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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Booth chair is grateful

### DEAR EDITOR:

I would like to publicly acknowledge those who most graciously and generously provided donations and support to the 2011 Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction Plant Booth.

Thank you to the local businesses and groups who donated plants and gardening items: Antosh Greenhouses, Back Mountain Feed and Seed, Back Mountain Bloomers, Bloomingdale Gardens, Darling & Sons' Farms and Greenhouses, Delkanic's Greenhouse, Dundee Gardens, Edward's Landscaping, Flower Tent, Golomb's Greenhouse, Hoss' Garden Hut, Kettell's Greenhouse, Kimberly's Floral, Larry O'Malia Greenhouses, Lehman Nursery, Martin O'Malia Greenhouses, Mary's Flowers & Garden, Penn State Seed, Rave Discount Plant Center, Rogers' Nursery, Rowlands Family Greenhouse, Varsity Landscape, Whirligigs and More and Wild Birds.

Thank you to all of those who supported the library by buying flowers, vegetables, cactus, mini-gardens and craft items at the flower tent.

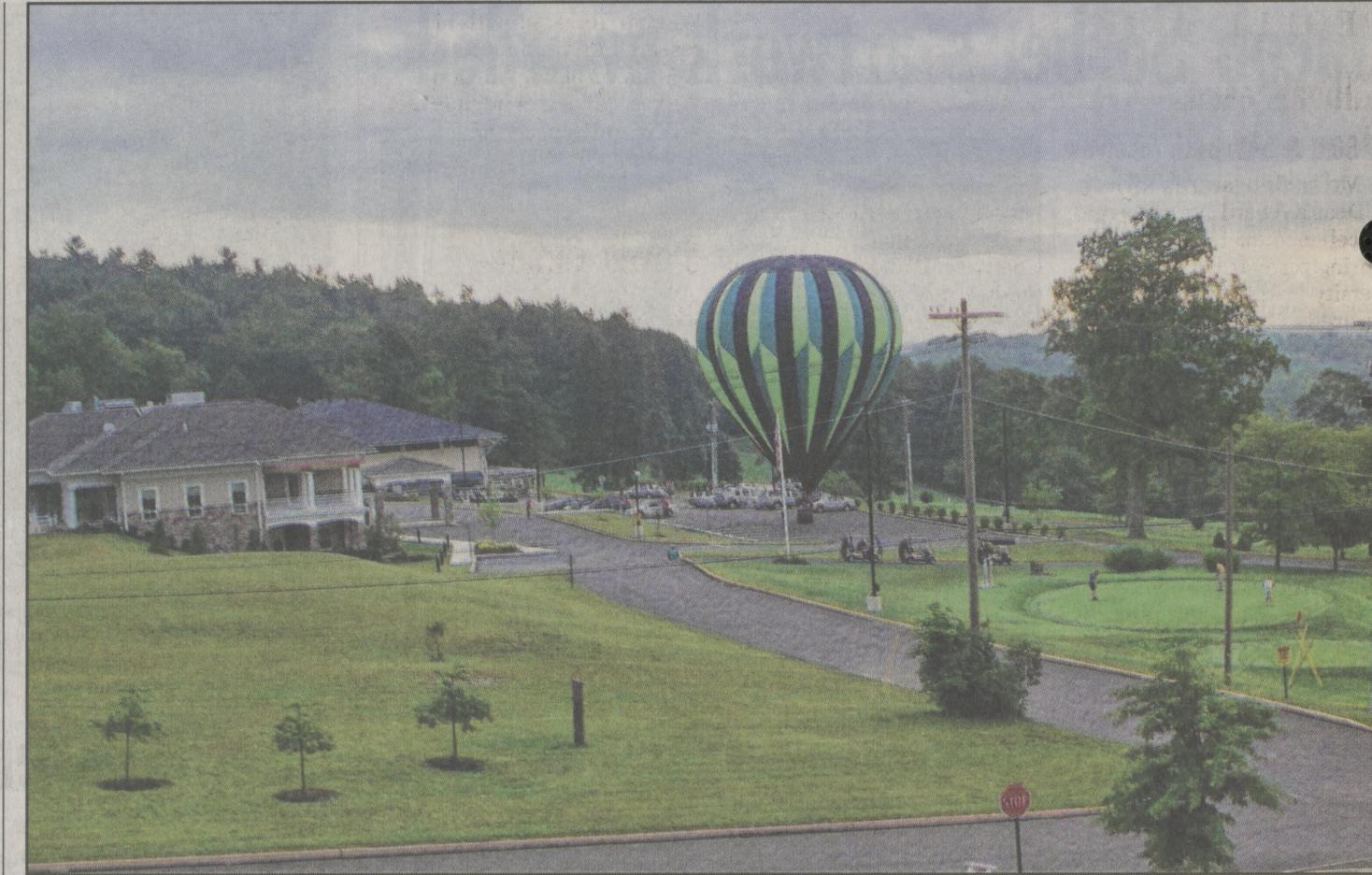
Finally to my team members who spent weeks potting plants, painting pots and taking care of the plant nursery that had overtaken my driveway and yard. They hauled plants from my home to the auction grounds, helped set up and display the plants and planters and then spent hours at the auction each day as plant tent volunteers: Louise Mattas, Sharon Shaver and Margaret Dwinchick. Ladies, you're the best!

