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# EDITORIAL

#### Sunday, May 13, 2007

# LIBRARY NOTES New books added to shelves at BM library

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

#### **EXPRESS**

### (1 week)

"Water Like a Stone" by Deborah Crombie, "The River Knows" by Amanda Quick, "Simple Genius" by David Baldacci, "6th Target" by James Patterson, "Shadow Dance" by Julie Garwood, "Trouble" by Jesse Kellerman

FICTION

"Water Like a Stone" by Deborah Crombie, "The River Knows" by Amanda Quick, "White Lies" by Jayne Ann Krentz, "The Post-Birthday World" by Lionel Shriver, "The Betrayers" by James Patrick Hunt, "The Book of Air and Shadow" by Michael Gruber, "Saving the World" by Julia Alvarez, "The Masada Scroll" by Paul Block, "Mother" by Linda Ann Rentschler, "The People's Act of Love" by James Meek, "Simple Genius" by David Baldacci, "6th Target" by James Patterson, "Back on Blossom Street" by Debbie Macomber, "Shadow Dance" by Julie Garwood, "Trouble" by Jesse Kellerman, "Plum Wine" by Angela **Davis-Gardner** 

NONFICTION

"Women and Money" by Suze Orman, "Organ Transplants" by Carol Ballard, "How Doctors Think" by Jerome E. Groopman. "An Inconvenient Truth" by Albert Gore, "Reading Judas" by **Elaine Pagels and Karen L. King** MYSTERY

"The Good Husband of Zebra Drive" by Alexander McCall Smith

#### LARGE PRINT FICTION

"Fresh Disasters" by Stuart Woods, "Nine Lives" by Sharon Sala, "The Letter Killeth" by Ralph M. McInerny, "Heart of Winter" by Diana Palmer, "We Shall Not Sleep" by Anne Perry **BOOKS ON CD** 

"The Woods" by Harlan Coben, "The River Knows" by Amanda Quick, "Alibi Man" by Tami Hoag, "We Shall Not Sleep" by Anne Perry, "Obsession" by Jonathan Kellerman, "The Saffron Kitchen" by Yasmin Crowther, "The Brotherhoods" by Guy Lawson and William Oldham

## **PRE-LOADED DIGITAL AUDIO BOOKS**

"The Plot Against America" by Philip Roth, "Rules of Prey" by John Sandford, "Marley and Me" by John Grogan, "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini, "Angels and Demons" by Dan Brown, "All the King's Men" by **Robert Penn Warren** 

SPECIAL DONATIONS "A Cup of Comfort: Devotional for Mothers" donated by Viola Gommer, "To Catch a Predator" by Chris Hansen, donated by **Cheryl Newberry** 

The following books are donated by The Kirkwood Family: "1,001 Questions and Answers" by Simon Mugford & Alexander Gordon Smith, "The Pocket Idiot's Guide to Not So Useless Facts" by Dane Sherwood, Sandy Wood and Kara Kovalchik; "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Jokes" by Larry Getlen, "Secret Jungle" by Nicole Viloteau, "Not Till the Fat Lady **Sings: The Most Dramatic** Sports Finishes of All Time" by Les Krantz

# MOMENTS IN TIME

### **The History Channel**

• On May 20, 1889, Jacob German, operator of a taxicab for the Electric Vehicle Company, becomes the first driver to be arrested for speeding when he is stopped for driving at the "breakneck" speed of 12 mph on Lexington Avenue in Manhattan.

• On May 14, 1904, the Third Olympiad of the modern era, and the first Olympic Games to be held in the United States, opens in St. Louis, Mo.



Remember Mom today on her special day - flowers always make a great Mother's Day gift.

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Several members of the Haunted Library Committee met recently to plan the Fifth Annual Haunted Library set to take place this fall. Brainstorming with this highly creative and enthusiastic group can get a little tricky, but the result is another fabulously freaky haunted production that has become a favorite Halloween treat in the Back Mountain. Trust this group and many more volunteers to come through with a scale good time this fall at the Bac Mountain Library. Students and adults wishing to help with the Haunted Library can leave their name and phone number at the library reception desk in person or call the library at 675-1182. Shown here are members of the committee. From left, clockwise from bottom left, Bev Neiman, Debbie Darling, Becky Darling, Victoria Grzyboski, Carol Hadsall and Nadine Young.

