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## Donated books honor couple

The following books have been donated to the Back Mountain memorial library in honor of Dr. and Mrs. William Camp's 40th wedding anniversary and presented by L. Callahan, P. Donahue, B. Faerber, M. Gelso, C. Linker, E. Morrissey and M. Zezza: "Guys Read: KKK: The Birth of an American Scieszka, "Finding Family: A Novel" by Tonya Bolden, "Moon Over Manifest" by Clare Vanderpool, "Santa Duck" by David Milgrim, "Santa Duck and His Merry Helpers" by David Milgrim, "Dust Devil" by Anne Isaacs, "The Boy in the Garden" by Allen Say, "The Lost Hero" by Rick Riordan, "They Called Themselves the Funny Business" edited by Jon Scieszka, "Finding Family: A Terrorist group" by Susan Campbell Bartoletti.

## MOMENTS IN TIME

### The History Channel

• On Jan. 9, 1768, Englishman Philip Astley stages the first modern circus in London. Astley, a former cavalry sergeant major, found that if he galloped in a tight circle, centrifugal force allowed him to perform seemingly impossible feats on a horse's back. He invited the public to see him wave his sword in the air while he rode with one foot on the saddle and one on the horse's head.

• On Jan. 6, 1838, Samuel Morse's telegraph system is demonstrated for the first time at the Speedwell Iron Works in Morristown, N.J. The telegraph eventually would revolutionize long-distance communication, reaching the height of its popularity in the 1920s and 1930s.

• On Jan. 5, 1933, construction begins on the Golden Gate Bridge, as workers started excavating 3.25 million cubic feet of dirt for the structure's huge anchorages. The Golden Gate Bridge officially opened on May 27, 1937. At 3,000 feet, it was the longest bridge span in the world at the time.

• On Jan. 7, 1927, the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team, formerly known as the Savoy Big Five, travels 48 miles west from Chicago to play its first game, in Hinckley, Ill. The Globetrotters won 101 out of 117 games that first season.

• On Jan. 8, 1946, Elvis Presley receives a \$6.95 guitar from the Tupelo Hardware Co. store for his 11th birthday. It's said that what Elvis really wanted for his birthday that year was a rifle or a bicycle.

• On Jan. 4, 1974, President Richard Nixon refuses to hand over tape recordings and documents that had been subpoenaed by the Senate Watergate Committee. Marking the beginning of the end of his presidency, Nixon would resign from office in disgrace eight months later.

• On Jan. 3, 1990, Panama's General Manuel Antonio Noriega, after holding up for 10 days at the Vatican embassy in Panama City, surrenders to U.S. military troops to face charges of drug trafficking. In 1992, the former dictator was convicted of drug trafficking, money laundering and racketeering and sentenced to 40 years in prison.

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

### By Samantha Weaver

• It was American author, social critic, economist and political commentator Thomas Sowell who made the following sage observation: "Much of the social history of the Western world over the past three decades has involved replacing what worked with what sounded good."

• Visiting the longest chain of mountains on Earth requires some rather special arrangements - aquatic ones, to be precise. The 10,000-mile-long Mid-Atlantic Ridge, as its name indicates, is located on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean. The only parts of the chain above water are a few volcanic islands, including Iceland and the Azores.

• Those who live in Florida probably won't be surprised to learn that they live in the state with the most instances of lightning every year.

• If you travel to Alaska, you can go to the North Pole - the town of North Pole, that is. It's not the real deal, though. The town is actually 1,700 miles south of Earth's geographic North Pole.

• Famed American composer Philip Glass was a member of both the cab driver's union and the steelworkers' union before he became enough of a success in his chosen field to become a member of the musicians' union.

• In 2000, psychiatrists at Italy's University of Pisa published their finding that being in love is biochemically indistinguishable from severe obsessive-compulsive disorder.

• If you're like 24 percent of the Americans who responded to a recent survey, you believe that people should be allowed to be naked in their own back yards.

• What do the lawn sprinkler, rubber shoe heels, portable ironing boards and tire treads have in common? They were all invented by the same man, Elijah McCoy, an African-Canadian inventor and engineer.

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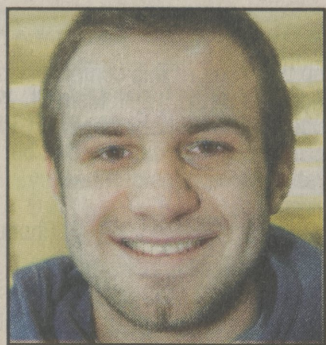
Thought for the day: "Excess on occasion is exhilarating. It prevents moderation from acquiring the deadening effect of a habit." - W. Somerset Maugham

## "HOW DO YOU CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE?"



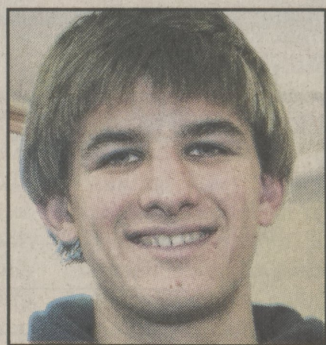
"I hang out in Wilkes-Barre or end up at a friend's house to watch the ball drop."

Marti Wahle  
Harveys Lake



"I'll spend the night with my family in Archbald, having dinner and doing the usual stuff."

Jeremy Kushner  
Dallas



"Hang out with my family, watch football and eat a lot."

Jake Bevans  
Hunlock Creek



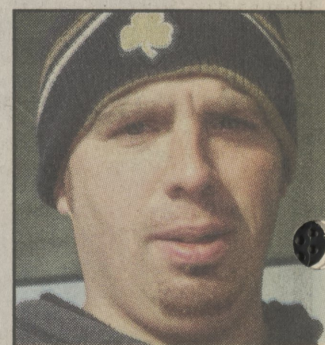
"I'll be at home watching TV and eating shrimp."