Diana Pickett Berry  
Back Mountain Memorial  
Library Auction  
Plant Booth Chair

## TRAINS ON DISPLAY



Jake Nita's train collection will be on display for the month of August at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Jake is the son of Rita and Leo Nita, of Shavertown. He is 7 years old and will enter second grade at Wycallis Elementary School. Jake's interest in trains started when he was very young and he has been collecting them for about five years. He says he sometimes receives trains as gifts and also purchases some himself to add to his collection. His favorites are the construction trains and the steam engine. An interesting fact about trains that Jake would like to share is that the number of wheels on the train determines how the train is named. For example: the number of the "Big Boy" is 4664, reflecting how the wheels are arranged on the train.



## YOUR SPACE

Barbara Lodwick, of Country Club Road in Dallas, was getting breakfast ready at 7 a.m. on a recent Sunday morning when she heard strange sounds outside. When she went out onto the fourth floor balcony of the Masonic Village Apartments, she saw a hot air balloon in the process of making a very precise landing in between several sets of wires in the parking lot of the Irem Country Club amidst cars and early-bird golfers. Barbara doesn't know whether the landing was planned or not but says the pilot did a great job.

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

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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

The Circle K Club at Penn State Wilkes-Barre presented the Al Ackerson Award to Heather Zimba of Harvey's Lake at the Student Government Association Awards ceremony. The award, given to the student who has made the greatest contribution to the campus and to the community, was established in 1968 by the Circle K in recognition of Mr. Ackerson's contribution to Circle K clubs.

United Penn Bank's Dallas Office was the scene, recently, of a tour of the facility by Girl Scout Troop #712. The group of 9-to-12 year olds is working on the Business-Wise badge and during the tour found out the role banks play in conducting a business, how checking and savings accounts are used and discussion was held on loans and interest paid. Participants included Sarah Benedetti, Amy Hlettes, Melanie Reschauer, Rachel Hiller, Barbara Lispi, Lauren Miller, Shea Christilaw, Kelly Dunnigan, Stephanie Jury, Beth Carey, Jesse Miller, Hilary Koehl, Victoria Ziegler, Jenny Jurry, Virginia Ziegler, Jennifer Lyons, Heather Wilt, Melissa Gallup, Erin Dunnigan.

### ONLY YESTERDAY

The Lehman-Jackson Cards of the Back Mountain Minor League clinched the league championship Saturday by finishing the season with an impressive record of 10-0. All the victories were turned in by Ernie Slocum on the mound, who, at a picnic for the players and their families after the games, was awarded the Most Valuable Player award. Other team members include Kevin Wagner, Jimmy Michaels, Doug Nichols, Tom Tranell, Billy Weaver, Greg Bogdon, David Rodriguez, Billy Barrell, David Onzik, Randy Schoonover, Brian Bednar and Kyle Sutton.

Dave Krashkevich, Machell Avenue, Dallas, piloting an MGB in the E-production III category, was a first place winner in the Giants Despair Hill Climb Sunday. Winning time was 66.284 seconds for Dave, who finished first in a class with nine entries.

