

New books on library shelves

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

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"Rough Weather" by Robert B. Parker, "Dark Summer" by Iris Johansen, "Testimony" by Anita Shreve, "A Christmas Grace" by Anne Perry, "The Spy Who Came for Christmas" by David Morrell, "Two to the Fifth" by Anthony Piers and "Against Medical Advice" by James Patterson

FICTION
"Rough Weather" by Robert B. Parker, "Dark Summer" by Iris Johansen, "Testimony" by Anita Shreve

"A Christmas Grace" by Anne Perry, "The Spy Who Came for Christmas" by David Morrell, "A Good Woman" by Danielle Steel, "American Wife" by Curtis Sittenfeld, "Iodine" by Haven Kimmel, "Return to Summerhouse" by Jude Deveraux and "The Windows of Eastwick" by John Updike

NON-FICTION
"True Crime: An American anthology" edited by Harold Schechter, "Bad Money" by Kevin Phillips, "1001 Do-It-Yourself Hints and Tips," "Every Woman's Guide to Cycling" by Selene

Yeager and "When Good People Have Affairs" by Mira Kirshenbaum

BIOGRAPHY
"The Soloist" by Steve Lopez and "Ernie: The Autobiography" by Ernest Borgnine

SCIENCE FICTION
"The Born Queen" by Greg Keyes

REFERENCE
"The Statesman's Yearbook 2009," "The Merck Manual of Medical Information" and "The Eighties in America"

BOOKS ON CD
"The Story of Edgar Sawtelle" by David Wroblewski, "Foreign Body" by Robin Cook and "Against Medical Advice" by James Patterson

YOUNG ADULT
"Sealed with a Kiss" by Lisi Harrison, "It's Not Easy Being Mean" by Lisi Harrison and "The Kingdom on the Waves" by M.T. Anderson

DVDs
"The Adventures of Indiana Jones," "A Beautiful Mind," "Civil War Journal," "Centennial," "The Fall of the Roman Empire," "The True Story of Alexander the Great" and "The Barbra Streisand Collection"

SPECIAL DONATIONS
"The Sun" by Steel Hill donated by Jeanne Purcell



The crazy cook did it in the kitchen with poison! Or so it seems, as a result of clues collected, evidence uncovered and facts surmised by the "Mystery in the Mansion" Inspector, with the questionable help of patrons to this year's Haunted Library at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. From left, are Kelsey Dissinger, of Dallas, in the role of Assistant Cook, and Emily Sisk, of Lake-Lehman, portraying the Head Cook who committed the crime.

Oh, my - it was the cook 'whodunnit' in the mansion

The Halloween who-done-it at the Haunted Library attracted more than 1,350 "investigators" hoping to solve this year's "Mystery in the Mansion." The Inspector and the Haunted Library committee have determined that it was indeed the Head Cook who caused the untimely demise of crotchety old Mr. Crow.

Nadine Young, Haunted Library committee member, explained, "The devious cook could no longer tolerate Mr. Crow's culinary demands. By adding an extra-special ingredient to his dinner, she put an end to Mr. Crow's complaints."

The Inspector and the committee appreciate everyone's help in solving the "Mystery in the Mansion." All proceeds from the Haunted Library fundraiser benefit the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

The Haunted Library committee and the Board of Directors

would like to thank the following businesses, organizations and individuals for their gifts in support of this fundraiser:

Dallas Borough, Dallas Fire Dept., Ranch Wagon, Thomas' Market, Walmart, Sam's Club, Wegman's, Pickett's Charge, Friendly's Restaurant, Weis Markets, Price Chopper, McDonald's, Bob Evans Restaurant, Auntie Anne's Pretzels, Brace's Orchard, Domino's Pizza, Bernie's Pizza, Hogans, Januzzi's Pizza, Checkerboard Inn, TC Riley's, Dallas Hardware, Phil and Tania Reinert, Neela Patel, Rick Stritzinger, Becky Darling, Bruce and Carol Hadsall, Electrician Dave Monk, Big Top Rentals, Boy Scouts of America Troop 155, Bob Sulborski and Deb Serfoss.

