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## LETTER TO EDITOR

# Library children's director is grateful for program publicity

### Dear Editor:

I am so happy that you were able to take part in the Back Mountain Memorial Library's Summer Reading Program, "Dream Big! Read!"

Our goals were to motivate children to read, to help children develop positive attitudes about reading and books, to enable children to maintain their reading skills during summer vacation, to attract new users to the library and to encourage regular use of the library's services and materials.

I believe we have attained these goals because there were 321 children and teens who kept reading over the summer, 3,524 books logged and over 1,601 parents and children who took part in the many programs offered throughout the summer.

Another goal was to foster cooperation between the community and the library. Thanks to your help, we have achieved that goal. We are truly grateful for all the articles and pictures you have published over the summer announcing our programs. We filled the house this summer at all our special programs.

Thank you again for supporting our children, our teens and our library.

Janet Bauman  
Children's and YA librarian

## MOMENTS IN TIME

By Samantha Weaver

- It was British playwright and noted wit Oscar Wilde who made the following sage observation: "Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they go."
- If you're like the typical human, your brain makes up only 2 percent of your body's weight, but it uses about 20 percent of your body's energy.
- Some people, it seems, have more money than sense. For example, in December of 2008, some unknown person paid \$5,300 to buy a single tissue off eBay. What was so special about the tissue? Reportedly, it was used once by actress Scarlett Johansson. Fortunately, proceeds from the sale benefited a nonprofit organization.
- The average ant lives less than two months.
- Using leeches as a form of medical treatment is archaic, right? Maybe not so much. As recently as 2004, a request to market leeches as medical devices was approved by the Food and Drug Administration.
- When the infamous Titanic was being built, shifts were 14 hours a day, and workers only had one day off a week. Each day, each worker was allowed a total of seven minutes for bathroom breaks.
- Those who study such things say that marriages involving so-called mail-order brides have a lower rate of divorce than marriages that come about in more traditional ways.

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Thought for the day: "Among men, it seems, historically at any rate, that processes of co-ordination and disintegration follow each other with great regularity, and the index of the co-ordination is the measure of the disintegration which follows. There is no mob like a group of well-drilled soldiers when they have thrown off their discipline. And there is no lostness like that which comes to a man when a perfect and certain pattern has dissolved about him. There is no hater like one who has greatly loved." - John Steinbeck



## YOUR SPACE

Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas, photographed this sterling day in Lackawanna State Park.

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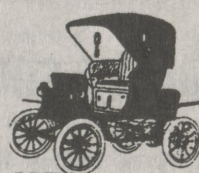
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should include a self-addressed/stamped envelope. Items will be published in the order in which they are received.

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### 20 YEARS AGO - 1992

U.S. Rep. Paul Kanjorski met recently with Valerie Prothero of Dallas, who was attending the Congressional Youth Leadership Council Conference in Washington, D.C. While visiting Kanjorski in his office, Valerie discussed the U.S. government and issues facing our young people today.



### ONLY YESTERDAY

Two Back Mountain students from Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School, Kingston, have been named school representatives to Junior Leadership Wilkes-Barre. They are Jennifer Savage, Harveys Lake, and Sonia Kimm, Shavertown.

### 30 YEARS AGO - 1982

Dallas Gridiron Club announced that each week the organization will present a trophy to the football player, offense or defense, who proves to be the Most Valuable Player in that week's game. Coach Ron Rybak presented the first two trophies to quarterback Steve Federici (Crestwood game) and running back Matt Moran (Nanticoke game).

Edward H. Edwards, long-time member of the Lake-Lehman High School faculty, was honored recently by the board of school directors and awarded the title "Athletic Director Emeritus." The board approved a reso-

lution praising Edwards for his many years of devoted service to the students of the school. Edwards has retired as member of the teaching staff and also as Director of Athletics.

### 40 YEARS AGO - 1972

The chicken barbecue featured at the Trucksville Firemen's Fair was a great success with the sale of over 400 chickens. Chefs for the day were Bob Klein, Bill Long and Norman Stookey.

The Summer Fiesta committee at Gate of Heaven Church is happy to announce the winners of the Labor Day raffle conducted on the school grounds. Ernest Shearer, Dallas, was the winner of a 1972 Plymouth Duster. The color television was awarded to Edward Szela and the stereo went to Stan Makuch Jr.

### 50 YEARS AGO - 1962

Americanism Night at the American Legion Home saw two solid citizens receiving awards for outstanding service to the community. Taken completely by surprise were John Butler and Robert Parry, lured to Saturday night's meeting by a variety of bait, dangled skillfully by chairman Tom Reese and Commander Ed Buckley.

Three service clubs of Dallas voted unanimously to name William Wright, 1992 Citizen of the Year. The plaque was presented Thursday night at a joint meeting of the Dallas Lions, Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs.

### 60 YEARS AGO - 1952

Seven Back Mountain residents are members of the Wilkes College freshman class this year. The seven, who began classes this week, are: Nancy Schooley, Carol Heuer, Ramona Balut, Ralph Harrison, Glenn Carey, Howard Updyke and Bruce Berrettini.

Three young men of the Back Mountain who have gained forensic honors in music will participate in the Fifth Annual Concert at Irem Temple in October. They are: Ray Harleman, a senior at Westmoreland High School; Robert Stair, a product of both the Dallas Borough and Dallas Township schools; and Eric Vrhel.

### 70 YEARS AGO - 1942

Mrs. Thomas Kingston of Marlton Avenue and Frank Jackson of Harveys Lake brought distinction to the Back Mountain area

last Thursday when they walked away with a large number of first, second and third prizes at the Flower Show sponsored by the Cambrian Club in the Y.M.C.A. Building in Wilkes-Barre.

Cecil Sutton of Idetown, who will leave for Army duty of the 29th, was guest of honor at a farewell party given by his fellow workers of the Hazard Wire and Roper Works, Saturday evening at the home of James Casterline at Idetown. Those present were: Tom Schmidle, Merle Condon, Stephen Humenanski, Arthur Bubbles, Paul Pointek, Walter Pochech, Joseph Casper and Thomas Bowknight.

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 Sept. 28, 1901, Ed Sullivan, who would become the host of the long-running TV variety program "The Ed Sullivan Show," is born in New York City. During the peak of its popularity in the 1950s and 1960s, Sullivan's program showcased a wide range of entertainers, including The Beatles and Elvis Presley.
- On Sept. 29, 1913, Rudolf Diesel, inventor of the engine that bears his name, disappears from the steamship Dresden while traveling from Belgium to England. On Oct. 10, Diesel's body was found in the water. Conspiracy theories began to fly almost immediately. Many people believed (and still believe) that Diesel was murdered.
- On Sept. 26, 1960, for the first time in U.S. history, a debate between major party presidential candidates is shown on television. John F. Kennedy debated Richard M. Nixon in a Chicago studio. Nixon refused to wear makeup.

## "WHAT DO YOU MISS MOST ABOUT BEING A KID?"



"Doing whatever you want and not having any responsibilities."

Karen Atkinson  
Kingston Twp.



"Nothing, really. I'm having too much fun as an adult."

Sandy Sheehan  
Dallas



"I enjoyed my childhood and I still like to play but in a different way."

Terry Martin  
Lehman



"Being able to walk the streets and not be afraid of being jumped."

Dominic Chopka  
Dallas



"I miss the carelessness, the freedom - no worries."

Maki McCann  
Dallas



"No taxes, no bills, watching cartoons on Saturday mornings."

Pat Burman  
Benton