

# Entertaining kids with books and fun

The children's room at the Back Mountain Memorial Library was a beehive of activity last Thursday when library volunteer Jean Grube read "If You Were a Penguin" by Wendell and Florence Minor during this year's "Pennsylvania One Book Every Young Child" program. Grube also entertained the children with songs and fun.



Madisyn Musselman, of Dallas, takes counting lessons from her mom, Carlene, during a book reading program at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

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Lori Orlando, a teacher at Little People School, sits with Houston Bryce at a reading program at the Back Mountain Memorial Library.



Jean Grube reads to a group at the Back Mountain Memorial Library during the PA "One Book every Young Child" program.

DALLAS BOROUGH

## Council members vote to join Back Mountain Community Partnership

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Dallas Borough is the latest municipality to join the Back Mountain Community Partnership.

Borough council voted Wednesday evening to adopt an ordinance to enter the partnership. Council President Patricia Peiffer will serve as the borough's representative to the partnership and Mayor Timothy Carroll will act as an alternate representative.

The partnership will allow member municipalities of the Back Mountain to get together

on various issues, while allowing each town to opt out of an individual project if they choose. Working as a partnership may also allow municipalities to secure additional grant money for the Back Mountain area.

Kingston Township was the first municipality to join the partnership back in April, followed by Jackson and Dallas townships. Lehman Township supervisors voted to become a partnership member on May 18.

**Orchard St. Bridge**

In other news, Bruce Goeringer asked council to reconsider its decision to eliminate a bridge replacement project on Orchard

Street in lieu of Federal Emergency Management Agency and Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency-approved alternate projects. The bridge, which crosses Toby Creek, was damaged during the flood of June 2006.

According to borough manager Tracey Michael Carr, FEMA and PEMA awarded \$302,905 for the project. But in order to build and comply with PennDOT specifications, \$414,418 would be needed.

Goeringer, whose dental practice is located near the bridge, provided council with 120 signatures from people who want the bridge to be rebuilt.

**Summer program**

Five returning counselors were rehired at an hourly rate of \$7.50 for the summer recreation program. The counselors are Patrick Murray, Danielle Krawetz, Jillian O'Connell, Erin Delaney and Cory Patton. The program will commence on June 15 and conclude August 14 with hours of operation between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Project approved**

Council approved borough officials to execute a local share account commitment letter and grant contract between the state, acting through the Department

of Community and Economic Development and the borough, in the amount of \$750,000 for the Misericordia University College of Health Sciences Project.

The grant money was received through state gaming funding and a municipality must sponsor it. Though the borough will not receive any of the grant money, Carr says the project will better the borough through downtown beautification and development.

**Storm water system project**

Authorization was approved to hire Michael J. Pasonick Jr., Inc. to design and prepare bid documents for a construction project to install a new storm water sys-

tem in the area of Norton and Lehman avenues and Spring Street toward Machell Avenue.

**Announcements**

The annual Memorial Day Parade conducted by the Daddow-Issac American Legion Post 672 will be held at 9 a.m. on Monday, May 25.

Residents are reminded the road department will pick up two 25-gallon containers of acceptable yard waste weekly at the curbside.

Members of council, the mayor and the borough manager thanked Amber Wesley, a student at a Dallas High School, for her gift of a new picnic table.

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