

## BMML announces additions to collection

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

### MAY 2007

#### EXPRESS

(1 week)

"Invisible Prey" by John Sandford, "Ghostwalk" by Rebecca Stott

#### FICTION

"Invisible Prey" by John Sandford, "Ghostwalk" by Rebecca Stott, "Strike Force" by Dale Brown, "Hot Stuff" by Janet Evanovich and Leanne Banks, "First Impressions" by Nora Roberts, "Heart of Winter" by Diana Palmer, "Buddha" by Deepak Chopra, "The Polish Woman" by Eva Mekler, "Cut and Run" by Carla Neggers, "A Thousand Splendid Suns" by Khaled Hosseini, "The Chrysalis" by Heather Terrell, "The Children of Hurin" by J.R.R. Tolkien, "The Skin Gods" by Richard Montanari

#### NON-FICTION

"It's All Too Much" by Peter Walsh, "The Intellectual Devotional" by David S. Kidder, "Death by Cannibal" by Peter Davidson, "The Mystical Life of Jesus" by Sylvia Browne, "Unhooked" by Laura Sessions Stepp, "Under a Green Sky" by Peter D. Ward, "Leadbetter's Quick Tips" by David Leadbetter, "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson, "A Hand to Guide Me" by Denzel Washington

#### BIOGRAPHY

"A Great Feast of Light" by John Doyle

#### LARGE PRINT FICTION

"I Heard That Song Before" by Mary Higgins Clark, "Capitol Threat" by William Bernhard, "Dry Ice" by Stephen White, "Speak No Evil" by Allison Brennan, "Sliver of Truth" by Lisa Unger, "The Castle in the Forest" by Norman Mailer, "The Girl Next Door" by Patricia MacDonald, "All the Flowers are Dying" by Lawrence Block

#### BOOKS ON CD

"6th Target" by James Patterson, "Up in Honey's Room" by Elmore Leonard

#### REFERENCE

"Notable Natural Disasters," "Blindtown Now Larksville, PA" by James Ellsworth

#### YOUNG ADULT

"Summer Ball" by Mike Lupica, "Wildly Romantic: the English Romantic Poets" by Catherine M. Andronik

## MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

• On May 31, 1870, Professor Edward Joseph De Smedt of the American Asphalt Pavement Company, New York City, receives two patents for his invention of the first practical version of sheet asphalt. On July 29 of the same year, the first road pavement of sheet asphalt was laid on William Street in Newark, N.J.

• On June 2, 1886, President Grover Cleveland becomes the first sitting president to marry in the White House. His new wife, Frances Folsom, was the daughter of a former law partner and Cleveland's legal ward; Cleveland had literally known her since she was born.

• On May 29, 1914, in one of the worst ship disasters in history, the British liner Empress of Ireland collides with the Norwegian freighter Storstad in the Gulf of Canada's St. Lawrence River. The Storstad penetrated 15 feet into the Empress of Ireland's starboard side, and the vessel sank within 14 minutes, drowning 1,012 of its passengers and crew.

• On May 28, 1937, the Golden Gate Bridge, one of the world's largest single-span suspension bridges at 6,450 feet, opens to vehicular traffic. More than 80,000 miles of wire went into its construction.

• On June 3, 1940, the German air force bombs Paris, killing 254 people, most of them civilians. The bombing succeeded in provoking just the right amount of terror; France's minister of the interior could only keep government officials from fleeing Paris by threatening them with severe penalties.

• On June 1, 1968, Helen Keller dies in Westport, Conn., at the age of 87. Blind and deaf since infancy, Keller learned to sign via a hand alphabet on the palm, and later learned to read lips by placing a finger on the speaker's lips.

• On May 30, 1971, the U.S. unmanned space probe Mariner 9 is launched on a mission to gather scientific information on Mars. The first spacecraft to orbit a planet other than Earth, Mariner 9 sent back more than 7,000 pictures of the "Red Planet."

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

• When asked to name their favorite flavor for a dessert or a sweet snack, 52 percent of Americans say it's chocolate. Vanilla and berry flavors are tied for second place, but they each got only 12 percent of the vote.

• It's notoriously difficult to define pornography ("I know it when I see it"), but the origin of the word is no mystery. It was coined in the 1800s, and it comes from the Greek words "porne," which means "prostitute," and "graphos," which means "writing." Sounds pretty clear to me.

• During the 2000 presidential primary, reporters traveling with John McCain claimed that the senator and former war hero -- and current presidential candidate -- had terrible breath.

• According to a recent study, teens today spend more time watching TV than they spend reading, writing e-mail, surfing the Internet and playing video games combined.

• It was Savielly Grigorievitch Tartakover, a Polish-born chess grandmaster who was known as the king of chess journalism in the 1920s and '30s, who made the following sage observation: "Victory goes to the player who makes the next-to-last mistake."

• Next time you're heading to the Big Apple for business or pleasure, you might want to keep this startling fact in mind: Health department records show that more people are bitten every year by New Yorkers than are bitten by sharks.

