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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 December 2009:

EXPRESS (1 WEEK)

"U is for Undertow" by Sue Grafton, "Trial by Fire" by Judith A. Jance, "The Disciple" by Stephen Coonts, "Pursuit of Honor" by Vince Flynn and "La's Orchestra Saves the World" by Alexander McCall Smith

FICTION

"Trial by Fire" by Judith A. Jance, "The Disciple" by Stephen Coonts, "The Paris Vendetta" by Steve Berry, "Pursuit of Honor" by Vince Flynn, "Too Many Murders" by Colleen McCullough, "The Atlantis Code" by Charles Brokaw, "La's Orchestra Saves the World" by Alexander McCall Smith and "The Hidden Oasis" by Paul Sussman

NONFICTION

"Landscape Painting" by Mitchell Albala, "Joy's Life Diet" by Joy Bauer, "Frommer's Australia 2010"

"Frommer's Arizona 2010", "Frommer's American Southwest", "Frommer's Honolulu, Waikiki & Oahu" by Jeannette Foster and "Insiders' Guide to Cape Cod & the Islands" by Patrick Cassidy

MYSTERY

"U is for Undertow" by Sue Grafton

LARGE PRINT

FICTION

"The Wrecker" by Clive Cuss-

ler, "Stuck" by Elisabeth Rose, "Pushin' Up Daisies" by Carolyn Brown, "Rhino Ranch" by Larry McMurtry and "Salsa with Me" by Roni Denholtz

LARGE PRINT NONFICTION

"But I Trusted You" by Ann Rule

BOOKS ON CD

"The Wrecker" by Clive Cussler, "Breathless" by Dean Koontz, "Highest Duty" by Capt. Chesley Sullenberger, "Kindred in Death" by J.D. Robb, "The Lacuna" by Barbara Kingsolver, "Ford County: stories" by John Grisham, "What the Dog Saw" by Malcolm Gladwell, "Cleaving" by Julie Powell, "Conquering Fear" by Harold S. Kushner and "Arguing with Idiots" by Glenn Beck

MP3 PLAYAWAYS

"206 Bones" by Kathy Reichs, "Rain Gods" by James Lee Burke, "An Echo in the Bone" by Diana Gabaldon, "The Apostle" by Brad Thor, "Nightmares and Dreamscapes" by Stephen King, "While I'm Falling" by Laura Moriarty, "Intervention" by Robin Cook, "Guardian of Lies" by Steve Martini, "The Doomsday Key" by James Rollins and "Best Friends Forever" by Jennifer Weiner

YOUNG ADULT

"Boys R Us" by Lisi Harrison, "The Patron Saint of Butterflies" by Cecilia Galante, "The Hunger Games" by Suzanne Collins and "The Omnivore's Dilemma: The Secrets Behind What You Eat" by Richie Chevat

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Reader: Past comments 'shameful'

Dear Editor:
I find it absolutely astonishing that it took Sandra Serhan a full three months to clarify the remarks and accusations she made in the September 6 issue of The Dallas Post! I find it no coincidence that she waited a full month after the election to clarify those same remarks.

Serhan's intentions in the September 6 article seem quite obvious to myself and many others at Harveys Lake. The fact that she highly questioned the "whereabouts of the profits" from Harveys Lake Homecoming in such a public manner, without first doing just a little research to get the answers, is shameful.

The facts are simple. The treasurer of the HL Homecoming Committee had an audit done and then transferred the profits to the borough. The funds were placed in a separate restricted account earmarked for beautification projects where they remain to this date.

I've witnessed Serhan's antics for more than 30 years and it is my strong opinion that she is

more of an obstructionist than anything else. It is not unusual for her to surface at election time to be highly critical in a most public manner and then fade away afterward. To listen to her, you would think she single-handedly organized and put forth Harveys Lake Day in 1980. Many of us served on that committee and it was truly an event that was put forth by the community at large. Because the planning takes nearly a year and a ton of work and the success is so dependent on the weather, it is difficult to keep a large enough committee interested to keep it going.

I recommend that Serhan put a little effort into getting her facts straight before leveling wild insinuations that are hurtful to our small community. If she can't do that, at least clarify the remarks much sooner the next time.

The September 6 story hurt some of the most civic-minded citizens of our community and that we cannot afford.

Michelle T. Boice
Harveys Lake

YOUR SPACE



This scene from the Frances Slocum Trail in Frances Slocum State Park has been dubbed "Shadow & Light" by photographer Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas.

