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Auction block heats up at the Back Mt. library

The auction block area of the Back Mountain Memorial Library is a favorite gathering place during the library's annual auction and even during the Farmer's Market, but did you know that it's also an outdoor theater?

The library is pleased to announce that it will once again host the popular theater group "Take the Stage Players" as they begin their second season of community plays.

"Take the Stage" will present "The Commedia Voyages of Sinbad the Sailor" at 6 p.m. on May 18 and 19 with lawn seating.

These summer shows are perfect entertainment for the family that wants a fun, inexpensive night out and enjoys helping the library at the same time! Tickets are available the night of the show at the door and are \$3 for children (10 and under) and \$5 for adults.

This first performance tells the story of Sinbad's adventures and is narrated by four "poor travelers." The young actors will delight the audience with their witty portrayal of characters they meet during Sinbad's voyages, adding in some additional antics, including awakening a giant fish and floating away to the Land of Horses. The story is family friendly and told in the popular form of improvisational theatre.

During the 2011 summer season, the "Take the Stage Players" donated over \$1,000 to the library from four shows held between May and August.

Anyone interested in participating in the shows for July and August can contact Christina Metz at 690-5439 or visit www.takethestagepac.com for more information.

Auction planning begins

Auction planning time is here and also the first call for volunteers! Students ages 12 and up in need of community service hours are reminded to call the library at 675-1182 to volunteer.

They will be needed during the auction set-up on Sunday, July 1; Monday, July 2; and Tuesday, July 3.

Adults...don't feel left out. We want you, too! Call the library, tell us what you like to do and we'll introduce you to some auc-

tion fun. Volunteers are also used each night of the actual auction. Gather your neighbors and sign up as a group...the more the merrier.

Raffle tickets available

The various raffles are a favorite part of the auction and, though we have to keep some secrets and surprises, the quilt raffle tickets are ready to purchase. This year's beautiful "Thimbleberries" quilt, handmade by Leslie Horoshko, is sure to be a great addition to anyone's home. Tickets are available at the front desk of the library for \$1 each or six for \$5.

Donations needed

Donations for the auction, including antiques, vintage jewelry, collectibles, household items and books are currently being accepted at the library.

Old jewelry wanted

Spring is filled with social events, and girls...while you're out shopping for some new "bling" for your spring outfits, keep in mind that the library would love to have any old jewelry you're replacing. Remember "out with the old, in with the new" is a great way to justify any new jewelry purchases. You may drop off any jewelry donations in the special Jewelry Box located at the front desk of the library.

Bookshop likes books

Remember that the Bookshop always appreciates receiving your clean, slightly-used books, puzzles and DVDs. The earlier these items are received, the easier it will be to process them in time for the auction. The Bookshop's present sale is on cookbooks, classics and puzzles, which are being sold at half-price. We are still asking you to "steal our Steeles" at almost giveaway prices.

No electronics, please

Reminder: Please do not donate any television sets or electronics for the library's auction. Disposal of these items is very costly to the library.

Holiday hours

The library will be closed on Monday, May 28 to observe Memorial Day.



YOUR SPACE

Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas, calls this scene shot at Frances Slocum Sate Park "Looking Up." Pantelakos says it was a fine spring day in the park with blue skies and gentle breeze.

"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

The Dallas Area Federated Women's Club welcomed two new members at its meeting last month. They are Kathy Werner of Dallas and Carol Murdock of Shavertown.

Penn State Wilkes-Barre Newton Math Society recently hosted a competition for area high school math students. More than 70 participants took part in two hour individual testing and group competition held in the Wilkes-Barre campus's Center



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YESTERDAY

for Technology. Members of the Dallas High School team are Geoffrey Spear, Cathy Grossman, Eric Lehman, Eric Spear, Rebecca Yurko, Joseph Lanunziata, Marc Barbose, Jeff Polacher, Paul Hopa, Adam Jatkowski, Jessica Wallace, Amy Merrill and Keith McDonald. Members Lake-Lehman High School team are Benjamin Fiore, Rick Matysic, Jason Toluba, Karen Stefanowicz, Susan Niezgoda and Jeff Gold.

30 YEARS AGO

The Dallas Women of Kiwanis

who shared some of their favorite recipes with Post readers this week included Mrs. Reese Pelton, Mrs. Robert Dolbear, Mrs. Robert Maturi, Mrs. David Miller, Mrs. Paul Selingo, Mrs. Fred Anderson, Mrs. Clifford Parker and Mrs. Walter Roberts.

Janice Taylor is the general chairman of the 30th Annual Antique Show and Sale sponsored by the women of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church.

