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Long winter nights = more reading time

More long winter nights mean more time to read. More time to read means more searching for those books that you just can't put down. Due to the popular request for more hours, the Back Mountain Memorial Library's Slightly Read Bookshop is considering opening its doors for an additional day every week!

But in order to do that, the Bookshop needs more volunteers. Any amount of time is appreciated, even if you split a shift with a friend. The Bookshop Manager is currently looking for volunteers to help with sorting, pricing and organizing its volume of donations. No special skills are required. Current volunteers enjoy meeting area residents and helping them to find just what they are looking for, in addition to visiting with each other in a relaxing atmosphere.

If interested, you may contact the manager at the Bookshop from 1 to 5 p.m. on Mondays or Wednesdays or stop in and also take advantage of the current winter specials: All VHS movies are now five for \$1 and if you buy one bag of paperbacks for \$2, you get one bag free!

Hearts available

"I Love My Library" hearts will still be available at the front desk of the library throughout the month of February. For a donation of \$1, patrons may write their name on the paper hearts, which will then be used to decorate the library. Families or individuals may sign a heart for a friend and then challenge them to come in to the library to see if they can find it!

Children may also purchase a heart, personally decorate it at the craft table and then hang it on the Valentine Tree in the Children's Room. All proceeds directly benefit the library, with our sincere thanks.

Get your 'Whatever' card

Most area pre-teens and teens already know that as soon as they become 12 years old, they may exchange their library card for our "Whatever" Library card. This specially designed card allows young adults to check out library materials, as well as receive discounts at nearby merchants. A complete listing of area businesses that accept our "Whatever Card" is available at the front desk of the library. (Psst ... a few new businesses have been added to the list, including a local florist, hair salon and movie/gaming store!)

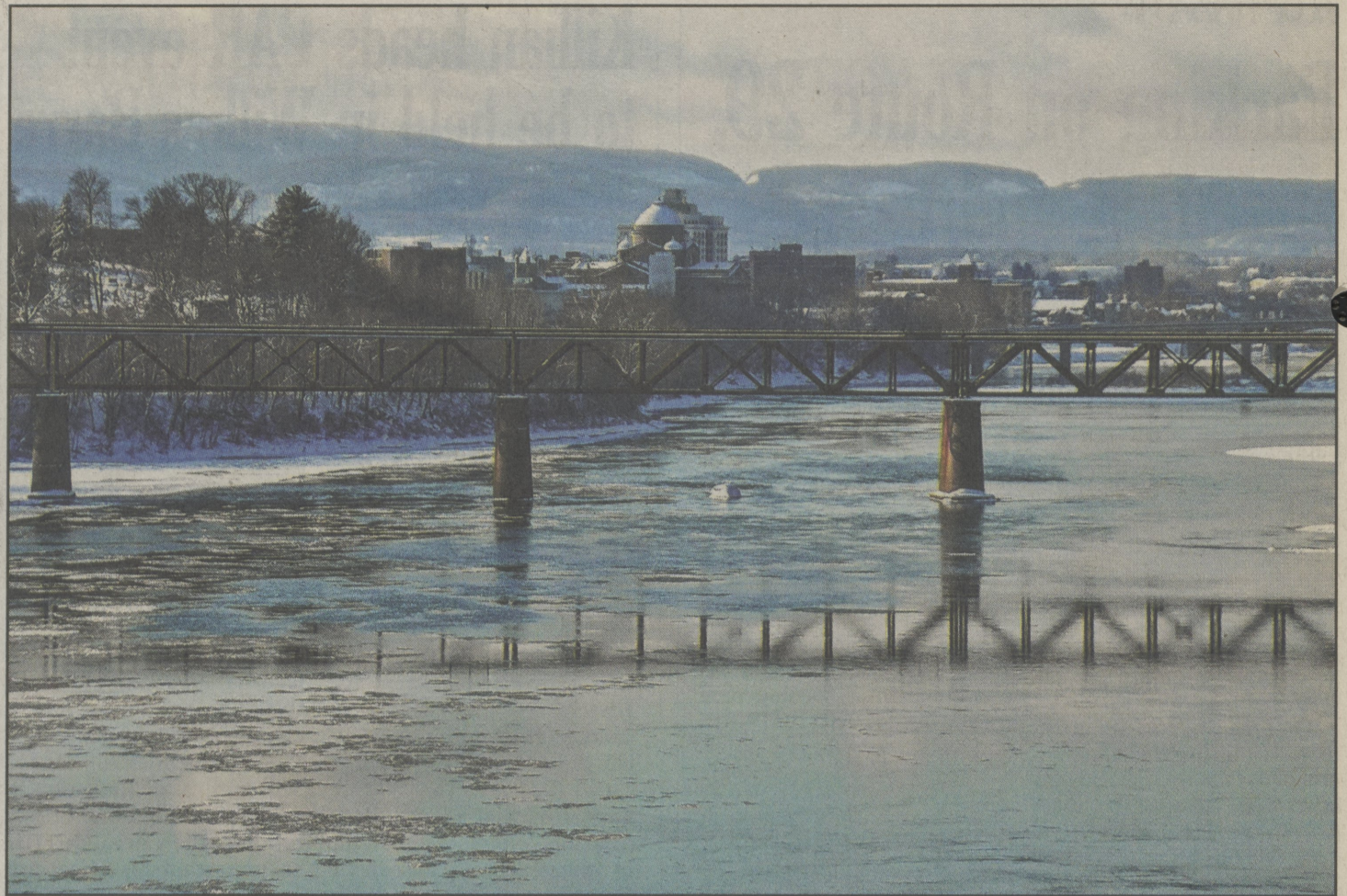
STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was British author and publisher Ernest Benn who made the following observation: "Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it whether it exists or not, diagnosing it incorrectly, and applying the wrong remedy."
- If you live in Michigan, make sure you keep this in mind: If you want to hunt with a slingshot, you'll need a special license.
- If you took all the other planets in our solar system and rolled them into one big ball, that ball would fit inside the gas giant Jupiter.
- The next time you're heading to Chicago, plan a stop in the nearby town of Niles. While there you can visit the Leaning Tower of Niles, a recently renovated half-size replica of the somewhat more famous Leaning Tower of Pisa. The attraction was built in 1934 by industrialist Robert Ilg as part of a recreation park for employees of his Hot Air Electric Ventilating Company of Chicago.
- Although Billy the Kid was a notorious 19th-century outlaw, he never robbed a store, a stagecoach, a bank or a train.
- A flea can jump 13 inches in a single leap. That may not seem like much, but to achieve a comparable feat, you would have to make a 700-foot jump.
- Those who wish to cut federal spending today might want to take note of this historical fact: In 1790, United States senators earned a grand total of \$6 per day - and only when Congress was in session.
- The ancient Romans appreciated smooth, hairless skin - but to get that look they used pumice stones to sand off the hair. Ouch.

