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### EDITORIAL

Sunday, June 17, 2007

# **Beginning Readers** invited to library

program, Get a Clue @ Your Library, you will now have a story time of your own.

Beginner Readers are invited to join Mrs. Maria Sorokin as she uncovers History Mysteries with "Mummies in the Morning on Mondays." Young Readers will read along with Mrs. Sorokin and then read on their own at home. They will make crafts and learn about the history of the time.

Meeting times are from 10 to 11 a.m. on July 9, 16, 23 and 30 in the Children's Room of the library. There is a limit of 20 children and registration is necessary.

All participants are asked to purchase the Magic Tree House Book #3, "Mummies in the Morning" by Mary Pope Osborne. Parents may call the library with any questions or to register their child for the program.

Children, tweens and teens are still invited to register for all the summer programs in the library. Tweens are invited to attend Donuts & Discussion at 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 21. They should come prepared to discuss "The Green Dog: A Mostly True Story" by Suzanne Fisher Staples.

Teens are invited to attend the Young Adult Book Discussion Group at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 2 in the young adult section of the library. They will discuss "Hoops" by Walter Dean Myers.

Get a clue about the summer reading program "Get a Clue @ Your Library" at one of these special sign-up sessions to be held in the Children's Room of the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Just come in. There is no special registration necessary to attend a signup session. You will learn about all the fun things to do for the "Get a Clue" program and take part in a scavenger hunt!

If you can't sign up for the summer reading program at one of these sessions, please stop by the library at your convenience during regular library hours.

The special sign-up dates and times are as follows: June 18 at 2 or 6 p.m.; June 19, 20, or 21 at 1 or 4 p.m.; June 23 at 11 a.m. or 3 p.m.; June 25 at 2 or 6 p.m., June kind with a special interest in jew-26, 27 at 1 or 4 p.m. and June 29 at elry, handbags, evening bags and

Attention all young readers! In residents are calling with quesaddition to the summer reading tions, we here at the Back Mountain Memorial Library can hardly believe that our 61st Annual Auction is less than three weeks away. The four-day fun is scheduled for July 5, 6, 7 and 8 on the grounds of the library and, although preparations began many months ago, the need for even more help increases as auction time gets closer!

Auction volunteers are needed to help with pricing Odds & Ends from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, July 1 and from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, July 2 and 3.

Students ages 12 and over needing community service hours are encouraged to sign up now to help with Auction Set-up from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, July 1, and from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 2.

Parents, after all of the hard work of setting up is finished, don't forget the Children's Auction from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 7 featuring toys, games, bikes, scooters, sports equipment and lots more to bid on

Lunch will be available to purchase in the Food Booth.

#### Early closing during auction

The library will close at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 5, Friday, July 6, and Saturday, July 7, at due to auction activities.

Also, our Slightly Read Bookshop will be temporarily closed beginning June 18 for pre-Auction preparation. It will re-open for the Auction on July 5 with its Used Books Tent Sale, a returning auction favorite! If you wish to donate your unwanted books, videos and puzzles, now is the time to bring them in. Call the library at 675-1182 for more information.

#### Seeking donated items

If you are unable to volunteer your time, another way to participate in the auction is to donate any gently used items for our Nearly Old Booth. We are currently accepting donations of any



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<sup>r</sup>ubis Field at the Back Mountain Little League looks barren in this photo but it will be alive with players, coaches, fans and all kinds of action Nwhen Little League playoffs are held this week.

# Chairpersons named for Back Mountain garden tour

Jean Kolojejchick, of Shavertown, and Roseann Nardone, of Wapwallopen, have been named co-chairs of the Back Mountain Bloomers "Tour of Back Mountain Gardens" 2007.

The tour will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 30, and will feature six stunning properties, including Wild Ledges in Lehman Twp. and the three and a half acre gardens at Windsor Park in Dallas.

In conjunction, the Bloomers will also host a Petite Standard Flower Show entitled Small Town Treasures, along with a full schedule of gardening and landscaping workshops and demonstrations throughout the day

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Anthracite Scenic Trails Association.

Tickets are on sale at the following retail outlets: Back Mountain Library, 96 Huntsville Rd, Dallas; Wild Birds Unlimited, Dallas Shopping Center; The Lands at Hillside Farms, Hillside Road, Shavertown; Perennial Point, 1158 River Road, Plains and at the Pennsylvania Environmental Council Office, 175 Main St. Luzerne.

Tickets will also be on sale at the Back Mountain Library and at the featured homes on the day of the event.

There is a \$5.00 discount for tickets purchased on or before June 23rd.