40 YEARS AGO

A spring flower sale sponsored by the newly-organized women's auxiliary of Boy Scout Troop 155 of Trucksville will be held next weekend at Weis Market, Dallas, Acme Market, Shavertown, and at the Trucksville Elementary School garage sale. Committee members of the "Pet-al-Power" campaign are Betty Laver, chairman; Betty Richards, publicity; Marcella Hiller, treasurer; Mary Weir, work schedule; Ruth Ann Neyard, transportation; Sophie Sodrosky, Dallas area; Ann Walsh, Shavertown Area; and Ann Morgan, Trucksville.

Reigning as queen at the elegant Dallas Senior High School Junior-Senior Prom last Friday night was Patricia Brennan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph

Brennan, Dallas. She was escorted by Jack Willison.

50 YEARS AGO

Elected officers of Luzerne Country Federation of Women's Clubs at the annual spring meeting Tuesday were three women of the Back Mountain area, each a key figure in her own club: Mrs. Robert Brown, Dallas Woman's Club, and Mrs. John Chesnovitch, Lehman Club, vice presidents; Mrs. Harvey Kitchen, past president of Harveys Lake Service Club, treasurer.

Although Charlene Makar was the only Back Mountain resident to win at the Scranton Science Fair, there were two other Back Mountain winners at King's College Regional Science Fair held on the previous day. Awarded beautiful trophies at King's were Donald Miller and Mary Demko.

60 YEARS AGO

Sweet Valley 4-H Club met at the home of the leader, Mrs. Joseph T. Battison, Friday night. Election of officers was held. President will be Bonnie Piper; vice president, Margaret Maransky; secretary and treasurer, June Wesley; song leader, Dixie Piper; game leader, Janice Bron-

son. Competing with swimming teams from six other high schools of Wyoming Valley area on Saturday April 19 in the YW-CA pool, Westmoreland took second place with 35 points. Team members are Barbara Na, Nancy Schooley, Diane Bowman, Roseann Pavlick, Barbara Davis, Diane Jenkins, Patty Farr and Judy Greener.

70 YEARS AGO

Friday, May 8, the junior class of Lehman Township High School will present in the high school auditorium its annual play, "Professor, How Could You?" Cast includes George Lamoreaux, Shirley Howell, Verna Dobson, Steve Skopic, Leslie Agnew, Doris Ide, Edna Drabick, Dennis Bonning, Carol Cross and John Klansek.

Miss Helen Galey won distinction and a silver medal when she came out first in an oratorical contest in Rochester, N.Y. last week.

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.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

It was British doctor and author Alec Bourne who made the following sage observation: "It is possible to store the mind with a million facts and still be entirely uneducated."

- In 2007, a world record was set off the coast of Brazil when a single wave was caught by 84 surfers.

- Have you ever heard of a book called "Never Again" by Doug Nufer? Probably not - it's not on any bestseller lists and hasn't been reviewed by any

notable critics. It's quite possibly unique in literary history, however; in its entire 192 pages, not a single word - even basic words such as a, an, the, of and for - is used twice.

- If you were to stack up a million \$1 bills, they would weigh about one ton.

- The Twist dance craze in the 1960s changed the culture in America and spread around the world. Most people don't realize, though, that the song "The Twist," which started the fad,

wasn't originally sung by Chubby Checker, though he was the one who sent the single up the charts and has since been irrevocably associated with the dance. The song was originally written and performed by an R&B singer named Hank Ballard. A deejay in Baltimore saw teenagers dancing to Ballard's song and called Dick Clark, host of "American Bandstand." Clark loved it and invited Ballard to perform the song on the show, but it didn't work out. Instead,

Clark found someone else to perform the song: Ernest Evans, who changed his name to Chubby Checker. It made his career.

- Colonel Sanders started selling chicken when he was 65 years old, and his only goal was to make \$1,000 a month.

Thought for the day: "It takes only one drink to get me drunk. The trouble is, I can't remember if it's the 13th or the 14th." - George Burns

"WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?"



"I have two dogs, Hunter and Kiko and some chickens that I take care of with my Dad. So I'd like to be a veterinarian."

Grace Rushmer
Shavertown



"A teacher because I like really tiny babies and could teach them to roll over and walk. You can pick them up, too."

Francesca Ginocchetti
Dallas



"A super hero like Spider Man because he's blue and red and his power is the webs that come out of his hands."

Max Jackson
Wilkes-Barre



"A doctor because he fixes people and gives them needles. I would like to give the needles."

McKenna Heffron
Dallas



"A firefighter because I get to wear helmets, carry heavy hoses, spray water and drive fast in trucks."

Mason Green
Noxen



"A doctor because my sister told me they have more play dates. Dr. Harris is my favorite doctor. He checks my throat."

Riley Dewey
Dallas