• It looks like it's going to be another dry summer, so next time you're thinking about ordering that sirloin steak, consider this: It takes 100 times as much water to produce a pound of beef than it does to produce a pound of wheat.

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Thought for the day: "When there are two conflicting versions of a story, the wise course is to believe the one in which people appear at their worst." -- H. Allen Smith

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Somewhat out of step, this little green sprout is a testament to the unique and interesting part serendipity plays in everyday life. And, in keeping with Memorial Day weekend, does anyone see the possible outline of a flag here?

## Memorial books remember those who have passed

The following memorial books have been added to the shelves of the Back Mountain Memorial Library in May.

**In memory of Steven I. Fisher,**

"Einstein" by Jurgen Neffe, presented by Derek & Cheryl Culver; in memory of Steven I. Fisher, "In Spite of the Gods" by Edward Luce, presented by Derek and Cheryl Culver.

**In memory of Rita Chacko,** "Letters on the Wall" by Michael Sofarelli, presented by Lem and Ceil Hoyt.

**In memory of John Moore,** "Wide Angle: National Geographic Greatest Places," presented by Mary E. McDonald.

**In memory of John N. Moore,** "Talent is Never Enough" by John C. Maxwell, presented by Marilyn and Barry O'Boyle.

**In memory of John Moore,** "Zig Zag" by Jose Carlos Somoza, presented by George and Judith Schall.

**In memory of Jack Moore,** "American Horsepower" by Mike Mueller, presented by Dr. William E. Watkins and Dr.

Leonard C. Medura.

**In memory of Elvera Ryan,** "Outside the Not So Big House" by JulieMoir Messervy, presented by The Honorable and Mrs. Hugh Mundy.

**In memory of Elizabeth Aston,** "Tyler's Ultimate" by Tyler Florence, presented by Jean and Frank Hughes.

**In memory of Dolores Gutstein,** "Paula Deen: it ain't all about cookin'" by Paula Deen, presented by Joe and Wynn Nordone.

**In memory of William O. Richards,** "The Wild Trees" by Richard Preston, presented by Jennie Hill and Mabel Jenkins.

**In memory of William O. Richards,** "Practical Car Restoration" by Charles R. Wilmarth, presented by Theresa M. Lauricella.

**In memory of Rita Masley,** "Staying Home is a Killer" by Sara Rosett, presented by Tom and See Shone.

**In memory of Joseph K. Stash,** "American Hunting Rifles" by Craig Boddington,

presented by Mr. Jeffrey Sarmonis.

**In memory of Dorothy Levinson,** "Collected Poems" by W.H. Auden, presented by Bruce and Beth Rosenthal.

**In memory of Gabe Sidonio,** "Fishing Lure Collectibles" by Dudley and Deanie Murphy, presented by Peter and Theresa Sarmonis.

**In memory of Anna Coach,** "Pots in the Garden" by Ray Rogers, presented by Peter and Theresa Sarmonis.

**In memory of Emily Wood Davis,** "Roses Revealed" by Dermot O'Neill, presented by Mike and Mary Kay McHugh.

**In memory of Constance Rockwell,** "A Flight to Elsewhere" by Samuel John Hazo, donated through a grant from The Rockwell Foundation.

The following books are in memory of Kathleen Caffrey and are presented by Tom Connors, Robyn Jones, Donna King, Cheri McCue, Laura O'Malley, and Trudy Matley: "The Simple Home" by Sarah Nettleton,

"Food to Live By" by Myra Goodman, "Goodbye Hamilton" by Catherine Cookson (large print).

#### HONOR

**In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Dreher,** "In Search of Paradise" by Penelope Hobhouse, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Michael.

**In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Niskey,** "House of Rain" by Craig Childs, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Michael.

**In honor of Friends at Delta Kappa Gamma,** "Kept" by D.J. Taylor, presented by Mary Ann Hopkins.

**In honor of Anne Maganello,** "The Last Empress" by Anchee Min, presented by Kimberly Reinert.

**In honor of Deborah Morgantini, Anthony Martinelli, Paul Reinert, Thomas Traver, Thomas Duffy, Mark Kraynack, Grant Paley, and Frank Mariano,** "Rainforest" by Thomas Marent, presented by Kathleen McCarthy, principal, Wycallis Elementary School

### 1937

#### 70 YEARS AGO

The Dallas W.C.T.U. met at the home of Mrs. Charles Heidman and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Earl Weidner, president; Mrs. David Brace, vice president; Mrs. Grover Anderson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Raymond Searfoss, recording secretary; Mrs. A.H. VanNortwick, treasurer; Mrs. Harold Payne, pianist; and Mrs. Harry Allen, medical temperance director.

Dix Dazzler is a Boston terrier which won a Blue Ribbon at the annual Spring Dog Show at Dr. Fred Chandler's Farm at Carverton. Dazzler is owned by R.M. Stapleton.

### 1947

#### 60 YEARS AGO

Ralph Rood, veteran Dallas Borough teacher who will retire this year, will be the guest of honor at a testimonial dinner at Dallas Methodist Church. Dr. R.M. Bodycomb is general chairman.

Dolores Smith, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ira Smith, was selected Dairy Queen of Luzerne County and Shirley Austin was selected alternate.

