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Books honor loved ones

The following memorial/honor books have been added to the shelves of the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Rd., Dallas for the month of December 2011:

In memory of Martha W. Lake, "Daycare Mom to Wife" by Jennie Adams, presented by Cindy Dougherty and Cheryl Giberson DeHaut, "The Birding Life" presented by the employees of Laumeyer's Landing

The following books are in memory of **Elizabeth R. Moran** and are presented by Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hufford: "Gabby" by Gabrielle Giffords and "Christmas with the First Ladies" by Coleen Christian Burke

The following CD books are in memory of **Aileen Dymond** and are presented by the Finance & Credit Departments of Inter Metro Industries: "Prince of Ravenscar" by Catherine Coulter and "Lost December" by Richard Paul Evans

In memory of Robert Fleming, "Steve Jobs" by Walter Isaacson (CD book) presented by Corrine Mayhorne, "Opera" by Alan Riding and Leslie Dunton-Downer presented by Lena and Jack Puchalsky, "The Royal Stuarts" by Allan Massie presented by Jean Fleming, "No Higher Honor" by Condoleezza Rice presented by Dr. William Watkins and Dr. Leonard C. Medura

In memory of Joseph Peterson, "Bats of the United States and Canada" by Michael J. Harvey presented by Cold Spring Chamber of Commerce

In memory of Thomas A. Yahara, "The Great Builders" presented by The Fannick Family

In memory of Virginia Farley, "Saturday's Child" by Betty Neels (large print) presented by Bob and Maryann Popielarz

In memory of Wanda Baseski, "My Lord Winter" by Carola Dunn (large print) presented by Linda and John Vozniak

In memory of Natalie Jones, "Knight's Ardor" by Teresa Swift (large print) presented by Ms. Linda Fritzges

In memory of Maureen Sprau, "Blue Nights" by Joan Didion (CD book) presented by Judy and Dave Petro

In memory of Aileen Dymond, "Hotel Vendome" by Danielle Steel (CD book) presented by Jean A. Eyet

In memory of Judith Eisenhower Brown Turner, "Decorate: 1,000 Professional Design Ideas for Every Room in Your Home" by Holly Becker and Joanna Copstick, presented by Sara "Missy" Eneboe

The following books are in memory of **our littlest angel, Megan Elizabeth Oravitz** and are presented by Grammy and Papa Oravitz: "My Day" by Sindy McKay, "A Spider Bought a Bicycle" selected by Michael Rosen and "Once Upon a Time: A Treasury of Fairy Tales"

The following books are in memory of **Past Commander Leonard "Kep" Gottshalk** and are presented by Daddow Isaacs Post 672 American Legion: "Dirk Bones and the Mystery of the Missing Books" by Doug Cushman, "Balloons Over Broadway" by Melissa Sweet, "My Truck is Stuck!" by Kevin Lewis and Daniel Kirk, "Butterflies" by Seymour Simon and "The Gingerbread Boy" by Paul Galdone

HONOR
In honor of Seth Wilschutz of Hartman-Cox Architects Washington, D.C. on his birthday 2011, "Architects" by Kathleen Manatt presented by Janet and John Bauman

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was American essayist Logan Pearsall Smith who made the following sage observation: It is the wretchedness of being rich that you have to live with rich people.
- The word "avocado" is derived from a South American Indian word that means "testicle."
- When the miniskirt was introduced to the world in the 1960s, the reaction was swift and often harsh. Women who wore them in the Malagasy Republic were sentenced to 10 days in jail. Congolese police arrested 300 women for wearing the new style, and Egyptian law branded the garment as indecent. In Caracas, Venezuela, the clergy got involved; churches admonished women to give up their minis or "be condemned to hell." Perhaps the seeming overreaction wasn't entirely unjustified, considering the effect the miniskirt had in some places. It was reported that two women wearing minis caused a two-hour traffic jam in downtown Cairo, and a 63-year-old man in Rio De Janeiro was sentenced to three days in jail after biting the legs of the miniskirt-clad woman seated next to him on a bus.



YOUR SPACE

Deno Pantelakos, of Sunrise Drive in Dallas, shot this scene at Frances Slocum State Park at sunrise one morning. The still water made for a serene, peace scene and the fog lifting from the lake, coupled with beautiful fall colors, made for a great morning.

"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.

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20 YEARS AGO - 1992

The air was filled with the scent of Irish Spring soap - practically to an overpowering degree. But the fifth grade students at Westmoreland Elementary School didn't seem to mind as they carved their very own duck



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heads from the soap, using a wooden Popsicle stick to wear away at the bars. The children were led by visiting artist Terry Rutter, of Southern New Jersey. Some of the students who participated in the art project were: Stefanie Simoncavage of Dallas, Nicole Yuhnavage of Shavertown; Katie Russ of Wyoming; and Rachel Hiller.