• On May 18, 1927, Cecil B. De Mille's "The King of Kings" opens in Hollywood, Calif., the first film shown at the new Grauman's Chinese Theater on Hollywood Boulevard. The theater, named for its Asianinfluenced decor, soon became famous for its sidewalk, where more than 180 film stars placed their hand, foot or paw prints in the cement during the next seven decades.

 On May 19, 1935, T.E. Lawrence, known to the world as Lawrence of Arabia, dies as a retired Royal Air Force mechanic living under an assumed name. The legendary war hero, author and archaeological scholar succumbed to injuries suffered in a motorcycle accident six davs earlier.

• On May 15, 1963, Gordon Cooper is launched into space aboard Faith 7 on the longest American space mission to that date. Cooper completed 22 orbits of the Earth and spent 34 hours in space. He was the first American astronaut to spend more than a day in space.

• On May 17, 1970, Norwegian ethnologist Thor Heyerdahl and a multinational crew sets out from Morocco across the Atlantic Ocean in Ra II, a sailing craft modeled after Egyptian sailing vessels.

# STRANGE BUT TRUE

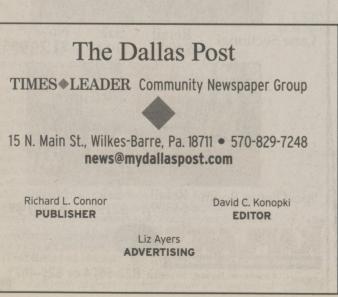
#### By Samantha Weaver

 Do you have any nugatory relatives? In-laws, perhaps? You may think so, but you might not want to mention your opinion to your spouse. "Nugatory" means "worthless."

 In any given 24-hour period, there are an average of 8.6 million flashes of lightning around the world.

 In all likelihood, you use salt every day, but I bet you aren't aware of the powers that have been ascribed to salt over the centuries. You might have tossed a pinch over your shoulder to prevent bad luck, but did you know that you're not supposed to glance after it to see where it lands? The ancient Greeks gave a pinch of salt to guests (only in their right hands, though) as a symbol of welcome. Since returning borrowed salt is bad luck, you should never lend it, only give it away. When setting the table, always put the salt shakers on first, but never put two in front of a single place setting. If you're at sea, you use salt, but never say the word "salt."

 What do exploding bullets, furniture casters, soundproof windows, the modern milking machine, black box flight recorders used in airplanes and the periscope rifle have in common? They were all invented Down Under -- in Australia.



# 1937 **70 YEARS AGO**

Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Crispell were honored at a surprise party in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary at their home on Harvey's Lake. Supper was served. Those present were: Anabelle Crispell; Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Oney and children June, Betty, Mabel, Byron, Ruth, George, Freddie and Lois; Mr. & Mrs. William Hoover and children Harold and Elwood; Mr. & Mrs. Edward Cobleigh: Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Sickler; Clarence **Oberst and Miss Leona Kocher;** Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Booth and daughter, Shirley.

Local A&P markets were featuring the following: a dozen jumbo oranges for 39 cents; 2 pint baskets of strawberries for

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cents; and 2 boxes of Kellogg's Corn Flakes for 13 cents.

### 1947

## **60 YEARS AGO**

The Dairy Queen of Luzerne County will be selected Saturday at Dallas Township High School. The primary object of selecting a queen is to dramatize the need for milk consumption, according to J.H. Fullmer, county chairman of the Production and Marketing Administration for Luzerne County, which is sponsoring the meeting. Back Mountain residents entered in the contest are: Joan Shiner, Genevieve Stefanowicz, Shirley Gordon, Janet Wright, Mary Lamoreaux, Rebecca McColation and Dorothy Jones.

held in Kingston United Methodist Church today starting at 10 AM. Delegates from the Dallas chapter will be Mrs. Harry Allen, Sr., Mrs. Harry Howell, Mrs. Edward Stair, Mrs. Alfred Hadsel, Mrs. Grover Anderson, Mrs. rie Thevenon. Russell Hoover, Mrs. C.J. LaBar and Mrs. William Tretheway.

Fifty-three mothers and daughters enjoyed a mother and daughter banquet at Glenview Primitive Methodist Church. Yellow and white made an attractive party table. Mrs. Earl Belles, Mrs. Edward Sowers and Mrs. Corey Crispell were in charge of the affair.

