

Lois Townsend held children in rapt attention when she read stories during the special Scarecrow Story Hour held Friday night at the library.



By NANCY KOZEMCHAK

The Back Mountain Memorial Library will be selling the "Entertainment '96" books at the library. The book sells for \$30.00, and includes a membership card to be signed and carried by the purchaser. The membership card will be used to obtain fine dining at a discount. The card may also be used to obtain discounts at hotels, following the instructions in the hotel directory. The coupons may be detached and presented along with your membership card by following terms specified on the coupon.

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New books at the library: "The Oxford Book of Friendship" chosen and edited by D.J. Enright and David Rawlinson. This book is divided into 12 sections, beginning with thoughts on the nature of the phenomenon, and how to keep friends and how to lose them, then moving to friendship among men, among women, between men and women (including the troubled territory where friendship modulates into love and lover yields or fails to yield to friendship), between humans and animals, in youth and in age, friendship under stress, imaginary friends, failure and betrayal, reconciliation, absence and loss. The editors have framed an account

which is as coherent and unified as the subject allows.

"The Perfect Soldier" by Ralph Peters takes on one of the most troubling episodes in recent American history: the Soviet incarceration of American POW's, and their abandonment by the United States Government. A.U.S. Army goodwill mission to a former Soviet republic has ended in terror and tragedy—one officer murdered and a second deliberately maimed. The real shock waves hit behind closed doors for whoever takes control of POWER.

"Legacies" by Janet Dailey has created a new dynasty—the Stuart and Gordon families—telling their story in a grand sweeping novel colored by history and emotions. In this breathtaking work set against the explosive backdrop of the Civil War, a part-Cherokee man and a Union officer's daughter find themselves drawn together by a desire as wild as the hot summer winds—and torn apart by a heritage of passion, feuds and unbending pride.

Church

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which will also feature music by the choir and organist Larry Sorber.

According to information supplied by the Rev. Hamilton Clemow ("Pastor Ham"), the congregation first held Sunday school and worship services in the little red schoolhouse opposite the Shepherd home and later in a new schoolhouse which replaced the original after it burned down.

The Rev. Harry F. Henry, assigned to the charge in 1919, started a building project with the foundation and a roof, which cost \$3,000, on land donated by Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Howell. The main floor housing the sanctuary, which cost \$5,894, was added after 1923 and was built of block faced with stucco. It was dedicated the week of January 1-6, 1928.

Founding families included the Martins, Myra Carlin, the Hildebrands, Benjamin Brace and trustees George Snyder, Peter Roushey, George Spencer, John Lumley and John Ross.

S. W. Newberry of East Dallas built the structure, which was designed by Fernbrook architect George Russ. Paul Shaver of Dallas did the electrical work, while Earl Monk installed the heating plant. G. H. Paddock of Kingston made the beautiful stained-glass

windows.

While gathered for a photo, lay leader Jay Bloomer, Pastor Ham and trustees Gerald Culver and Robert Moore reminisced about their memories of church's early days.

Pastor Ham grew up in the East Dallas church, where the men of the church inspired him to enter the ministry. Although assigned to other churches before returning to East Dallas in 1991, he never really left it. "Your heart is always in your home church," he said. "I'm very fortunate to return here as its pastor. Our members are good country folks, very warm, caring, concerned people who drop everything to help out when there's a need. They love their church and their Lord."

Moore recalled a special Christmas program, in which his daughter, Patricia, played Mary, his son, Keith, was Joseph and he was a Wise Man.

"We had a live donkey, which we brought into the church," he said, laughing. "The whole church was filled with people."

Bloomer met his wife, Peggy, at East Dallas, where they attended Sunday school and the MYF (Methodist Youth Fellowship). One of his best memories is the box lunch socials, in which the adults prepared lunches which were

auctioned off along with their chefs.

Moore recalled the church's pancake suppers, which are still well-attended by Back Mountain residents and friends. His cousin, retired store owner Robert Moore, made the mouth-watering sausage from a special recipe.

Sunday school, fall festivals, auctions, hay rides, ice cream socials — the list goes on.

Unfortunately the 96-member congregation is now mostly older folks, so yesteryear's activities live on mostly in memories. There aren't enough children to hold Sunday school any more.

The East Dallas Church is part of the United Methodist Carverton Charge, composed of congregations at East Dallas, Centermoreland and Dymond Hollow.

Served by one minister, each congregation elects its own administrative council to run the church, board of trustees to take care of the building and grounds and lay leader.

The lay leader at East Dallas is Jay Bloomer, while Gerald Culver heads the trustees, Mrs. Marilla Stanton heads the administrative council and Mrs. Carol Eyt heads the Women's Christian Class.

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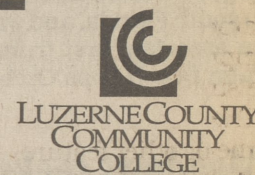
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our area up to 60 years ago.

Olga also fills in on the phones, and says, "They haven't given me a broom..yet!" There are no pets in the Kostrobala household (discounting husband Teddy) but she has her two pet hobbies; bingo and bowling. The Kostrobalas have three children, George, Donna and Gary.

Olga is another local person who helps put out the Back Mountain's hometown paper, The Dallas Post.

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