

## NEW BOOKS

The following memorial books have been added to the collection at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas.

For more information, call the library at 675-1182.

## MEMORIAL BOOKS

In memory of Nancy Wilson: "National Geographic Prehistoric Mammals" by Alan Turner, presented by General Federation of Women's Clubs Luzerne County.

In memory of Nancy Wilson: "The Kid's Guide to Digital Photography" by Jenni Bidner, presented by General Federation of Women's Clubs Luzerne County.

In memory of Nancy Wilson: "Alone in the World: orphans and orphanages in America" by Catherine Reef, presented by General Federation of Women's Clubs Luzerne County.

The following books are in memory of Nancy Kozemchak and are presented by The Clifford Kozemchak family:

"Under the Persimmon Tree" by Suzanne Fisher Staples

"The Vacation" by Polly Horvath

"Babe: the gallant pig" by Dick King-Smith

"Bruh Rabbit and the Tar Baby Girl" by Virginia Hamilton

"The Librarian of Basra: a true story from Iraq" by Jeanette Winter

"The Journey of the One and Only Declaration of Independence"

by Judith St. George

"The Loathsome Dragon" by David Wiesner

"Borka: the adventures of a goose with no feathers" by John Burningham

"The Pea Blossom" by Amy Lowry Poole

"Big Sister, Little Sister" by Leuyen Pham

"Mother Teresa" by Demi

"Shhhhh! Everybody's Sleeping" by Julie Markes

"Pearl's New Skates" by Holly Keller

"Ruby Lee the Bumblebee" by Dawn Matheson

"Freight Train" by Donald Crews

"Lunch Money" by Andrew Clements

## MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

• On Oct. 13, 1792, the cornerstone is laid for a presidential residence in the newly designated capital city of Washington. The executive mansion soon became known as the "White House" because its white-gray Virginia freestone contrasted strikingly with the red brick of nearby buildings.

• On Oct. 12, 1810, Bavarian Crown Prince Louis marries and invites the citizens of Munich to attend the festivities. The decision to repeat the festivities in the subsequent year gave rise to the tradition of the annual Oktoberfest.

• On Oct. 14, 1912, in Milwaukee, Theodore Roosevelt is shot at close range by saloonkeeper John Schrank. The .32-caliber bullet failed to mortally wound the former president because its force was slowed by a speech manuscript in Roosevelt's breast pocket.

• On Oct. 11, 1929, "They Had to See Paris" opens in New York, the first sound film starring Will Rogers. Until the development of cinema sound, his ingenious verbal wit kept him more popular onstage than on-screen. Rogers later served as mayor of Beverly Hills.

• On Oct. 16, 1946, in a move that pleases millions of Americans, President Harry Truman lifts price controls on meat. With World War II quickly receding into memory, Truman saw fit to wean the nation from the austere economic diet that the government had devised to fight wartime inflation.

• On Oct. 15, 1966, in McKinney, Texas, a 75-year-old male driver reportedly received 10 traffic tickets, drove on the wrong side of the road four times, committed four hit-and-run offenses, and caused six accidents, all within 20 minutes.

• On Oct. 10, 1973, Spiro Agnew becomes the first U.S. vice president to resign in disgrace. Later the same day, he pleaded no contest to a charge of federal income tax evasion in exchange for the dropping of charges of political corruption.

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## STRANGE BUT TRUE

• The first electric blanket, made in the 1920s, would cost more than \$4,500 when calculated in today's dollars.

• A dating service called "It's Just Lunch" recently conducted a survey of 7,809 singles, and some of the findings might surprise you. Everyone has heard the saying, "Gentlemen prefer blondes," but it seems that's really only true in Southern California, where 67 percent of men prefer women with lighter hair; everywhere else, 76 percent of respondents actually liked brunettes better. With three-quarters of the vote, long straight hair beat out curls, which only 8 percent of men prefer.

• It's been reported that President Theodore Roosevelt boxed regularly in the White House gym.

• Sir Alexander Fleming is famed as the discoverer of penicillin. He also once remarked, "A good gulp of hot whiskey at bedtime - it's not very scientific, but it helps."

