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## 'The Barn' opens Friday

The Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Rd., Dallas, will open "The Barn" at 10 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 3 for great bargains on unsold items from the annual auction. The Barn will remain open until 6 p.m. or until everything is sold.

Unsold auction articles include antiques, fine china, Welsh dishes, Depression glass, Stangle ware, cranberry glass, Wedgewood and Rose bowls, a

drop leaf table, corner cupboard, hutch, desk, washstand, quilts, old boxes, primitive table, dresser base, old mirrors, pictures and many more antiques.

Used furniture, collectibles, loads of Nearly Olde items, along with many new good pieces, will also be available.

For more information, call the library at 675-1182.

## Photo contest open to amateurs

The 2010 Dallas Harvest Festival Steering Committee is conducting the First Dallas Days Photography Contest.

The contest is open through September 14 to any Back Mountain resident who wishes to "capture the beauty and culture of the Back Mountain"

in a still photograph.

More information and contest rules are available by contacting Gina Major, photo contest coordinator, at gmajor@aol.com, Photography by Andy at 696-4646 or the Dallas Harvest Festival at 675-1950.

## MOMENTS IN TIME

### The History Channel

• On Sept. 11, 1857, Mormon guerrillas, stoked by religious zeal and a deep resentment of decades of public abuse, murder 120 emigrants at Mountain Meadows, Utah. The conflict with the wagon train of emigrants from Missouri and Arkansas apparently began when the Mormons refused to sell the train any supplies.

• On Sept. 10, 1897, 25-year-old London taxi driver George Smith becomes the first person ever arrested for drunk driving after slamming his cab into a building. Smith later pled guilty and was fined 25 shillings.

• On Sept. 6, 1915, a prototype tank nicknamed Little Willie rolls off the assembly line in England. Little Willie was far from an overnight success. It weighed 14 tons, got stuck in trenches and crawled over rough terrain at only 2 mph. However, improvements were made to the original prototype and tanks eventually transformed military battlefields.

• On Sept. 9, 1939, audiences at the Fox Theater in Riverside, Calif., get a surprise showing of "Gone with the Wind," which the theater manager shows as a second feature. Producer David O. Selznick sat in the back and observed the audience reaction to his highly anticipated film. The movie was released a few months later.

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

### By Samantha Weaver

• It was 19th-century author Samuel Butler who made the following sage observation: "Morality is the custom of one's country and the current feeling of one's peers. Cannibalism is moral in a cannibal country."

• When the city of New York was concerned about leaks in its main water-supply system, it found a novel approach to the problem. Six experienced deep-sea divers were hired to live in a pressurized tank within the water-supply tunnel for a month while they investigated the leaks.

• Perhaps unsurprisingly, the Popsicle was invented by an 11-year-old boy.

• If you would like to get into modeling and live the glamorous life, you might want to reconsider: Researchers at Dow Jones Market-Watch have found that the average model makes a mere \$11 to \$12 per hour.

• Statistics show that for every person born in the United States, there are 15 puppies and 45 kittens born.

• In 1950, the average executive earned about 30 times as much as the average worker. Today's executives earn 300 to 500 times as much.

• The most common surnames in the United States are, in order, Smith, Johnson, Williams and Jones.

• Those who study such things say that in just one of your fingertips there are approximately 3,000 touch receptors.



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

## YOUR SPACE

Pat Giordano says she has seen many fantastic sunsets at her house in Harveys Lake but this is one of her favorites. The best part of this sunset, Pat says, is that she didn't even have to spend her vacation money to see it.

### 20 YEARS AGO

The gourmets of pizza have spoken, choosing providers of the Back Mountain's best. The winning restaurants in The Dallas Post's "Pizza Wars" contest are: thin Crust - Grotto Pizza, Harvey's Lake; Thick Crust - Pizza Perfect, Trucksville; and The Works - Apple Tree Too, Chase Corners.

But it was close! Pizza Perfect was only one vote behind Apple Tree for The Works title and Apple Tree ran neck-and-neck with Grotto in the Tin Crust category.



### ONLY YESTERDAY

Early risers at Harvey's Lake aren't imagining things when they see a small, blonde-haired boy skimming across the lake waters barefooted. They are actually seeing six-year-old Rocky Davis barefoot water skiing behind his family's boat.

Rocky made national news when he began skiing at the age of thirteen-months-old. Back then, he had to be fastened to the rope since he wasn't strong enough to pull up out of the water on his own.

The son of Jack and Jackie Adams Davis, he was the subject of a PM Magazine feature story. Now at the age of six, he has been doing barefoot skiing for several years, first learning on a boom, but now using the rope.

The Back Mountain Tigers captured first place in the Ashley Newtown 13-year-old tournament. The Tigers ended play unbeaten, defeating the Back Mountain White Sox, Plymouth and Ashley Newtown in the round robin tournament. Ken Marsola was named the tournaments' Most Valuable Player.

