

MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

- On July 22, 1862, President Abraham Lincoln informs his chief advisers and cabinet that he will issue a proclamation to free slaves. He hoped a strong statement declaring a national policy of emancipation would stimulate a rush of the South's slaves into the ranks of the Union Army, thus depleting the Confederacy's labor force.
- On July 23, 1888, Raymond Chandler, creator of detective Philip Marlowe, is born in Chicago. Chandler published only seven novels, among them "The Big Sleep" (1939), "Farewell My Lovely" (1940) and "The Long Goodbye" (1953), all featuring tough, cynical private-eye Philip Marlowe.
- On July 25, 1894, actor Walter Brennan is born in Swampscott, Mass. Brennan became the first actor ever to win three Academy Awards, for "Come and Get It" (1936), "Kentucky" (1938) and "The Westerner" (1940).
- On July 26, 1908, the Federal Bureau of Investigation is created when federal investigators are ordered to report to the Department of Justice. When the Department of Justice was created in 1870, it had no permanent investigators on its staff. At first, it hired private detectives when it needed federal crimes investigated.
- On July 21, 1925, in Dayton, Tenn., the so-called Monkey Trial ends with John Thomas Scopes being convicted of teaching evolution in violation of Tennessee law. In 1968, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned a similar Arkansas law on the grounds that it violated the First Amendment.
- On July 27, 1949, the world's first jet-propelled airliner, the British De Havilland Comet, makes its maiden test-flight in England. The Comet was capable of traveling 480 mph, a record speed at the time.
- On July 24, 1956, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis perform their final comedy show together at New York's Copacabana Club. They made their first appearance in 1946 at a club in Atlantic City and were an instant hit, going on to make 16 movies together.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- If you're thinking of redecorating your child's room, you might want to keep this in mind: Studies show that the color pink has a soothing effect on children; blue lowers their blood pressure and increases attentiveness; and yellow excites and cheers kids. Avoid red if at all possible; it has been shown to raise children's blood pressure, respiration and heart rate as well as brain and muscle activity.
- The brand name Nike isn't just a made-up moniker. It comes from Greek mythology, in which Nike was the winged goddess of victory.
- It's been reported that the last words of 19th-century American author, essayist, biographer and historian Washington Irving were, "Well, I must arrange my pillows for another night. When will this end?"
- If you're planning a trip to New York City this September, you should consider stopping by Wigstock, the country's largest festival celebrating the fake 'do. If you can't make the road trip, don't worry; you can check out the festivities from the comfort of your own home. Just rent "Wigstock: The Movie," a documentary of the event that was made in the mid-1990s.
- Golfers beware: Don't chew on the tees. One golfer who was in the habit of gnawing while he played overdosed on pesticides after playing 36 holes in one day.
- All species of dog have a pink tongue -- except one. Chows' tongues are black.
- The longest word in the English language that can be typed using only one hand is "stewardesses!"
- Studies conducted in office environments show that women's desks have, on average, four times more germs than men's desks do.

Thought for the Day: "There is wisdom in turning as often as possible from the familiar to the unfamiliar: it keeps the mind nimble, it kills prejudice, and it fosters humor." -- George Santayana

'MY SWEET PATOOTIE' COMING TO DALLAS



There's a musical duo from Canada coming to Dallas! The Canadian duo, "My Sweet Patootie," is ripping up the pea patch with its humor-driven lyrics, swinging acoustic string virtuosity and hot vocal harmonies. Terry Young's acoustic fingerstyle guitar and Sandra Swanell's swing fiddle combine for a sassy musical concoction of cool uptown swing and rural Ontario grit. "My Sweet Patootie" will play live at the Old Showroom on Lake Street in Dallas. The concert is in cooperation with the Back Mountain Arts Association. Enjoy the acoustic swing music at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 3. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$14 at the door and can be purchased by calling 696-2688.

Man & Beast

"Buddy" is missing. The chocolate Labrador Retriever belongs to the Rocognandi family and is missing somewhere in the Dallas area. He was last seen on Saturday, July 12, on Ransom Road in Dallas. The family is offering a reward for Buddy's safe return. Anyone with information about Buddy's whereabouts is asked to call the Rocognandis at 675-8526, 594-4207 or 905-6547.

