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Slightly Read Bookshop at library to re-open Jan. 6

The Holiday Shoppe of the Back Mountain Memorial Library, located in the front foyer of the library, is beautifully decorated with various winter holiday items for sale including holiday figurines, serving pieces, plaques and gift items (some brand new). Beginning on Monday, Dec. 28, all items will be half price so stop by soon for the best selection. These items have been donated and the total proceeds from sales benefit the library.

Bookshops offer bargains

The Slightly Read Bookshop, located in the downstairs of the library, also offers bargains on adult and children's books, audio books, VHS/DVD movies, puzzles and always has a few surprises! The Bookshop is currently closed for the winter holidays, but will re-open on Wednesday, Jan. 6, for its regular Wednesday scheduled hours of 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Bookshop is also open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays and 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Mondays.

The Paperback Room also located in the downstairs offers a variety of paperback books of all genres and is open during regular

library hours. The cost for a bag of books is only \$2.12. Some newer books and popular titles are also available for sale in the Reference room of the library.

Bricks are being sold

Special memory/honor bricks are sold throughout the year and are a unique way to honor someone or to memorialize a deceased friend or family member. The cost of the bricks is \$100 payable at time of order. The bricks are engraved and installed in the library's walkway twice a year, in the spring and fall.

Call the library at 675-1182 for more information on any of the above items.

Storyhours registration

Registration for the Winter Storyhours will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 5. You may call the library beginning at 9:30 a.m. to register your child.

Display your artwork

Anyone interested in displaying their artwork on the library's new "Art Wall" during the upcoming New Year, may call the library at 675-1182.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was 19th-century German philosopher Arthur Schopenhauer who made the following sage observation: "If we were not all so interested in ourselves, life would be so uninteresting that none of us would be able to endure it."
- Emmy-nominated actress Debbie Reynolds was fired by Warner Brothers after her first movie.
- Sharks inspire a great deal of fear in most people. However, the keepers of statistics claim that you are much more likely to be killed by a bee than you are to be killed by a shark -- 50 times more likely, in fact.
- Growers of coffee beans say that the coffee blossom smells like jasmine.
- When a seal goes to sleep, whether in the sea or on land, it stops breathing. Every 15 minutes or so it will wake up to take a breath, then it will go back to sleep.
- When it comes to irrigated crops in the United States, you might be surprised to learn that the plant that covers the most acreage isn't corn, wheat or soybeans; it's grass. Think about that the next time you're watering your lawn.
- There's an interesting story behind the name of the Caribbean island of Curacao. It seems that explorer Amerigo Vespucci had several sailors on his ship who were very seriously ill with scurvy, so he dropped them off on the island, assuming they would die. However, the abandoned sailors feasted on fresh fruit, thereby ingesting the vitamin C that cured the disease and saved their lives. The word "curacao" means "cure" in Portuguese.
- Here's a disturbing fact for all the arachnophobes reading this: There are more than 34,000 different species of spider.

Thought for the day: "So long as men worship the Caesars and Napoleons, Caesars and Napoleons will duly rise and make them miserable." - Aldous Huxley

YOUR SPACE



Robert Stiff, of Chase Road, Jackson Township, caught this American Goldfinch feeding on a thistle seed recently.

"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 re-

turned 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.

1989 - 20 YEARS AGO

The Dallas Rotary Club recently took 30 children from the Lake-Lehman and Dallas School Districts on a big Christmas shopping spree. The day started with a pancake breakfast at McDonald's in Shavertown, followed by shopping at Pomeroy's Department Store in the Midway Shopping Center. The day concluded with a party in the meeting room at the store, where children were served punch and cookies and met Santa. Rotary participants included Jamie Jordan, Matt Sanneski, Larry Sprinkle and George Bacon.



ONLY YESTERDAY

Penn's Woods Girl Scout Council Neighborhood 24 and the Lake-Lehman School District joined together to say, "A Warm Merry Christmas!" The elementary school Christmas trees were decorated with mittens, gloves, hats and scarves which will be donated to keep other children warm. Scouts from Brownie Troop 704 and Junior Troop 638 decorated the tree at Lake-Noxen School, Harvey's Lake. Participants included Tara Birt, Carolyn Edwards, Stephanie Frank, Maureen White, Jennifer Frank, Jacklyn Walkowiak, Janelle Bryant, K.C. Boback, Melissa Birt and Tracey Long.

1979 - 30 YEARS AGO

Jim Yascur of Cook's Variety Owls was voted Most Valuable Player of the Back Mountain Slo-Pitch Softball League. He received a trophy, presented by league president Harold Cornell. This year Mrs. Dorothy Carroll, head of the art department at Dallas Senior High School and 16 of her students painted Christmas scenes on the windows of United Penn and First Eastern Banks in Dallas. The painting is an annual project en-

joyed by the students and the community. The banks treated the students to lunch in appreciation for their work. Participants included Cheryl Federici, Christine Jenkins, Gwen Orloski, Cindy Sweptston, Lori Lutsey, Tom Sincavage, Kenny Sitkowski and Gino Mattioli.

Trucksville Junior Girl Scout Troop 630 had a great time baking gingerbread houses for Christmas. Taking part in the bakeoff were: Wendy Roushey, Michele Brunges, Dawn Aeschright, Kerrie Snyder, Heather Billman, Cathy Zikor, Tracie Roushey, Erin Fryer, Elizabeth Williams, Stephanie Kravits, Carolyn Montgomery, Colleen Conroy, Jennie Jolley, Pam Ash, Laura Diefendorfer, Cathy Snyder, Jennifer Long, Jill Hockenberry, Carla and Stacie Orlando.