The Shavertown Branch of Nesbitt Memorial Hospital recently held a holiday party in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Shavertown. Members enjoyed a covered dish luncheon and participated in an upbeat music program. Those in attendance were: Evelyn Eck, Evelyn Shales, Joan Emanuel, Ann Covert, Marion Stookey, Esther Armitage, Ruth Shortz, Jessie Beckerman, Evelyn Daley, Elma Price, Marion Kunigonis, Ruth Shotwell, Eleanor D'Amario, Sally Sieber, Pauline Clewell, June Bennett, Beth Kleiner and Bethia King.

30 YEARS AGO - 1982

It will be a Happy New Year for Katrina Marea Fanti, the first Back Mountain baby born January 1, 1982, in an area hospital.

Katrina was born January 1, 7:10 a.m. at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital to Richard and Cynthia Fanti, Dallas. Weighing eight pounds and 21 inches in length, Katrina Marea is the Fanti's first child.

Even the animals at the Plains shelter of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals received some Christmas spirit. Children of the Dallas Elementary School collected food for the animals. Class representatives were: Kevin Burke, Melissa Makara, Melissa Pomrinke, Danielle Watchulonis and Lauren Owens.

40 YEARS AGO - 1972

Marion Turner, a 10th grade student at Dallas Senior High School, has been named Wilkes-Barre area and 11th Pennsylvania District winner in the 25th Annual Voice of Democracy Scholarship program, sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Ladies Auxiliary. The local winner is the first participant from Dallas High to win the area and district awards and the first girl to achieve the honor.

Mrs. Charles E. Corcoran, Lehman Ave., Dallas, is the winner of the contest recently sponsored by Daring's Market, Memorial Highway, Dallas. Contestants guessed the time of arrival of the first baby of the year 1972. Mrs. Corcoran was declared the winner of a 12-pound Country-Smoked fresh ham and a one-year subscription to The Dallas Post. Corcoran guessed the first baby would arrive at 4:15 a.m. January 1, 1972. Christopher Mi-

chael Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, Evans Falls, arrived at 3:25 a.m. at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

50 YEARS AGO - 1962

A sixteen pound bowling ball swinging from the finger of a bowler returning to his place at Crown Imperial Bowling Lanes Thursday night, smashed the toe of a spectator. Mrs. Helen Bolton, sitting it out instead of bowling with the Bolton Diner team, will be sitting it out for at least four more weeks while the team goes on without her. X-Rays at Nesbitt Hospital showed a bad fracture of the big toe of the left foot. Mrs. Bolton is getting about painfully on crutches.

Dallas Women of Kiwanis held their Christmas Party at the Country Club last Wednesday with Mrs. William Guyette in charge. Assisting her were Mesdames Ira Smith, Raymond Tag, George McCutcheon, G. Frank Mathers and Edwin Thompson.

60 YEARS AGO - 1952

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hinkle, Lincoln Drive, Shavertown, entertained at a New Year's Eve party Sunday evening. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Gomer Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wentzel, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kersteen, Mr. and Mrs. James Myerly, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Henwood, Sr., Mrs. Frances Sutliff and George Hinkle.

Sunshine Class, Meeker Methodist Church, held its annual Christmas Party at the home of Mrs. William Drabick. Election

and installation of officers resulted of re-election of incumbents. President for the coming year is Mrs. James Davenport; vice president, Mrs. William Drabick; secretary, Mrs. Walter Wolfe; treasurer, Mrs. Letha Wolfe.

70 YEARS AGO - 1942

Mrs. A.R. Dungey of Lake Street won the first award for the most beautifully decorated Christmas doorway sponsored by Wyoming Valley Garden Club in the Dallas area. Mrs. Dungey's doorway was surrounded with spruce and pine boughs while on the door were two Christmas wreaths with velvet pointsettias and red streamers - the work of her mother, Mrs. John Merick.

Employees and former employees of Commonwealth Telephone Company enjoyed a delightful dinner party at Hislop's on Monday evening. Guest list included Miss Elizabeth Bunny, Mrs. Russell Shaver, Miss IreneONEY, Mrs. Ruth Gregg, Mrs. Marion O'Dell, Mrs. William Lancio, Mrs. Margaret Stewart, Mrs. Howard Tinsley, Mrs. Edward Ward, Mrs. James Gensel, Misses Velma Haring, Stella Mission, Margaret Gerlach, Jane Case, Alice Oberst, Beverly Bessecker, Jean Cole, Dorothy Hammond, Louise Malkemes, Betty Bilbow and Mrs. Frances Gavigan.

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.

"HAVE YOU MADE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?"



"In past years, I had resolutions to drink an extra glass of water every day and floss each day. I'm not sure about this year."

Jill Gildea
Dallas



"I think Winston Churchill said, 'Sometimes good is not enough, sometimes we have to do better.' So I would like to be better."

Steve Lombardo
Dallas



"I've been an average student so far. I'd like to do really well in school next year. I should be an above-average student."

Noah Blackwell
Dallas



"I'd like to be a smarter runner this year and run races without getting injured."

Paul Reinert
Dallas



"No, it makes no sense making them. I know I'll only break them, anyway."

Joe Hand
Dallas



"No. I like to take one day at a time."

Chris Borthwick
Dallas