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Boxes of books for Noxen library

By CHARLOTTE BARTIZEK Post Correspondent

NOXEN — Dan Savage and Brittany Prater hardly had time to put boxes containing 5,347 children's books on the floor of the Noxen library before Morgan Coburn and Karli Coole came by to check out what was there. "She likes books about monkeys," said 8-year-old Morgan about her friend, herself holding an armful of animal books.

Savage and Prater, friends since their days at Dallas Elementary School, collected the used children's books as their completion project at Dallas High School, under the direction of Dr. Gil Griffiths.

The inspiration for the project came from Savage's older sister, whose sen-



As Dan Savage and Brittany Prater unloaded books they collected for the Noxen library, Morgan Coburn and Karli Coole came by to check them out.

dred books also went to the Boys and Girls Club of Exeter.

The twosome organized a five-day book drive in the four Dallas schools during March. Gift certificates to Toys Dan's mother. The books overwhelmed the family's dining room. "I guess we won't be eating Easter dinner in the dining room this year," Savage recalled saying. teer Helen Schwartz. "Is it really that many books? My goodness!" exclaimed Jane Race, another library volunteer. "We'll get through it, we'll handle them," said Race while she

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Neighbors to plant say noise unabated

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Since April 2004, people living near the Pulverman plant have complained about pounding and thumping sounds.

> By CAMILLE FIOTI Post Correspondent

DALLAS TWP. — Despite what the owner of Pulverman Enterprises says is more than \$70,000 invested in noise suppression measures, residents near the plant say pounding and thumping sounds continue to make life miserable.

Neighbors of the Lower Demunds Road plant have been waiting more than a year for the sounds to go away. Heavy presses that shape sheet metal

Orchard View Terrace resident

Gilbert Griffiths said the pounding

noise is just as loud as it was a year

in the plant produce the noises.

or project sent donated books to an sland in the South Pacific. "We thought we'd keep the project a little more local," Savage said. A few hun-

R' Us were given to the three top donors. "But never in their wildest dreams did they think they'd have this many books," said Kathleen Savage, Savage and Coburn agree the project was a lot of work. But the chore of cataloguing, filing and tagging the books will be the job of library volun-

offered to make some tea for visitors.

The Noxen library's main collection holds about 20,000 books — all donated — said Race.

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Auction committee adds some new features

The

Auction

By JENNIFER JUDGE YONKOSKI Post Correspondent

Members of the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction Committee have a few new tricks up their sleeves this year. The group will be adding new fundraisers to regulars such as the grill and basket raffles that have joined the auction tradition.

One, a pin sale, has already begun to raise funds for the library. The black and white square pins that boldly announce, "The Auction's alive in '05!" can be purchased at the library or at Fino's Pharmacy for a \$2 donation. Carol Sweeney, publicity chairperson and pin coordinator, explains the pins

will replace t-shirts that had been sold in previous years.

"Between my husband and I, with all the fundraisers we've done, we have a closet full of shirts," she says. "The pins are like a novelty, something different and new."

Paul Nicholson, auction committee chairman, came up with the slogan and Precision

Litho-Graphics handled the project. Sweeney sees this becoming a regular part of the auction. "These pins can become collectibles," she says. "Anybody can wear them. We don't have to worry about size. We can all be walking advertisements for the auction." She reminds collectors that pin quantities are limit-

Pins, at \$2 each, Children's crafts help support the auction, and coordinator Carol

the library. Hadsall has joined with volunteers Sandy Race and Lori Monk to create a new attraction at this year's auction — a pie-in-the-face

booth. The group is seeking school district volunteers from teachers to principals to coaches to get a pie in the face for charity. Interested people can contact the library.

"The teenagers stand around and don't do anything," Hadsall says. "We're hoping to give them something to do."

Teens can buy wet sponges at three for \$1 to throw at teachers, coaches, or principals. At the top of each hour, chances to hit the volunteer with a pie will be raffled.

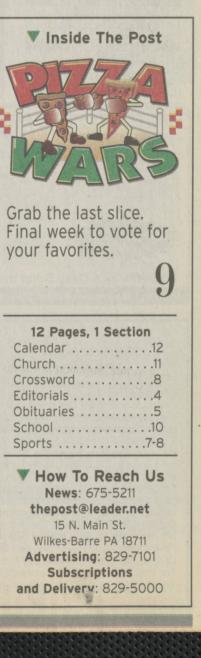
A third new addition to the auction is a 50/50 raffle. Each night of the auc-

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Graduation week

Dallas High School graduation ceremonies will be held Friday, June 10, at 6 p.m., at Mountaineer Stadium. Inclement weather will move them to the middle school.

Lake-Lehman High School will graduate the Class of 2005 Wednesday, June 8, at 6 p.m., at Edward Edwards Stadium. If there's rain, the event will move into the high school.



SHOW-OFFS Fire department will display new truck

New tanker, other equipment will be shown, and hoping to entice more members.

By RONALD BARTIZEK Post Staff

JACKSON TWP. — The Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department is having a christening of sorts. The department's newest addition, a 2005 Peterbilt tanker, will be on display during an open house today at the fire hall, along with other equipment.

Chief Dan Manzoni said the new truck, which cost \$244,000 to buy and equip, replaces a 1974 model that was on its last legs. "It was nickel and diming us to death," he said.

The tanker is able to carry 3,800 gallons of water, more than twice the combined volume of the department's other two engines, a 1977 Ward LaFrance and a 1989 Pierce Lance.

Manzoni said there is no standard pumping rate — "It depends on the fire" — but it would be common to have two lines going at 140 gallons per **OPEN HOUSE**

Jackson Township Vol. Fire Dept. Sunday, June 5 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the fire hall, 1160 Chase Road Displays, children's activities, free refreshments

minute. If required, the trucks could pump as much as 1,500 gallons per minute.

Most of the new truck's cost was covered by a \$176,850 federal grant through the Department of Homeland Security. The rest has come from fundraisers and the sale of the old tanker, Manzoni said. "Right now, the truck's paid for."

The department, incorporated in 1948, lists 22 volunteers, but Manzoni said only about 13 are active responders, a typical number for recent years.

Manzoni began as a junior firefighter in 1976, and has been involved ever since. Like several others, his ability to respond is limited because he works in

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They love a parade

Darren Ford, Courtney Wagner, Cassidy Ford and Tracy Ford from Shavertown enjoyed the Dallas Memorial Day parade from the back of their pickup truck. More photos on page 3.