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## Library staff wants to hear from its patrons

Now is the chance to let the Back Mountain Memorial Library know how it's doing and offer your opinions/suggestions for improvements that you would like to see in your library! The goal of the library staff is to learn from your comments and provide even better service.

Throughout the month of April, patrons may anonymously complete a short survey (available at the front desk of the library) and deposit it in the survey box. The questionnaire may be completed while you are at the library or you may take it home to return by April 30.

Once your survey is returned, you will be given a ticket to enter a special raffle. A reading bag, filled with books, magnifiers and more will be chanced off at the end of April. The winner will be contacted by telephone.

If you're really an "opinionated" person and enjoy critiquing essays of classic books, you'll be interested to know of special selections available this month in the library's Slightly Read Bookshop. A collection of critical essays on renowned author Ernest Hemingway, as well as several copies of his works, is available at discounted prices in the bookshop. It's a great time to add to your own classic collection.

### Holiday hours

But remember...the Slightly Read Bookshop will be closed the Saturday before Easter (April 23) and will re-open on Monday, April 25.

The library will close early at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 21 and remain closed on April 22 for Good Friday, re-opening with regular hours on Saturday, April 23.

### MOMENTS IN TIME

#### The History Channel

- On April 25, 1719, Daniel Defoe's fictional work "The Life and Strange Adventures of Robinson Crusoe" is published. The book, about a shipwrecked sailor who spends 28 years on a deserted island, is based on the experiences of Alexander Selkirk, a Scottish sailor who spent four years on a small island off the coast of South America in the early 1700s.

- On April 29, 1854, the Ashmun Institute, the first college founded solely for black students, is officially chartered in southeastern Pennsylvania. Renamed Lincoln University after the Civil War, its graduates include poet Langston Hughes and Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall.

- On April 27, 1865, an explosion on a Mississippi River steamboat kills an estimated 1,547 people, mostly Union soldiers returning home after the Civil War. The Sultana was built to hold 376 passengers, but reports say that there were as many as 2,700 people on board.

- On April 30, 1948, the Land Rover, a British-made all-terrain vehicle, debuts at an auto show in Amsterdam. The Land Rover had a boxy, utilitarian design, four-wheel drive and a canvas roof. Seat cushions, doors, a heater and spare tire were considered extras.

### STRANGE BUT TRUE

#### By Samantha Weaver

- It was evolutionary biologist Richard Dawkins who made the following sage observation: "We are all atheists about most of the gods that societies have ever believed in. Some of us just go one god further."

- It's been reported that for one two-year stretch, Elvis Presley ate nothing but meat loaf, mashed potatoes and tomatoes.

- In parts of Asia, tradition holds that if you sneeze once, someone is saying something good about you; if you sneeze twice in a row, something bad is being said; if you sneeze three times, someone is in love with you; and if you sneeze more than three times, you're about to catch a cold.

- If you're like the average human, you have about 1,500 dreams every year.

- Libra is the only sign of the zodiac that is not an animal.



## YOUR SPACE

Lambchop will be looking at 18 candles on Tuesday, April 19. Lambie is the pride of Hal and Jane Kishbaugh, of Shavertown. Born April 19, 1993 at the Hershey Kennels in Elizabethtown, Lambie's sire was Clancey and his dame was Bobbie Joe. Lambie holds a degree from Luzerne County Community College in dog training, Class of '94" and finished first in his class in entertaining.

"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

Two junior students from Bishop O'Reilly High School, Kingston, have been notified that they have merited honorable mention and a savings bond for their participation in an essay contest, sponsored by the Luzerne County Commission for Women and the Luzerne Intermediate Unit Curriculum Enrichment Services Department.

In conjunction with Women's History Month, 11th grade students who entered were to write an essay on "What Woman Had the Greatest Impact on your Life?" The students are: Susan Rygelski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rygelski, Harvey's Lake and Carrie Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Reid, Trucksville.

Dallas Senior High School guidance office announced that 26 students are National Educational Development Test (NEDT) certificate winners. The students achieved a composite score on the test of the 90 percentile or better. The NEDT provides general level of educational development of the student and ability in English, mathematics, social sciences, natural sciences and word usage. Certificate winners are: Joseph Lanunziata, Heather Wright, Casey Kernag, James Moran, Harry Haas, Marie Hosey, Theresa Fagan, Karen Wisnieski, Nina Mathers, Bridget Zimmiski, Wendy Kerr, Valerie Prothero, David Seidel, Adam Jatkowski, Jed Aston, Matthew Sleightholm, Marc Barbose, David Grossman, Kelly McIntyre, Holly Randolph,

William Camp, William Dover, Trina Huynh, Jill Kowalski, Melissa Pomrinke and Rebecca Yurko.