• Every schoolchild knows that the Mayflower brought the Pilgrims to the New World. But many people don't realize how crowded the 90-foot-long ship was - all 102 passengers had to spend the voyage in the cargo hold. The passengers did get a lucky break, though: On a previous voyage the Mayflower had carried a cargo of wine, so their quarters at least smelled good. Imagine if the ship had previously been used to transport livestock.

• When the space shuttle is launched, it takes only eight minutes for it to reach a speed of 17,000 miles per hour.

• We owe a lot to the 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis. That was where cotton candy was introduced, and so was the ice-cream cone, hot dog rolls and hamburger buns. I wonder what people put their wieners and patties on before that?

Thought for the Day: "The man who lets himself be bored is even more contemptible than the bore." - Samuel Butler



Attack of the gourds. Sounds like a scary science fiction movie. But you better get used to them. Because for the next few months - at roadside produce stands, at local farms, and in stores - you're likely to see gourds, gourds and more gourds.

## LIBRARY NEWS

## Library to celebrate Halloween with special events

By CAROL KING  
Library Volunteer

The Back Mountain Memorial Library will be transformed in part to celebrate the upcoming holiday. The event will be held during the last two weekends of October: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 21-23 and 28-30. The hours are 6-11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; and 5-9 p.m. Sundays.

The admission is \$6.

The beginners crocheting class which began on Sept. 24 at the library will continue from 9:45-11 a.m. Saturdays throughout October. Participants may make a scarf or a napkin as a first project. They should bring a 5H or J crochet hook and a skein of yarn.

Recommendations will be given about purchasing materials needed for their projects. Advance registration is required be-

cause the class size is limited. To register, call 675-1182 or visit the library.

Janet Bauman, children's librarian and coordinator of Young Adult programs, reports that the week of Oct. 16 will be a teen read week entitled "Get Real!" Teens are invited to stop at the library to see the new and expanded YA section.

The Friends of the Library will hold its next meeting at 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14 in the Community Room. If you are new in the Back Mountain area and are looking for a volunteer outlet, you are welcome to attend and become acquainted with the group and the many activities in which it is involved.

Library director Martha Butler asks that goods for the "Odds and Ends" booth for next year's auction be brought to the library

from 3-5 p.m. Saturdays. This is the only time items will be accepted.

The second Book Discussion group at the library, organized by Jane Kishbaugh, is under way. It's called "The Three R's" and meets the second Monday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon in the Community Room.

In September, the group members read "John Adams" by David McCullough. Books for the rest of the year are, "East of Eden" by John Steinbeck (Oct. 10); "The Photograph" by Penelope Lively (Nov. 14); and "Shepherds Abiding", by Jan Karon (Dec. 12).

Call the library if you are interested in joining The Three R's group.

The members of the original book discussion group, established in 1995, now have a challenge to choose a name to avoid

confusing with the new group. The group meets on the last Monday of each month. All members as asked to attend the meeting Oct. 31 to select a name.

The group recently discussed "What Was She Thinking? (Notes on a Scandal)" by Zoe Heller at the September meeting. Many of the members disliked it. One member felt that reading it was a waste of time. Others in the group found redeeming qualities, such as the thorough delineation of the characters.

The Back Mountain Memorial Library is seeking copies of old Lake-Lehman and Dallas High School yearbooks, as well as any old historical data about the Back Mountain area.

The material will be archived at the library, which means that it will not be circulated and will be available for research for years to come.

70 YEARS AGO  
Oct. 11, 1935

DALLAS TWP. MAN  
LOSES BEST FRIEND

Inseparable companions for 11, Adolph Schneider, a blind accordion player from Dallas Township, and his German shepherd dog Daisy were separated by death this week. Daisy, who was injured a year ago

while saving her master from a fire in Tennessee died in Schneider's arms while they were returning from Detroit.

Mr. Schneider, who is 57, lives in bungalow on Claude Street. He, his wife, and a young man who drives their car travel about the country sharing meager earnings.

Elaborate renovations are being made to the Dallas Methodist Church of which Rev. Francis Freeman is pastor, and when completed the changes will give the congregation attractive new facilities for the social activities of church organizations.

