

Books honor loved ones

The following memorial books have been added to the shelves at the Back Mountain Memorial Library for the month of December 2008:

In memory of Nicole Spencer, "Villette" by Charlotte Bronte, presented by MaryAnn and Don Hopkins.

In memory of Olive Phillips, "Homeschooling for Success" by Rebecca Kochenderfer, presented by Victoria Haines; "Helping Kids Help" by Renee Heiss, presented by Eric and Patricia Daniels and "Health Care" by Pat Armstrong, presented by JoAnne and Dennis Cavanaugh.

In memory of Helen Washick, "Touch in Museums" (DVD), presented by Lori Elias.

In memory of George McCutcheon, "Under a Gull's Wing," presented by Harley and Susan Kelley Misson.

In memory of Harry Crawford, "Solving the Health Care Problem" by Pamela Behan, presented by Mary Mohr.

In memory of G. Guthrie Conyngham, "Trout" by John Van Vliet, presented by Karen Fry and Herb and Casey Baldwin.

The following items are in memory of **Robert L. Carey** and are presented by Sondra Perez and Cindy White:

"Gandhi" (DVD), "King of the

Wild Frontier and River Pirates" (DVD), "The Hustler" (DVD), "The Sting" (DVD), "2008 Standard Catalog of World Coins 2001-Date" (book), "Who Killed the Electric Car?" (DVD), "Young @ Heart" (DVD) and "Citizen Kane" (DVD).

The following books are in memory of **Nancy Kozemchak** and are presented by The Clifford Kozemchak Family:

"Wild Boars Cook" by Meg Rosoff, "Madeline and the Cats of Rome" by John Bemelmans Marciano, "Our White House: Looking In, Looking Out," "The Apple-Pip Princess" by Jane Ray, "George Washington Carver" by Tonya Bolden, "Chester Raccoon and the Big Bad Bully" by Audrey Penn, "Mary Anning and the Sea Dragon" by Jeannine Atkins.

HONOR

In honor of Margaret Susko, "Pride and Prejudice" by Jane Austen, presented by Charlene Berti.

In honor of Dr. Joseph Sgarlat's 90th birthday, "Frank Lloyd Wright" (DVD), presented by Nancy H. Shafer, "A History of Britain" (DVD), presented by Jean R. Hughes, "Shackleton" (DVD), presented by Rick and Kim Ross and "Founding Fathers" (DVD), presented by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley S. Davies.



Man & Beast

Ellie is a 10-year-old Labrador Retriever who lives on Tremont Avenue in Dallas with Theresa and Michael Banas and their six children. Ellie's passions in life, besides eating, are swimming and going on hikes.

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.

New books on library shelves

The following new books have been added to the collection at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Rd., Dallas for December 2008:

EXPRESS (1 WEEK)

"The Treasure" by Iris Johansen and "Fire and Ice" by Julie Garwood

FICTION

"The Treasure" by Iris Johansen, "Collateral Damage" by Fern Michaels, "Unknown Means" by Elizabeth Becka, "Delia's Heart" by V.C. Andrews, "Fire and Ice" by Julie Garwood, "Blood Sins"

by Kay Hooper and "8 Sandpiper Way" by Debbie Macomber

NONFICTION

"Ski Snowboard America" by Charles A. Leocha

YOUNG ADULT

"Bog Child" by Siobhan Dowd

DVDs

"John Adams," "Long Hot Summer" and "Irma La Douce"

SPECIAL DONATIONS

"The Musee D'Orsay" by Margherita D'Ayala Valva presented by The Kirkwood Family and "Robert Ballard's Titanic" by Robert Ballard presented by The Kirkwood Family

MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

• On Jan. 8, 1867, Congress overrides President Andrew Johnson's veto of a bill granting all adult male citizens of the District of Columbia the right to vote, and the bill becomes law. It was the first law in American history that granted black males the right to vote.

• On Jan. 11, 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt designates a large part of the Grand Canyon a national monument. Congress increased the protection of the canyon in 1932 by making it a national park, ensuring that private development would never spoil the Grand Canyon.

