathlon was like learning three new sports.

"I played baseball and jogged," said Barcik who ran his first triathlon three years ago in New Jersey. "I never ran track or biked too much."

Barcik and two co-workers from the Proctor and Gamble plant in Mehoopany having been working out together. He, Cathy Bourque and Stephen Hacker, both of Tunkhannock, will compete as individuals.

"To me it's about setting a goal, going out and accomplishing it, and it's also good for my health," said Barcik. "Leading up to it is

kind of a social thing. It's an accomplishment when it's done."

The thrill of competing with Olympic-class athletes helps make the triathlon special to Butcofski and Kuschke.

"You have a couple of thousand people waiting for you and they're wishing they could do that," said Butcofski. "And when you cross the finish line the announcer says Frank Butcofski, or Bob Kuschke of Harveys Lake."

For Martin and Holmes, the competition is more personal.

"I'm not competing with anyone but myself," said Martin. "There's

# Triathlon schedule

The 10th annual Greater Wilkes-Barre Triathlon will be Sunday, Sept. 1.

The following is a race schedule:

8:30 a.m. - The 1,500 meter swim, nine tenths of a mile, will start at the Harveys Lake Beach Club, near the Fish Commission's boat launch. The first swimmer is expected to be finished at 8:48 a.m. The 40 kilometer, or 25 mile, bicycle leg of the race begins. The bicyclists will race along the long hills of Noxen, Kunkle and Dallas Township to College Misericordia in Dallas, the bicycle finish. The routes include the Alderson-Kunkle Road, Catalpa, Demunds, Orange, Lake Louise, and Hildebrandt roads. 9:30 a.m. - Lake Street access to College Misericordia will be closed. Access to the school will be limited to Elmcrest only. 9:50 a.m. - The first bicyclist is expected to finish. The 10 kilometer run course, over 6 miles, will be along Lake Street, Country Club Road, Route 415, 42nd Street, and East Center Hill Road, Lake Street, and the college, the final finish. 10:30 a.m. - The first overall finisher is expected.

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