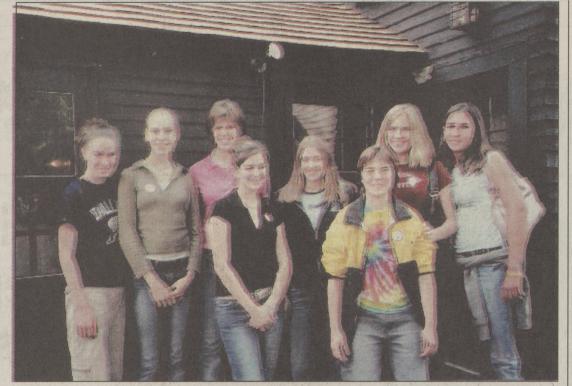
### **Girls Scouts** visit Salem

Members of Girl Scout Troop 2480 from St. Therese's Church recently took a trip to Salem, Massachusetts. They enjoyed a candlelight tour of the city with a historian, reenactments of the Salem witch trials, and a tour of Nathaniel Hawthorn's family home. Pictured in front of The House of the Seven Gables, where they climbed the secret staircase, are, from left: Katie Gilligan, Amy Vodzak, Samantha Marquart, Lauren Yurko, Rachel Symons, Amanda Musto, Nicole Madden, and Megan Youells.



#### MOVERS & SHAKERS

Mary Kolessar Shavertown has been appointed Associate Director



Marketing at Wyoming Seminary Lower School. graduate of King's College, where she

earned a B.S. degree in accounting, she has served as a substitute teacher at Lower School since 2003. Prior to that, she was assistant vice president and manager of internal accounting control for CoreStates Financial Corporation, Philadelphia.

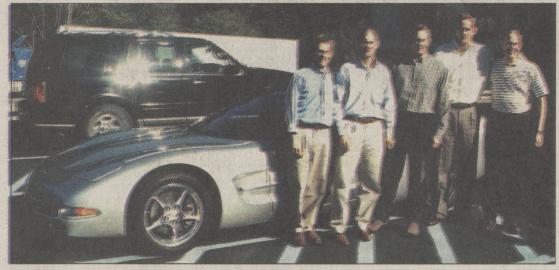
Jane Balavage, Dallas, a Registered Dental Hygienist, has been named a recipient of



award of distinction, sponsored by the Sunstar Butler company and RDH magazine, the

world's most

this year's



#### Connolly wins convertible Corvette

Richard Connolly of Dallas was awarded for his outstanding recruiting performance in 2004. Connolly is an account executive for "MRI-Wilkes-Barre." The company, Management Recruiters of Wilkes-Barre, recently presented Connolly with a 2004 silver and black convertible Corvette. The partners of MRI-Wilkes-Barre, Charles Eckman, Mark Whitesell, Mike Murray, and Bill Leandri, presented Connolly with the Corvette. From left, Murray, Eckman, Connolly, Whitesell and Leandri.

widely read dental hygiene magazine.

The award was presented at the recent RDH "Under One Roof" Dental Hygiene Summer Conference in Norfolk, Va.

Balavage was one of outstanding dental hygienists hon-

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ored for the differences they have made in helping patients lead healthier lives, and how they serve their community through charitable efforts.

In practice for more than 28 years, Balavage holds a BS degree in Dental Hygiene from

Temple University School of Dental Hygiene. She is a member of the Northeast Dental Hygiene Association, Pennsylvania Dental Hygienists' Association, and American Dental Hygienists'

## 55 Alive driving course at Grange

A 55-Alive safe driving course will be given Oct. 19 and Nov. 9 at Mountain Grange 567, Carverton, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. Preregistration is required; call 287-6354 or 654-1947.

The cost is \$10, payable to AARP. Upon completion, each participant receives a certificate that qualifies the driver for a discount of 5 to 15 percent on auto insurance. If the policy is written in more than one name and both are age 55 or more, both must take the course in order to earn the reduction.

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## Junior League board members

New board members were seated recently by the Junior League of Wilkes-Barre. Pictured from left: Recording Secretary Renee Boland; President-elect Heidi Schukraft; President Cheryl O'Hara and Corresponding Secretary Amy Cook. Boland, Schukraft and O'Hara live in the Back Mountain. Future volunteerism events include work at the Kirby House, St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen, Catherine McAuley House, Children and Youth and the Luzerne County Head Start. The Junior League reaches out to women who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism. For information on membership, call 288-4818.

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# New books added at Back **Mountain Memorial Library**

Mountain Back Library, Memorial Huntsville Road, Dallas, announces the addition of the following books to their collec-

Express: Are You Afraid of the Dark?, by Sidney Sheldon.

Fiction: Light on Snow, by Anita Shreve; The Prince of Beverly Hills, by Stuart Woods; Truth and Beauty, by Ann Patchett; Are You Afraid of the Dark?, by Sidney Sheldon; Sandstorm, by James Rollins; Don't Move, by Margaret Mazzantini; Going Postal, by Terry Pratchett; Blue Blood, by Edward Conlon; The Gift, by Nora Roberts; Shopaholic and Sister, by Sophie Kinsella; The Real Deal, by Fern Michaels; The Rocky Road to Romance,

by Janet Evanovich; Charmed and Enchanted, by Nora Roberts.

Non-fiction: What Your Doctor May Not Tell You About Colorectal Cancer, by Mark Bennett Pochapin; Fodor's France, Fodor's Paris, Fodor's Canada: Garden Insects of North America, by Whitney Cranshaw; The Essential Book of Jewish Festival Cooking, by Phyllis Glazer; The School Among the Ruins, by Adrienne Cecile Rich.

Biography: Alice Walker, by Evelyn White.

DVD's: Pale Male; Ireland; Land of the Falling Lakes; Holy Cow; Conversation with Koko; Diamonds; San Diego Zoo.

Audiotapes: Shoulder Sky, by Anne Perry.



Teen participants, who attended a final open-book discussion included, from left, first row: Caila Sherin and Mallory Trojan. Second row: Mrs. Janet Bauman, Young Adult Coordinator, Elizabeth Hildebrand, Virginia Reinert, Katelyn Reinert, and

Others not shown were: Heather Chulick, Erin Gittens, John Sweeney, Amy Heindel, Amanda Kocher, Lindsey Williams, Andrea Butchko.

## Teens complete summer reading and 'We the People' books

Several teens from the Back Mountain Memorial Library successfully completed the first annual summer reading program for young adults, "Relax and Read." The teens read books of their choice in addition to numerous books of the "We the People Bookshelf."

As they completed the books, the teens wrote reviews that were posted in the library for other teens to read. Prizes were awarded.

The library was awarded the 2004 "We the People Bookshelf" earlier in the summer and incorporated the books in every summer reading program presented by the

library. The Bookshelf is a collection of 15 books on the theme "courage."

The National Endowment for the Humanities in cooperation with the American Library Association offers the program to encourage young people to read and understand great literature while exploring themes in American history.

The books are according to grade level an they are identified by "We th People Bookshelf" bookplates. Patrons are encouraged to borrow and read these selections to learn more about American history and important ideas in American Culture.

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