

## New books on library shelves

The following books have been added to the collection at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Rd., Dallas, for the month of March 2009:

### EXPRESS (1 WEEK)

"Handle with Care" by Jodi Picoult, "Promises in Death" by J.D. Robb, "Night and Day" by Robert B. Parker, "Terminal Freeze" by Lincoln Child, "Paths of Glory" by Jeffrey Archer, "One Day at a Time" by Danielle Steel, "Running Hot" by Jayne Ann Krentz, "Irreplaceable" by Stephen Lovely and "The Birthday Present" by Barbara Vine

### FICTION

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### NON-FICTION

"Gallery of Best Resumes for People Without a Four-Year Degree" by David F. Noble, "150 Best Recession-Proof Jobs" and "Great Jobs in the President's Stimulus Plan" by Laurence Shatkin,

### LARGE PRINT FICTION

"The Second Opinion" by Michael Palmer, "Promises in Death" by J.D. Robb and "Death of a Witch" by M.C. Beaton

## Baby-sitting course to be held at Back Mtn. Library

A baby-sitting course sponsored by the American Red Cross will be held at the Back Mountain Memorial Library from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 28. All teens ages 11 through 15 are welcome to attend.

The cost of the course is \$40 per person. Those who would like to participate must bring the course fee to the library by March 25, at which time registration will close and the names will be submitted to the Red Cross. Only those teens who pay before the class will be admitted, according to the guidelines of the Red Cross.

Teens are asked to bring refreshments, a bagged lunch and

snacks to the session which will be held in the Community Room of the library.

Participants will learn how to interview for a baby-sitting job, make responsible decisions, supervise children, keep children and themselves safe and choose safe and age-appropriate toys.

Skills taught include rescue breathing, first aid for choking, first aid for bleeding and basic care (diapering, holding, feeding, dressing) for infants and small children. The course is ideal for those who want to baby-sit and for older siblings to learn to care for younger ones.

Those with questions may call the library, 675-1182.

## MOMENTS IN TIME

### The History Channel

• On March 16, 1802, the United States Military Academy - the first military school in the United States - is founded by Congress for the purpose of educating and training young men in the theory and practice of military science. Located at West Point, N.Y., the U.S. Military Academy is often known simply as West Point.

• On March 20, 1852, Harriet Beecher Stowe's anti-slavery novel, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," is published. It sells 300,000 copies within three months. While living in Cincinnati, Stowe encountered fugitive slaves and the Underground Railroad. Later, she wrote "Uncle Tom's Cabin" in reaction to recently tightened fugitive slave laws.

• On March 18, 1925, the worst tornado in U.S. history passes through eastern Missouri, southern Illinois and southern Indiana, killing 695 people, injuring some 13,000 people and causing \$7 million in property damage. Known as the "Tri-State Tornado," the deadly twister spent more than three hours on the ground and traveled at speeds in excess of 70 mph - unsurpassed in U.S. history.

• On March 17, 1931, radio star Kate Smith debuts her first program. The show launched performers like Abbott and Costello and introduced songs like Irving Berlin's "God Bless America," which she sang on Armistice Day in 1938.

• On March 19, 1971, the Italian American Civil Rights League announces a truce with the producers of "The Godfather." Upset at the portrayal of Italian Americans as gangsters, the League persuaded the producers not to use the words "Mafia" or "Cosa Nostra."

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

### By Samantha Weaver

• It was Scott Adams, best known as the creator of the "Dilbert" comic strip, who made the following observation: "Give a man a fish and you'll feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and he'll buy a funny hat. Talk to a hungry man about fish and you're a consultant."

• Many people believe that 24-karat gold is pure, but that's not true - it has a small amount of copper blended with the gold. The reason is practical: Pure gold is so soft that if you were to find an absolutely pure sample, you would be able to mold it with your bare hands.

• You may be surprised to learn that the third president of the United States, Thomas Jefferson, was more than a revolutionary leader and politician - he was also an inventor. One of his creations was the dumbwaiter.

• Do you suffer from misoneism? Quite a few people these days seem to. It's a hatred or fear of change or innovation.

• If you've got extra money on your hands - a lot of extra money! - the next time you're updating your wardrobe, you might take a look at Escada's couture line of jeans, which, with prices starting at \$7500, is the most expensive in the world.

• During the Revolutionary War, the British hired mercenary Hessian soldiers to fight for them against the colonists. The reward for putting life and limb at risk for a cause not theirs? A grand total of 25 cents per day.

