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## New books at library

The following books have been added to the shelves of the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, for the month of October 2012:

### EXPRESS

"Winter of the World" by Ken Follett, "Severe Clear" by Stuart Woods, "Low Pressure" by Sandra Brown, "The Light Between Oceans" by M.L. Stedman, "Delusion in Death" by J.D. Robb, "Hiss and Hers" by M.C. Beaton

### FICTION

"Winter of the World" by Ken

Follett, "Severe Clear" by Stuart Woods, "Low Pressure" by Sandra Brown, "Delusion in Death" by J.D. Robb, "Just Down the Road" by Jodi Thomas

### MYSTERY

"Hiss and Hers" by M.C. Beaton

### STORY COLLECTION

"Black Dahlia and White Rose" by Joyce Carol Oates

### LARGE PRINT

### FICTION

"Bones are Forever" by Kathy Reichs

## Service grant deadline near

As the application deadline approaches to apply for Pennsylvania's Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Service Grants, Rep. Karen Boback (R-Luzerne/Columbia/Wyoming) is encouraging volunteer fire companies and ambulance services throughout Pennsylvania that have not already done so to apply for the 2012 Volunteer Fire Company and Volunteer Ambulance Service Grant Program.

The General Assembly recently adopted Act 78 of 2012 to reauthorize the grant program for an additional four years and increase the total grant funding available from \$25 million to \$30 million.

Grants to eligible fire companies will be contingent upon their agreeing to participate in and report information using the Pennsylvania Fire Information Reporting System. The application period closes on Oct. 19.

Last year, dozens of area fire and ambulance organizations each received thousands of dollars in funding from the program, which was created by the General Assembly as Act 10 of 2007. The program is funded through state gaming proceeds.

For more information, visit Boback's website at RepBoback.com and click on "Fire and Ambulance Grants."

## MOMENTS IN TIME

By Samantha Weaver

- It was beloved American actress Katharine Hepburn who made the following sage observation: "If you always do what interests you, at least one person is pleased."
- Half of the Earth's surface is covered by the Pacific Ocean.
- Need more evidence that portion sizes in America are getting larger? In the 1964 edition of the iconic "Joy of Cooking," a recipe for chocolate chip cookies was said to yield 45 servings. When the cookbook's 1997 edition was published, the same recipe was said to yield 36 servings.
- The original name of the city of Melbourne, Australia, was Batmania.
- In the original calculations made by NASA experts, a landing on the moon was thought to have only a 5 percent chance of success.
- In rural Wisconsin in 1921, two third-grade students in a one-room schoolhouse became sweethearts. At the end of the school year, Lorraine Beatty and Mac McKittrick lost touch with each other. This story would be unremarkable, except for what happened 87 years later. In 2009, their brothers, who had become friends, brought the couple back together again. Shortly thereafter, the couple married and moved in with each other in a retirement home.
- The 12th president of the United States, Zachary Taylor, let his horse graze on the White House lawn.
- The oldest government building in the country actually predates the nation: The Palace of the Governors in Santa Fe, N.M., was built in 1610.



## YOUR SPACE

Angeline Jones, of Valley View Trailer Park in Dallas, photographed this beautiful waterfall with colored leaves at Buttermilk Creek in Falls.

"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 - 1992

Competing for the first time, Amy Withers of Dallas took 2nd place in jazz solo at the Funfest held in Hazleton. She did a pantomime-jazz routine. Amy is a student of Kris Hanify's at the Back Mountain Dance Studio.



### ONLY YESTERDAY

Dallas Senior High School celebrates Homecoming October 17 with a parade and game against Crestwood on Saturday afternoon. A pep rally and dance where the Queen will be crowned is set for October 16. The school will select a Queen from the following candidates: Eve Figueroa, Megan Heffron, Sara Cuba, Katie Bennett, Jill Kowalski, Bridget Ziminski and Partrice Shovlin.

### 30 YEARS AGO - 1982

Members of the Dallas Area Federated Woman's Club are planning their annual Fashion Show to be held on October 28 at the Dallas Junior High School. Planners included Mrs. William Lipo, Mrs. Charles Puckey, Mrs. Frank Rollman, Mrs. Paul McCue and William Roman.