• On Jan. 6, 1925, Finnish long-distance runner Paavo Nurmi appears in the first of his 55 U.S. races. Of these, he lost only his last race, a half-mile sprint. Some newspapers speculated that he had lost only out of politeness to his American hosts.

• On Jan. 5, 1933, construction begins on the Golden Gate Bridge, as workers start excavating 3.25 million cubic feet of dirt for the structure's huge anchorages. The Golden Gate Bridge officially opened on May 27, 1937, the longest bridge span in the world at the time.

• On Jan. 10, 1979, the last convertible Volkswagen Beetle is produced. The VW "Bug" was a popular car throughout the 1960s and 1970s, leading to innovations such as sunroofs and convertible tops in an otherwise unchanging design.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• Those who paint their fingernails these days tend to choose the color on a whim. In ancient China, though, it was a much more serious matter: The color of your fingernails was an indication of your social rank.

• Here's something to consider the next time your allergies start acting up: It's been reported that the force of the air movement generated by a sneeze can reach more than 100 miles per hour.

• In 19th-century England, one Dr. William Palmer was suspected of going on a killing spree, poisoning his mother-in-law, his wife, his brother, five of his children and at least two people to whom he owed money. He was finally brought to trial for the murder of his friend John Parsons Cook, who had become violently ill and then died after having dinner at Palmer's home. Palmer was convicted and sentenced to be hanged. As he was mounting the gallows, witnesses claim that Palmer looked at the trapdoor and exclaimed, "Are you sure it's safe?"

• If you're ever lost in the wilderness of the eastern central part of North America, it might help to look for Silphium laciniatum, better known as the compass flower or compass plant. This perennial herb resembles the sunflower and can grow from 3 to 12 feet tall. The plant's usefulness is based on the fact that its leaves tend to orient themselves so that they point north and south.

1989- 20 YEARS AGO

Businesses and public officials in the Back Mountain will have to accommodate the needs of non-smokers starting February 20. Governor Robert F. Casey December 21 signed legislation that will limit smoking in offices,



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stores and other indoor public places. The legislation, Senate Bill 26, requires establishment of non smoking sections in larger restaurants and requires employers to post smoking policies in work-

places. Timothy Haddle of Dallas, was recently honored by Saab-Scania of America, Inc. for reaching the highest level of achievement in the Swedish automaker's technical training program. Haddle, employed by Kunkle Motors, the Saab car dealership of RD 1 Dallas, was awarded the title of Saab Master Technician at a Saab-sponsored banquet in Wilkes-Barre.

Dallas Junior High girls basketball team took first place in the Dallas Kiwanis Tournament last Friday afternoon. Wendy Cave was named most valuable player. Other members of the team are: Jennifer Daveski, Holly Mannear, Jane Kilduff, Theresa Mathers, Michelle Welgosh, Monique Matthews, Tara Lisnow, Amy Nadzan and Ann Smaika. The team is coached by Tom Kilduff.

1979 - 30 YEARS AGO

The judges of the Back Mountain Holiday Decorations Contest this week announced the winners in the event. The committee of judges toured the Back Mountain area, including Midway Manor, Carverton Heights, Kingston Township, Dallas, Dallas Township, Harvey's Lake, Lake Township, Meeker, Lehman, Chase and Jackson Township, and many other points of the area such as Sweet Valley

and Franklin Township

"The grand prize display," said Gail Barry, one of the judges, "was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dungey and was not entered by them, but by a friend." The grand prize is a savings bond of \$50.

Lori Bird was crowned Snow Queen by the Dallas Senior High School students. Keith Calkins was named Snow King.

Lake-Lehman Knight dumped in 20 of 34 free shots and put 22 through the nets for 64 points while the Crestwood Comets collected 26 goals and only six free throws for 58 points to give Coach Tim Lukachik's Black Knights the title in the Crestwood Invitational Tourney last Thursday and Friday. Tony De-Cesaris, who was named most valuable player of the Comets Seventh Annual Tourney, collected 17 points for the Lake-Lehman cagers, putting five goals from the floor and dumping in seven from the foul line.

