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## Library program focuses on genealogy website

The Back Mountain Memorial Library is a well-known source of historical information, both old and new. During the month of March, the library will offer two programs, both designed to teach about the past.



Stevenson

John Stevenson from the Northeast Genealogical Society will give a talk on searching for ancestors at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16.

His PowerPoint program will focus on Genealogy-Bank.com and ways to use this website to expand research capabilities. The program is free, but pre-registration is required.

Anyone with an interest in the Civil War will want to mark their calendars for 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 19 when Richard Urban, local author and Civil War buff, will be at the library to give a talk on his re-

cent book, "Bravest of the Brave: Pennsylvania's Civil War Generals." Books will be available for purchase at a cost of \$14.95 and a book signing will follow the talk.

### Babysitting course

The library is once again offering a babysitting course sponsored by the American Red Cross. This course, open to youth between the ages of 11 and 15, will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 26 in the Community Room of the library.

Participants will learn to perform first aid and how to get professional medical help fast, identify common safety hazards and prevent injuries, perform basic care routines like diapering, feeding and dressing, handling bedtime issues and more.

A check made payable to the American Red Cross for \$40 must be presented at time of registration to secure a place in the class. Space is limited.

Call the library at 675-1182 for more information or to pre-register for any of the above events.

## MOMENTS IN TIME

By Samantha Weaver

• It was computer guru Jef Raskin who made the following sage observation: "Imagine if every Thursday your shoes exploded if you tied them the usual way. This happens to us all the time with computers, and nobody thinks of complaining."

• Most people think of Abraham Lincoln as an iconic president and the Great Emancipator, but many don't realize that he also was an inventor. He was issued patent No. 6,469 for an inflatable device he designed to help buoy river-going vessels over shoals.

• In Somalia it is common for a girl to be engaged before she is even born.

• If you get squeamish around bugs, you might not want to read the following little tidbit of information: Nearly every human carries around tiny eyelash mites that live out their entire lives on our faces - including mating and laying eggs there.

• Due to a series of earthquakes in 1811 and 1812, the Mississippi River ran backward for a time.

• An enterprising inventor named Andrew Schneider has come up with the latest geek apparel: a solar bikini. With it, you can tan while also charging up your iPod. No word on whether there are solar swim trunks in the pipeline for men.

• J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter books are so popular worldwide that now they're not even being written by Rowling herself. The booming bootleg industry in China seems to have taken the Potter series to heart, creating such titles as "Harry Potter and the Leopard Walk-Up-To Dragon," "Harry Potter and the Chinese Overseas Students at the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry," "Harry Potter and the Chinese Porcelain Doll," "Rich Dad, Poor Dad and Harry Potter" and "Harry Potter and the Filler of Big."

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Thought for the day: "You don't get anything clean without getting something else dirty." - Cecil Baxter



## YOUR SPACE

Pat Giordano, of Harveys Lake, caught this acrobatic squirrel trying anything to get at that bird seed!

"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

Ninety Lake-Noxen Elementary students participated in an arm wrestling tournament held recently by their phys ed instructor Dwight Barbacci. Both boys and girls in fifth and sixth grade participated.

Winners in each weight division are: Erica Fugate, girls fly-weight champ; Nikki Newell, girls middleweight champ; Kim Spencer, girls heavyweight champ; Bill Brehma, boys light-weight champ; Tommy Patton, boys middleweight champ; and Bill Humphreys, boys heavyweight champ.

Boy Scout Troop and Cub Pack 233 of the Shavertown United Methodist Church recently participated in the Scouting Sunday Worship Service at the church. The scouts led the procession in the services. Al Karolchik spoke on the significance of the scouting movement and Scout Jerry Delescavage, Jr. served as lay reader. Scouts who participated included: Brian Karolchik, Kevin West, Harry Hazletine, Bill Puchalski, Mark Shanaberger, Delescavage Jr., Ryan Daniels, Randsy Schoonover and Billy Heffernan.

### 30 YEARS AGO

The Trucksville Cub Pack 155 held their annual Blue and Gold Dinner at the Dallas Junior High

School cafeteria on Friday night. Each den set up their own covered dish smorgasbord for their cubs and their families. In the awards ceremony, Award of Light Arrows were presented to the following Webelos: Wilbur Murdock, Nathan Kelly, Lee Williams, David Morris and Jeff Kubasti.

