

## Letter to the editor

## Family is grateful for help offered to father by others

## Dear Editor:

On February 13, our father experienced a bizarre accident in his steep driveway on Sutton Road during extremely icy conditions.

Failing to get up the driveway, he exited the car and, as he did, the car slid backwards on its own volition, pinning his leg and dragging him down the steep drive to his entrance to Sutton Road, an unlikely place to be found.

We are extremely grateful to Marge Bryant and Allison Maslow, neighbors, and an unknown and unthanked person in a black Audi who contact 911.

The air-lift was in place; these women stayed with my father, in addition to Kingston Township volunteers who kept him in good spirits until the Jackson Township volunteers and then the

Lehman Township volunteers arrived to airbag the car and release his leg.

Many volunteers from these units arrived despite the treacherous road conditions and coordinated their effort to perfection.

We as a family, but more importantly, as communities, have much to be thankful for - the dedicated, knowledgeable volunteers who are unsung heroes until we need them.

We must remember to give generously to these organizations.

We cannot predict when and under what circumstances we will need to call on their selfless, altruistic efforts.

The Brenman Family  
Sutton Road  
Shavertown



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## MAN &amp; BEAST

Warren is a 1-year-old Decovertly English Setter who lives with Ken, Ann, Sandy, Suzy and Sara Krogulski on East Center Street in Shavertown. Warren's big brother, Clarence, also lives with the Krogulski family.

## SHARE YOUR PET PICTURES WITH OUR READERS

Who's your best friend? If your very best friend in the whole wide world is your pet, we want to know about it.

Send us a picture of your pet - whether it be a lovable puppy, a slimy iguana or a parrot with an extensive vocabulary - and we'll share it with readers of The Dallas Post.

Tell us your name and address, your pet's name, his or her age, his or her breed and anything else you'd like everyone to know about your pet. Be sure to include your telephone number in the event we have questions.

Send everything to "Man and Beast," c/o The Dallas Post, 15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711 or e-mail the picture to us at news@mydallaspost.com.

If you send a picture and would like to have it returned, be sure to include a self-addressed/stamped envelope.

We'll publish the pictures in the order in which we receive them.

## MOMENTS IN TIME

## The History Channel

- On March 23, 1839, the initials "O.K." are first published, in The Boston Morning Post. Meant as an abbreviation for "oll correct," a popular slang misspelling of "all correct," OK steadily made its way into the everyday speech of Americans.

- On March 18, 1852, in New York City, Henry Wells and William G. Fargo join with several other investors to launch their namesake business. In July 1852, Wells Fargo & Co. shipped its first loads of freight from the East Coast to mining camps scattered around northern California.

- On March 17, 1901, paintings by the late Dutch painter Vincent van Gogh are shown in Paris. Eleven years earlier, van Gogh had committed suicide without any notion that his work was destined to win acclaim beyond his wildest dreams. In his lifetime, he had sold only one painting.

- On March 19, 1916, eight Curtiss "Jenny" planes of the First Aero Squadron take off from Columbus, N.M., in the first combat air mission in U.S. history. They flew a support mission for the 7,000 U.S. troops who invaded Mexico to capture Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa.

- On March 22, 1929, Will Rogers signs with Fox to write and star in four films for \$600,000. His films included "Happy Days" (1929), "A Connecticut Yankee" (1929) and "Ambassador Bill" (1931). In 1930, Rogers' radio show - full of his trademark humor and thoughtful political observations - was a hit.

- On March 20, 1965, President Lyndon Johnson notifies Alabama Governor George Wallace that he will use federal authority to call up the Alabama National Guard in order to supervise a planned civil-rights march from Selma to Montgomery.

- On March 21, 1983, the last episode of the long-running TV series "Little House on the Prairie" airs. The series, based on the children's book by Laura Ingalls Wilder, premiered in 1974 and was one of television's 25 most highly rated shows for seven of its nine seasons.

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

## By Samantha Weaver

- It was Academy Award-nominated actress and comedian Lily Tomlin who made the following observation: "Ninety-eight percent of the adults in this country are decent, hard-working, honest Americans. It's the other lousy 2 percent that get all the publicity. But then -- we elected them."

- During Elizabethan times, it was customary in England for a wife to wear her wedding ring on her thumb.

