

Ide family to reunite June 25 for 103rd time

Family genealogy, 15 generations deep, is being updated.

The Ide Reunion Committee is currently finalizing plans for the 103rd family reunion to be held June 25, at Francis Slocum State Park, Pavilion #1. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish for the traditional common buffet which will begin at noon. The theme for this year's reunion is "We Are Family." Attendees are requested to bring either a family heirloom, or a picture of a family heirloom or ancestor and tell something about them.

The committee is in the process of updating the family genealogy. "It's a gigantic undertaking," said Audrey Ide, who is helping to coordinate the effort.

The record was last updated in 1992. The genealogy has been traced back 15 generations to Devonshire, England and includes 1,464 surnames. Although the family database is extensive, there are gaps. Anyone who is an Ide descendant and has not received a notification of the reunion may contact the Ide Reunion Committee, c/o Willis Ide, 17 Oak Drive, Dallas, PA 18612.

Anyone who is unable to attend the reunion, but has genealogy information that should be included in the new book, may forward it to the committee. The goal is to include all descendants in this updated genealogy and renew contact with "dozens of cousins" who have missed previous reunions.

Cleary promoted to 1st Lieutenant

U.S. Army 1st Lt. Michael J. Cleary was promoted to his current rank while serving in Iraq. He is commander of 2nd Platoon, E Co., 1st/15th Inf, 3rd Inf Division. Prior to his promotion, he was S-5/Tactical Psyops Team Leader. While in Iraq, Cleary has been awarded the Combat Action Badge, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, and three campaign medals.

A 1999 graduate of Dallas Senior High School, Cleary enlisted in the Army in June 2003, immediately after graduation from Hamilton College. Upon completion of Basic Training and promotion to SGT, he graduated from Officer Candidate School at Ft. Benning, GA. He subsequently graduated from the Combat Engineer Basic Course, the Sapper Leader Course, the Airborne School, and the British SAS Counter-terrorism School.

His unit was deployed to Iraq in January 2005.

While home in May, Cleary and Erin Colleen Kavanagh announced their engagement. He is the son of Marianne and Jack Cleary of Dallas.



1st Lt. Michael J. Cleary



Summer Reading Game has dragon theme

The theme for this year's Summer Reading Game for first to eighth graders at the Back Mountain Memorial Library is "Dragons, Dreams & Daring Deeds."

These special events are being held this summer for game participants: June 23, 10 a.m. at the library. Bike and Helmet Safety Program sponsored by Sickler's Bike and Sport Shop of Exeter. No daring deeds, it's all about safe riding. Park in front of the library and have children walk bikes around to the back parking lot.

June 24, 10:30 a.m. on the campus of King's College in the Sheehy-Farmer Campus Center. See breathtaking feats of daring deeds with magic and illusion that will bring books to life. This event is open to children from all county libraries.

The stunning castle was made by local volunteers Victoria Grayboski and Cindy Lohman. It features prominently in the Summer Reading Game - just open a door and get your first reading assignment.

Shown, from left: Janet Bauman, children's librarian; Mark Schechter, Taylor Schechter, Christina Valenti, Alex McCarthy, and Courtney McCarthy.

Evening story hours planned for toddlers

Mothers are reminded that in addition to the regular daytime story hours at The Back Mountain Memorial Library, there will be evening story hours starting the week of June 20 for toddlers (2 years old) on Tuesdays from 6 to 6:30 p.m. and for 3- to 5-year-olds Wednesdays from 6 to 7 p.m. Call the library, 675-1182 to register.

New books at Back Mountain Library

The Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, announces the addition of the following books to their collection:

EXPRESS LOAN (1 WEEK)

"The Hot Kid," by Elmore Leonard; "Appaloosa," by Robert B. Parker; "Marker," by Robin Cook; "The Twelfth Card," by Jeffery Deaver.

FICTION

"Black Rose," by Nora Roberts; "The Twelfth Card," by Jeffery Deaver; "Marker," by Robin Cook; "The Position," by Meg Wolitzer; "Lexi James and the Council of Girlfriends," by Melissa Jacobs; "Lone Calder Star," by Janet Dailey; "Appaloosa," by Robert B. Parker; "The Hot Kid," by Elmore Leonard; "The Black Angel," by John Connolly.

NONFICTION

"1776," by David G. McCullough; "I Heard You Paint Houses," by Charles Brandt.

STORY COLLECTION

"Transgressions," edited by Ed McBain.

LARGE PRINT FICTION

"A Long Long Way," by Sebastian Barry; "The Real Mother," by Judith Michael.

REFERENCE

"World of Animals: mammals," by Pat Morris; "Edmunds Used Cars and Trucks Buyer's Guide 2005"; "The World Book Encyclopedia 2005."

YOUNG ADULT

"Where I Want to Be," by Adele Griffin.



Kingston Township honors Woolbert

The Kingston Township Board of Supervisors recently honored Charles Woolbert for more than 27 years of service as a member of the Public Works Department. Woolbert, who is retiring, was given a plaque in recognition of his service.

Attending the presentation were, from left: Don Fritzges, road superintendent; Carl Goodwin, township supervisor; Paul Sabol, township supervisor; Woolbert; Jeffrey Box, township supervisor; David Jenkins, township supervisor; Chris Yankovich, township supervisor; Eddie O'Neill, township manager.

Dallas Borough lawn care ordinance

Dallas Borough property owners are reminded of the borough ordinance requiring the appropriate maintenance of their lawns. The Dallas Borough Code states that owners or occupants of properties within the borough are required to cut grass and weeds growing on their property. The Dallas Borough enforcement officer will conduct routine inspections throughout the borough during the summer season. Failure to comply with the ordinance may result in enforcement action resulting in the possible assessment of fines and penalties for properties that fail to comply with the regulations.

Please refer questions pertaining to the enforcement of borough regulations to the Dallas Borough administrative offices at 675-1389.

Walking program on Wednesdays

A recreational exercise program for individuals with or without arthritis takes place every Wednesday in Dallas. Walk With Ease is based on the latest research in exercise science and is a practical and useful resource for individuals who want to actively manage their health. The program will assist participants in boosting energy, reducing stress and reaching weight management goals. Participants will receive incentives as they progress through the program. This program is supported by a grant from The Blue Ribbon Foundation of Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

The Arthritis Foundation will be offering a free community Walk With Ease program in Dallas. To obtain a registration packet, contact Leigh Ann Wiedlich, Regional Health Educator, at 823-2888 or (800) 355-9040 ext. 150. Pre-registration is required. Acceptance is on a first-come, first-served basis. Class size is limited.

Altherrs welcome a baby boy

Stephen and Debra Altherr of Pittsburgh, formerly of Shavertown, announce the birth of their son, Graydon Erich Altherr, on April 5 at Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh. Graydon joins brothers Everett and Harris, and sisters Elizabeth and Madelene.

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