### 30 YEARS AGO

Doug Mahle of Dallas, West Side Vo-Tech auto mechanic student, received an Outstanding Student Award for his achievement in the first year of his training in auto mechanics. His instructor, Louis Morgantini, noted that Doug's participation in shop and classroom theory is well above average.

Carey Falcone (65 lbs.), 13 year old sixth grade student and Dallas Intermediate, and Jerry Ogurkis (91 lbs.) a 9 year old fourth grade student at Dallas Township Elementary, both members of Back Mountain Wrestling Club, copped first place honors at the Middle Atlantic States final held at King's College last weekend. Over 900 wrestlers participated in this tournament.

### 40 YEARS AGO

First prize winners in the crafts contest held recently by the Dallas Junior Woman's Club represented the Dallas club in the first annual crafts contest held Saturday at the Hotel Sterling. The contest was sponsored by the Pennsylvania Federation of Woman's clubs, Northeast District. Representing the Dallas Juniors in the contest were Kathy Oravitz, knitting; Bunny Benton, embroidery; and Sally Wagner, ceramics.

The Kiwanis Club of Dallas welcomed five new members at a recent induction ceremony held at Irem Temple Country Club. New members are Walter Kozemchak, Gary Looft, Thomas O'Malia, Glenn Lewis and Anthony Ful-

ton.

### 50 YEARS AGO

Harvey's Lake American Legion and Auxiliary presented Boy Scout Troop 331 with a fifty-star American Flag and staff last week at the Lake Noxen school building. Commander Keith Jackson led in the salute to the flag. Tenderfoot scouts are Robert and William Johnson, Kent and Terry Jones, Michael Groblewski and Perry West; second class, John Groblewski, Gary West, Rance and Richard Newell, John Bozek, Robert Sorber and Peter Saramonis; first class, Reese Finn, Richard Saramonis and Charles Jocelyn.

Cub Scouts of Pack 281, Dallas Methodist Church, visited the Dallas Post newspaper and print shop Wednesday afternoon. Under guidance of Bob Bachman, they followed a piece of copy through the linotype machines to the composing stone and to the press. From den 1, under convoy of denmother Mrs. Donald Bulford, were cubs Caddie LaBar, Charles Garris, Billy Dorn, Douglas Bulford, Tim LaBar, and Don Bulford, den-chief. Den 3, Mrs. Robert O. Hale, denmother, cubs David Dobson, Scott Saffian, Chuck LaBerge, Bucky Hale and Fred Parry.

### 60 YEARS AGO

Elementary students in 4th, 5th and 6th grades will present an operetta, "Behind Castle Walls," in Lehman-Jackson auditorium this evening Friday. Principal characters: Margo Davenport, Lewis Thomas, Glenn Ide, Joseph Hardisky, Mary Louise Bottoms, Esther Ide, William Joseph, Harold Coolbaugh, Mary Louise Schultz, Glenn Rittenhouse, Car-

ol Hadsell, Kathryn Kern and John Paul.

Lake Township School has set May 16 for crowning of the May Queen. Elaborate plans are being made in which about 350 children will take part (1st grade through 12th grade). Candidates for May Queen spotlight Treva Traver, Fay Smith, and Eleanor Butler.

### 70 YEARS AGO

Dainty Easter eggs and candies were the subject of the cooking class held at Lehman High School Tuesday evening under the direction of Miss Eleanor Trethaway, home economics teacher. Attending last night's class: Mrs. Eugene Lamoreaux, Mrs. Jacob Winter, Mrs. E.R. Parrish, Mrs. Marie Rebenack, Mrs. C.J. Major, Mrs. Walter Wolfe, Mrs. John Rebenack, Mrs. Charles Ely, Mrs. Joseph Stolarick, Mrs. Albert Ide, Mrs. Warren Lewis, Mrs. Gerald Cundiff and Miss Letha Wolfe.

A delightful and enjoyable concert will be given by Dallas Township School Band Friday evening in the high school auditorium under the direction of Ev Knappman. Solos will be given by Robert Patrick, Ethel Schultz, Paul Fahringer and Dorothy Gries. Members of the band's clarinet section are: Dorothy Gries, Estella Elston, Mildred Kitchen, Donald Smith, Mary Jones, Alice Brace, Robert Ashburner, Charles Kunkle, Melvin Compton, Hannah Miers, Phyllis Kunkle, Peggy Martin, Joy Lamoreaux and Mary Martin.

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.

## "WHO IS YOUR BEST FRIEND?"



"My best friend is my husband, David Hall."

Kristen Hall  
Dallas



"John McKinnon."

James Chocki  
Hunlock Creek



"Henry Selingo is my best friend."

Riley Newman  
Lehman



"Kris Konicki."

Chris Edkins  
Sweet Valley



"My husband, Brett Anderson."

Debbie Anderson  
Shavertown



"Kayla Denmon."

Ashlee Barker  
Hunlock Creek