- Have you ever heard of Jasper Daniel? Probably not by that name - he's better known today as Jack Daniel, thanks to the whiskey that bears his name. He was the youngest of 10 kids, which may explain a lot: Being picked on by nine older siblings could drive anyone to drink.

- Those who study such things say that people during the Stone Age used shells and even shark teeth to shave.

- Other than the fact that they're all performers, what do Darryl Hannah, Telly Savalas, James Doohan and Jerry Garcia have in common? They are (or were) missing one finger.

- In ancient Greece, honey was often used to embalm corpses.

- If you're ever in South Carolina in November, you might want to stop by the tiny town of Salley and check out the annual Chitlin Strut festival. (For those of you who didn't grow up in the Deep South, chitlins are hog intestines that are boiled until tender, then battered and deep-fried.) The smell is truly awful, yet every year thousands of people descend upon Salley to sample this Southern delicacy.

- Tony Curtis, who co-starred with Marilyn Monroe in the famous film "Some Like It Hot," once said that kissing Ms. Monroe was "like kissing Hitler." Makes you wonder how he knew what kissing Hitler was like.

Thought for the Day: "Nothing is illegal if a hundred businessmen decide to do it." - Andrew Young

## MU's Mary Kintz Bevevino Library will celebrate 50th anniversary April 14-18

Misericordia University's Mary Kintz Bevevino Library will celebrate the 50th anniversary of National Library Week with a slate of special events and activities during its "Join the Circle of Knowledge @ Your Library" week from April 14-18.

National Library Week celebrates the contributions libraries make to their communities.

The Bevevino Library staff has scheduled a slate of activities to engage the Misericordia campus and neighboring community.

The Friends of the Mary Kintz Bevevino Library will conduct its annual membership drive and offer special prizes and gift certificates for new and renewing members.

The Friends will sponsor a book and bake sale Monday, April 14. After refreshing your mind and body, join the staff for a little relaxation

and fun by participating in the Hula Hoop contest at 12-1 p.m. in the Catherine Evans McGowan Room.

National Library Workers Day on Tuesday, April 15 features an appearance by First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt at 12:30 p.m. in the Catherine Evans McGowan Room. Through an historical character representation, participants will hear about her significant accomplishments.

Preschoolers from Adventures in Learning will discover something new in the circle of knowledge on Wednesday, April 16.

The social networking workshop in the Alden Room will allow participants to communicate using text messaging abbreviations and learn how to build personal iGoogle homepages, add widgets for RSS feeds and other high-tech developments from 1-2:30 p.m.

The greater community

can challenge itself in the circle of knowledge Thursday, April 17 by participating in a golf tournament. Golfers will putt through stacks on the third floor at 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3-5 p.m.

National Library Week concludes Friday, April 18 with a guest lecture by Yolanda Y. Smith, Ph.D. In conjunction with the Misericordia University Religious Studies Lectures Series, Dr. Smith, associate professor of Christian education at Yale University, will discuss "Diversity in the Church: The African American Spirituals as a Source for Teaching Faith and Heritage," at noon in the Catherine Evans McGowan Room of the Mary Kintz Bevevino Library.

For more information about Misericordia University or the Mary Kintz Bevevino Library, please call (570) 674-6231 or log on to www.misericordia.edu.

## EMS grant deadline nears

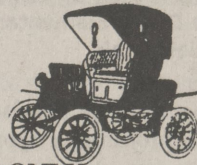
Senator Lisa Baker (R-20) reminds local volunteer fire companies and emergency responders that they have until April 4 to apply for more than \$500 million in federal 2008 Assistance to Firefighter Grants (AFG).

The AFG grants are available through the Federal Department of Homeland Security. The program is separate from the state's Volunteer Fire Company Grant Program, which provides \$25 million in grants annually.

Companies may also apply for a regional project through which multiple organizations, serving more than one local jurisdiction, may benefit directly from the activities implemented with the grant funds.

To apply for the program, or for more information on the AFG program, applicants can go to www.firegrantsupport.com. For more information, contact the Help Desk at 1-866-274-0960 or email to firegrants@dhs.gov.

## 20 YEARS AGO



## ONLY YESTERDAY

The Castle Inn, Dallas, was the site of the Back Mountain Kiwanis Club's Awards Dinner recently. Stuart Oakley, immediate past president, was the recipient of the Kiwanian of the Year Award. He was also the roaster of the evening.