• Attention fisherfolk: If you happen to catch and gut the species known as the garfish, you'll find green bones inside it.

Thought for the day: "The average, healthy, well-adjusted adult gets up at seven-thirty in the morning feeling just plain terrible." - Jean Kerr

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## THIS WEEK IN THE BACK MOUNTAIN



SUBMITTED PHOTO

This Siberian Husky named "Willow" belongs to Pat and Guy Giordano of Harveys Lake. In this photo, she enjoys the shade on a trip to Key West, FL last winter. Willow is a very loving, gentle and spoiled member of the Giordano family.

### SHARE YOUR PICTURES WITH OUR READERS

Do you have a photograph that is so awesome that you'd like to share it with others? Have you been on vacation and came back with not only unforgettable memories, but great photos? Do you have a great shot of your kids, of your pet, of your house?

If you have a photograph you think is worth sharing with other Dallas Post readers, send it to us and we'll publish it in our "This Week in the Back Mountain" space.

You can e-mail the photo, in JPEG format, to news@mydallaspost.com or mail it to us at: The Dallas Post, 15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711.

### 1989 - 20 YEARS AGO

Don Onderko, owner of the Happy Day Beauty Salon in Dallas Township, isn't happy about the nationwide publicity his shop got in last Thursday's issue of USA Today. That's because



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the salon's name appeared in an article about the capture of an alleged rapist who some people thought

bore a resemblance to Onderko.

It all started when a television show aired a story about a man named Templeton, who was wanted for questioning on rape and other charges. During the show, viewers were asked to call in if they thought they had seen Templeton. As part of his description, the show characterized Templeton as a sometimes impersonator of the late Elvis Presley.

Apparently, someone who had seen Onderko in his Dallas shop thought he looked like Templeton and called in to report that he might be working as a stylist at the salon.

Onderko, who owns six salons in all, had also performed as an Elvis impersonator in the past, and still bears a resemblance to the late rock star.

According to John Brdaric Jr., the controversy over his plan to dump demolition waste on his property is a tempest in a teapot. "I live here," he said Sunday. "We don't want a garbage dump here." The site in question is a former strip mining pit of about 100 acres situated on Brdaric's 500 acres of land on Bunker Hill in Kingston Township.

Brdaric says he wants to fill the pit with clean waste from his demolition and excavating business. He said the pit was now unsightly and dangerous and claimed that a person had drowned in it in the 1960's.

About 40 residents of the township and the supervisors have been fighting Brdaric's plan since 1984. When the township

refused to change the zoning for his property, he sued the supervisors in Luzerne County Court. A court appointed referee recommended March 3 that Brdaric be allowed a Class 1 demolition landfill on the property.

### 1979 - 30 YEARS AGO

The elementary wrestlers of the Back Mountain Wrestling Club won the Penn League Tournament championship at Williamsport Community College recently. Members of the team are: Jeremy Roper, Bobby Hawkins, Jeff Austin, Dave Herbert, Brandon Dennis, Bryan Mathers, Doug Confair, Carey Falcone, Danny Kratz, Frank Galdowski, Scott Walsh, Mark Yapple, Paul Feeney, Bill Mathers, Eric Schaeffer, Matt Politz, Bruce Hess, Steve Kaminski and Eric Lee.

The annual installation dinner of the Shavertown Fire Company was held recently at the Shavertown Fire Hall. Members installed are: Jerry Paxton, Walt Davis, Ed Carey, Elwood Dungey, Bill Kreischer, Gene Brown, E.J. Brown, Gary Beisel, Bill Rinehimer, Dick Gdovin, Jim Roman, Bob Considine, Ken Beisel and Bill Youngblood.

Coach Tim Lukachik's Lake Lehman Knights captured the District 2 Class A basketball title last Saturday by upsetting the strong Sacred Heart team of Carbondale 53-52 in an overtime period. It was the Knights' second one-point tournament victory of the week.

Dave Penkrot's three good free throws in the overtime gave the Knights the margin needed to win.

### 1969 - 40 YEARS AGO

Directors of the Dallas School District last week agreed to a rewording of the controversial school prayer motion offered by director Andrew Kozemchak.

Milton Evans suggested that Mr. Kozemchak's previous motion - which failed to receive a second - and called for the return of prayers and Bible reading in classrooms, be amended to "investigate and study" how this

move could be achieved "within the law."