To purchase tickets, call Judy Rimple at (570) 675-9016, Angela Vitkoski at (570) 718-6507 (e-mail vitkoski@pecnepa.org) or mail payment along with your name, address, phone, and e-mail information to Anthracite Scenic Trails Association, P.O. Box 212, Dallas, PA 18612.



Roseann Nardone, left, and Jean Kolojejchick, right, co-chairpersons of this year's Tour of **Back Mountain** Gardens, present a tour poster to Judy **Rimple**, of Dallas, President of the Anthracite Scenic Trails Association.

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store on Harvey's Lake Highway Saturday ice Engler, Carol Gregory, Cindy Harris, and Sunday, working up an appetite for a re- Diane Rattigan, Ruella Schroer, Mary Lu fill. Entire families patronized the lavish Watkins, Linda Haughwout, Sandra Hislor gan, Cecilia Naperkoski, Jean Petro, Beth Seigel, Nancy Schmidle and Lisa Williams.



1937 **70 YEARS** AGO

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1 or 4 p.m..

There will be no scheduled sign-up sessions on June 28 as plate holders, cookie cutters, Kathy Kelchner from Frances Slocum will be conducting a pro- rors and compacts from the 50's gram at 2 p.m. on the library grounds, weather permitting. from the 40's through 60's. These Otherwise, the program will be held in the Children's Room.

#### **Seeking Auction volunteers**

As our basement is quickly filling with donations and excited fore dropping off these items.

gloves, hatboxes, tiaras, hair accessories, shawls, china animals, kitchenware, opera glasses, mirand 60's, table cigarette lighters items should be clearly labeled for "Nearly Old Booth."

We are also accepting items for the Odds and Ends tent, but please telephone the library be-

#### MOMENTS IN TIME

#### The History Channel

 On June 22, 161, after spending a winter trapped by ice in present-day Hudson Bay, the starving crew of the Discovery mutinies against its captain, English navigator Henry Hudson, and sets him, his teenage son and seven supporters adrift in a small, open boat. Hudson and the eight others were never seen again.

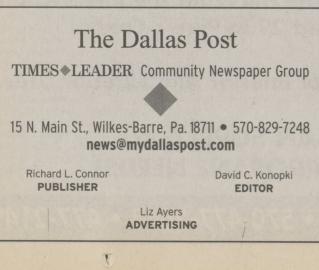
• On June 19, 1885, the Statue of Liberty, a gift of friendship from the people of France to the people of the United States, arrives in New York City's harbor. Originally known as "Liberty Enlightening the World," the statue commemorated the Franco-American alliance during the American Revolution.

• On June 24, 1928, the rocket-powered Opel RAK 3 debuts on a section of railroad track near Hanover, Germany, and records a railspeed record of 157 mph on its first run. The result of a rather odd experiment, the RAK 3 carried a caged cat as its driver. Tragically, on the car's second run, too many of its rockets fired at once and the car crashed, killing its feline pilot.

• On June 21, 1956, playwright Arthur Miller defies the House Committee on Un-American Activities and refuses to name suspected communists. Miller's defiance of McCarthyism won him a conviction for contempt of court, which was later reversed by the Supreme Court.

• On June 18, 1961, the Western radio drama "Gunsmoke" goes off the air. The show debuted in 1952 and moved to television in 1955. "Gunsmoke" ran on television for 20 years.

 On June 20, 1977, with a flip of a switch in Prudhoe Bay, crude oil from the nation's largest oil field begins flowing south down the trans-Alaska pipeline to the ice-free port of Valdez, Alaska.



with the trend to automotive transportation, Wilkes-Barre

Railway Corp. is understood to be considering the abandoning of its street car line to Dallas before long and the substitution of busses. The change from street car to bus line has been made on several branches of the transaction company's system. One of the first changes took place on the link from Dallas to Harvey's Lake several years ago when busses replaced the cars. Since then the electric cars have come only as far as Dallas, connecting here with a bus for the lake.

The Circus - the greatest show on earth is playing at Dallas Borough High School featuring "clowns, lions 'n everything." Admission is 25 cents for children and 40 cents for adults.

The annual Children's Day exercises of Dallas M.E. Church will be held on Sunday morning with Mrs. Wesley Himmler as general chairman. A pageant, "Under open Skies" will be the principal feature. The pageant will include: Ruth Fiske, Betty Pittman, Helen Labarr, Alma Nelson, Albert Himmler, Mary Jeter, Marguerite Sawyer, Mary Lour Race, Genevieve Veitch, Dorothy Huey, Rees Finn, Hobart Jeter, Naomi Shaver, David Schmerer, Jane Knecht, Ruth Monk, Dora Labor, Mabel Rogess, Edna Felkner, George Ayre, Majorie Evans, Jean Schooley, Carol Shaver, Elsie Culp, Isabelle Veitch, Della Labar, Betty Wagner and Louise Veitch.