Elizabeth Spencer, Noxen, traveling North on Route 415, Lakeside Drive, in her 1980 Jeep Sedan, escaped serious injury Sunday night when her vehicle struck an icy spot on the road causing her to lose control and go off the road into the lake.

Acting Police Chief Jack Fowler of Dallas Borough was appointed regular Dallas Borough Police Chief by members of the Borough Council at their regular meeting held last night in the Borough Building.

## 30 YEARS AGO

Cub Scout Pack 281 held its Blue and Gold Dinner at Dallas Junior High School. Winners in the pack's sailboat regatta were awarded. They are: Kevin Brown, first in speed; Jeff Hockenberry, second in speed; Mike Watchulonis, third in speed; Matt Pretko, first in show; Jerome Matthey, seconds in show and Patrick McDonald, third in show.

Two large geese wandered down Huntsville Road to downtown Dallas last week and were making their way down Main Street until several local citizens

spotted them and caught them before they were hurt. The geese belong to the Forte children on Rice Street.

Winners of the Harvey's Lake Women's Service Club Craft Contest included: Mrs. Walter Stevens, first place, original stitchery; Mrs. Richard Williams, first place, ceramics; Mrs. Ann Crake, first place, knitting and crocheting; Mrs. Bradley Ide, first place, needlepoint; and Mrs. Carl Montross, first place, miscellaneous.

## 40 YEARS AGO

Dallas Community Ambulance has a new and important piece of equipment, a portable aspirator. Richard Disque flew to Bridgeport, Connecticut to pick up the new equipment from the Resuscitation Laboratories.

Walter Glogowski, instructor in Dallas Area Schools, accompanied a group of college and high school students as guests of the Advertising Club of Wilkes-Barre at an educational seminar on screen printing at the Mozip Sign Service in Kingston. Local students, Jay and Maureen Borton, Shavertown, also attended the seminar.

## 50 YEARS AGO

Five young folks from the Back Mountain will march in the five-hour Saint Patrick's Day Parade in New York, falling into line at noon. The contingent from Central Catholic High School will reach New York in mid-morning and return that evening. Edward Girvan and Jerry Stoner will march with a 25 member drill team which has been trained by a Marine ser-

geant. Ann Black is with the band. Carol and Tally Thomas will march with the cheerleaders.

Dallas Community ambulance lost to a speeding stork Thursday evening, when the weary bird overtook the rushing ambulance in Shavertown and delivered a seven-pound baby girl. Leslie Barstow and Ray Titus, each urging each other to be calm, officiated. The baby, born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sevensky of Noxen, was born as the ambulance sped through Shavertown. Once at the hospital, the baby, born outside the sacred precincts of the delivery room, had to be banished from the nursery to prevent possible infection of babies already in residence.

At the Himmler Theatre, Dallas, Tyrone Power and Ava Gardner were featured in "The Sun Also Rises."

## 60 YEARS AGO

More than 200 Trucksville families were without water Wednesday and 500 school children were dismissed before noon because of failure of a motor in a pump at Trucksville Water Company's No. 2 well near Carverton Road.

Over 200 men, women and children attended the Newcomers Family Night at Shavertown Methodist Church Tuesday evening. Guests were greeted by an organ recital given by Bud James as they gathered in the sanctuary.

In one of the best played games of the season in the Back Mountain Sunday School League, Shavertown Methodist defeated East Dallas Methodist Saturday night on Kingston

Township High School floor by a score of 30 to 24. It was an extra period game the score being tied at 24 at the close of regulation.

## 70 YEARS AGO

Norman Johnstone, secretary of Wyoming Valley Motor Club, this week asked the State Highway Department to rebuild the Outlet and Inlet bridges at Harvey's Lake before heavy summer traffic begins.

A fire in the home of Albert B. Ruff of Noxen on Wednesday afternoon was extinguished with cider when the water supply ran low. Neighbors discovered smoke coming from the side of the house while the Ruffs were away and summoned the Harvey's Lake Fire Department. Handicapped by lack of water, volunteers discovered the barrel of cider in the cellar and carried it to the upper floor, where they used about 50 gallons in checking the spread of the flames.

Charles Gosart, storekeeper on Main Street, Shavertown, has purchased the building now occupied by the American Store and after alterations have been made will open an up-to-date grocery store. The American Store will open in the store building now occupied by Isaac Brace. Mr. Brace will build a new store and gas station on property where the Shavertown Quoit Club formerly had its courts. Success to all in these changes.

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