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## Bookshop at library is now open an extra day

The Back Mountain Memorial Library is always ready to help returning students and their families prepare for the back-to-school season with more books, and more workshops, but did you hear...?

The library's Slightly Read Bookshop is also ready...with more hours!

Beginning after Labor Day, the Bookshop will return to its regular hours from 1 to 7 p.m. on Mondays, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. Due to popular request, however, the Bookshop will also be open from 1 to 7 p.m. on Thursdays. Stop by the Bookshop on Thursday, Sept. 8 and let the staff there know the extra hours are appreciated.

Reminder: The library will be closed on Monday, Sept. 5 to celebrate Labor Day and will re-open at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

The library is currently holding a "Flower Power" bulb fundraiser. Visit the library's website at [backmountainlibrary.org](http://backmountainlibrary.org) to place your order for bulbs guaranteed to bloom! The library receives a 50% profit from each order and the bulbs will be shipped directly to customers' homes in early October.

Basic computer classes are again being offered at the library. The September session will be held from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m. on Monday Sept. 12; Tuesday, Sept. 13; and Wednesday Sept. 14. The total cost of the entire session is \$15 which is due at the time of registration. Space is limited, so register early!

Local Back Mountain youth theatrical group "Take the Stage" will hold another of its popular outdoor performances at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 16 and Saturday, Sept. 17. "A Bag Full of Fables" will be performed on the library grounds. Price of admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

A Facebook workshop will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 19 at the library. Attendees are invited to bring their own laptops to this class. There is a \$5 fee payable at the time of pre-registration.

An Early Luzerne County Genealogy Workshop will be held from 2 to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24. This free workshop will be presented by Kathleen Smith. Pre-registration is required.

For more information or to pre-register for any of the above classes, call the library at 675-1182.

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was revered American comedian Bill Cosby who made the following sage observation: "Human beings are the only creatures that allow their children to come back home."
- Here's a disturbing statistic for parents: If your child is like the average American youth, between the ages of 5 and 15 he or she will see approximately 13,500 people killed on television.
- Most languages change dramatically over time. If we in modern America were to try to read "Beowulf" (which was written in Old English), for instance, only those who have spent time studying the language would be able to make out more than a word or two here and there. If you're from Iceland, however, this isn't the case; the written language there has remained virtually unchanged for more than 1,000 years. Modern Icelanders have no trouble reading sagas that were written in the 10th century.
- Relative to body size, humans - unsurprisingly - have larger brains than any other animal. Of non-human animals, it's the bottlenose dolphin that has the largest brain.
- When Great Britain's current Queen Elizabeth - then Princess Elizabeth - wed Prince Philip, their wedding cake weighed a whopping 500 pounds.
- As legend has it, in 1288, when Dusseldorf, Germany, was granted its city charter, children all over the city began turning cartwheels for joy. The cartwheel has been an enduring part of the culture there ever since, and in 1937 the city even inaugurated an annual international cartwheel championship.
- Those who study such things claim that when you're playing Monopoly, you're likely to land on Illinois Avenue and the B&O Railroad more than on any other squares.



## YOUR SPACE

In this photo, Deno Pantelakos of Idlewood Drive in Dallas, shows a great way to relax on a beautiful summer day at Lake Jean.

"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 - 1991

This summer members of Dallas Boy Scout Troop #281 assisted the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society at their reenactment of the "Battle of Wyoming" at the grounds of the Swetland Homestead by providing a food booth during both days of the event.

Participants included Boy Scout Matt Kutish, Abigail Wasserott, Danny Wasserott and Boy Scout Ben Sappe.

Ruthanna Sizemore, 8, a student at Evans Falls Elementary School, recently won first place in the beauty, talent, modeling and bathing suit categories of the Universal Superstar "Face of the Year" contest.

She also won the "Overall Award" which included a \$500 savings bond for this title.

The state pageant was held in June at the Holiday Inn in Wilkes-Barre with Eileen Roush directing.

### 30 YEARS AGO - 1981

Luzerne County Foodrama Team copped first honors in the recent 4-H State Achievement Days at Penn State University campus.

Members of the team are Judy Loke, Lisa Loke, Becky Wall and Kim Klimek.

Lifeguards at Irem Temple Country Club recently com-

pleted American Red Cross training in CPR and standard first aid.

Participating in the training were Dave Jenkins, Dawn Llewellyn, Gail Devine, Liza DeWitt, Bill Richards, Russell Paulsen, Richard Morgan and Craig Gommer.

