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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Writer expresses thanks to Senator Baker and her staff

## Dear Editor:

On behalf of the family and many friends of Anthony "Bruce" Matus, we would like to thank Senator Lisa Baker and her staff, especially Mr. Thomas Yoniski of the Dallas office.

In January 2009, Bruce suffered a debilitating stroke, resulting in severe paralysis of his upper and lower extremities. Since then Bruce had been a guest at the Manor Care Nursing Home in Kingston and, although he was still in need of assistance with daily activities of living, he did not need to be in a nursing home.

In August of this year, Bruce's family began the process of trying to get him back into his own home with the help of a state program and the Center for Independent Living in Scranton. After three months of trying unsuccessfully to get Bruce home, the family finally turned to Senator Baker's office.

Within days of contacting Senator Baker's office, visible signs of progress were being made. Throughout the process, Mr. Yoniski kept the family apprised of where the paperwork was, which agency was responsible for processing the various requests and acted as Bruce's advocate.

Happily, on December 1, 2009, Bruce was finally able to return to his own apartment and return to his life as an independent and viable member of our community. The positive outcome for Bruce is the direct result of the senator and her staff of dedicated professionals who worked so hard for him.

Again, on behalf of Bruce, his family and friends, we all offer our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to everyone who contributed to Bruce's success.

Justin Matus  
Harveys Lake

## Books added to library shelves

The following new books have been added to the shelves of the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Rd., Dallas for December 2009:

EXPRESS  
(1 WEEK)

"The Wrecker" by Clive Cussler, "Deadly Deals" by Fern Michaels, "Breathless" by Dean Koontz, "I, Alex Cross" by James Patterson and "Pirate Latitudes" by Michael Crichton

## FICTION

"The Wrecker" by Clive Cussler, "Deadly Deals" by Fern Michaels, "New York: the novel" by Edward Rutherford, "Breathless" by Dean Koontz, "I, Alex Cross" by James Patterson, "Pirate Latitudes" by Michael Crichton, "Windfall" by Penny Vincenzi, "The Test" by Patricia Gussin, "Secrets of the Tudor Court" by Kate Emerson and "Hollywood Moon" by Joseph Wambaugh

## NONFICTION

"What Happy Working Mothers Know" by Cathy Greenberg, "Becoming Americans: Four Centuries of Immigrant Writing" edited by Ilan Stavans, "Food, Inc." edited by Karl Weber, "The Audacity to Win" by David Plouffe and "You Were Born for This" by Bruce Wilkinson

## MYSTERY

"The Brutal Telling" by Louise Penny

## BIOGRAPHY

"Going Rogue" by Sarah Palin, "Open: An Autobiography" by Andre Agassi and "The Time

of My Life" by Patrick Swayze and Lisa Niemi

LARGE PRINT  
FICTION

"Kindred in Death" by J.D. Robb, "Snow Angels" by Fern Michaels, Marie Bostwick, Janina McMahan, and Rosalind Noonan, "Sacred Hearts" by Sarah Dunant and "The Hunger Games" by Suzanne Collins

LARGE PRINT  
NONFICTION

"It's Your Time" by Joel So-

## BOOKS ON CD

"Skeletons at the Feast" by Chris Bohjalian, "Under the Dome" by Stephen King, "Hollywood Moon" by Joseph Wambaugh, "I, Alex Cross" by James Patterson, "Night and Day" by Robert B. Parker, "The Forgotten 500" by Gregory A. Freeman and "Schulz and Peanuts" by David Michaelis

## YOUNG ADULT

"Candor" by Pam Bachorz, "Pop" by Gordon Korman and "The Bolshevik Revolution" by Joseph O'Neill

## SPECIAL DONATIONS

"The Third Reich at War" by Richard Evans, presented by Daddow-Isaacs Post 672 American Legion; "Fire" by Kristin Cashore, presented by Nedda and Mike Cashore in honor of their daughter who is the author; "Thanks a Lot, Emily Post!" by Hennifer LaRue Hugget, presented by Jill Evans Kryston, Defining Manners: A School of Contemporary Protocol



## YOUR SPACE

This photo was taken by Pat Giordano of Harveys Lake. This little guy is one of a pair of chipmunks who reside at the lake. He found the bird feeder this fall and decided to begin storing up for the winter. Check out those cheeks!

