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Two-year-old Buck enjoys a spring swim at a lake in Copaugue, New York where his owner travels for work. A Labrador/Retriever mix, Buck lives with Brian Mullen in Dallas.

YOUR SPACE

Library auction is less than two months away

Though it's hard to believe, the Back Mountain Memorial Library's Annual Auction is less than two months away...and what better way to share the excitement than by attending the Auction's Annual Kick-Off Dinner.

This year's dinner will be held on Monday, June 6 at the Apple Tree Terrace of Newberry Estates in Dallas, beginning at 6 p.m. with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres followed by a buffet-style dinner at 7 p.m.

Attendees will want to indulge at the Grilling Station consisting of top round of beef with horseradish sauce; grilled Caesar chicken with rice pilaf or grilled salmon with citrus sauce and an assortment of vegetables.

The Pasta Station will tempt us with penne or linguine pasta with a choice of three sauces, salad and soft breadsticks. There will also be a fresh fruit and cheese display and an assortment of desserts, coffee, tea and iced tea. While lingering over dessert, a mini auction will offer us a chance to bid on a sampling of Nearly Olde and New Goods items, antique collectibles and plants.

The price of the dinner is \$21 per person and it's open to the public. Reservations (along with

payment) can be made at the library by May 27.

Call the library at 675-1182 for more information! Plan now to attend and start practicing your bidding skills!

Along with the excitement of the auction, of course, comes the planning...and along with the planning comes the need for volunteers! All tweens 12 years and up, teens and young adults are needed to volunteer for auction set-up from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, July 3; Tuesday, July 5; and Wednesday July 6.

This is an easy fun way to complete any requirements teens may have for community service hours. You (and a group of your friends!) may stop in at the library or call us to sign up. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided for volunteers.

The library will be closed on Monday, May 30 in honor of Memorial Day and will re-open on Tuesday, May 31 with regular hours.

Our Slightly Read Bookshop will also be closed on Monday, May 30 and will re-open with its regular hours (10 a.m. to 7 p.m.) on Wednesday, June 1.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

It was 20th-century Belgian writer and philosopher Raoul Vaneigem who made the following sage observation: "There are more truths in 24 hours of a man's life than in all the philosophies."

The next time you're annoyed by a bad case of the hiccups, consider poor Charles Osborne. In 1922, when he was 28 years old, Mr. Osborne got the hiccups. For the next 68 years, he continued to hiccup, finally stopping in 1990, one year before his death at the age of 97.

Those who study such things claim that an average bank robber in the United States nets about \$4,000 for every heist. No info at hand on how the researchers acquired their data.

If you're planning a trip to the United Kingdom in the near future, you might want to be sure Windsor Castle, located in the county of Berkshire, is on your itinerary. Built in the 11th century, it is both the longest-occupied palace in Europe and, with more than 500 people living and working there, the world's largest inhabited castle. As a bonus, through April of 2012 you'll be able to view a special exhibit on royal cakes. Yes, cakes. Amazingly, included in the exhibit are two pieces of cake from the wedding of Queen Victoria to Prince Albert, which took place on February 10, 1840.

Stephen Spielberg, who has earned two Academy Awards for Best Director, and three of whose films have set box-office records, was rejected - twice - when he applied to the film program of the University of Southern California.

Thought for the day: "Every man possesses three characters: that which he exhibits, that which he really has, and that which he believes he has." - Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr

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

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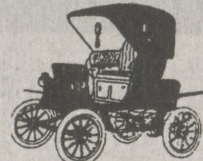
Information must include the submitting person's name, address and telephone number in the event we have questions. Readers wishing to have their photos returned

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 reserve the right to reject any items submitted for publication.

20 YEARS AGO

A steeple now shines in the sunlight over the Fellowship Evangelical Free Church in Dallas, raised in memory of Amber Nicely. Earlier this month, the white steeple topped by a gold cross was placed on the new Christian Education wing added to the original church building. The steeple was purchased with money from the Amber Nicely Memorial Fund and church member contributions, and was raised in memory of Amber who



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died two years ago from cancer. Amber won the hearts of people throughout Wyoming Valley when her battle with cancer became a symbol of hope and strength.

Dallas Area Federated Woman's Club held its installation of officers for the coming year earlier this month at Perugini's Restaurant, Luzerne, with President Jean Hillard presiding. Following dinner and the end of year reports, Luzerne County Federation President Sandy Timko conducted the installation ceremony of new officers. New officers are Nancy Ferko, president; Pam Egly, vice president; Shirley Smith, treasurer; and Maryann Daily, secretary.

30 YEARS AGO

Trucksville Elementary students provided entertainment at the recent PTO meeting held at the Trucksville School. Participating in the program were: Erica Bullock, Cheri Smith, Kim-

berly Mahoney, Heather Berube, Carrie Isaacs, Lori Lee McMurry, Lori Akenbrand, Trina Stesney, Michelle Traver, Jennifer Bryant, Sandra Morrissey, Michelle Hardik, Heather Hofmann, Denise Corey, Jeffrey White, Brian Kaplanski, Scott Connors, Edward Cavallari, Dale Morris, Brian Novicki, John Aston, Harry Swepenheiser, Scott Brody and Richard Cosgrove.

Dallas' Cathy Newhart ran the 100 meter dash in 12.6 to break the previous record set in the track districts by Riverside High School's Kim Sochevka. She also ran the 200 meter dash in 26.3 to break the record set in 1979 by Crestwood's Lori Papka.