1969 - 40 YEARS AGO

The annual Commodore's Ball sponsored by the Harvey's Lake Yacht Club will be held tonight at the Irem Temple Country Club, dance chairmen Atty. and Mrs. Todd McGuire have announced.

A highlight of the evening will be the passing of the black plumed admiral's hat to each of the club's past commodores. The hat will come to rest this year on the head of Robert Caselberry, Hilldonia Ave., Dallas, who will begin his second term of service as commodore of the Yacht Club.

Other committee chairmen for the ball include Mr. and Mrs. John Peipon, Mr. and Mrs. William Futch, Mr. and Mrs. John Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sgarlat, Mr. and Mrs. William Dantona Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John Bourke and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bunn.

Two Back Mountain residents, Marjorie J. Creasy and Janet F. Post, are directing the Northeastern Pennsylvania Antique Show to be held in April at the West Side Armory, Kingston. The show is for the exhibition of all antiques, ranging from automobiles to jewelry.

Milford H. (Tiny) Gould, of Trucksville, famed for his collection of and interest in antique cars has promised a fabulous display of antique cars which will be located in prominent location in the Armory.

1959 - 50 YEARS AGO

Dallas Junior High School Christmas Dance, "The Toy Trot" was held in the Junior High School gymnasium on Friday evening. Admission to enter was a new toy or good used toy. Toys were turned over to the Kiwanis Key Club. A queen, Ruby Spencer, was crowned capping the evening festivities.

Cub Pack 530, Noxen, held its Christmas Party at Veteran's Hall last Friday evening. Some of the families present were: Nick Yazwinsky; Pat, Lynn and Larry Denmon; Pearl, Allen Dale, Ronald and Rose Marie Biggs; Mrs. Jerry Traver and Mark; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brody and Douglas and Michael; Mrs. Raymond Scott, Raymond, Stanley, Leroy, Judith, Ann and Alan; and Mrs. Gerald Grant, Gary, Mike and Elaine.

1949 - 60 YEARS AGO

Kingston Township seniors will hold their Yuletide Ball in the High School Wednesday. Jack Melton will furnish music. Fred Zercoe is general chairman.

Committee members: Rachel Reese, Harriet Williams, Marilyn Spare, Kenneth Malkemes, Harrison Cooke, John Engel, Dick Haughwout, Dale Steinhauer, Lois Lamoreaux, Beverly Atwell, Peggy Webster, Dorothy Houser, Charlotte Gregory and Jean Frank.

Movies playing at the Himmeler Theater, Dallas, included "Father Was A Fullback" starring Fred MacMurray and Maureen O'Hara; "George White's Scandal" starring Joan Davis and Jack Haley; and "Angel on the Amazon" starring George Brent and Esther Ralston.

Sweet Valley No. 159, Daughters of America held a Christmas Party in the Maple Grove Hall

last week. Members entertained their guests with a covered dish supper and spent the evening playing bingo with all winning prizes.

Those present were Mrs. George Bronson, Mrs. John Graham, Mrs. Claude Cragle, Mrs. Henry Wolfe, Mrs. Burton Steltz, Beverly Steltz, Burton Steltz Jr., Mrs. Herbert Payne, Mrs. Walter Poll, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wolfe, June Graham, Mrs. Warren Boston, Mrs. Inez Curran, Mrs. Boyd Cragle, Mrs. Daniel William Miller, Mrs. Mabel Wandell, Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, Mrs. Lewis Bencsoter, Mr. and Mrs. Cleatus Holcomb Jr., Mrs. J. Hummel and Mrs. Jessie Shupp.

1939 - 70 YEARS AGO

Officers of Dallas Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, entertained their Worthy Matron, Mrs. Charles Lewis, at a dinner party at Hotel Sterling on Wednesday night. Mrs. Mildred Bronson was toastmaster.

Attending: Mesdames Helen Crispell, Ethel Jones, Margaret Goodwin, Marion Whitney, Helen Hontz, Beulah Frantz, Ruth Stephenson, Loretta Smith, Ruth Curry, Jessie Moore and Misses Bethia Allen, Elizabeth Whitby and Leatha Wolfe.

The Girls' Athletic Association of Kingston Township High School has elected the following officers: Marion Jones, president; Marion Anthony, vice president; Margaret Davis, secretary; Josephine Nichols, treasurer; Bernice Lozo, corresponding secretary; and Adetha Miller, sergeant-at-arms.

Movies playing at the Himmeler Theater, Dallas, included "Shipyards Sally" starring Gracie Fields; "Fast and Furious" starring Franchot Tone; and "Babes In Arms" starring Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland.

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.

"WILL YOU MAKE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION THIS YEAR?"



"To be a little less organized like my sister, Jenn Robinson."

Kim Jacobs
Dallas



"We resolve to be more organized this year like my sister, Kim Jacobs."

Jenn Robinson
Dallas



"Just to maintain my family and friends this year."

Gary Missal
Dallas



"I resolve to get 'Honors with Distinction' this next year."

Vanessa Parsons
Dallas



"I just hope to make it through the next year."

Tim Rismondo
Dallas



"To work less and spend more time with our kids."

Chris Kuhar
Harveys Lake