### SHARE YOUR PICTURES WITH OUR READERS

"YOUR SPACE" is reserved specifically for Dallas Post readers who have something they'd like to share with fellow readers.

Submitted items may include photos or short stories and should be sent via e-mail to news@mydallaspost.com, by fax to 675-3650 or by mail to The Dallas Post, 15 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711.

Information must include the submitting person's name, address and a telephone number in the event we have questions. Readers wishing to have their photos returned should include a self-addressed/stamped envelope.

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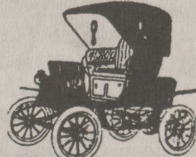
## 1989 - 20 YEARS AGO

Third grade students at Dallas Elementary School recently collected food for the food bank in order to be certain the needy families in the Back Mountain have food for Christmas. Some of the participating students are: Fred Krispin, Amy Michaels, Marla Brown, Kathryn Palmatier and Richard Samanas.

Fourth grade students from Gate of Heaven School recently decorated the entrance of The Meadows Nursing Center with holiday posters they made. Participating in the project were James Simon, Stephen Bolin and Jennifer Bernick.

Recently members of Dallas Boy Scout Troop 281 bicycled 25 miles of the Lehigh Gorge State Park from White Haven to Jim Thorpe. This effort was part of the boys' work towards their cycling merit badge.

Donald Hosey, Craig Bowersox, Richard Sylvia, Randy Hozempa, Brian Achuff, David Petrikonis, James Urisko, Timothy Raub, Eric St. Clair, Greg Riley, John Tomedi, David Townsend, Chris Welch, David Ertley, Ben Sappe, Jared Dukas, Donald Hosey, Chad Williams, Charles Wasserott V and Dean Evans.

1979 - 30  
YEARS  
AGO  
ONLY  
YESTERDAY

Michelle Thomas, Cindy Millington, Marisa Boliński, Laura Reese and Lorene Duran will be featured in the "March of the Toy Soldiers" in the annual Christmas Concert at Dallas High School this Sunday.

Other students participating in the concert include Alice Solisnky, Maralyn Nepp, Nancy Evans, Arlene Daily, Lori Law, Bonnie Vail and Dawn Campbell.

The Madrigal Singers will present several selections in the Dallas Senior High School Christmas Concert. The singers are: Dave Orehtsky, Rob Robinson, Linda Akers, Sue Williams, Cindy Millington, Arline Datly,

## Terri Ross and Matt Hoidra.

Residents and visitors at Harveys Lake will find a new restaurant and delicatessen as they come into the lake area by Sunset. Drury's Deli and restaurant opened in November and serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. Jim and Jack Drury, who live at the Lake, manage the new business venture owned by their father, who operates a food business in New Jersey.

## 1969 - 40 YEARS AGO

Flames raged through Patterson's Grove for the third time in less than a month early Saturday morning and completely destroyed eight cottages and damaged five others on the 101-year old United Methodist Campground. State and local fire officials believe the Fairmont Township fires to be the work of one or more arsonists.

According to Sgt. Karl Guers of the State Police Substation at Shickshinny, Saturday's blaze broke out a scant 10 to 15 minutes after a police patrol had toured the area and shortly following a two-man, cottage-owner patrol of the campgrounds.

A mobile van was presented to Fred Hennebaul, East Dallas, at a special ceremony during half-time of the Dallas-Lake-Lehman football game Thanksgiving Day. Fred, 24 year-old son of Mrs. Walter Hennebaul, Sr. and the late Walter Hennebaul, has been confined to a wheelchair since he sustained permanent injury in a wrestling accident in January 1962. He was a student of Lake-Lehman High School and a member of the varsity wrestling squad at the time. He is a graduate of Dallas Senior High School.

The van was a gift of several area organizations: Gate of Heaven Holy Name Society, Young People of Gate of Heaven, Dallas Kiwanis Club, Dallas American Legion, Dallas Lions Club, Dallas Senior Woman's Club, Dallas Junior Woman's Club, Dallas Key Club, Dallas Vacation Bible School, Dallas Rotaract, Harveys Lake Women's Service Club and Eddie Day Orchestra.

The Key Club "hotshots" from Dallas Senior High School and t

he Dallas Junior Varsity basketball team met Tuesday afternoon in the Dallas auditorium for the "game of the year."

