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Learn how to blog at the library

The Back Mountain Memorial Library is "keeping with the times" and will offer a Blogging Class from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 12. Attend this free class and learn how to set up a blog, as well as the "ins and outs" of blogging. Pre-registration is required.

Parent/child workshops
Attention, parents: It's once again time for the spring session of the Parent/Child Workshop. This playgroup setting allows toddlers, 1 through 3 years of age, to play and interact with other children, as mothers

(caregivers) get a chance to talk to one another and the resource professionals who attend each session.

The sessions will begin on Tuesday, April 2 and will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays, April 9, 16 and 23. Pre-registration is required.

Auction committee
The Auction Planning Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 21.

Call the library at 675-1182 to register for any of the above classes/workshops or to obtain more information.

MOMENTS IN TIME

* On March 24, 1603, after 44 years of rule, Queen Elizabeth I of England dies, and King James VI of Scotland ascends to the throne, uniting England and Scotland under a single British monarch. Queen Elizabeth I passed into history as one of England's greatest monarchs.

* On March 23, 1839, the initials "O.K." are first published in The Boston Morning Post. Meant as an abbreviation for "oll correct," a popular slang misspelling of "all correct" at the time, OK steadily made its way into the everyday speech of Americans.

* On March 19, 1916, the First Aero Squadron flies a support mission for the 7,000 U.S. troops who had invaded Mexico on President Woodrow Wilson's orders to capture Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa dead or alive.

* On March 18, 1937, nearly 300 students in Texas are killed by an explosion of natural gas at their school. Eleven oil and natural-gas derricks stood in the schoolyard as a means of saving the school money. The blast killed most victims instantly and was felt 40 miles away.

* On March 20, 1965, President Lyndon Johnson sends a telegram to Gov. George Wallace of Alabama in which he agrees to send federal troops to supervise a planned civil-rights march in Wallace's home state. Earlier that month, civil-rights activist Martin Luther King Jr. had led two attempts to march to Montgomery.

* On March 21, 1980, President Jimmy Carter informs a group of U.S. athletes that, in response to the December 1979 Soviet incursion into Afghanistan, the United States would boycott the 1980 Olympics in Moscow. It marked the first and only time that the United States has boycotted the Olympics.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

* President Harry Truman was once told there were ghosts in the White House. His response? "I'm sure they're here, and I'm not half so alarmed at meeting up with any of them as I am at having to meet the live nuts I have to see every day."

* Pet food is the third most profitable item for supermarkets, following meat and fresh produce.

* The warmest parts of your body are your eyes and nose, while the coldest parts (unsurprisingly) are your fingers and toes.

* In the African country of Zaire, more than 200 different languages are spoken.

* It was more than 30 years ago, in 1982, that a man in suburban Los Angeles tied 24 weather balloons to his lawn chair in an attempt to fly. A pretty successful attempt, too — he made it to 16,000 feet, alarming air traffic controllers and pilots

in the process.

* Those who study such things say that the rate of divorce increases during the winter months.

* The Baltimore Orioles had a pretty bad season in 1988. After the team lost its first 10 games, Bob Rivers, a deejay at Baltimore radio station WYYY, announced that he would stay on the air until the home team won a game. He kept his word, sleeping only between songs, for 10 days. When the Orioles finally defeated the Chicago White Sox, Rivers played "I'm Free" by The Who, and finally left.

* Queen termites can live for up to 100 years.

* When respondents to a survey are guaranteed that the results will be anonymous, fully 40 percent of the people admit to cheating on their taxes.

Thought for the day: "When two men in business always agree, one of them is unnecessary." — William Wrigley, Jr.



YOUR SPACE

Pat Giordano, of Harveys Lake, took this photo of a willow tree in her yard on a morning after an overnight snowfall that left snow on bare branches. The tree was nominated in 2010 with the Pennsylvania Forestry Association and recorded as the largest weeping willow in the state of Pennsylvania. At the time, it measured 301 in. circumference, 48 ft. high, and 95 ft. spread.

"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 reserve the right to reject any items submitted for publication.

ONLY YESTERDAY

20 YEARS AGO - 1993

Recently, Tiger cubs of troop 281 enjoyed a nature presentation and hike at Francis Slocum State Park under the direction of Park Naturalist Jerry Kozlansky. The boys and their parents learned about leaves and trees in the Pennsylvania forest while hiking Slocum's trails. Participants included James Welch, Casey Zalenski, Phillip Miller and Vincent Landers.

The second annual Dance-A-Thon to benefit the Back Mountain Memorial Library is set for March 28. The Stretchout Exercise Studio, Shavertown, is sponsoring the charity event to be held in the Gate of Heaven gymnasium. Planning committee members include Terri Besecker, Marlene Coccozza, Joanne Runner and Martha Wheeler.

Artwork by Holly Zug, Dallas, and Kevin Rogers, Shavertown, were among that of 11 art students from Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School, Kingston, selected to appear in the 1993 Scholastic Art Awards regional art exhibit at the F.M. Kirby Center.

30 YEARS AGO - 1983

Dallas Township man, Thomas Doughton, was recently presented with a plaque honoring his nomination as "Outstanding Young Firefighter" by the Back Mountain JayCees. Doughton was named by the local club to participate in state competition.

The Harveys Lake Lions Club will hold their annual Pancake and Sausage Supper and Breakfast at the Lake-Noxen Elementary School on March 26. Chairman of the affair is John Lynch. Committee members include Tom Smith, John Adams, Carl Schreiner

and Charles Gordon.