Christian Fellowship Class was reorganized at its monthly meeting in the social rooms at Huntsville Christian Church. To be known in the future as the Christian Fellowship Society, it will be open to anyone wishing to join, regardless of church affiliation. New officers elected were: William Eckert, president; Mrs. Kenneth Brobst, first vice president; Robert Culp, second vice president; Mrs. Wilbur Davis, secretary; Walter Covert, trea-

surer; and Dale Warmouth, corresponding secretary.

Joseph Delet-Kanic of Kunkle was elected president of the Dallas Township Parent-Teacher Association. Other officers elected were: Raymond Kuhnert, vice president; Mrs. Paul Goddard, secretary; and Mr. Dolbear, Treasurer.

### 1957

#### 50 YEARS AGO

A Back Mountain co-ed was honored Tuesday at the awards assembly held at Wilkes College. She is Carol Herwig, Trucksville, who was recognized for her talents as an actress. Miss Herwig was presented with the trophy given annually by the cue 'n curtain, the Wilkes student drama organization, to the most outstanding actress of the year, for her performance as Sybil, the pert lady's maid in the recent production of "The Shoemaker's Holiday."

W.S.C.S. of Alderson Methodist Church met at the church for a Mother's Day tea and elected Mrs. Stephen Hartman, Sr. president and Mrs. Raymond Garinger vice president.

Mrs. Roger Owens was appointed head of the candy booth for the Eleventh Library Auction at Tuesday evening's board meeting of the Dallas Junior Women's Club.

### 1967

#### 40 YEARS AGO

Three four-year scholarships to local colleges for the further education of Back Mountain boys or girls will again be available through the Back Mountain Protection Association, the gift of the Andrew J. Sordoni Foundation.

Outstanding students who might not otherwise be able to continue their education, beginning in 1968, will be interviewed. The scholarships, one each, are

for King's, Misericordia and Wilkes.

Final selection will be made by a committee appointed by the Protective Association, including E.V. Chadwick, president; Rev. Robert D. Yost, Atty. Lenahan Brown, Rev. Francis A. Kane, Robert Laux, Frank Wadas and Dr. F. Budd Schooley.

Grant Cooper, Donald Jones, Andy Kasco, Edward Havrilla and Chief Robert Cooper are getting in shape for the Tug of War Contest with Back Mountain Firemen as entrants which will be one of the highlights of the Jackson Township Firemen's Annual Bazaar on Memorial Day weekend. Richard Holodick is general chairman. Carl Aston is parade chairman and Fred Fielding heads the food committee.

An upswing in vandalism is plaguing Dallas Township Police. Tuesday, the new Ford of Ira Smith was splattered with eggs, inside and out, making an awful mess of the automobile. The new Buick of Harrison Cook suffered a like fate the same evening.

Glass plate doors and windows at Elston & Gould, Garinger's Machine Shop and Andy Roan's Beer Distributor Plant were also smashed during the week and in Kingston Township the show window at Duke Isaacs met a similar fate.

### 1977

#### 30 YEARS AGO

Smoke alarms probably saved the lives of the Galachefski family, Pad 167, Valley View Mobile Home Park, Dallas, when their mobile home was destroyed by fire. Steven Galachefski and his wife Michaeline, both 24, and their two year old son, Stephen, were at home sleeping. They were awakened by the smoke alarm in the hallway.

Dallas Borough Police Chief Edward Lyons warns all residents it is unlawful for any per-

son or persons to permit any pets to run loose on the streets or on the private property of other persons. All animals must be confined or on a leash.

Chief Lyons stated that violators of this ordinance are liable for a fine of not more than \$10 or shall be committed to Luzerne County prison for a period not to exceed five days.

Helen and Billy Scott, well known for comedy routines, novelty tunes and songs of the day will appear at Sweet Valley Days.

### 1987

#### 20 YEARS AGO

Leaders from Kingston Township, Dallas Borough and Dallas Township will meet tonight in the Kingston Township Municipal Building and are encouraging private haulers to attend as well to discuss the garbage problem that is plaguing the area.

In the event the West Side Landfill Authority will not be allowed to re-open its gates, plans will be discussed on methods of disposal, including possibly dumping at the Amity Landfill in Taylor and the Keystone Landfill.

Members of Brownie Troop 637, Dallas Elementary School, held their Fly-Up Court of Awards ceremony last week. Girls taking part in the ceremony were: Megan Elston, Melody Sarti, Hope Eaton, Allison Cutter, Jennifer Russ, Gwen Zaremo, Aileen Williams, Jacquie Prothero, Kelly Killen, Sarah Wysocki, Samantha Browne, Jennifer Bozulis, Lori Buzin, Joey Lynn Walko, Gail Culver, Stephanie Jancewicz, Tracy Patton, Jaime Elston, Jessica Elston and Vivian Riley.

Potentate Peter P. Caprari has appointed Assistant Raban Dr. Richard C. Post general chairman and High Priest and Prophet Walter H.R. Mohr co-chairman for Irem Temple's Children's Hospital Seventh Annual Crusade.