## 1957 **50 YEARS AGO**

Several Lehman and Dallas boys won honors at the area judging contest for vocational agriculture students held at Dallas-Franklin-Monroe High School on Tuesday. Placing were: Land Judging, Dallas, Marvin Stuart 4th; Lehman, Bill Wart 1st, Dennis Mahoney 2nd and Jack Kern 8th; Farm Mechanics, Dallas, Bob Fitzgerald 3rd; Poultry, Dallas, Raymond Strazdus 13th, Lehman, Larry Hontz 3rd, Kenneth Coombs, 8th and Wayne Major 12th.

Captains in the Kingston Township Ambulance Association drive to pay off the balance on the new ambulance got final instructions from Ted Paod, general chairman. They include: Mrs. Harry Spare, captain Carverton; Mrs. Fred Malkemes, captain Shavertown; Miles Shales, captain Bunker Hill; Mrs. Vought Long, captain Trucksville; Mrs. Fred Blair, captain Meadowcrest; and Mrs. Lewis Isaacs, captain Meadowcrest.

Gate of Heaven Altar and Rosary Society Bands 2 and 10 are having a Rummage Sale at the Lare Building in Luzerne. Mem-

W.C.T.U. Convention will be bers of the committee are: Mrs. Lester Sharkoski, Mrs. Mildred Campbell, Mrs. Mable Murphy, Mrs. Harry Bagnall, Mrs. Margaret Achuff, Mrs. Cora Magnifico, Mrs. Victor Borzone, Mrs. Ethel Yalick, Mrs. John Casey and Ma-

## 1967 **40 YEARS AGO**

Ross Township Elementary School, in the Lake-Lehman School District, will have its long-awaited platform by the beginning of the school year. Ross Township has waited nine years for its stage, a feature which could not be budgeted in the cafetorium at the time the building was constructed. Until this date, lack of funds has prevented its realization.

Several Back Mountain Municipal Policemen received diplomas at a graduation dinner held at Havirs Inn to mark their completion of a 40-hour police course conducted by Deputy State Fire Marshall Robert L. Strempek of Wyoming Barracks and Sgt. Karl Guers of Shickshinny Barracks. Those receiving diplomas included Fred Crake, Andrew Kasko, Stephen and Conrad Welitchko, Donald J. Jones, Elmer Swelgin, Durwood J. Miller, Frank Roginski, Larry William, Joseph Kipp, Loren Cragle, Harry R. Thompson, Lionel Bulford, Cletus Holcomb, Jr. and Michael Niemczyk.

The Susquehanna Valley section of the American Chemical Society has announced the results of the competitive examination for high school chemistry students in eight counties of Northeastern PA. The winner in area VII was Robert Blair, a member of the senior class of **Dallas Senior High School.** 

> 1977 **30 YEARS AGO**

Two parades, two first place trophies for the Lake-Lehman High School Band last weekend in Canada. The band took first place in the Blossom Festival Parade Saturday morning and that same evening, they crossed to the American side of the Falls and took first place in the Miss Niagra Association parade. Drum major is Kevin Wagner; captain of the color guard is Rick Kasko; and band president is Bob Walsh. 6

The pre-school children of the Sandy Beach Nursery recently visited the Daniel C. Roberts Fire Company. Attending were: Lynell Krasner, Jimmy Faerber, Renin Broody, Corrina Smith, Jennifer Hoover, Cristal Sutton, Regina Dulsky, Karin Steven, Ricky Davis and Ricky Ales. 99

Dallas Women of Rotary donated numerous pieces of equi ment to the Dallas, Shavertd and Trucksville Fire Company as well as the Kingston Township Ambulance Association. The money was raised over several years of projects. Judi Cosciatis committee chairman with Joan Karnofsky as co-chairman. W

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SO **20 YEARS AGO** 

The congeniality and warmth of Frances Agnes Brown will be remembered this Friday when a committee of secretarial staff members at Penn State/Wilkes-Barre campus dedicates a gazebo on campus in her memory. Mrs. Brown, who was a receptionist at the local PSU campus for 13 years, was killed in an automobile accident on her way home from work on March 19, 1986 UI

The Dallas School Board, by a 7-1 vote, appointed Frank Galicki to the position of building pri pal of Dallas Senior High School effective July 1, 1987. fol

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soup for 25