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New books on library shelves

The following new books have been added to the collection at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Rd., Dallas for April 2010:

EXPRESS (1 WEEK)

"Shattered" by Karen Robards, "The Sheen on the Silk" by Anne Perry, "Caught" by Harlan Coben, "Hot Rocks" by Nora Roberts, "Think Twice" by Lisa Scottoline, "Without Mercy" by Lisa Jackson and "Deception" by Jonathan Kellerman

FICTION

"Shattered" by Karen Robards, "The Sheen on the Silk" by Anne Perry, "Caught" by Harlan Coben, "The Pallbearers" by Stephen J. Cannell, "Think Twice" by Lisa Scottoline, "Heresy: A Thriller" by S.J. Parris, "Without Mercy" by Lisa Jackson, "Deception" by Jonathan Kellerman, "The Mapping of Love and Death" by Jacqueline Winspear and "The Long Way Home" by Robin Pilcher

NONFICTION

"The Mayo Clinic Diet," "The Women's Health Big Book of Exercises" by Adam Campbell,

"Vicksburg, 1863" by Winston Groom and "11:11: The Time Prompt Phenomenon" by Marie D. Jones

BIOGRAPHY

"Willie Mays: The Life, The Legend" by James S. Hirsch and "Devotion" by Dani Shapiro

MYSTERY

"Merry Wives of Maggody" by Joan Hess and "Blackwork" by Monica Ferris

REFERENCE

"Current Biography Yearbook 2009"

YOUNG ADULT

"The Demon's Lexicon" by Sarah Rees Brennan, "For Keeps" by Natasha Friend, "The Last Summer of the Death Warriors" by Franciso X. Stork, "Spies of Mississippi" by Rick Bowers and "The Rock and the River" by Kekela Magoon

SPECIAL DONATIONS

"Soldier from the War Returning" by Thomas Childers, donated by Arlene Rothstein, "Gardens of the Moon" by Steven Erikson, donated by Frank Donahoe and "Dead House Gates" by Steven Erikson, donated by Frank Donahoe

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

• It was 19th-century French author Pierre-Jules Renard who made the following sage observation about his craft: "Literature is an occupation in which you have to keep proving your talent to people who have none."

• Guinness, that notoriously dark and bitter Irish brew, contains fewer calories than skim milk or orange juice. Stout for breakfast, anyone?

• Lawmakers in Phoenix once saw fit to make it illegal to walk through a hotel lobby while wearing spurs.

• It's hard to imagine what life was like before the widespread availability of refrigeration, isn't it? Some people have decided to find out -- and you might be surprised at how many. Although 99.5 percent of all households in the United States have a refrigerator, that still means that more than 1.5 million households are fridge-less.

• Swedish chemist and engineer Alfred Nobel, famed inventor of dynamite and originator of the Nobel Prizes, could speak five languages fluently by the time he was 17 years old.

• Finland has more islands than any other country in the world.

• Those who study such things claim that the hair on people of European descent tends to whorl in a counterclockwise fashion, while on most Japanese people it whorls in the opposite direction.

• It seems that Warren G. Harding, the 29th president of the United States, was something of a gambler. During one hand of poker he bet the White House china -- and lost it.

• The Australia Zoo was recently the site of an attempted escape -- by a 137-pound orangutan named Karta. The ingenious primate evidently short-circuited the electric fence around her enclosure using a stick, then stacked up more sticks to climb over the fence.

• The English word "gelatin" comes from the French for "edible jelly."

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Thought for the day: "What sane person could live in this world and not be crazy?" - Ursula K. Le Guin

YOUR SPACE



Photographer Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas, says Boulder Field at Hickory Run State Park has remained the same for nearly 20,000 years. Boulder Field is a national natural landmark.

"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 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.

20 YEARS AGO

The Dallas school cafeteria program continues to lose money, despite measures taken to avert a loss. At the school board's meeting Monday, director James Richardson reported that the cafeteria had lost \$33,289 through the end of March. Richardson said that a cutback in government allocations of surplus foods was a major factor in the increased loss. The loss is charged to the district and not to the food service company.



ONLY YESTERDAY

Members of the Lake Lehman High School Student Council have decided its time they became actively involved in their school and its decision-making process. The council has asked to have a representative attend and speak at the board's meetings. Molly White is student council president; Melissa Billington is spokesperson and Nicole Gardner is chairperson of the student school board relations committee.

The Harvey's Lake Protective Association recently awarded a plaque to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shilanski, winners of the "Holiday Home" Lighting Contest. The winner was chosen based on originality, use of lights and overall creativity. The Protective Association promotes civic pride and beautification of the community.

30 YEARS AGO

Members of the 34th Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction Committee met at Irem Temple Country Club to advance preparations for the event set for July 10-13 at the library. Chairperson Joyce Krivenko has appointed committee chairmen and several reports were given at the session. Committee mem-

bers are: Rose Burleigh, children's committee; Mary Chapell, celebrity solicitation and antiques committees; Mrs. Florence Crump, books; Jane Balavage, antiques chairman; Carolyn Bulford, children's committee; Ed Roth, refreshments chairman; Jim Snyder, celebrity solicitations; Kerry Freeman, new goods chairman; Al Landis, grounds chairman; Jim Eason, auction c-chairman; Craig Aicher, auctioneers chairman; Mickey Aicher, new goods; and Barbara Loftus, publicity chairman.

A group of Lake Lehman High School students were guests of College Misericordia's Mathematics Department recently for the college's annual Career Day. Participants are: Toni Pall, Kathy Aston, Liz Yurko, John Gabriel, Harry Taylor, Bill Kohl and Kelly Strait.

