



A moment of peace at Harveys Lake

Photo by Grace R. Dove

## Library news

### Library Sign-up Month goal: A card in every wallet

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September is Library Card Sign-Up Month sponsored by the American Library Association and the Back Mountain Memorial Library. The program will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 8. The goal of this project is to put a library card in every adult's billfold and in every youngster's backpack or pocket. It's small enough to carry in your wallet, powerful enough to change your life. It's free of charge and simple to get...it's a library card.

The card is so valuable that we wonder why everyone doesn't have one. For children, a library card is a passport to fun and adventure...it's also the key to developing a curious mind and a

love of reading that will serve them throughout their lives. For adults, a library card is the key to lifelong learning. Library cards provide every member of the family with opportunities to lead happier, healthier, more productive lives. There is no more valuable resource in the community than your library.

If you don't already have a card, we urge you to get a card today and use it often. Stop by the Back Mountain Memorial Library to get your library card, an opportunity that can change your life.

The library will be holding Amnesty Day on Thursday, Sept. 16 from 9:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. On this day there will be no charge for any overdue books; no matter when they were due. We would hope we may find some long-lost

books turning up at the library or in the outdoor bookdrop. No fines charged on any late books. An opportunity to return that misplaced book to its library home with our thanks and at no cost to you.

New books at the library: "A Cat Abroad" by Peter Gethers recounts the further adventures of Norton, the extraordinary cat with the great Scottish Fold ears, who finds new worlds and people to conquer. This story takes the cat to the south of France for his adventures.

"The Trail of Abigail Goodman" by Howard Fast depicts the harrowing legal battle one woman must wage when she exercises her right to choose. When Abigail finds herself pregnant for a third time, she chooses to terminate

her pregnancy, and is arrested and indicted.

"Saving Grace" by Julie Garwood is the story of Lady Johanna who learned that she was a widow and vowed she would never marry again. She was only 16, gentle in nature and pure of heart, but with a composure and strength of will that would impress all who knew her.

"Just Cause" by John Katzenbach is an ambitious and most frightening thriller. Florida has an odd way of spawning killers of unique proportions. Drifters, crazies, contract murderers all find their way to Florida. They all think they're innocent, but as Matthew Cowart begins to cut through the fog of hate, fear and dubious evidence, he becomes a believer.

### Trout aren't only stocked fish in state's waters

Anglers in Pennsylvania are used to seeing in the spring months the Fish and Boat Commission's big white stocking trucks, fondly referred to as the Great White Fleet. It is during this time that Commission employees are busy stocking close to five million trout in the state's 900-plus trout streams and lakes.

But what often is not noticed is the many trips made by these same trucks to other waterways in the state during late spring and summer. These trips are destined to stock species other than trout, fish that grow to offer Keystone state anglers a variety of fishing all year-round. However, unlike the coldwater trout that are stocked as adult fish, most of these fish—referred to by fishery scientists as warmwater and coolwater fish—are stocked as small fingerlings or even smaller "fry." Fry sometimes are described as being not much more than two eyes and a wiggle and often are only weeks old when carried to their new home.

Included in this grouping are walleye, muskellunge, bass, American shad, striped bass and a variety of panfish. These fish spawn in the spring, in some cases before all of winter's ice has completely left the lakes. Most of the hatchery spawning activity takes place at the Commission's large warmwater facility near Linesville, Crawford County. The fish may be reared, however, at several other hatcheries throughout the state. And it is from these facilities that the great white fleet travels to lakes and rivers with loads of fish that include species other than trout.

The numbers of these so-called warmwater fish far exceed the numbers of trout that the Commission stocks. Whereas five million brook, brown and rain-

bow trout normally are stocked each year, this year the Commission planted more than 102 million of these "other" fish. However, unlike trout, which are stocked as adults, most of the warmwater species stocked need one to three years before they reach adult or legal minimum size.

By far the most predominate species stocked is walleye. This year, 94 million fingerling, fry and adult walleye were planted in about 140 waters throughout the state. In addition, 32,000 saugeye, a walleye hybrid, were stocked in waters in the western part of the state. More than six million American shad were raised by the Commission and stocked, primarily in the Susquehanna River Watershed. The total also includes more than 130,000 striped

bass. Channel catfish, smallmouth and largemouth bass, crappies, yellow perch, muskellunge and pickerel, among others, make up the balance. In addition to these warmwater species, the Commission also released more than 204,000 landlocked Atlantic salmon and 110,000 lake trout in limited waters between January and July of this year.

The Commission's fish culture program involves 13 fish culture stations or hatcheries and has been recognized as one of the finest programs of its kind in the nation. And while the great white fleet will continue to make the usual springtime trips to trout waters, anglers can be assured the Commission also is working to maintain and enhance a variety of other fishing opportunities as well.

### BMT Kiwanis to elect officers


On September 18, The Back Mountain Kiwanis will hold a Board of Directors meeting at The Cheshire Cat, on Route 309 at 9 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to make plans for the forthcoming installation of officers and to arrange the 1993-94 calendar year.

Clem Norman, club president will conduct the meeting and help arrange next year's calendar of events with incoming President John Rogers and his new officers who consist of Dave Crissman, first vice president; Patsy Crissman, second vice president; Susan


Stephens, secretary and Steve Klabeo, treasurer.

The club agains this year plans to participate in the bell ringing at Christmas for The Salvation Army. They also plan to hold a Christmas party for special education classes in the Back Mountain area, and continue with their weekly bingo held for the residents of Mountainside Manor Nursing Home, Dallas.

The Back Mountain Kiwanis Club meets every Saturday beginning with breakfast at 8:15 a.m. followed by their meeting at 9 a.m. in Friendly's Restaurant on Route 309-415 in Dallas.



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