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### STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

 You may not be surprised to learn that the portions offered in fast-food restaurants have increased in size during the past few decades, but you may find the amount of the increase to be shocking: Portions are now anywhere from two to five times as large as they

• Because fortunetelling is considered to be a form of witchcraft in Australia, psychic readings are illegal Down Under.

• Talk about a serious typo: In 2008, the Chilean mint issued thousands of copies of a coin with the country's name spelled "Chile" instead of "Chile."

• Tibet is the only country in the world whose national flag is not in the shape of a rectangle.

• In December of 1811, parts of the Mississippi River flowed backward due to an earthquake in the region.

• A survey of elementary-school kids reveals that 66 percent of youngsters think that glasses make a person look smarter, while 57 percent think people who wear glasses look more honest.

• The world's longest-lasting light bulb, which can be found in a fire station in Livermore, Calif., has been in use for 107 years. Experts say that the bulb's extremely low wattage and the fact that it is rarely turned on and off have contributed to its longevity.

• The world's most filmed story is "Cinderella," followed by "Ham-



There will be plenty of fun for children of all ages on the campus of Misericordia University at the Alumni Association's annual Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch with the Easter Bunny, on Saturday, March 27, at the Banks Student Life Center. Last year, Matthew Mowry, of Tunkhannock, left, and Caden Martin, of Dalton, found the golden Easter egg together and split the grand prize.

## MISERICORDIA TO HOST EASTER EGG HUNT AND **BRUNCH**

Misericordia University's an- take pictures. nual Easter Egg Hunt and Association.

Children will have the opportunity to meet with the Easter for brunch: 10-11 a.m. and 11:15 Bunny, have brunch and par- a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The hunt will ticipate in an Easter egg hunt be held for all participants on the front lawn of the Banks sharply at 11 a.m. Space is limit-Student Life Center. A festive ed, so reservations are rebrunch, including scrambled guired. eggs, French toast, sausage, home fries, hot dogs, chicken Alumni Box Office at 674-6768 fingers, pastries and beverag- to make reservations. Miseres, will be served in the Cou- icordia alumni are invited to gar's Den. A professional pho- register online at www.cour-

Event coordinator is Bob Ka-Brunch with the Easter Bunny leta, alumni services coordinawill be held Saturday, March 27. tor. Tickets are \$10 for adults; The event is sponsored by the \$5 for children 5-12 years of Misericordia University Alumni age; and free to children under age 5.

There are two seating times

Please call the Misericordia tographer will be on hand to garconnect.misericordia.edu.

## YOUR SPACE



Glen Beauty."

of the Mountaineers.

40 YEARS AGO

of Dallas Senior High School, is

the pride of King's College this

year. A freshman at King's, Ray

recently concluded an outstand-

ing performance as a wrestler at

He came through the tough

12-meet schedule of Coach Ned

McGinley's Monarch wrestling

team to post an undefeated re-

cord. Earlier in the season, Ray

was named the outstanding

grappler in the Christmas tour-

nament at Keystone Junior Col-

Harry D. Swepston III, Boy

Scout Troop 231, Shavertown,

will receive the Eagle Award at

Trinity Presbyterian Church this

month. The Dallas High School

junior is secretary-treasurer and

junior assistant scout master of

the troop and den chief of Pack

The Dallas Junior Woman's

month. Mrs. Edward Thomp-

son, Haddonfield Hills, Dallas,

dent; Mrs. Charles Butler, sec-

ond vice president; Mrs. Jay Nis-

Ray Yogloski, a June graduate

Coughlin.

the college.

132, Den 3.

the event we have questions. Readers wishing to have their photos returned should include a selfaddressed/stamped envelope. they are received. The editor of The Dallas Post

Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas, says he's looking forward to spring as much as the rest of us, but felt the pristine beauty in Ricketts Glen State Park in winter is noteworthy. Pantelakos calls this photo "Ricketts

> team standings in the District 2 tournament, 12 points in front of 11. Miss Lord is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lord of Noxthe Meyers team who placed

> third. Coughlin Crusaders took en. the team title, 58 points in front Westmoreland Key Club has just won top position in Pennsylvania for achievement graded on Andy Pinter and Sean Kavapoints, 99 points out of a possinaugh, both undefeated in dual ble 100, a fitting climax to leadcompetition this season, copped titles in their weight classes and ing District 15 since the beginning of school in September. Jeff Sodrosky placed second, bowing only to Ron Solt of

Three Back Mountain women took part in the parade of fashions Tuesday and Wednesday at the annual Boston Store Fashion Show at Irem Temple. They were: Mrs. Fletcher C. Booker. Machell Avenue; Mrs. J.D. Houlette and Mrs. W. Wayne Dornsife, New Goss Manor.