40 YEARS AGO

The Back Mountain Horse Show 4-H Club held its fourth annual Open Horse Show recently at Highland Acres Equestrian Center. The show drew exhibitors from New Jersey and New York, as well as local riders and other Pennsylvanians. Connie Bogden, riding Mrs. P.J. Schalm II's horse, "Judge Saunders" took top honors in the regular working hunter champion class.

Ten Back Mountain residents were among the 98 drivers of Commonwealth Telephone Company honored for safe driving by Pennsylvania Manufacturer's Association Insurance Company during ceremonies conducted in the Dallas executive offices of the telephone company last week. The ten drivers are: Bruce Spencer, Howard Johns, Frank Summa, Tom Sayre, Edward Kravitz, Robert Dominick, Joseph Balavage, Charles Searfoss, Tom Traver and Henry Yezfski.

50 YEARS AGO

Co-chairmen Carolyn Rhone, Trucksville, and Elaine Kozemchak, Huntsville, are completing plans for the first Art Fair to be held by the Department of Fine Arts and Education of Wilkes College. In addition to an outdoor exhibit featuring student work, films and art history slides will be shown. Throughout the day demonstrations will be given in oil paintings, sculptures, ceramics, pottery, mosaics, pastels, pan and ink, figure drawing, fashion drawing, color, lettering and layout, block printing, copper enameling and clay modeling.

Three boys from the Back Mountain stood on the flight deck of the Aircraft Carrier USS Lake Champlain as it stood by last Friday to pick up the astronaut Navy Commander Alan Shepherd after his flight through space from Cape Canaveral. They were John Lonie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Meeker, Kunkle; Bob Spare, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spare, Carverton; and Dan Congden, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Congden, East Dallas.

60 YEARS AGO

Clyde W. Birth, Trucksville, was elected to the board of the Back Mountain Branch Town and Country Y.M.C.A. at the board meeting last Tuesday night. He will serve with Frederick W. Anderson and Thomas P. Shelburne, representing Kingston Township. All municipalities of the Back Mountain "Y" will add one more director - making three directors from each.

Mr. and Mrs. R.J.W. Templin,

Woodlawn Drive, entertained at a family farewell dinner a week ago Sunday for their son, Pvt. Fred who was enjoying a fifteen day furlough. Fred, who is with the infantry, left Camp Kilmer over the weekend for service in Europe. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Templin and Shirley; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Templin, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kain, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eck and Marilyn, Dorothy, Jack and Beverly and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Templin and Billy and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maxwell and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Reese and P. and Cathy.

70 YEARS AGO

With weather permitting and State inspectors lenient, Trucksville Dallas Highway will be opened for traffic on Memorial Day. Two of the three lanes of concrete have been finished for some time and the third is rapidly approaching completion. A fourth section will be paved from Fernbrook intersection to some distance beyond the overpass bridge on Fernbrook Avenue, and the contractor expects to have all concrete laid by Monday.

Mrs. Fred Lamoreaux and Mrs. Robert Hessler were elected new members of the Fernbrook Girl Scout committee at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Claude Cook on Tuesday evening.

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.

MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

- On June 10, 1752, Benjamin Franklin flies a kite during a thunderstorm and collects a charge in a jar when the kite is struck by lightning, enabling him to demonstrate the electrical nature of lightning. Inventor Franklin coined a number of terms used today, including "battery," "conductor" and "electrician."

- On June 7, 1893, Mohandas Gandhi commits his first act of civil disobedience. Gandhi, a young Indian lawyer working in South Africa,

refused to comply with racial segregation rules on a South African train and was forcibly ejected.

- On June 6, 1949, George Orwell's novel of a dystopian future, "1984," is published. The novel's all-seeing leader, known as "Big Brother," becomes a universal symbol for intrusive government and oppressive bureaucracy. It described a grim vision of a future where all citizens are watched constantly and language is twisted to aid in oppression.

- On June 11, 1955, a racing car in Le Mans, France, goes

out of control and crashes into stands filled with spectators, killing 82 people. The tragedy in the famous 24-hour race led to a ban on auto racing in several nations.

- On June 8, 1967, during the Six-Day War, Israeli aircraft and torpedo boats repeatedly attack the USS Liberty in international waters off Egypt's Gaza Strip. In all, 34 Americans were killed and 171 were wounded. Israel later apologized for the attack, claiming that it had mistaken the Liberty for an Egyptian ship.

- On June 9, 1973, Secretariat becomes the first horse since Citation in 1948 to win

America's coveted Triple Crown - the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes. In 1999, ESPN added Secretariat to the list of Top 50 North American athletes of the 20th century, the only non-human on the list.

- On June 12, 1987, in one of his most famous Cold War speeches, President Ronald Reagan challenges Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev to "tear down" the Berlin Wall, a symbol of the repressive Communist era in a divided Germany. Two years later East and West Germans did break down the infamous barrier.

"HOW WILL YOU CELEBRATE MEMORIAL DAY?"



"We're hoping to watch the parade in Sweet Valley or play baseball."

Mark LeValley
Sweet Valley



"Have a cookout at my grandma's house in Pittston."

Kiera Paraschak
Lehman



"I plan to be with family - a break from a busy life."

Richard Mark Luksic
Wilkes-Barre



"Barbecue and watch Yankees baseball on TV."

Greg Petorak
Dallas



"Hopefully, playing baseball - then a family picnic at the foot of Sorber Mountain."

Chip Sorber
Loyalville



"We might go down to Philly Zoo if the weather holds up."

Robyn Valentine
Dallas