A special thanks to all committee members and volunteers who donated time and extraordinary effort - you know who you are!



Jackson Township Police Officer Carl Puskar was honored by the township supervisors at their November meeting. From left, are David Roskos, Jackson Township supervisor; Al Fox, Jackson Township supervisor; John Jay Wilkes Jr., chairman, Jackson Township supervisors; Puskar and Jerry Leedock, Jackson Township Chief of Police.

PUSKAR HONORED FOR CAPTURE OF SUSPECTS

The Jackson Township Board of Supervisors and Police Chief Jerry Leedock presented Police Officer Carl Puskar with an accommodation at the November supervisors meeting for his capture of three theft subjects in October.

Officer Puskar, while on his way home from work and off duty, spotted a vehicle of interest to the police on Sutton Road. He turned his vehicle around and followed the suspects' vehicle that led him to Pinecone Lane in Jackson Township where he observed a theft in progress.

Officer Puskar contacted Luzerne County 911 and requested assistance from Jackson Township and neighboring community police departments. As he was taking the suspects in custody, they resisted and one female suspect ran from police. She was later apprehended by Kingston Township Police on Sutton Road.

Officer Puskar was honored at the meeting for his actions above the call of duty and for his commitment to the residents of Jackson Township.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• If you're planning a trip to the great state of Texas next summer, be sure to stop by the small town of Clute in late July. You wouldn't want to miss the Great Mosquito Festival, which features a Mosquito Legs Contest and a Mosquito Calling Contest. It makes you wonder, though: How exactly do you call a mosquito?

• Soup is often served as a first course in Western cuisine, but if you travel to China and eat traditional meals, you're more likely to have it as the last course.

• More interesting collective nouns: A group of moles is known as a "labor," a flock of turtles/doves is called a "pitying" and a school of jellyfish is known as a "smack."

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Thought for the Day: "Man is a credulous animal, and must believe something; in the absence of good grounds for belief, he will be satisfied with bad ones." - Bertrand Russell

1988 - 20 YEARS AGO

Gary Beisel, of Kingston Township, has been named supervisor of the Department of Safety and Security at Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus. The former sergeant, criminal investigator and records officer for the Kingston Township Police Department conducted numerous criminal investigations, maintained detailed incident reports, and provided training for newly hired police personnel. He also held the position of Kingston Township Fire Safety Officer and is the chief of the Shavertown Fire Department.



ONLY YESTERDAY

The Stretch Out exercise studio is celebrating its grand opening in Shavertown. Owners Jack and Marlene Cacoza were joined at the ribbon cutting ceremony by staff members Debbie Bayer, Susan Slocum, Dot Andes, Roxann Aurba, Pam McDonald, Cynthia Eckman, Cathy Graham and Karen Arnaud.

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1978 - 30 YEARS AGO

Rebecca Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Alexander Smith, Dallas was crowned 1978 Homecoming Queen at Wyoming Seminary. Joan Morris, last year's queen, crowned Miss

Smith at the halftime of the Seminary - St. Thomas More football game.

Lake-Lehman Lady Knights copped the Wyoming Valley Hockey League Championship this season with a 10-0 record. Members of the team are: Cathy Elliot, Vicki Dubinick, Ann Wojnarski, Pam Marr, Pam Coburn, Sally Calka, Holly Nitsche, Mary Ann McLaughlin, Ben Hontz, Toni Pall, Judy Major, Wendy Garinger, Dawn Cumens, Joann Hoover, Annette Kowalski, Mary Sue Rich, Shari Sutton, Amy Garinger, Dawn Symonds, Sandy McCarroll, Kathy Aston and Liz Ide. The team is coached by Jane Morris.

John Milauskas, director of the award-winning Lake-Lehman High School Marching Band received an award from the American Federation of Musicians, Local 140, in recognition of his accomplishments. The award, presented by Al Seidel, president of the local union, cited Milauskas for his "dedication and development of young musicians."