The trio, all experienced in modeling, showed suits, cocktail dresses, wraps, and sportswear, braving icy roads to take part in the dress rehearsal Monday night. The annual affair is held for benefit of local hospitals.

#### 60 YEARS AGO

Continuing the series of robberies that has plagued this area for several weeks, robbers entered Dallas Township High School early Thursday morning but were thwarted in their attempt to obtain any money by a sturdy safe that stubbornly refused to yield to their pipe wrenches. It was the second time within two weeks that a Back Mountain School has been entered.

Club elected new officers at their Through popular demand regular meeting earlier this Dallas Woman's Club Chorale, directed by Mrs. Norman Patton will again give several numbers will serve a two- year term as at the Third Annual Community president of the woman's club. She will be assisted by Mrs. Robert Richardson, first vice presibers of the chorale are: Mrs. Wil-Mrs. Leonard Harvey, Mary Benkey, recording secretary; Mrs. nalack, Rita Cummings, Mrs. Harold Haefele, assistant trea-Harry Bogart, Mrs. Frederick surer; and Mrs. Edward Kale, Jr., Eck, Mrs. Bernard Whitney, Mrs. Lewis Reese, Mrs. Harold Payne, Mrs. Algert Antanaitis, Mrs. Robert Lewis, Mrs. Charles Mahler, Mrs. Peter Rekus, Mrs. years old. The information William Purcell, Mrs. Robert printed her exactly as it of

Band Meet at Sunbury on March Robert Garris, Mrs. James Keiper and Mrs. Lewis LeGrand, Jr.

#### 70 YEARS AGO

Murder in a madhouse! That's what happens in the three-act mystery-comedy, "Lunatics At Large," written by James Reach and to be presented by the Senior Class of the Dallas Township High School Wednesday evening on the high school auditorium.

J. Lloyd Drake is coaching the cast, which includes William Snyder, Marilyn Colvin, John Garbutt, Ruth Kunkle, Burton Bonnell, Mildred Sanford, Jena Miller, Geraldine Howell, Elva Knecht, John Borton, Robert O'Boyle, Julia Matukitus, James Nulton and Kenneth Brace. A thur Garinger is in charge of the program and Jane cease is chairman of publicity.

Thelma Gregory, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gregory received special mention in Wyoming Seminary's "Opinator" this week for turning in a perfect paper in the Gregg Shorthand test held at the school during the week.

Gregg certificates are awarded to Commercial students who achieve a certain standard of proficiency in taking dictation at the end of every term. Several students were awarded these certificates but Thelma was the only one in the class to receive the special certificate for a perfect

The annual Oyster Supper of East Dallas Methodist Church will be held on Wednesday night. Mrs. Ben Brace, general Concert at Kingston Township chairman, is being assisted by High School on March 24. Mem- Mrs. Hazel Hildebrant, Mrs. Daisy Josephs, Ivirs. George Kenn, liam Baker, Sr., accompanist, Mrs. Royal Love, Mrs. George Snyder, Mrs. Leslie Stanton, Mrs. William Cobleigh, Mrs. George Moore and Mrs. Clarence Martin.

