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## 'Fancy Nancy' display at Back Mtn. Library

During the month of November at the Back Mountain Memorial Library, our days will be brighter when Juliet Price displays her "Fancy Nancy" collection. "Fancy Nancy" is a fictional character in children's books for little girls. Juliet is 5 1/2 years old and a student with the Agora Cyber Charter School. She loves "Fancy Nancy" because the character is fancy. Juliet has been collecting "Fancy Nancy" items for four years. Her favorite piece is her autographed copy of Fancy Nancy's Fabulous Fashion Boutique. She also loves her "Fancy Nancy" doll and her "Fancy Nancy" backpack from her cousin, Rachel. Juliet was a finalist in a "Fancy Nancy" contest, winning books and prizes. She not only loves reading the books but also is a pen pal with the author, Jane O'Connor, and the illustrator, Robin Preiss Glasser. Juliet lives in Sweet Valley with her parents, Terry and Beatrice Price and her brothers, Sam and Todd.



### STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was 20th-century American author and actress Cornelia Otis Skinner who made the following sage observation: "One learns in life to keep silent and draw one's own confusions."
- If you grew up during a certain era in the United States, you are probably familiar with the board game Parcheesi. If you have a particularly good memory, you may recall that the game's subtitle is "The Royal Game of India." You may not realize, though, that the game is so-called because royalty in India used to play a life-size version of the game in gardens specially designed for the pursuit. Centuries ago, rajas would dress members of their harems in brightly colored costumes and use them as game pieces.
- Everyone knows that a sophomore is someone in his or her second year of high school or college. Most people don't realize, though, that the word is derived from the Greek words "sophos," which means "wise" and "moros," which means "stupid."
- It's not unusual for music critics and the artists they critique to butt heads, but they usually do it in print, not in person. In 1978, though, the staff of Rolling Stone magazine and the band the Eagles went head-to-head in a softball match. The writers ended up losing to the rock stars.
- The creator of the ubiquitous smiley face earned a grand total of \$45 for his creative effort.
- Having trouble with your teenager? It's a worldwide problem, it seems - though not always for the same reasons. In 2004, a 13-year-old boy in India ran away from home, declared that he was a Hindu holy man and founded a monastery. His parents arranged for him to be kidnapped and brought back home.

Thought for the day: "Life is not a spectacle or a feast; it is a predicament." - George Santayana



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## YOUR SPACE

This scene from the historic Hollenback Cemetery was photographed by Deno Pantelakos, of Idlewood Drive in Dallas. This photo has been selected and published on an international website. The photographer used a right angle viewer to get this low to the ground point of view.

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- 20 YEARS AGO - 1992**  
Brownie Troop 658 held their investiture ceremony last week. The girls received their Brownie pins along with a Service Award and Try-It Badge. Members of the troop are: Hollie Nickalls, Lauren Lipski, Katelyn Buckman, Jessica Blum, Kelly Dougherty, Samantha Payne, Ainsley McDougal, Amber Kenny, Alice Nickalls, Carla Garavaglia, Amber Brayfield, Kimberly Sorber and Ashley Basar.
- 30 YEARS AGO - 1982**  
Allison Berlew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Berlew, Dallas, is one of the featured models in the Back Mountain Jay-C-Ettes Fashion Show. Other models for the children's fashions are Tracy Honko, Heather Brody, David Townsend and Ryan Marshall.
- 40 YEARS AGO - 1972**  
Five Dallas High School students have been awarded Letters of Commendation honoring them for their high performance on the 1971 Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test-National Merit
- 50 YEARS AGO - 1962**  
Eight Back Mountain residents will be graduated from Wilkes-Barre Business College October 31 after successfully completing their course requirements. Those graduating are: Harriet Sands, Mary Sabo, Donna LaBarr, Shannon Samuels, Celia Monka, Mary Manzoni, Janet Reed and Nancy Harris Cooke.
- 60 YEARS AGO - 1952**  
Altar and Rosary Society of Gate of Heaven Church enjoyed
- 70 YEARS AGO - 1942**  
Women's Bible Class of Huntsville Christian Church will hold a rummage sale on Main Street in Luzerne on November 10 and 11. Mrs. Nesbitt Garinger is chairman.
- Scholarship Qualifying Test.** Those named commended are Katherine A. Lawrence, Kathy Kreidler, Cynthia Witek, Jack Kloeber and Raymond Jacobs.
- Two area students** were featured in a concert of associated choruses last week at Bloomsburg State College. They are Jim Roman, college concert choir, and Denise Witek, a member of the women's chorus. Both are Shavertown residents.
- David Seidel, Dallas,** was congratulated by Council Executive Dave Hasel, for being the first Tiger Cub in the Back Mountain Area. Tiger Cubs BSA, an all new kind of scouting for the seven year old boy and a parent or other adult, are joining the youth programs of the Boy Scouts of America this fall.
- Altar and Rosary Society** of Gate of Heaven Church enjoyed a parade of brides of the past and the present at their meeting recently. Mrs. George Z. Keller, in her mother's wedding gown won the prize for being oldest, and Mrs. Louise Vitale, who modeled a gown of 1922, for being most outstanding. Mrs. Harry Gross was the most recent bride.



ONLY YESTERDAY

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Wants elected officials to honor their pledge

**Dear Editor:**  
I have been interested in politics for as long as I can remember and am proud to be a Democrat. I have asked for votes for my father, uncle, aunt, cousin and two brothers. Not that they all won the office they sought, but I am proud that they tried to help by being part of government.  
I learned to be a believer in government helping people when, even 50 years after the fact, my family was thanked for the government assistance my grandfather, Harry O'Neill, helped provide while he was a state representative during the Great Depression. I am proud that as a congressman, my grandfather was instrumental in having Pennsylvania become the home of the Tobyhanna Army Depot and I have a real concern with the current representative who did not even know that he voted against funding for this facility in his district that employs over 5,000 people.  
As the mother of two children who are active duty military, I appreciate the things President Obama has done to help veterans and to bring soldiers home from Iraq and Afghanistan.  
I would prefer a government in which elected officials honor only their pledge to the Constitution and the people they represent and not sign an oath to anyone else.  
I am a Catholic who would never impose my personal views on other women as they make extremely important decisions in their lives. I also am very thankful that Obamacare was enacted in time for my daughter to stay on our health care plan and not worry about pre-existing conditions.

Mary Barbara O'Neill Gilligan Dallas

### "WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE HALLOWEEN CANDY?"



"Snickers. I like the chocolate, caramel and pecans together."

Ashley Craft Sweet Valley



"Reese's peanut butter cups - the chocolate perfectly surrounds the peanut cup."

Christopher Covert Sweet Valley



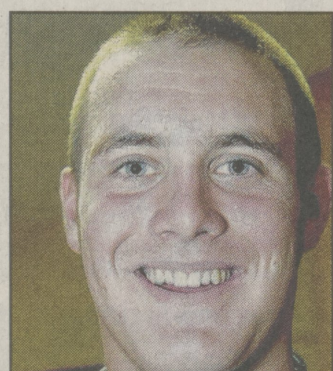
"Reese's cups put a smile on my face."

Zach Lofthouse Lehman



"Candy corn. They are seasonal, colorful and sweet."

Rene Rismondo Lehman



"Kit Kat bars because I like the crispy part and the chocolate."

Scott Bean Harveys Lake



"Reese's peanut butter cups - the perfect mix. You can't go wrong."

Cory Bean Loyalville