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Cindy Katyl, Back Mountain Memorial Library employee, arranges recent memorial book additions.

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## Donations of books bring lasting joy, remembrance

By CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK Post Correspondent

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DALLAS — Celebrate a life, a birth, or an occasion like Christmas. That's what more than 800 people did last year when they purchased a memorial or honor book for the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Books of general interest that stand the test of time, classics, or reference books are good addi-

tions to the library's shelves said Martha Butler, library director. A \$25 donation lets the librarian purchase and choose an outstanding, timely book for the shelves, but the donation may be specified to buy a book by a special author or selection in a specific area of interest

The library will accept used books but reserves the right to add it to the permanent collection or sell it in the bookstore. All donations are more than welcome.

Commemorative books represent 27 percent of additions to the library's new book collection every year, Butler said. Gifts can also be arranged through a will or designated by an attorney and

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## Center St. bridge project delayed

In surprise, land may need to be purchased, perhaps raising cost

By RONALD BARTIZEK Post Staff

KINGSTON TWP. — The Center Street bridge reconstruction project is definitely getting slower.

It also may become more expensive. The project, which was to begin this month, has been postponed for a year. "We're waiting for reviews to come back from PennDOT," said Dave Fetterman of Borton Lawson Engineers.

The supervisors learned just a couple of weeks ago that some land may have to be acquired in order to widen the roadway to three lanes as it crosses a bridge at the intersection with Route 309. This was the first time since planning for the project began several years ago that land acquisition was mentioned.

Eddie O'Neill, township Manager, said the issue came up when he and Zoning Officer Bill Eck were reviewing property owned by Dr. Francis Collini, who had asked for a setback variance for an addition. That building is on the south side of East Center Street.

The supervisors are upset that the issue has come up so late in the game.

"This is completely news to me," said Chris Yankovich, chairman, at a meeting last week. He said the subject didn't come up at two onsite inspections of the area with township engineer Chris Borton. Yankovich said he also

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## Giving spring a boost

On a recent chilly day, Norm Darling Sr. sat in one of his greenhouses, preparing plants that will soon be set into warm soil (we hope!) by gardeners and landscapers who have waited longer than they'd like for seasonal weather to show up.

## Students win History Day awards

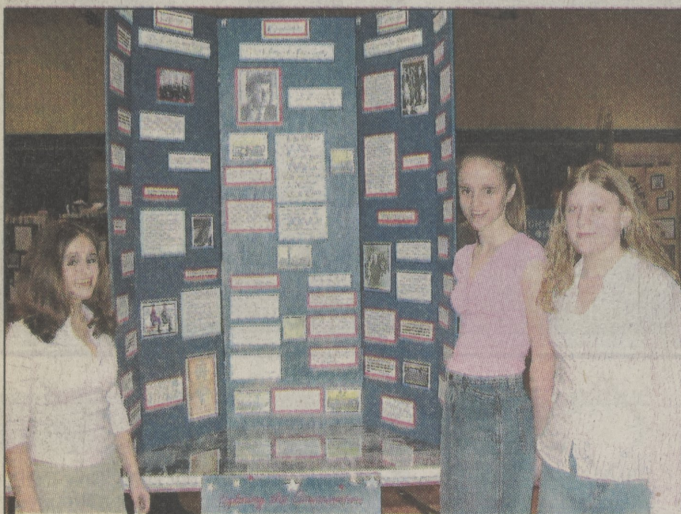
By M.B. GILLIGAN Post Correspondent

LEHMAN TWP. — Lake-Lehman Senior High School sent 52 students to compete against students from seven other local high schools at the Regional Competition of History Day, held on April 3 at Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus. Twenty-three of those students earned the right to move on to the state level of competition.