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.



1938 - 70 YEARS GO

Mrs. W.L. Tracy of Shavertown will leave tomorrow for New York City to congratulate her son, Lee, and meet his attractive new wife, the former Mrs. Helen Thomas of San Francisco. The fast-talking stage and screen star has kept lines between Hollywood and Shavertown busy for the last week, informing his mother, whom he has repeatedly called his "best pal" of developments in his romance.

The Dallas Rotary met Thursday evening at the Irem Temple Country Club to elect new officers for this year. L.F. Kingsley of Shavertown was elected to the presidency. Other new officers were vice-president, Earl Monk; secretary, M.E. Kuchta and treasurer, A.N. Garinger.

By a 3 to 2 vote, Dallas Borough School Board decided on Wednesday night to give Ernest E. Line a chance to prove his professed eagerness to vindicate himself as a willing and loyal member of the high school faculty.

The board, which began hearings several months ago on seven charges against the physical education teacher, will accept Mr. Line's apology and permit him to continue as a teacher at the same salary.

1948 - 60 YEARS AGO

Movies playing at the Shaver Theatre, Shavertown, included "T-Men" starring Dennis O'Keefe and Mary Meade; "Stranger From Ponca City" starring Charles Starrett and Smily Burnette; "Lost Honeymoon" starring Franchot Tone and Frances Rafferty; and "My Wild Irish Rose" starring Dennis Morgan and Andrea King.

Charles W. Lee, newly-elected president of the Dallas Rotary Club, was installed Thursday evening at the annual installation ceremony held at Irem Temple Country Club. Other officers inducted were Oswald Griffiths, vice-president; Dan Robinhold, treasurer; and Don Ide, secretary.

John Mallin was severely

burned in both eyes Thursday morning when struck in the face by molten lead while working as a plumber's helper for Earl H. Monk at Dixon's store. With him was Ollie Mason. The men were laying a soil pipe and were using a lead kettle which exploded when moisture came in contact with the hot metal.

1958 - 50 YEARS AGO

Thomas E. Reese, Franklin Street, Dallas, was elected commander of Daddow Isaacs American Legion Post 672 Tuesday evening succeeding George F. Mathers III. William O'Brien is senior vice commander; Larry Ide, junior vice commander; William Moran, adjutant; Edward Buckley, finance officer; Thomas Templin and Richard Fuller, sergeants-at-arms; Hugh A. Carr, historian.

Two Kingston Township Explorer Scouts, Roger Bradbury and John Parry, were among the thirty Wyoming Valley Council Boy Scouts who were delayed along the highway in Oklahoma Wednesday afternoon when a Wilkes-Barre leader was badly injured in a traffic accident.

Patrolman Louis Olson of Wilkes-Barre had both legs broken as he was struck by a speeding car and Jarrett Miller, West Pittston leader, dived for a ditch on a narrow escape.

When a trailer truck jackknifed and caught fire, blocking the highway, Olsen stood behind the Scout bus to halt traffic while Dr. Carl Bradbury, Trucksville, leader of Troop 155, saw the Scouts safely into a field.

Mr. Miller, running with a fire extinguisher to help the truck driver, leaped just in time as the screaming passenger car struck Olsen and came to a stop before colliding with the trailer.

1968 - 40 YEARS AGO

A conscientious group of ladies from Shavertown, Jackson and Dallas turned out their monthly allotment of dressings for cancer patients both in the Back Mountain and Wyoming Valley. Organized by Mrs. Charles Gosart Sr., the volunteers continued their efforts to aid those less fortunate throughout the year.

Some of the ladies who participate are Mrs. Reynold Watkins,

Mrs. Martha Jones, Mrs. James McFarland, Mrs. Lewis Evans, Mrs. Letha Spaulding, Mrs. Eileen Marth, Mrs. Ethel Smith, Mrs. Florence Kast, Mrs. Otto Rauscher, Mrs. Helen Ness, Mrs. Ruth Houser, Mrs. Charles Gosart, chairman; Mrs. Frederick Anderson, Mrs. Charles Wagner and Mrs. Oscar Brown.