### 30 YEARS AGO

The Back Mountain National League Division I Girls All Star Softball Team defeated North-

west 14-4 Saturday at Dallas to win the District 16 pennant.

Members of the team are Chris Bookless, Larisa Bergevin, Susie Slocum, Kristen Dougherty, Beth Adams, Dena Pomrinke, Lori Bartleson, Donna Piaff, Wendy Bebey, Danette Yanchik, Michele Button, Sarah Rothschild, Debbie Levi and Marcia McCarroll.

Alice Niskey and her daughter, Susan, made news recently when they both received recognition from the Penn's Woods Girl Scout Council. Alice was named neighborhood district chairman and Susan was selected for Cadette Scout Wider Opportunity.

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### 50 YEARS AGO

For the second consecutive year, Trucksville Free Methodist Sunday School took the award, "Sunday School of the Year," last week at the New York conference held on the free Methodist camp grounds at Demunds. The trophy is given to the Sunday School which most successfully meets established requirements and maintains the best Sunday School program.

Cub Scouts from Dallas, Pittston, Wilkes-Barre and Nanticoke gathered at Camp Acahela Saturday for Cub Fun Day, together with their fathers. Among the Dallas cubes who enjoyed sports, supper and evening camp fire were: Robert Katyl, Douglas Hess, James Miller and Robert Pattison, all of Troop 281. They were accompanied by their fathers, Joe Katyl, George Hess, Arthur Miller and C.R. Pattison.

### 60 YEARS AGO

Little Leaguers had a big day Tuesday, with a picnic at Twin Lakes, topped off by a Wilkes-Barre versus Elmira ball game in Artillery Park in the evening. Little Leaguers swam and played games, ate their fill, and many of them went on to the big ball game where they had a chance to talk to professional players after the ninth inning, and congratulate the Barons on winning. At the picnic, Lee Culver won the apple-eating contest; Billy Steinbauer and John Sholtis, the peanut race; Harold Ochs, the sack race. Three-legged race was won by Billy Steinbauer and Dick Switzer, with Joe Walton and Harry Robbins a close second.

Three young folks of Dallas saw themselves on television last week in New York posing on the brightly lighted platform of the electronic display at RCA exhibition hall. Joanne Lewin, Lydia Colsten and Eugene Hindricks were the lucky trio.

### 70 YEARS AGO

A sexual pervert who has been a considerable annoyance to women vacationing at the Harvey's Lake Picnic Grounds this summer was arrested Wednesday afternoon in the men's toilet on the grounds by Chief Ira C. Stevenson of the lake police force. The man, was discovered by Stevenson peeking into the women's section of the rest room. He had first barred the door and then removed a number of planks in the rear of the men's room, letting himself down into the excavation and peering into the women's toilet from that vantage point.

Sunday School children of Lehman Methodist Church presented a three-act play adapted from "Rumpelstiltskin" by Mrs. A.B. Simms in the church Thursday afternoon. Proceeds were used to purchase Bibles for the Primary Department and for the Red Cross. Members of the cast were: Polly Lou Cooper, Tommy Elston, Priscilla Cooper, Walter Elston, Billy Simms, Mary Lou Elston, Phyllis Swan and Shirley Elston.

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 HAVE A PET?"



"A German Shepherd dog, I think. He likes to take food from people, run away and doesn't get back in the car."

Jordan Artmont  
Trucksburg



"I play with my grandma's dog, Rudy. He loves squeaky toys."

Mackenzie Fleeger  
Dallas



"Sadie and Sammy, my grandma's Labs. They like peanut butter, balls and licked my sister's birthday cake."

Cameron Fleeger  
Dallas



"I have two cats, Boy Cat and Girl Cat. Girl Cat is nice but Boy Cat is mad and mean sometimes."

Daniel M.  
Kingston Township



"A pet rock I found on the street in Wilkes-Barre. I painted it pink and his name is Bob."

Kristopher Smiga  
Dallas



"No, but I liked my uncle's black Lab, Shadow, who died. She would always follow me around. I wish I had a dog."

Blaine Rex  
Dallas