John Hutchins  
Dallas



"Not even sure yet, but I'll probably be working that night."

Scott Shotwell  
Nanticoke



"With my family. We usually have a big Fernandez family reunion."

Matt Fernandez  
Dallas



## YOUR SPACE

Photographer Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas, sees this photo as one last look at a spectacular fall season before winter sets in. This scene is from Kirby Park taken the last week of October.

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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 Middle School Student Council, under the direction of Miss Morine Amesbury, recently conducted its annual



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Holiday Dance. As in the past few years, dance admission included a money donation plus a non-perishable food item. All proceeds from the project were donated to the Back Mountain Food Bank.

Student Council members who were in charge of the project are: President Kattie Sallitt; Recording Secretary, Mindy Haberstick; Vice President, April McAllister; Corresponding Secretary, Becky Mathers; and Nick Sabatini, Treasurer.

Brett Slocum is the new chief of the Dallas Fire Company. Slocum, who had been assistant chief, was appointed chief by the members following former chief Ted Wright's resignation Nov. 3.

### 30 YEARS AGO

Harvey's Lake Lions, as they have in past years, recently set up a community Christmas tree at Sunset area, the entrance to the lake. The tree was trimmed by the Harvey's Lake Girl Scout Brownies, Troop 704, under the supervision of their leader, Mrs. Richard Williams II.

Lions who helped with the tree are: Homer Baker, Charles "Pete" Austin, Bill Gallagher, James Gary, Richard Williams II, Nick Deleur, project chairman, Charles Batka, Tom Yoniski and Joseph "Red" Jones.

Students from the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School decorated bags for the Holiday

Cheer Baskets to be given by the Harvey's Lake Women's Service Club. Several of the students participating in the project included Danielle Parise, Karen Stefanowicz, Molly White, Edward Arbosheski, Harriet Smith and Doug Frantz.

For approximately 30 years the Harvey's Lake Women's Service Club has been delivering cheer baskets to those people in the community who are 70 years of age and older, or are chronically ill or disabled. All members donate their services by baking homemade cookies to be included in these baskets.

### 40 YEARS AGO

Members of the Dallas Kiwanis and Women of Kiwanis Clubs enjoyed a gala holiday dinner and dance Friday night at the Irem Temple Country Club. Those in attendance at the affair included Al Ackerson, dance chairman; Louise Flasser, Martin Moore, Shirley Moore, Bernard Banks, assistant chairman; Claudette Banks, Donald Anthony, Kiwanis Club president; Marion Anthony.

Seven members of Cadette Girl Scout Troop 655 Lehman made Girl Scout history recently when they completed the arduous trek to the summit of Scouting by becoming First Class Scouts - together. It was the first time in the history of the Penn's Woods Girl Scout Council that all of the members of a single troop achieved First Class status at the same time.

The seven Girl Scouts honored - Sharon Carkhuff, Kyla Jones, Karen Kasenchak, Jane Salansky, Ann San Fanandre, Denise Sherwood, and Susan Woodling - have been active together in scouting since Brownie days.

### 50 YEARS AGO

Crown Imperial Bowling Lanes have been sold. Announcement was made this week by Robert Hanson, owner, that Tony Bonomo, former owner of Exeter Lanes, has purchased the business and will take possession on January 1.

Just a little apprehensive when she is greeted by Santa, Sherri Bullock, nineteen-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Bullock, Staub Road, Trucksville, is consoled by her older sister, Debbie, who knows from experience what a good fellow Santa is.

Sherri was visited at her home prior to the Legion's Children's Party by Santa and his assistants, Legionnaires Bill O'Brien, Marty McEnrue, Wayne King and Tom Reese. Sherri will return to a Philadelphia hospital after Christmas for treatment of a serious heart condition.

### 60 YEARS AGO

A call for volunteers to man Air Raid Observation Posts was issued this week by John Nash, Daddow-Isaacs Post American Legion, Supervisor of the Ground Observer Corps for the Dallas Area. Mr. Nash, whose appointment was made some months ago by the Office of Civilian Defense, said that Observation Posts will be set up eight miles apart in Luzerne County and throughout the Continental United States.

The Dallas Woman's Club Chorale will present a program of Christmas Carols over radio station WILK Saturday afternoon. Members of the chorale, under the direction of Mrs. Norman Patton and accompanied by Mrs. William Baker, Sr., are: Margaret Antanaitis, Mary Bennialack, Evelyn Eck, Catherine Gar-

ris, Janet Garris, Betty Hanna, Arvilla Keiper, Adeltha Mahler, Mary Reese, Amy Scott and Fanny Williams.

### 70 YEARS AGO

Jim Thorpe, considered by many the greatest athlete of all time, paid an unexpected visit to Dallas when the ignition on his Buick failed late Friday night near Kitchen Creek. A Dallas boy, Bob Girvan and a friend Clarence Blackwell, on their way home from Washington, D.C., stopped to help the stranded motorist when he waved a flashlight across the deserted road.

The boys were unable to make the needed repairs and invited the stranger to come along with them and spend the night. On the way home, the famous Indian revealed his identity, explaining that he was on his way to keep a lecture engagement in New York State.

Frank Edwards, stand watch Saturday noon on a deer run seven miles above Dinstel's, heard a crash below him. Peering over a ledge of rocks he saw a Canadian Lynx stalking snow birds. Frank raised his gun, fired three shots - two of them took effect - and yelled to his friends to come and see the strange creature. In the party were Ted Wilson, Clark Fowler, Ernest Wilson and Ira Ross. All were of the opinion that the animal was a bob cat - familiar throughout the mountainous regions of Pennsylvania.

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