New record receipts, nice crowds, spirited bidding and movie actors characterize the 22nd Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction last weekend.

The auction this year had gross receipts of about \$23,000, according to chairman Donald Anthony, which may produce a net of from \$16,000 to \$17,000 after all accounts are settled.

Movie actors from the cast of The Mollie Maguires, now being filmed in this country, enjoyed the 22nd Annual Library Auction as guests of Dallas people whose home adjoins the auction grounds. Their hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan L. Weir.

The actors and actresses circles about the auction grounds and made many purchases. Among the guests were Ian Abercrombie, of Scotland; J.P. Burns, Ireland; Louis Loughran, Australia; John Orchard and Kathy De Noto, both of England.

1978 - 30 YEARS AGO

The Centermoreland Phillies are the 1978 straight season champions in the Majors Division of the Horlacher Memorial Little League. It was the second year in a row for the Centermoreland entry to win straight season honors in the league. This year's team was managed by Russ Faux, who was assisted by coaches Jim Gilpin and Del Jenkins. Players are Bobby Spudis, Brian Jenkins, Jimmy Blee, Timmy Considine, Jimmy Cooper, Kevin Gilpin, Bobby Phillips, Kevin Zalendonis, Eric Brown, Rusty Faux, Brian Evans, Joe Gates, Joey Faux, Don Minckler and Becky Faux, the only girl on the team, who turned in a commendable performance at the first base spot for the champions.

Cheerleaders from Dallas Senior High School completed their clinic which was held at the school. At the clinic, the high school cheerleaders played host to girls ranging in age from seven

to 12 years of age. Some of the students who participated are Amie Mathers, Sandy Hanson, Rosemary Hometchko, Karen Tabor, Randi Harvey, Allison Lukasavage, Tricia Adams, Vernie Repko, Jennifer Murphy, Christy Brown, Lynn Todd, Judy Hrabowski and Katie Drapiewski.

Rhonda Newell was selected Homecoming Queen for the Noxen Homecoming Days celebration last weekend and played a major role in selecting the names of many of the prize winners during the three-day affair.

1988 - 20 YEARS AGO

The subject of continued debate at Harvey's Lake, a proposed townhouse development project on 3 1/2 acres of land near Barnum Street, is back on the drawing board again. The planning commission has given the developers its preliminary approval on the project, but a challenge from a resident who lives across the street from the proposed development may have slowed down the filing with the zoning board.

Jason Gearhart, Eagle Scout candidate, Boy Scout Troop 4, Lake Silkworth, recently completed his Eagle Scout Service Project requirement by leading his troop in assisting the auxiliary of the Meadows Nursing home, Dallas, with their annual Flea Market on the Pond event that benefits residents and the Center.

Members of the Dallas High School football team assisted Coach Ted Jackson and his mini-football coaches during a three-day camp last week. Sixty-one boys ranging in age from seven to 12 years participated in the camp which was held at the Dallas High School practice field. Team members who assisted at the camp were Chris Lesjack, Matt Buss, Clark Van Orden, Tony Nazden, Phil George, Ron Post, Jay Cherub, Scott Starbuck, Bob Barbacci, Joe Piskorik, Corey Sands, Emery Yurko, Jerry Ogurkis, Jay Straigs, Shawn Ruth, Scott Horoshko, Scott Rostock and Terry Joyce.

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WHAT DO YOU DO TO STAY COOL DURING THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER?



"A lot of hot peppers, chili and a hot cup of tea in the morning."

Clara Walsh
Dallas



"Mojitos and the Newberry pool."

Herb Weinman
Dallas



"I just garden and lose track of the temperature."

Suzy Weinman
Dallas



"Sit inside in the air conditioning."

Ryan Faux
Tunkhannock



"Stay out of the sun and spend some time in the pool when I get it."

Marie Nice
Centermoreland



"In an ideal life, I sit home by my swimming pool with a nice cold drink."

Mary Anne Finch
Harveys Lake

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