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 at news@mydallaspost.com, by fax at 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.

Items will be published in the order in which they are received. The editor of The Dallas Post reserves the right to reject any items submitted for publication.

Head Start offers programs for children in low-income families

Luzerne County Head Start, Inc. is currently accepting applications in Luzerne and Wyoming counties for the 2010-2011 school year.

A federally and state-funded comprehensive preschool program, Head Start gives 3 and 4-year-old low-income children a chance to achieve their full potential and attain school readiness.

Free services, including education, health, social services, parent involvement, nutrition and transportation, are offered on a limited basis and opportunities for children with disabilities are provided.

In addition, full-day, full-year child care partnership services are provided in West Pittston and Wilkes-Barre.

Families must meet specific criteria, including age and income eligibility, to qualify. Parents/guardians are encouraged to apply early as selection for the new school year will begin in June 2010.

Luzerne County Head Start, Inc. also runs a PA Pre-K Counts state-funded preschool program, in partnership with several school districts in Luzerne County. This program provides similar comprehensive services to 3 and 4-year-old children and

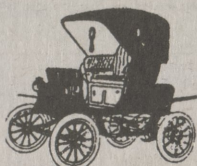
their families; however, income eligibility is set higher and no transportation is provided.

Another program within the Luzerne County Head Start agency is Early Head Start, a full-year child development and family support program for pregnant women and families with children from birth to age 3, available in the Wilkes-Barre, West Side, Hazleton, Hanover, Wyoming, Pittston and Tunkhannock areas.

To apply, or for additional information about Head Start, Pre-K Counts or Early Head Start, call 829-6231.

1989 - 20 YEARS AGO

The Walsh Auditorium at College Misericordia was filled Saturday with "Little People" and their friends and families as Christmas joys were spread. The auditorium, which is usually occupied by college students, was the setting for the Little People Day Care annual Christmas Program under the direction of Miss Kohler.



ONLY YESTERDAY

Little people aged from toddler to kindergarten performed songs, poems and a Christmas play to a very receptive audience. Some of the child performers were: Tracey Hudak, Sarah Brin, Steven Nieman, Loni Piekanski, Jared Salla, Ben Nulton, Tonya Hoopengardner, Ryan Ciocca and Ryan McMillan.

Lake-Lehman High School Band members were honored recently at the band's annual Christmas Banquet held at Convention hall, Pittston Township. Thirteen senior members were presented jackets for their years of dedication in the band. They are: Valerie Kliamovich, Colleen Delaney, Lori Stair, Molly White, Lori Lamoreaux, Kevin Koflanovich, John Lincoski, Shelly Hoover, Jason Yensha, Darcie Yetter, Rob Wilson, Ralph Bowman and Scott Brown.

1979 - 30 YEARS AGO

Second grade students from Trucksville Elementary School decorated the school cafeteria with Christmas decorations and drawings for the holiday season. Participants included Tommy Dickson, Robert Boedecker, Dawn Sims, Sean Appel, Corey Sands and Roseann Corey.

Dallas resident Charles D. Lemmond, Jr. was named by Gov. Dick Thornburgh to the

Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas Tuesday afternoon. Atty. Lemmond will fill the unexpired term of Judge Richard Bigelow, who resigned in March.

A graduate of Forty Fort High School, Lemmond received his bachelor's degree in government from Harvard University and his law degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Officers of the newly-organized Harvey's Lake Historical Society were elected at a meeting held last week. New officers are: Sandra Serhan, president; Mrs. Peter Savage, vice president; Atty. F. Charles Petrillo, secretary; and Mrs. Marguerite Cauda, treasurer.

1969 - 40 YEARS AGO

The Acme market - long a Dallas landmark - will have a new home this summer when work is completed on the huge new market now under construction at the corner of Church and Foster Streets, Dallas. At groundbreaking ceremonies Monday morning, Acme Market's division manager Harry Carson, announced the new structure will boast an area of 20,000 square feet or 25 percent more area than Shavertown Acme.

Carson noted that the new market will house a delicatessen as well as a complete selection of gourmet foods. In addition, the division manager said, "we plan to have the largest frozen foods department in the area."

Back Mountain residents were warmly greeted Monday morning by officials of the First National Bank of Wilkes-Barre at the opening of the bank's Dallas Village office located at the intersection of Routes 309 and 415. On hand to greet customers along with the bank's president and upper management was Dallas Village office manager William H. Price; assistant manager Robert D. Richardson; and Betty Marquis, Pamela McDonald and Bonnie Patton, tellers.