Two members of the senior class of Lake-Lehman High School earned standing as commended students in the annual National Merit Scholarship competition. They are Jennifer Huggaski and John Gabriel. Their scores placed them in the top

five percent of students tested nationwide.

### 40 YEARS AGO - 1972

Saturday is Homecoming Day at Dallas High School and the Mountaineers will play host to Scranton Prep football team. Nominees for this year's Homecoming Queen are Diane Masoner, Marie Beth Donachie, Kathleen Jonsson, Pat Brennan, Valerie Klemow, Pam Taddei and Nancy Popielarz.

Announcement of officers was made by Gate of Heaven Parent Teacher Guild. Officers for the school year are: Philip Cummings, president; John Schray, first vice president; William Connolly, second vice president; Kay Kale, secretary; and Loretta Bryan, treasurer.

### 50 YEARS AGO - 1962

First prize for a mammoth pumpkin, the largest shown at Bloomsburg Fair, went to Jeanine Hoover and Carl Detsick, who exhibited an 88 pound job grown by Thomas Detsick, out in his corn field on Ryman Road.

Mrs. James F. Besecker Jr., East Dallas, was recently elected recording secretary of the garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania. Election took place at Erie on Tuesday. There are 1,400 members in the federation.

### 60 YEARS AGO - 1952

Justice of the Peace John Fowler and his wife, of Orange, have

added twenty-five ribbons to their collection of over two hundred, won during the four years they have been showing game bantams and Old English bantams at State and County Fairs. Mr. Fowler, with a twenty-one bird entry at Bloomsburg Fair, took nine firsts and eight seconds. Mrs. Fowler, with eight entries took both first and second awards in all four classes for Old English bantams, cocks, cockerels, hens and pullets.

### 70 YEARS AGO - 1942

Shortage of tires and gasoline doesn't worry Mr. and Mrs. Elston of Kunkle - they do their

riding in horse and buggy. Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Elston put on her "old gray bonnet," Mr. Elston hitched "Dolly," their dapple gray mare, to the buggy and they rode merrily through the colorful autumn countryside of Dallas.

James Murray, Church Street, has been appointed ticket agent at the Wilkes-Barre station of the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

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 Oct. 19, 1931, David Cornwell, later known as spy novelist John le Carre, is born in Poole, England. He published his first spy novel, "Call for the Dead," in 1961. The novel, like his second, "A Murder of Quality" (1962), featured spy George Smiley.
- On Oct. 15, 1946, Herman Goering, commander in chief of the Luftwaffe and head of the Gestapo, dies by his own hand. He was found guilty at Nuremberg and committed suicide by swallowing a cyanide tablet he had hidden from his guards.
- On Oct. 20, 1968, 21-year-old Oregonian Dick Fosbury wins gold medal and sets an Olympic record when he high-jumps 7 feet, 4 1/4 inches at the Mexico City Games. It was the international debut of Fosbury's unique jumping style, known as the "Fosbury Flop," which, according to one journalist, "looked like a guy falling off the back of a truck."
- On Oct. 17, 1973, the Arab-dominated Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) announces a decision to cut oil exports to the United States. In December, a full oil embargo was imposed, prompting a serious energy crisis and gasoline rationing in the United States.
- On Oct. 16, 1987, 18-month-old Jessica McClure is rescued after being trapped for 58 hours in an abandoned water well in Midland, Texas. McClure had fallen through the 8-inch-wide opening of an abandoned well in the backyard of her aunt's home day-care center. After dropping about 22 feet into the well, the little girl became stuck.

## "WHO HAS BEEN THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PERSON IN YOUR LIFE?"



"My father. He died young, but the time I spent with him I learned much."

Joe Kelley  
Dallas



"My parents. It's hard to put in words but my father never lost his temper and my mother was a nurse."

Art Baird  
Jackson Twp.



"A nun. Sister Elizabeth at Sacred Heart Academy. She was very well-educated and Irish."

Barbara Messmer  
Dallas



"My parents. They taught us to be honest and faithful. Hope I was as good a teacher to my son."

Millie Wheeler  
Dallas



"The head exercise instructor at Curves in Shavertown, Susan. She's become a dear friend, puts my exercise stockings on for me and I lost 25 lbs."

Leona Hunt  
Dallas



"My Mom. She gives me great advice and is my pal."

George Versari  
Trucksville