Other members of the winning team are: Dean Evans, Mark Samii, Charles Wasserott

V, Greg Hodne, Ken Chapple, Jeff Shaw, Tim Raub, Jeff Kunkle, Rich Butcofski, Brad Kozich, Chris Miller and Randy Slaf, Jr.

### 30 YEARS AGO

Some people build houses of wood or stone but three Back Mountain kids built a huge house and surrounding buildings of cards. Scott Francis, Steven Shotwell and Eddie Kwak put approximately 10 hours into the project and used 9,000 cards.

The newly formed Harvey's Lake Bassmasters Association held their first meeting Monday at the club's official headquarters, Arnie West's Boat House. Officers were duly elected as follows: Charles Bauer, president; Arnold West, treasurer; Bob Hannigan, secretary; and Larry Reynolds, district representative. Mark McQuown is district No. 7 P.A.B.A.S.S. Chapter Federation Inc. tournament director.

### 40 YEARS AGO

William J. Wisely, Chase Manor, Chase, representing Commonwealth Telephone Co., Dallas, recently completed a two-week conference on data communications conducted by Engineering Extension at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. He was one of 20 persons from the United States and Canada who participated in the program which covered digital computer fundamentals and data transmission concepts and applications.

The Dallas Senior High School office has released the dress code for students who will be attending the high school during the school year 1970-71. All students must comply with the code.

Boys must have conventional haircuts - no sideburns, beards, etc. They are not allowed to wear blue jeans or gaudy trousers of any type not conducive to proper atmosphere.

Students must not wear

sneaks except for physical education class. Girls must have dresses of suitable length - no micro mini, mini skirts or shorts.

### 50 YEARS AGO

Last week's bomb scare at Dallas Branch of Miner's Bank was cleared up within two days when a thirteen-year-old Kingston Township grade school pupil confessed to his mother that he made the anonymous telephone call last Tuesday afternoon.

He could give no explanation for his actions, but asked his mother to bring him to Chief of Police Russell Honeywell so that he could make a confession.

Chief Honeywell said the boy comes from a good family and has a good record.

Ten Explorer Scouts accompanied by three men completed their paddle down the Susquehanna last Saturday landing at North Street bridge in Kingston shortly after lunch. They were transported home to Shavertown, canoes atop cars, by Mrs. John Butler, Mrs. Michael Chalawick, Mrs. Chester Nesbitt, Mrs. John Szela and Mrs. John Malloy, the same mothers who furnished transportation for boys and canoes to Athens five days earlier.

Movies playing at the Sandy Beach Drive-In include "Five Branded Women" starring Sylvia Mangan, Vera Miles and Barbara Bel-Geddes; "The Gallant Hours" starring James Cagney, Dennis Weaver and Robert Montgomery; and "Ten Seconds To Hell" starring Jeff Chandler and Jack Palance. At the Dallas Outdoor Theater, Tony Curtis and Debbie Reynolds were featured in "The Rat Race."

### 60 YEARS AGO

Lake Township High School for the tenth consecutive year was the scene of Alderson Methodist Church W.S.C.S. Flower Show on Wednesday. The gymnasium, hung with hemlock

boughs, was filled with flowers, the most beautiful in many years, product of a cool, damp summer.

First and second prizes for outstanding flower arrangements went to Mrs. H.B. Schooley and Mrs. Walter Boehme, both of Dallas, and third to Mrs. Andrew Hourigan, summer resident of Harvey's Lake.

Tapped on the shoulder Monday afternoon by her little daughter who told her that her three-year-old daughter, Susan, had fallen out of the automobile she was driving, Mrs. Lambert Traver of Evans Falls, looked back and saw Susan lying unconscious in the road. The child had fallen out the rear door.

In order to keep abreast of the community it serves and to meet expanding needs to house its large book collection, Back Mountain Memorial Library Association Directors voted unanimously Monday night to exercise their option and purchase the former Elmer Parrish property on Main Street adjacent to the library. The consideration was \$7,750.

### 70 YEARS AGO

The first bridge on the new spur highway into Dallas was started this week over Toby's Creek in the rear of Titman's store on Main Street. The old bridge there was dynamited about a week ago. Nine bridges must be built between Dallas and Trucksville.

Movies playing at the Himmeler Theater, Dallas, included "The Mortal Storm" starring Margaret Sullivan and James Stewart; "Brother Orchid" starring Edward G. Robinson; and "Gancho Serenade" starring Gene Autry.

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

## "WHAT WILL YOU MISS MOST ABOUT SUMMER?"



"Seeing my friends all day long and playing World Cup Soccer at the park."

Chris Murray  
Dallas



"Going on vacation to Ocean City, MD, walking the boardwalk and hopping the waves with a boogie board."

Joe Brennan  
Dallas



"Swimming in my pool at my house."

Michaela O'Connell  
Dallas



"Being outside playing games and basketball and going to concerts."

Danielle Krawitz  
Dallas



"Not having school."

Kyle Greenwood  
Dallas



"I'm going to miss my 'crush' at the Dallas Rec Center."

Bridget Goodrich  
Dallas