Coach Shorty Hitchcock's Black Knights of Lake Lehman took five first place finishes and five runnerup places to take the Division II AA team title with a total of 193 ½ points last weekend in the competition at King's College. Jeff Austin, Rusty Coolbaugh, Quentin Walczak and Tracy Slocum took firsts in the district competition.

40 YEARS AGO - 1973

A group of students will fly to Europe this summer to attend classes at a campus in Germany. Arno Miller, German teacher at Dallas Senior High School, will accompany them. The students will attend summer school at the Collegium Platinum and visit such cities as Lucerne, Stuttgart and Paris. Participants are: Philip Miller, Karen Aicher, Cindy Barakat, Karen Purvin, Anne Crispell, Kim Martin, Jackie Gerstein and Melinda Scovell.

Adele Correale, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Correale, Oak Hill, has been selected as "Miss Petite" and will represent Kingston in the Pennsylvania International Talent and Beauty Pageant in June at Thiel College, Greenville. Adele, a brown-haired, dark-eyed youngster, is a kindergarten student in the Lake-Lehman School District.

50 YEARS AGO - 1963

Charlene Makar has done it again, continuing what promises to be an annual winning of high awards at Science Fairs. A junior at West Side Central Catholic, showing her Perpetual Motion Pump for a grand champion rating at her own Science Fair of 330 projects, she will exhibit her project at King's College March 17 and later at Scranton University if she again wins. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vin-

cent Makar, New Goss Manor, and a former pupil of Gate of Heaven school.

Four members of Dallas Senior High School Band will attend Northeast District Band at East Stroudsburg this weekend. John Wardell, Richard Ratcliffe, Lee Philco and William Cooper will be accompanied by East Stroudsburg by Band Director Lester Lewis.

Bernard "Bernie" Williamson was awarded the PMA bronze Award for one-year record of safe driving for Kutz Bakery, Inc., Wilkes-Barre, last night. Well-known bakery products salesman for the Back Mountain, where he has covered the same route for many years, Bernie is among 15 Kutz drivers honored by Pennsylvania Manufacturer's Association Casualty Insurance Company.

60 YEARS AGO - 1953

Jean Ide and Eunice Traver, representing Lake-Noxen Senior Tri-Hi-Y Club, together with Helen Skopic and Grace Major, representing the Lehman-Jackson tri-Hi-Y Club, are the four lucky girls who have been selected to represent Tri-Hi-Y Clubs of the Back Mountain Town and Country Branch YMCA at Harrisburg for the Model United Nations Assembly later this month. These four girls, together with one representative of the Tri-Hi-Y Club from Tunkhannock, will represent Argentina.

Back Mountain Area captains for the Red Cross Fund Drive are: Mrs. Charles Beech, Mrs. Charles Frantz, Mrs. Fred Kroll, Mrs. Robert Evans, Mrs. John Conyngham, Mrs. Harry Ohlman, Mrs. Gilbert Austin, Mrs. Lloyd Kear, Mrs. Arthur Ross, Mrs. Charles Brooke, Mrs. Byron Kester, Mrs. Stanley Davies, Mrs. Arlene Deeter and Mrs. Irvin Marvel.

70 YEARS AGO - 1943

Thirty-one men from this area have been called by Draft Board No. 1, of Wyoming for their final physical examinations prior to induction into the United States army at the Induction Station, Wilkes-Barre on March 15th and 16th. Those called are: Dallas - Charles Blain Herring, Joseph John Polachek, Isaac Watkins, Carl Dennison Wint, Francis Rhodes Chamberlain, Roy Osborne Jones, John Seletsky, Robert Fred Miller, Paul John Klug, Theodore Edward Busch, Robert David Race, Arthur Reese Morgan, Robert William Lauderbaugh, Lawrence William Drabick, Donald Robert Yeust, Leroy Delbert Roberts, Maurice Bowman. Shavertown - Michael Silick Jr., Donald Edison Davis, Gordon Herbert, Robert Leroy Boston, Joseph James Gallagher, Leo Theodore Swartz, William Shewan. Trucksville - George Jerome Blazes, Thomas Martin Beline, John Albert Blasé, Paul Henry Lyne, William Edward Fox, Edward William Guyette. Alderson - Earl Junior Norton.

Dallas Borough took the Back Mountain Boys' Basketball League championship for the fourth successive time this year, after a not-too-easy struggle with Dallas Township. At the end of the first half, it looked like a walk-away for Borough with a score of 30-7 in its favor, but during the second half, Township got 21 points, and the final score was 58-23. Borough's Hank Urban received the title of high scorer in the league. Other members of the championship team are: Robert Moore, Clinton Brobst, Harold Brobst, Bob Gross, Harold Roberts, Jack Nelson, Charles Moore, Edward Tutak, Bob Roberts, John Quail, Peter Roushey and James Besecker.

IF YOU COULD VISIT ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, WHERE WOULD YOU GO?



"A lot of stateside traveling like Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone, more of seeing my country."

Sal Luzio
Old Forge



"Sonoma wine country and the Grand Canyon."

Meg Karwaski
Trucksville



"Alaska, the whole coast line, a train water and land tour. Icebergs would be neat."

Tammy Hoyt
Shickshinny



"The Holy Land - to walk where Jesus Walked - the Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, Jerusalem. That would be neat."

Lee Manganella
Luzerne



"Alaska, for sure. I love hunting and fishing and have friends there."

Charla Pilger
Dallas



"Aruba. It sounds crazy but we like the shape of the trees there and the beaches, of course. We've never been there."

Teena O'Connor
Harveys Lake