Back Mountain Slo-Pitch Softball League elected officers for the 1981 season at a recent meeting. Newly-elected officers and directors are Jim Barbacci, president; Tim LaBar, commissioner; Bill Kanasky, secretary; Chuck Wilson, treasurer; Carl Derhammer, public relations; Carl Siglin, Mike Precone, board members.

### 40 YEARS AGO

Students from Lake-Lehman, Dallas and Northwest High Schools participated in the Northeast District Band Concert at Lake-Lehman High School last week. For the first time, each musician received a medal for qualifying. Participants included Grace Van Epps, Northwest; Linda Tough, Carolyn Edwards, Gene Holcomb, Don Josuweit, Robert Scott, Pam Calkins, Cindy Culver, Lake-Lehman; Diane Chadwick, Keith Barber, Michael Davis, Alan Zaboski, Brock Phillips, Dennis McCartney, Scott Bayer, Lindsey Sherwood, Patti Lewis, Dallas.

Three Trucksville scouts joined the illustrious ranks of Eagle Scouts at a Court of Honor last month. David Neyhard, David Morgan and John Truscott attained the highest rank a scout can reach.

### 50 YEARS AGO

Three former high school cagers who played together at Lake-Lehman High School are now basketball teammates at College Misericordia. All three joined the ranks of the Misericordia cagers in their freshman year and have made valuable contributions to the many victories enjoyed by the Dallas cage squad in the past few years. Leamore Swan and Jean Drapiewski are presently completing three years as varsity cagers while Sara Gregory rounds out her second year with the Back Mountain hoopsters.

Helen Crispell "Girl of the Month", daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crispell of Noxen, was honored at a meeting of the Harvey's Lake Woman's Club held recently. She is a member of the senior class at the Lake building, active in school affairs, a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Noxen, and of the Charles James Memorial Assembly, Rainbow Girls.

### 60 YEARS AGO

Quick Sand, seventy-four feet deep, has temporarily halted construction of commonwealth Telephone Company's new office building on Lake Street. Yesterday only a skeleton force of eight workmen was on the job, but construction will be resumed as soon as piling arrives early next week. "Test boring," said Albert Glahn, superintendent in charge, failed to show the presence of quick sand, but we've run into plenty of it. We've

had lots to contend with - mud, water and quick sand."

Dallas Township girls won the Back Mountain League championship for the second year in a row by defeating Laketon 38-36 Tuesday night on Kingston Township floor. The Township girls, sparked by Mary Kozick, who garnered 30 points, were in top form.

### 70 YEARS AGO

Dallas High School athletic teams will hold their annual banquet in the high school gymnasium next Thursday night. About ninety students including the band are expected to attend. The following boys will receive letters: Albert Gould, Robert Niemeyer, Robert Price, John Jewell, Louis Kelly, William Wagner, Robert Moore and William Carroll. Girls who will receive awards are: Alma Nelson, Jean Cole, Kathleen Bogart, H. LaBar, Carol Shaver, Dorothy Dorn, Betty Jones, Doris Stookkey, Jane Joseph and Arline Ide.

Miss Romaine Harvey was elected president of the Senior Girl Scout troop of Dallas at the meeting last Saturday afternoon held at the home of their captain, Mrs. Ord Trumbower, on Main Street, Dallas. Other officers elected were: Virginia Ferry, secretary and Ruth Monk, treasurer.

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 USE FACEBOOK? IF SO, FOR WHAT?"



"Affirmative. To keep in touch with college buddies andc heck up on my kids."

Mark Yaple  
Harveys Lake



"No, I'm not on Facebook. I think it's better to stay away from it."

Jeanne Williams  
Lehman



"Are you kidding? Facebook is my life. It's a nice way to keep in touch with everybody."

Amanda Burke  
Harveys Lake



"Yes and yes. Mostly for networking."

Maria Darbenzolo  
Dallas



"Yes. I use it to talk to old friends and family."

Rodney Driscoll  
Ross Twp.



"Yes. My friend set me up with it but I don't use it."

Jeremy Roberts  
Lehman