#### 1947

#### **60 YEARS AGO**

In spite of the weather that failed to cooperate and poured forth rain for two successive Saturdays, Back Mountain Memorial Library concluded its auction with a profit of \$3,000.

Movies playing at the Shaver Theater (Shavertown) were: "Gallant Journey" starring Glenn Ford and Janet Blair and "Cross My Heart" starring Betty Hutton and Sonny Tufts.

The Texaco Service Station, in Shavertown, operated since 1944 by Lew Hughes, has been under the management of Alex Elkins and Leo Bridgland since Monday.

> 1957 **50 YEARS AGO**

keeping open house which marked the fourth anni- Barbara Ann Johnson, Barbara L. Johnson versary of Charlie's store founding and the Sandy Johnson, Carol Kriedler, Dawn Moropening of his new electric appliance department.

Members of the 11th annual Library Auction Refreshment Committee met Monday evening in the Library Annex to perfect plans for the big undertaking. Members included Mrs. Joseph Schneider, Mrs. Alton Whittaker, Mrs. Jack Evans, Mrs. Agnes Gregson, Mrs. Ralph Dixon, Mrs. Walter Elston, Mrs. Herman Thomas, Mrs. Robert Scott, Mrs. Verne Groff, Mrs. Charles Mahler, Mrs. Boyd White, Mrs. Theodore Common, Mrs. Norti Berti, Mrs. L.L. Richardson and Mrs. Charles Poad.

Sunday, the Rev. Francis A. Kane, pastor of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas, and Our Lady of Victory Chapel, Harvey's Lake, appealed for volunteers to work on the Gate of Heaven School Expansion Campaign. The campaign, with a minimum goal of \$100,000, was organized to help defray the cost of constructing the new wing to the present parochial plant. This two-story addition will contain a large combination auditoriumgymnasium, kitchen, eight more classrooms and other miscellaneous features. It is expected to cost approximately \$290,000 furnished.

# 1967

#### **40 YEARS AGO**

Joan Dominick, 10th grade Dallas Senior High School honor student, has won a Certificate of Achievement for Outstanding Accomplishment presented by the historical Society of King's College.

Each student had to answer 100 questions about American history as well as 25 multiple choice questions about current events. Each was also required to submit a "History Project." Since Joan's father, Robert Dominick, is an installer-repairman for the Commonwealth Telephone Company, Joan called her project, "All Because of a Bell," a notebook on telephones starting with Alexander Graham Bell and progressing through the years to the instruments of today. It is illustrated by sketches and pictures.

Residents of the Heights section of Dallas when four boys apparently headed for a campout and bearing packs on their backs shot out street lights on Huntsville Road.

Brownie Troop 627, of Trucksville, spent the weekend at Camp Wildwood at Harvey's

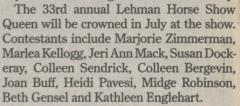
## 1977

#### **30 YEARS AGO**

"Gay or Straight" take a choice then live with it, for that is the philosophy of the gay community's "Live and Let Live." Some 300-500 gays and straights in the Wyoming Vallev area have chosen to become members of the Northeast PA Gay Alliance. And their activity came to view in the Back Mountain following a publicly reported meeting in the suburban area.

The Alliance, according to the director, is registered with Harrisburg and is part of the Governor's Council on Sexual Minorities and is also associated with the PA Rural Caucas. He said it was organized locally about four years ago primarily to help orient people as to whether they were gay or not. If they were gay, the group said it hoped to give them avenues to "keep them off the streets."

The recent meeting of about 50 members in the Back Mountain area was to express their reaction to what they called "Ani Bryant's Crusade" against their community.



#### 1987

#### **20 YEARS AGO**

A group of vandals who have been causing problems in Dallas Borough for several months struck again last weekend. A resident on Park Street had paint spilled on her steps and the words, "Vandels (sic) Live" painted on the roadway in front of the home.

The "award winning" Lake Lehman High School Band ended its year of band competitions by winning four first place trophies and the overall award at the "Pageant of Bands" in Sherburne, New York.

The highlight of the Dallas High School were greatly disturbed on Friday evening Junior-Senior Prom, held at Gus Genetti's Motor Inn, was the crowning of the Prom Queen and her court. Kim Hall, queen, wa escorted by A.J. Crahall; Brenda King, fir. runner-up was escorted by Matt Frank; Jody Gruiver, second runner-up, was escorted by Lake. Girls attending the camp were: Mary Shawn Ruth; and Carolyn Dixon, third run-Bailey, Barbara Bessmer, Lois Billings, Sher- ner-up was escorted by John O'Donnell.

Small boys bulging with hot dogs and so-