1968 - 40 YEARS AGO

Members of the Class of 1943, Dallas Township High School, met recently to plan for the class's 25th reunion to be held at the Irem Temple Country Club. Participants included Mrs. Irene Stofilia Krivak, Mrs. Ann Hudak Ondish, Mrs. Edith Spencer Shaffer, Robert Patrick, Mike Kozick, Leroy Sabatini and Donald Smith.

Letters of commendation have been awarded to six Dallas Senior High School students in the 1968 National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The awarded students are: Vera Balshaw, Joan Dominick, Marguerite Futch, Vincent Roman, Brian Beard and

Cheryl Casner.

1958 - 50 YEARS AGO

Robbers broke into the Whitesell Brothers Building and Supply Store on Route 115 Saturday night and stole \$1,400 in cash from two fireproof filing cabinet safes. The robbery is the latest in a series of thefts during the past few weeks in the Back Mountain area that have touched homes as well as business places. The robberies follow a familiar pattern and police believe they may be connected with similar robberies in Wyoming Valley and Lackawanna County.

Rock Hudson and Cyd Charlene were featured in "Twilight For The Gods" at the Himmler Theater, Dallas.

Scouts of Troop 231 have made an attractive array of birdhouses and feeders that will go on sale at the Country Fair to be held at Shavertown Methodist Church next Thursday and Friday. Donald Edwards and Lester Hauck are scout leaders.

1948 - 60 YEARS AGO

Police Chief Louis Banta, Shavertown, made nine arrests this week of drivers going through the red light at the Center Street-Memorial Highway intersection. Arrests will be made until it is safe for children to cross the highway when they have a green light.

Joseph Schuler, Trucksville, member and director of the Wyoming Valley Motor Club for the past thirty years, has been elected second vice president of the club. Mr. Schuler's election to the vice presidency was in recognition of his many years of service to motorists of Wyoming Valley.

Movies playing at the Shaver Theatre, Shavertown, included

"Naked City" starring Barry Fitzgerald and Dorothy Hart; "Carnegie Hall" starring Marsha Hunt and Frank McHugh; and "Beyond Glory" starring Alan Ladd and Donna Reed.

1938 - 70 YEARS AGO

A masquerade party was held by the Friendship Class of Trucksville M.E. Church in the church parlors. Prizes were won by Mrs. Henry Strauser, best costume, Mrs. Harold Croom, most original, and Fred Turner, funniest.

Secretary James F. Bogardus of the Department of Forests and Waters announced that the State has purchased 13,105 acres of woodland at Rickett's Glen, 15 miles west of Dallas, preparatory to establishing a recreational area along the beautiful Kitchen Creek watershed. The price was \$14 an acre for a total of \$183,470.

Secretary Bogardus said the acquisition of Rickett's Glen to the state's outdoor areas is one of the most important steps taken in the past fifty years. "It will not only give healthful outdoor recreation to Pennsylvanians," he said, "but will also attract hundreds of thousands of out-of-state visitors each year to Northeastern Pennsylvania, increasing the tourist trade a hundred-fold."

At local American Stores, two heads of iceberg lettuce sold for 15 cents; two pounds of butter sold for 59 cents; and a three-pound can of Crisco was 53 cents.

Information for "Only Yesterday" is taken from past issues of The Dallas Post, which is 119 years old. The information is printed here exactly as it appeared in the newspaper years ago.

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE VETERANS DAY?



"I'm not sure but I have a relative that was in the first World War."

Brynn Kukosky
Sweet Valley



"It's to honor veterans for what they did in the war."

Kristin Kallish
Shavertown



"To honor veterans because they protect the country."

Michael Gatusky
Harveys Lake



"To honor veterans because they fought for the country."

Vinny Amarando
Dallas



"It's a time to honor the veterans, the people who fight in the wars."

Nick Oley
Harveys Lake



"To honor your heroes like my dad who is an Army veteran."

Denise Shovlin
Dallas

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