The two teams played for the benefit of the "Toys for Tots" campaign sponsored by the Marine Corps Reserves. Members of the "hotshot" team were Herman Otto, James Wilson, George Messersmith, Robert Griffiths, Jeff Gruver, John Harowicz, John Fleming, Ernest Gelb, Steve Goode and Jack Willison.

## 1959 - 50 YEARS AGO

Back Mountain Girl Scout Troop 183, under the leadership of Mrs. Lewis Dixon, began the fall and winter with a trip to New York City in November. The troop made a tour of the United Nations building and took a boat ride around Manhattan Island. Members of the troop are: Elaine Dixon, Anne Marie Gable, Linda Brague, Cynthia Galletly, Daisy McClelland, Susan Smith, Randy Wright and Patsy Block.

Eleven senior members of Westmoreland's 1959 football squad, their senior manager and coaches were honored by the Booster Club at a dinner Thursday night. The are: George Dombek, assistant coach, Thomas Jenkins, James Morgan, William Perrego, senior manager, David Ell, Arthur Zimmerman, Victor Widmann, Albert Dendler, Gordon Lorentz, Fred Houlihan, Larry Newhart, John Chapple, Joseph Mollahan, and Edward Brominski, coach.

Cubs of Den 2, Pack 255 toured Harter's Dairy recently. Mr. Harter was their guide, explaining different steps by which dairy products are prepared. Cubs taking part were Steve Doyme, Ricky Bombick, Ronnie Ray, Jimmy Yascur, Bobby Kittle, Gary Sponseller, Larry Konopha. Accompanying the cubs were den chief Eddie Doyme, den mother Mrs. L. Yascur and mothers, Mrs. R. Slimak and Mrs. E. Doyme.

## 1949 - 60 YEARS AGO

Richard Reese was elected president of Kingston Township Veterans Association at a meet-

ing Tuesday evening, and Conrad Orchard, vice president. Russell Parsons is secretary and Henry Kahn, treasurer.

Putting male companions to shame, Madge Space Johns, wife of Richard Johns, shot a fine, six-point, 165-pound buck shortly after noon Tuesday while hunting on the hill behind Parrish Heights with her husband, William Jeter, Ed Keller and Bob Johns.

Last year Mrs. Johns also shot a buck; but it got away, ran some distance, fell down and was claimed by two boys who loaded it in a jeep and carried it off.

Madge made sure of this year's kill with a well-placed shot. All of her companions have been hunting daily since the season started. Her expedition Tuesday was her first of the year.

Movies playing at the Himmeler Theater, Dallas, included "I Was A Male War Bride" starring Ann Sheridan and Cary Grant; "Annie Oakley" starring Barbara Stanwyck and Preston Foster; and "That Midnight Kiss" starring Kathryn Grayson and Ethel Barrymore.

## 1939 - 70 YEARS AGO

What would happen to your every-day routine of life if your dreams came true?

A group of talented young thespians from the Junior Class of Dallas Borough High School will attempt to answer the question when they present their play, "Let's Pretend" at the high school this weekend.

Members of the cast include Alma Nelson, Robert Niemeyer, Nancy Ayre, Eloise Hunt, John Jewell, Rita Cummings, Bill Sutton, Claire Ralston and Bob Price.

Mrs. Mildred Ford, the only feminine professional photographer in Pennsylvania, spoke before the new camera club at College Misericordia on Tuesday, discussing artistic photography.

Information for "Only Yesterday" is taken from past issues of The Dallas Post which is 120 years old. The information is printed here exactly as it appeared in the newspaper years ago.

### "WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE SANTA CLAUS TO BRING YOU THIS YEAR?"



"I don't need anything. I have my husband and children."

Elizabeth Chrzanowsky  
Shavertown

"Mostly money to buy presents for my kids."

Julie Frederick  
Sweet Valley

"Ice skates so I can skate on my pond."

Kate Williams  
Lehman

"Health and happiness. It sounds a little formal but it works."

Brian Gorski  
Shavertown

"A kitten. A nice little black kitten with white paws."

Raven Moore  
Dallas

"A pair of UGG boots and my mother wants peace from bickering in the family."

Michelle Lipski  
Lehman