1969 - 40 YEARS AGO

Dallas Township residents will now have full-time police protection, 24 hours a day, it was reported Monday night at the annual reorganization meeting.

Housed temporarily in one of the Van Horn homes near the Outdoor Theater, Dallas Township Police will operate from this base until the new municipal building is ready in the spring.

Chief Frank Lange now has three full-time officers to assist him, James Davies, James Kelly and Charles Finn. With the arrival of the new station wagon for police use and radio communication, the well organized force is well in hand, each man working a 42 hour week.

Members of the Teamsters Union, Local 401, were picketing at the main gate of Natona Mills, Dallas, Tuesday. On the line were Teamsters John Mishkula, Val Lewis, Vic McCarty and Tony Maddu. The men said only that Leo Namey, local business agent, would have to give reason for the strike. No further details

were available at press time.

In a later development it was learned that the Lace Workers Union, Branch 823 at Natona Mills, voted Tuesday night to honor the picket line established by local Teamsters.

A community citation of merit from the National Beauty Program sparked by Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson, wife of the president of the United States, was presented on Friday to the Dallas Post Office. Postmaster Edward Buckley received the framed citation, which hangs in the lobby of the government building.

The certificate was given for beautification of the grounds, the only such citation given in Northeastern Pennsylvania in an eight county area.

1959 - 50 YEARS AGO

Shavertown has a new acting postmaster, Dorothy Anderson. She was sworn in on the last night of the year, releasing Irvin Davis, who resigned in October after 30 years of service. Mrs. Anderson has been helping at the Post Office during the holiday rush. She has been studying up on requirements and techniques.

Jolly Eight Card Club recently held its Christmas Party in the gaily decorated rumpus room at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kozemchak, Overbrook Road. Farmer dancing, bowling and other games were enjoyed. Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Garris, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Lavelle, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Cobleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon MacAvoy, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Fink, Mr. and Mrs. James Jolley, Mr. and Mrs. William Long and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Montgomery.

Tony Curtis and Sidney Poitier were featured in "The Defiant Ones" at the Himmler Theater, Dallas.

1949 - 60 YEARS AGO

First National Bank, Dallas, has purchased the former Ritter Building on Main Street from A.C. Devens and will shortly

start on a building expansion program which will double toe working and office spaces of the bank, W.B. Jeter, president, announced yesterday.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new building for Sweet Valley Frocks (Dress Plant) at Sweet Valley. When completed the building will have modern rest rooms and offices. The lighting will be the most modern for factory purposes and lighter than day where the employees work.

Honey Gold, a walking horse owned by Senator T. Newell Wood, Harvey's Lake, has been acclaimed one of the nations top ranking show animals, according to the American Horse Show Association in New York.

1939 - 70 YEARS AGO

Ground was broken late last week in the preliminary excavation work on the new \$100,000 high school building for Lehman Township, being constructed under PWA provisions.

The building will be financed by a \$45,000 PWA appropriation from the Federal government and a \$55,000 bond issue, which has been taken up by the First National Bank of Dallas. The time limit on the appropriation is 300 days, but there is a chance that the building may be finished by the beginning of school next fall, according to J. Austin Snyder, supervising principal.

Mountain Grange of Carverton will install its new officers at its annual Winter Picnic at the Grange Hall next Wednesday night. New officers are: master, Sheldon Gay; overseer, Charles Parrish; chaplain, Mrs. Michael; treasurer, A.H. Gay; steward, Elmer DeWitt; assistant, Burton Coon; gatekeeper, R.D. Lewis; and lady assistant steward, Catherine Gay.

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.

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE PART OF THE HOLIDAYS?



"The grand-kids, of course."

Jim Eason
Dallas



"The food. I liked all of it."

Matt Goeringer
Dallas



"Getting together with the family and the mild weather."

Chris Hampel
Dallas



"When my Dad got me a tree house for Christmas."

Kayla Goldsmith
Dallas



"Playing with our Nerf guns outside and shoving each other."

Chris Goldsmith
Dallas



"Being with friends and family."

Jane Austin
Dallas

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