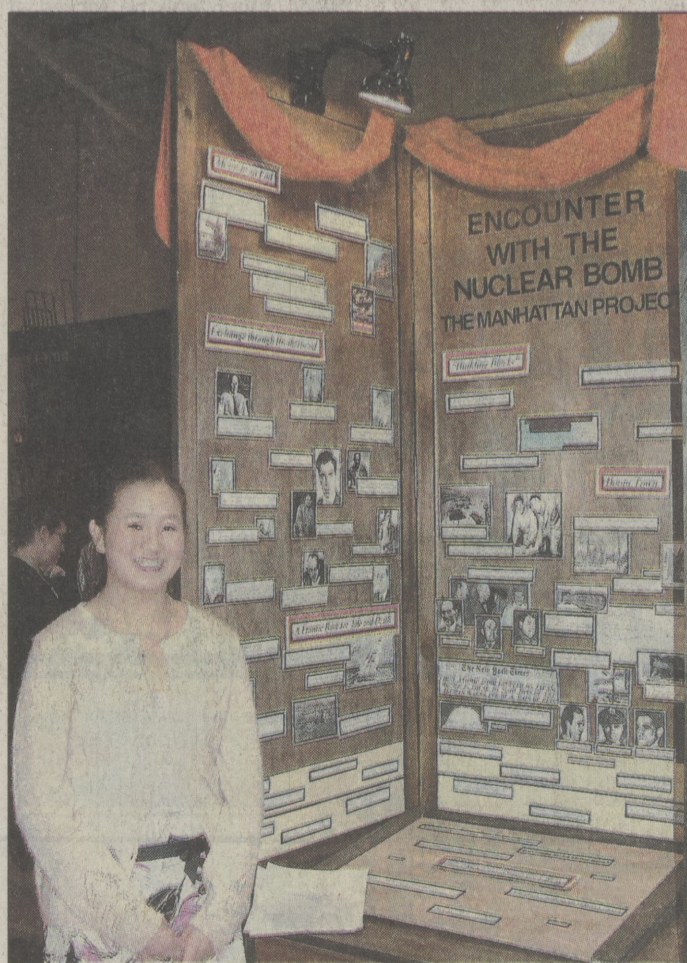
"The students start work-

ing on History Day in September and we have a school-wide competition first," said Michael Novrocki, high school moderator at Lake-Lehman, where freshmen and juniors work on the event in their honors classes. "They are judged and we give them ideas for improving their projects. The best ones move on to the regional competition."

Novrocki, a graduate of See HISTORY, pg 2



Lake-Lehman High School students Elyse Benoit, Kelsey Cole and Amanda Gongleski, presented a group exhibit about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.



Dallas High School senior Kimberly Reisch took second place in the Senior Individual Exhibit division with her presentation, "Encounter with the Nuclear Bomb: The Manhattan Project."

## Volunteer cleanup will lay groundwork for 'greenway'

By RONALD BARTIZEK Post Staff

DALLAS — A stretch of Toby's Creek will be spruced up Saturday, in what organizers hope is the beginning of a trend.

The volunteer cleanup has been organized by the Wyoming Valley Watershed Coalition, a program of the Pennsylvania Environmental Council, with support from a wide variety of other groups and Dallas Borough.

Holly Frederick, project manager at the council office in Luzerne, said last week the stream and its banks present a lesser challenge than do some remote waterways.

"It's not a dumping ground," she said. She likened Saturday's event to cleaning up a yard or roadside after the winter.

The main focus will be a section that parallels Lake Street, from Memorial Highway to the Commonwealth Telephone offices. That is an area that has been targeted by the Anthracite Scenic Trails Association for construction of a walking route between the borough center and College Misericordia.

"We could have a beautiful

### Toby's Creek Cleanup

Sat. April 24  
8 a.m.-12 noon  
Meet at Commonwealth Telephone parking lot, Lake St., Dallas  
To find out more, volunteer, or to donate services, supplies or refreshments, call 718-6507. A registration form is available at www.wvwc.org

### Back Mountain Trail Cleanup

Sat. April 24  
9 a.m.-12 noon  
Meet at D.A.M.A. property, northbound Rt. 309, Trucksville

greenway," said Judy Rimple, executive director of the trail group, which is negotiating with adjacent property owners, including Commonwealth Telephone, for rights-of-way. "Things are going well" in the negotiations, she said. Rimple said Ecumenical Enterprises, the operator of the Meadows Nursing Center, is enthusiastic about the trail, which would cut through the Meadows property on its way to the college.

The next step is obtaining a grant that would fund a feasibility

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