Brownie Troop 650 recently attended a performance of "The Princess and the Pea" at King's College. The group of girls was chaperoned by Mrs. Hans Dreher,

Mrs. Lloyd Warneka, Mrs. James Thomas and Mrs. Clyde Davis.

In attendance were Sheri Ann Bango, Molly Brace, Marcia Davis, Susan Dreher, Martha Dick, Molly Elston, Peggy Elston, Kate Kale, Christine Kern, Gayle Kirk, Lori Leib, Linda McDonald, Martha Shannon, Michelle Thomas and Linda Warneka.

1959 - 50 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Herman Thomas was elected president of Back Mountain Library Book Club at the Christmas meeting on Monday. Mrs. Arthur Ross was named vice president, Mrs. Ornan Lamb secretary, and Mrs. George Montgomery, treasurer.

At the Himmler Theater, Dallas, Burt Lancaster and Kirk Douglas were featured in "Devil's Disciples."

Mrs. John Stenger was installed as president and Mrs. Myron Williams as vice president at the meeting of Our Lady of Victory Altar and Rosary Society held at the rectory last Thursday. Other officers: Mrs. William Connolly, secretary; Mrs. Thomas Meighan, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Frank Lutinski, treasurer.

1949 - 60 YEARS AGO

Football mothers of Kingston Township entertained members of the grid team Wednesday at a banquet in Trucksville Fire Hall. Cheerleaders received individual corsages and team members boutonnières. Bob Richards was chosen as football captain for the year.

Certificates were awarded to those earning football letters. They were Bruce Cleasby, John Cottle, Carl Henning, Carl Johnson, Dean Johnson, Robert Richards, Joseph Youngblood, John Cashmark, Jack Connor, William Fine, Dennis Ide, Stanley Davis, Carl Follmer, Robert Gordon, Richard Lewis, Jack Pesavento, Edward Carey, Glen Carey, Jack Richards and Donald Purvin.

Ralph Sands, Carverton cattle breeder, was elected Master of Mountain Grange 567 Saturday

evening.

Also elected were Abe Galloway, overseer; Mrs. Emma Perrego, lecturer; Charles Parrish, steward; Herman Coon, assistant steward; Mrs. Minnie Miachek, chaplain, Thomas Earl Sr., treasurer; Mrs. Estelle Pascoe, secretary; and William Perrego, gate keeper.

Members of I.O.O.F. Booster Association made up of Odd Fellows from all lodges of this area are making plans for the Christmas Party for the Sunbury Orphanage. The party will be held Friday night at the Oneida Lodge, Dallas. Committee members include Harvey Sutton, John Kindig, Herbert Atherton, Earl Monk, Charles Perkins, Eugene Piatt, L.K. Sutliff, Atle S. Kocher, Cleas Sweezy and Dr. Robert Williams.

1939 - 70 YEARS AGO

Amos Kitchen was two years old the first time he dropped a line in Harvey's Lake. That was 69 years ago. He was still wearing dresses and his hook was a bent pin, tied on a piece a string dangling from a little pole his mother had cut from a tree.

At 71, Amos Kitchen, graduated long since to masculine attire and grown-up tackle, is still yanking fish out of Harvey's Lake, even though his failing eyesight has left him almost blind.

This week, "The Pennsylvania Angler," bible of the State's fishermen, published a photograph of Mr. Kitchen proudly displaying two fine lake trout he coaxed into his boat last summer.

Movies playing at the Himmler Theater, Dallas, included "Dust Be My Destiny" starring Priscilla Lane; "Trapped In The Sky" starring Jack Holt; "A Christmas Carol" starring Robert Owen; and "Coast Guard" starring Randolph Scott.

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 DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT THE HOLIDAY SEASON?"



"Going out in the woods and cutting down our Christmas tree."

Terri Kelley
Dallas



"Food, cookies and family."

George Graceley
Harveys Lake



"Friends, family and buying presents for the family."

Leah Zumchak
Dallas



"Decorating and baking Christmas cookies with the grandchildren."

Ginger Ritts
Dallas



"Spending time with the family playing board games and eating lots of food."

Reo Cheshire
Dallas



"Celebrating the birth of Jesus and going to church."

Heather Welland
Dallas