40 YEARS AGO

Francis "Red" Ambrose was the much surprised recipient of the Citizen's Award Thursday night at the annual Inter-Service Club dinner at Irem Temple Country Club. Mr. Ambrose received the honor in recognition of his many outstanding activities and accomplishments for and on behalf of the citizens of the back Mountain area.

He is a well-known businessman and community leader who has been vitally interested in education, having served on the Dallas School District board. He is a past president of the Dallas Rotary Club and has also assumed a leading role in the annual Dallas Area Fall Fair since its inception.

Pearle Gilroy, Shavertown, was honored at the 53rd Annual Awards Meeting of Wyoming Valley Chapter, American Red Cross, recently. Mrs. Gilroy has done outstanding service to the community through the Red Cross Service to military families. For several years she has assisted in keeping the local chap-

ter on a 24-hour-a-day basis by taking emergency calls at her home one night a week and helping out over weekends.

50 YEARS AGO

Members of the Dallas Junior Woman's Club Spring Dance committee are: Mrs. James B. Huston, Jr., chairman; Mrs. William Morgan, cochairman; Mrs. Robert Moore, reservations; Mrs. William Dunn, posters; Mrs. Bernard Rogers, invitations; Nancy J. Jones, publicity and Mrs. David Alderson, decorations.

For the third year in a row Daddow-Isaacs Post American Legion has gone over the top in membership. Fifteen new members were introduced and given their pins by Commander William Moran at the group's meeting Friday night.

New members are: John B. Chesnovitch, Charles M. Furbie, Oscar Dymond, F.W. Wadas, Frank Dixon, Lyle King, Peter Skopic, George Cave, Robert Casey, William C. Roberts, James Davenport, Jr., Roy Hanger, John Cybulski, Louis Geeringer and James E. Knecht.

Sandra Lee Sprout, Pine Crest Ave., Dallas, has been selected as candidate for the "Miss Secretary of 1960" national contest, it has been announced by Dr. Ellis W. Roberts, director of the Wilkes-Barre Business College. Miss Sprout is employed by the American Stores Company where she has been a secretary for one year.

60 YEARS AGO

Sunny skies, which defied a frigid Easter wind, drew 30,000 persons to witness the Easter Horse Parade on Sunday. Frustrated motorists crawled bumper to bumper en route from Wyoming Valley to Dallas. Most of them made it in time for the parade but other hundreds were unable to get even close to line of march by motor.

Dallas Woman's Club indicted 23 new members Wednesday evening at a dinner meeting at Irem Temple Country Club. The picturesque candle-lighting ceremony welcomed officially to membership a number of new residents as well as some more familiar faces.

Newly installed members: Mesdames Francis Ambrose, Donald Arnold, Norwood Bradner, E.A. Campbell, Harold Dugan, Harry Eshelman, Sheldon Evans, George Flack, Ralph Garahan, Calvin Hall, Christopher Hill, William Horn, James Lacey, Orman Lamb, Davis Lees, Frank Nelms, Elizabeth Smith, Harry Stuhlmuller, Alice Uhl, John Vernon, William Williams, Marian Wilson and Miss Margaret Veitch.

70 YEARS AGO

A mysterious marauder who worked off a long-standing grudge by breaking into Walter L. Margie's cottage at Harvey's Lake seven times in the last year and one-half, breaking windows, smearing paint on furniture, smashing kitchen furnishings and carving woodwork, was captured Wednesday afternoon when he walked into a trap laid by Chief Ira C. Stevenson of Harvey's Lake.

Chief Stevenson told The Post yesterday that Joseph J. Powell, 25, West Pittston, known as a "model" young man who neither drinks, smokes, chews or gambles, had admitted repeated visits to the cottage to wreak vengeance on Mr. Margie because of a quarrel they had several years ago over an alleged \$10 shortage in the receipts from a candy stand Powell had conducted at a charity "Bingo" game.

Information for "Only Yesterday" is taken from past issues of The Dallas Post which is 121 years old. The information is printed her exactly as it appeared in the newspaper years ago.

"HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THE HEALTH CARE REFORM BILL THE GOVERNMENT PASSED RECENTLY?"



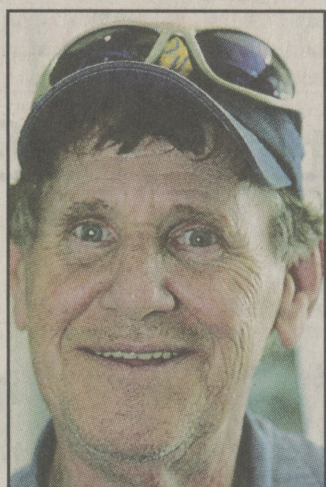
"It's a touchy subject. Everybody should have health care and I wouldn't mind helping to pay for it if someone needed it."

Melissa Zabriskie
Dallas



"National health care is a good idea if done the right way. But, we didn't put enough work into this plan."

Brendan Dougherty
Dallas



"It's a start. Especially for seniors; it eliminates the doughnut hole problem."

Ed Durso
Dallas



"It's a bad idea because it's a bigger step toward socialism."

Dan Fritz
Dallas



"Doctors will leave the profession because they will have to charge more and what will we get? They might limit care for the elderly, too."

Mattie Gronski
Trucksville



"I'm concerned how it will affect long-term care. There will be more rules and regulations resulting in less personal care time for the elderly."

Kelly DeSantis
Dallas