Because of the renovations, the 10 a.m. Sunday school service and the 11 a.m. church service will be held in Dallas Borough High School on Sunday. There will be no evening service. The Epworth League will meet at the parsonage for a discussion group.

Richard Templin, a Dallas youth who is serving with the U.S. Army in the Panama Canal Zone, reached his parents through short wave radio this week, thanks to the vigilance of the Berwick amateur who picked up the zone's Station

K5AA.

Templin has been studying radio at Panama and this week he broadcast a message addressed to his parents. J.H. Stemeling of Berwick picked it out of the air and mailed it to the Templins.

60 YEARS AGO  
Oct. 12, 1945

TRUCKSVILLE FIRE CO.  
ADDS NEW MEMBERS

Continued interest in the activities of Trucksville Volunteer Fire Company is manifested with the announcement of the acceptance of seven more members. During the membership drive in the spring, more than 140 new members were enrolled, to bring the total membership to one of the highest points in the company's history.

At the meeting last week, the following additional new members were accepted: Paul Hughes, Harold Shappelle, Ezra Hoover, Fred Geenly, Richard Seymour, Sterling Riemann, and Walter Palmer.

Four smooth-haired terrier puppies were sold Tuesday by Mrs. Margaret McCottle of Merricourt Kennels, Shavertown, to Robert Neff well-known fancier and judge at Dog Shows throughout the east. Mr. Neff's home is in Westbury Long Island. Mr. Neff, is the owner of Archibald of Fenbor, a puppy from a previous Merricourt litter b the same parents.

Archibald of Fenbor has been written up in leading dog magazines as the best puppy on the circuit and has been either winner or reserve winner in every show in which he has been entered.

A 6-year-old who was struck Wednesday afternoon in front of her home at Hillside was de-

clared dead at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Casterline had come from Trucksville grade school and started across the highway in front of Harters Dairy to visit her playmate, Janet Fox when she was struck.

50 YEARS AGO  
Oct. 7, 1955

DALLAS FIREMEN  
DOUSE CHIMNEY FIRE

Sunday at midnight, 15 Dallas firemen answered at call to Lutes Corners, intersection of Routes 309 and 29, where Paul Coolbaugh was battling a chimney fire for Mrs. George Buckingham, who was alone in the house with a young baby. Her husband had left for his employment in Delaware some hours previous.

The fire held in check by water before arrival of chemical apparatus had worked out of a cinder block chimney supported on a wooden platform in the attic of the one story structure. It was quickly extinguished. Fire Chief James Besecker said there was no damage to rooms or furnishings beneath.

Mary Kreidler, Lehman-Jackson Ross High School, is eligible to compete in the Luzerne County apple-baking contest October 13 at Hazle Township High School. She won the home-making department contest in her own school September 29, with an apple cobbler.

Other contestants were: Jane Cave and Jacqueline Keener, who baked pies; Eleanor Rodriguez, apple dumplings; and Naomi Murray with ad apple-roll which came close to winning the prize.

Huntsville Christian Church began last spring the building of a second story over the church

basement to be used for an educational unit. The work nears completion and will be ready for dedication on Oct. 16 in celebration of the 112th anniversary of the dedication of the original building. The new construction adds considerable seating space to the sanctuary, provides six class rooms, a choir room and an office.

40 YEARS AGO  
Oct. 14, 1965

IDETOWN METHODIST  
100TH ANNIVERSARY

A weeklong celebration of the 100th anniversary of Idetown Methodist Church will be climaxed by special events both Saturday and Sunday. Homecoming Night, Oct. 9 will begin at 7:45 with an organ recital by Judy Bergstrasser, former organist of the church now attending Millersville College.

During the evening service the new Allen organ will be dedicated by former pastor Rev. Norman Tiffany, who was instrumental in the purchase. Ellen Harris, present organist will play at the service.

Dallas School directors will meet in special session November 3 to discuss plans of architects already interviewed and to decide whether other than local firms will be invited to present their qualifications and specifications before the board.

Taking part in this discussion will be new directors elected in the November general vote. Andrew Kozemchak asked that this procedure be followed in order that new board members can have a voice in planning new school additions.

Mrs. Louise Steinhauer seconded the motion at a meeting of the Dallas School Board Tuesday evening.

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