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Thought for the day: "It is absurd to divide people into good and bad. People are either charming or tedious." - Oscar Wilde



YOUR SPACE

Jill Spencer, of Meeker Road in Lehman, shot this photo of the icy water of the Susquehanna River while driving on the Cross Valley Expressway.

"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 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.

20 YEARS AGO

Joe Drust and Richard Disque of Dallas, relative novices in woodcarving, walked away with four ribbons in a recent New Jersey show. The pair entered carved ducks in the Tom's River Wild Fowl Art & Decoy show at Tom's River and returned home elated with two first place and two third place ribbons. The men's entries went up against hundreds of competitors throughout the East.

College Misericordia recently congratulated members of the Dallas High School Scholarship Bowl team for their success in the WNEP TV Scholarship Bowl program, which concluded last week. The seven member team defeated Bishop Neuman in its first round and later lost to Bloomsburg High School in the second round. Misericordia, one of four sponsors of the program, presented the team and supporting faculty with Misericordia sweatshirts. Team members are: Jeri Searfoss, Mary Lou Baines, Kristen Gurdin, David Lieberman, Eric Lehman, Keith McDonald. Team coach is Wayne Hughes.



ONLY YESTERDAY

30 YEARS AGO

Dallas Lions held installation of officers recently at the Castle Inn, Dallas. Those installed into office are: Joseph Canfield, president; Frank Rollman, vice president; John Del Vecchio, treasurer; and William Roman, secreta-

ry. New members are: Thomas Balutis, Michael Pickup, Tom Pickett and Art Bowen.