The Dallas Senior High School majorettes will highlight the school's Band Concert which is to be held late in March. Majorettes participating in the concert are: Diane Hozempa, Phyllis Hanna, Suzanne Joswiak, Priscilla Reese, Susan Sipple, Nancy Love, Elaine Heidel, Karen Gillis, Ann Parsons, Linda Whalen, Judith Reggie, Christine Rubino and Carol Crawford.

The Dallas Junior High Falcon basketball team recently completed the season with a heartbreaking one-point loss to the league champion Wyoming Area team, 66-67. Members of the team are: William McHale, Robert Goeringer, Timmy Kaye, Gary Kostrobola, Mike Davis, Edward Riefensthal, John Woychick, Gary Arcuri, Lee Brobst, Herman Novroski, John LaBerge, Robert Wallace, Mark Arcurik and Robert Menzel.

### 1959 - 50 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Raymond Daring, attractive young member of Dallas Junior Woman's Club, in competition with sixteen young women from as far away as Easton and Bloomsburg, took first place Wednesday afternoon at a Vogue contest held at the Sterling Hotel, where she modeled a club-woman's outfit which she had made herself from a Vogue pattern.

Susan Hayward and Simm Oakland were featured in "I Want To Live" at the Himmler Theater, Dallas.

### 1949 - 60 YEARS AGO

Members of Dallas Girl Scout Troop 149 recently presented a Rainy Day Box to the children's ward at Nesbitt Hospital to commemorate the thirty-seventh birthday anniversary of Girl Scouting in America and the twenty-fifth in Wyoming Valley. The box contained scrap books, crayons, pencils, picture books and other articles that will help while away long tedious hours of illness. Its presentation on Friday was the last step in earning of the Child Care Badge. Scout

leaders are Mrs. Jack Barnes and Mrs. Raymond Ttitus.

Movies playing at the Shaver Theater, Shavertown, included "In The Navy" starring Abbott and Costello; "For The Love of Mary" starring Deanna Durbin and Edmund O'Brien; and "Sleep My Love" starring Claudette Colbert and Don Ameche. At Bowman's Restaurant, Main Street, Dallas, the Chicken and Waffles Sunday Dinner sold for \$1.50.

### 1939 - 70 YEARS AGO

Local newsdealers received a visit this week from representatives of the Scranton Diocesan Unit of the National Organization for Decent Literature, who left lists of publications banned by the organization. Some 150 magazines are on the society's "forbidden list," including such well-known publications as College Humor, Coronet, Esquire, For Men Only, Modern Romance, Official Detective, Pep Stories, Real Confessions and The Jitterbug.

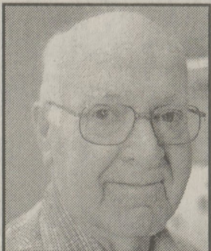
The delegations requested local news stands to co-operate in discouraging the sale of the banned magazines.

A group of amateur actors and actresses from Alderson won the preliminary contest in the dramatic tournament being sponsored by Dallas District Youth Council at Laketon on Wednesday night. The judges, a group from Little Theater, especially praised Franklyn Leinthall for his outstanding performance with the Alderson church group.

Movies playing at the Himmler Theater in Dallas included "Spring Madness" starring Maureen O'Sullivan and Lew Ayres; "The Missing Witnesses" starring Dick Purcell; "Down In Arkansas" starring The Weaver Brother and Elviry; and "Hearts of the North" starring Dick Foran and Gloria Dickson.

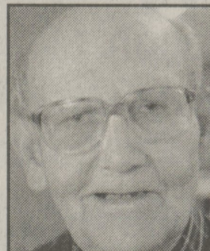
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## "HOW WILL YOU CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY?"



"I am Irish, so of course, I always celebrate it."

Joseph McDonald  
Shavertown



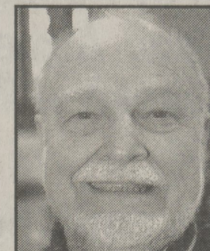
"Years ago I had a good time. Today, I just watch TV."

John Owens  
Shavertown



"I'll come to the Dallas Senior Center and enjoy the people here."

Doris Mae Hughey  
Dallas



"By eating ham and cabbage and wearing some green."

Joe Malak  
Dallas



"I'm going to do an Irish jig for St. Patrick's Day."

Susie Malak  
Dallas



"My first husband died on St. Patrick's Day so I don't celebrate, but I do put some green on."

Mildred Lavelle  
Wheeler  
Dallas