### 40 YEARS AGO - 1971

Sheryl Beard of Dallas was awarded a gold ribbon last week at the Northeast region 4-H Dress Revue at Tunkhannock, it was announced by Lillian B. Jamgochian, associate extension home economist, Luzerne County, following the revue.

One of 84 girls from 14 counties, Sheryl also received a medal of honor and a certificate of participation.

Mrs. Ronald A. Ertley of Country Club Road, Dallas, has captured the 1971 Irem Women Golfers title for the third consecutive year.

The final round in the 54-hole event was played last week on the Irem Country Club golf course, and marked the fifth time since 1965 that Mrs. Ertley has won the championship.

### 50 YEARS AGO - 1961

At local Acme markets, turkeys sold for 37 cents a pound; hams were 49 cents a pound; fresh ripe honeydew melons were 59 cents a pound and Swiss cheese sold for 59 cents a pound.

Mrs. Fred Eck and Mrs. Leon Beisel gave a thank you tea at Mrs. Beisel's home for outgoing and incoming officers of Shavertown Branch,

Nesbitt Hospital Auxiliary, last Thursday.

Present were: Mesdames Harvey Kitchen, H.H. Rymer, Eugene Fisk, Walter Shaver, Edward Gilroy, Frederick eck, Sheldon Bennett, Joseph Marsh, Lyman Lull, Charles Sprinkel, Charles Seiber, Naomi Pauling, Florence Rave.

### 60 YEARS AGO - 1951

Joining in an old fashioned spirit of cooperation, members of Dallas Township Veterans' Agricultural Training Class and the Upper Luzerne County Young Farmer's Club on Monday afternoon and evening under floodlights helped Wilson Furr, a 100 per cent disabled veteran, erect a new poultry house on his farm at Beaumont.

Those participating were: Robert Hoyt, Edward Bellas, Niles Clark, Ralph Kaufman, Joe Perkoski, Stanley Dorrance, Andrew Preslopski, Ralph Wilson, Ted Buchkouski, William Harold, Joe Harfman, Steve Gaidosh, Joe Simonitis, William Richards, Joseph Fowler, Joe Hardiskey, William Garey, Carl Hines, Kenneth Heller, Chester Witkoski, Philip Sorber, Henry Phillips, Jerry Gruver, Wilbur Ross, Algert Klamovich, Bruno Mack and Frank Serfoss.

The "Lady-of-the-Lake" was crowned on Sunday at Sunset Park. She is Miss Patty Roberts, 18 year-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. George A. Roberts, Wyoming.

Rev. Roberts is pastor of

Wyoming Methodist Church and was a former pastor of the Trucksville Methodist Church.

### 70 YEARS AGO - 1941

Driving into the teeth of a gusty wind that whipped Harveys Lake into choppy white-caps, top local men carted off highest honors in the second annual Labor Day Regatta of the Harveys Lake Boat Club Monday afternoon.

Star performers of the day were Newell Wood of Harveys Lake and Billy Woolbert of Shavertown.

Miss Grace Ide, teacher of the Nutrition course, sponsored by the Red Cross and held in Dallas Methodist Church, was guest of honor at a party at the home of Mrs. Wesley Himmler Tuesday evening.

Hostesses were members of the class who have just completed the first course. Attending were Mrs. Arthur Dungey, Mrs. Bert Lew, Mrs. J. Henninger, Mrs. Joseph Schmerer, Mrs. Morris Johnson, Mrs. McManus, Mrs. Stanley Davies, Mrs. Marvin Scott, Mrs. John Girvan, Mrs. J.C. Fleming, Mrs. Davis Brace, Mrs. Laverne Race, Mrs. George Swartz, Mrs. Robert Currie, Mrs. Robert Quail and Miss Anna Kutzner.

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.

## "WHY DO WE CELEBRATE LABOR DAY?"



"We celebrate everything everybody has done."

Mike Biesecker  
Dallas



"It's a recognition to all our workers for all they have done for the country, the economy and our heritage."

Cindy Biesecker  
Dallas



"Absolutely have no idea. No, not at all."

Samantha Potoeski  
Hunlock Creek



"It's a celebration for the people who work in the United States."

Katie Gushka  
Swoyersville



"It was started in new York by a carpenter names McGuire, the founder of the AFL to honor workers."

Noreen Gladey  
Shavertown



"I celebrate because we are lucky to have jobs."

Krista Connolly  
Swoyersville