Information for "Only Yesterday" is taken from past issues of The Dallas Post which is 121 Williams, Mrs. Norman F. Pat-peared in the newspaper years

20 YEARS AGO Miss Kelly and Miss Elizabeth of the Joan Harris Centre recently visited Gate of Heaven School, Dallas, and instructed a dancercize class to first grade Brownie Troop 690 for the "World of Well Being - Dancercize Try-It Badge. Participa-



ONLY YESTERDAY ting troop members were: Jennifer Hummler, Jaclyn Stajewski, Jennifer Grieves, Rae Ellen Zekas, Jacqueline

Faillace, Elizabeth Baker, Lindsay Young, Ellen Young, Jennifer Stilp, Shannon Lupien, Jaclyn Reisser, Kimberly Fowler, Jamie Pikul, Elizabeth Charnick, Laura Charnick, Anna Evans, Lori Carter, Rebecca Hoffman, Kimberly Urban, Theresa Carboni, Jennifer Carey, Lisa Congleski, Katie Mullens and Jocelyn Kozick.

The Jane M. Stitzer Memorial Spelling Bee was recently held at Dallas middle School. The bee is held to honor the memory of Jane Stitzer, a former Art Department member. The winner was Matt Stefon, an eighth grade student. Runner up was Robert Sarley, also in the eighth grade.

## 30 YEARS AGO

Winners of the Dallas Junior Woman's Club Art Contest recently held at Sue Hand's "Imagery" in Dallas were recently announced. 7th, 8th and 9th grade winners were: David Lemmond, Ellen Mattioli, Linda Luzinski, Paul Hartzel, Tracey Davis, Megan Flynn and Maggie Drapiewski.

Dallas Senior High School art contest winners were: Wendy Morgan, Lynn Ritts, Kim Pellam, Ingrid Fries, Christine Jenkins, Diane Wendling, Lynn Warneka, Laura Dunn and John O'Connell.

Coach Larry Schuler's wres-

### 50 YEARS AGO

corresponding secretary.

Beverly Lord, a member of the Sophomore Class at the Lake School, will represent the Laketlers placed second in the AAA Lehman Area Band in All State ton, Mrs. Howard Garris, Mrs. ago.

## MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel
• On March 17, 461 A.D., Saint Patrick

-- Christian missionary, bishop and apostle of Ireland -- dies in Saul, Downpatrick, Ireland. The first St. Patrick's Day parade, though, took place not in Ireland, but the United States, when Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York

 On March 19, 1842, French writer Honore de Balzac's play "Les Ressourc-es de Quinola" opens to an empty house thanks to a failed publicity stunt. Hoping to create a buzz for the play, the writer circulated a rumor that tickets were sold out. Unfortunately, most of his fans stayed home.

 On March 20, 1920, French automaker Bugatti delivers its first 16-valve car, to a customer in Switzerland. A symbol of wealth and status, Bugatti automobiles were equipped with massive racing engines. The renowned American dancer Isadora Duncan was driving in a 16-valve Bugatti when her trademark long scarf caught in the rear wheel of the vehicle, and she was instantly strangled to death.

• On March 18, 1937, nearly 300 stu-

dents in the east Texas town of New London are killed when a natural gas explosion levels their school. The school sat in the middle of a large oil and natural gas field dominated by 10,000 oil

 On March 15, 1954, the Chords record "Sh-Boom" and kick off a new era of

"doo-wop" music. Doo-wop hits included "Earth Angel" by the Penguins, "In the Still of the Night" by the Five Satins and "Book of Love" by the Monotones.
• On March 21, 1963, Alcatraz Prison

in San Francisco Bay closes down and transfers its last prisoners. At its peak in 1950s, "The Rock" housed more than 200 inmates at the maximum-security facility. Alcatraz remains an icon of American prisons for its harsh conditions and record for being inescapable.

• On March 16, 1977, author Alex Haley files suit against Doubleday, publisher of "Roots," for not promoting the book and failing to land a competitive paperback confract. "Roots" was made into a television miniseries, which attracted some 100 million viewers when it aired in January 1977.

### "DO YOU KNOW WHY WE CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY?"



"To remember all of our Irish ancestors."

Alyssah Dombeck



"In our house, we celebrate because it's my father's birthday and his grandfather was Irish."

**Chris Chorey** Shavertown



"I walk in the Wilkes-Barre parade and I'm Irish but nobody ever told me why we celebrate it."

Sydney Kern Dallas



"Because St. Patrick was Irish."

**Andrew Stocker** 



"Because he was the Christian saint of good luck."

Casidhe Menig



"Because he chased all the snakes out of Ireland."

**Eric Fisher** Tunkhannock