Dallas UNICO chapter had induction of 15 members at a dinner meeting Wednesday at the Castle Inn Restaurant, Memorial Highway, Dallas. UNICO District Governor Frank Castrignano was in charge of the ceremonies. Members inducted were: Guy Serpico, Charles Manganiello, Rocco Barge, Phillip T. Russo, Samuel Giordano, Carmen Debiassi, Frank Silva, Leonard Falcone, Edward Grabowski, Rev. Robert Capparelli, Michael Morreale, Julius Parini, Lou Dal Santo, Carl Scarantino and Rev. William Langan.

40 YEARS AGO

Glen Kozemchak, Overbrook Road, Dallas, received the God and Country Award from the Rev. John S. Prater during Boy Scout Sunday ceremonies at the Prince of Peace Church, Dallas. Glen, a Life Scout, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 281, which is sponsored by Dallas Methodist church. An eighth grade student at Dallas Junior High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kozemchak.

Three seniors from Dallas Senior High School were elected to participate in the regional competition of the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association to be held the first week of April in Plamerton. Brenda Richards, Catherine Wilson and Tom Yarnal were among the approximately 80 students of the Northeast District who were successful in advancing to the regional chorus festival.

50 YEARS AGO

J.F. Sallada was elected president and Mrs. Betty Rather was elected secretary-treasurer of the Civil War Round Table at a gathering Friday night at Back Mountain Memorial Library for the election of officers and the adoption of a constitution and by-laws. Howard Risely was elected vice president and programs chairman.

Willard T. Davis of Dallas has been appointed Sales Manager of the new Industrial rubber Products Division of Eberhard Faber, Inc., it was announced by Louis H. Brown, president of the company. Mr. Davis was Vice-president in Charge of manufacturing of the Linear Corporation's Dallas plant until recently.

60 YEARS AGO

Presentation of the "God and Country" award, highest Scout award for Christian Service, to Eagle Scout John Cashmark, by his pastor, Rev. Robert Webster, highlighted the Forty-First Anniversary celebration of Truicksville Boy Scout Troop 155 and Cub Pack 155 at the White Church on the hill Sunday night. Other scouts taking part in the largely attended service which was conducted entirely by Scouts and Cubs, were: Robert Stuhlmuller, Jackie Pritchard, John Perkins, Robert Davis, Douglas Clewell, Robert Johnson, Harry Johnson, Donald Goodwin, Kimble Stuhlmuller, Arthur Robbins, John Cashmark, William Vollrath and William Hess.

E.L. "Tug" Wyant, newly appointed Town and Country YM-CA secretary, has been busy getting acquainted with youngsters in Back Mountain schools and stimulating interest in Hi Y and

Friendly Indian groups. Last week the Mohican Tribe of Friendly Indians defeated Plains Friendly Indians Basketball team 17 to 12 in Dallas Borough gymnasium. Playing for the Mohicans were: Truman Dodson, Robert Piznar, Thomas Richardson, James Tomas and Robert Richardson. Substitutes were William DeRemer and Lee Ohlman.

70 YEARS AGO

About 55 members of the Huntsville Christian Church and friends in the community attended the Valentine's farewell party last Thursday night honoring Rev. C.H. Frick who has a year's leave of absence to go to Indian-town Gap with the 109th Field Artillery. Rev. Frick has been pastor at Huntsville for 20 years. Rev. Franklin Payne of Baltimore will arrive March 1 to take his place. Honored at the same party was Carlton Hadsell, member of the church, who will also go with the 109th. Mr. Hadsell was presented with a soldier's Bib by members of the church.

Mrs. John E. Hildebrandt was appointed chairman of the annual banquet of the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company Auxiliary to be held at East Dallas Methodist Church March 18. She will be assisted by Mrs. Joseph Schmeer; reservations, Mrs. R.J.W. Temple and Mrs. Henry Disque; program, Mrs. Arthur Newman; decorations, Mrs. George Snyder.

Information for "Only Yesterday" is taken from past issues of The Dallas Post which is 122 years old. The information is printed here exactly as it appeared in the newspaper years ago.

"DO YOU KNOW WHY WE CELEBRATE PRESIDENTS DAY?"



"To celebrate what George Washington did for our country."

Matthew Good
Dallas



"Because George Washington and Abraham Lincoln gave us freedom."

Mikayla Krakosky
Shavertown



"Because George Washington was the father of our country."

Maqqle Paciga
Shavertown



"Because of George Washington who made the White House."

Alec Mattingly
Shavertown



"We named the holiday after George Washington."

Rachael Sennett
Dallas



"Because presidents are in charge of everything in the country."

Joseph Pelton
Lehman