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# **'Barn Sale' set for Oct. 5**

Just in case you missed the Back Mountain Memorial Library's Annual Auction or wished that you had purchased that special item and regret missing out on a "steal of a deal," you have a second chance!

The doors to the Antique Room (located behind the library) will be opened for the annual "Barn Sale" which will feature antiques, New Goods, collectibles and household items, including glassware, all at bargain prices from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5. The sale will be held in conjunction with the last day of the farmers' market.

The time has arrived. Downloadable e-books are now available directly through the Back Mountain Memorial Library's website. If you own an I-Pad, Kindle Fire or Simple Nook, simply visit: www.backmountainlibrary. org and click on the purple box, "eBooks are Here!" (The older basic Nooks or Kindles are not compatible with this program.)

Have your Luzerne County library card nearby as the site directs you to the "Magic

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Now that you will be checking out even more books, some in person and some on your electronic device, the library is offering you an exciting opportunity to come and discuss what you're reading.

A new Book Discussion Club is forming at the library beginning at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 24. Call the library to register for this formational meeting where you will join with the facilitator to discuss upcoming book titles.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Reader says teachers should pay for parking

I read your article about students paying to park their

cars at Dallas High School.

Doesn't that school board know that the children have no income? Their parents pay the teachers' salaries. Don't you think the school board should put one and one together?

I worked in Wilkes-Barre for 33 years and I paid \$45 a month for parking. I believe that the teachers in all of the schools in Pennsylvania should pay at least that amount for parking. The freeloading should stop right now.

Do they have a break room with coffee? Do they buy it or do they get it from the cafeteria? I suggest that the doors in the restrooms have money slots on them, also.

If they like to go on strike, then they should pay for every-

ting they use on school grounds.

**Charles Hoyt** Shavertown

#### **MOMENTS IN TIME**

The History Channel

On Oct. 12, 1492, Italian explorer Christopher Columbus reaches the New World. Columbus, and most others, underestimated the world's size. The expedition probably first landed at Watling Island in the Bahamas. Columbus later sighted Cuba, which he thought was mainland China.

\* On Oct. 10, 1845, The United States Naval Academy opens in Annapolis, Md., with 50 midshipmen students and seven professors. Known as the Naval School until 1850, the curriculum included mathematics and navigation, gunnery and steam, chemistry, English, natural philosophy and French.

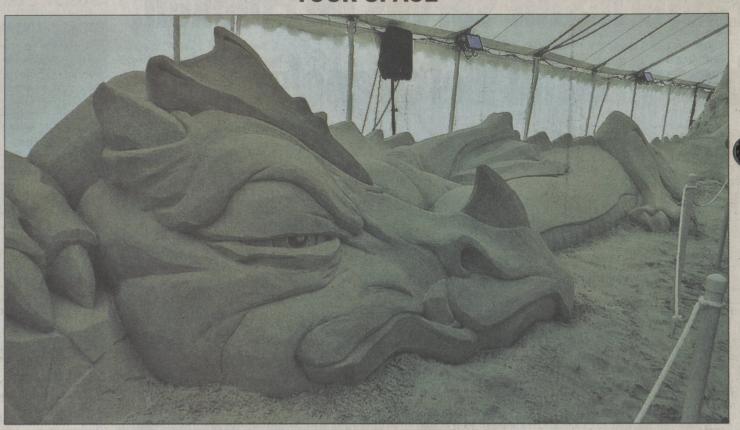
On Oct. 8, 1871, flames spark in the Chicago barn of Patrick and Catherine O'Leary, igniting a two-day blaze that kills hundreds of

people, destroys 17,450 buildings and leaves 100,000 homeless. Legend has it that the fire started when a cow kicked over a lantern in the O'Leary

\* On Oct. 9, 1936, harnessing the power of the mighty Colorado River, the Hoover Dam begins sending electricity over 266 miles of transmission lines to Los Angeles. The central reason for the dam, however, was the collection, preservation and distribution

of water. On Oct. 7, 1943, Rear Adm. Shigematsu Sakaibara, commander of the Japanese garrison on Wake Island, orders the execution of 96 Americans POWs, claiming they were trying to make radio contact with U.S. forces. The execution of those POWs remains one of the more brutal episodes of the war in the

### YOUR SPACE



This 30-foot dragon was one of many sculptures at the Sugar Sand Festival on Clearwater Beach, FL. Celebrating its awardwinning white sugar sand beaches, 1,000 tons of world-renowned sand sculptures were displayed in a 12,000-square-foot tent. What a show of artistic talent as shown in this photo taken by Pat Giordano, of Harveys Lake.

"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

The Bay Window Shops, located on Overbrook Road in Shavertown, are celebrating their 10th anniversary. Begun by Ann Parkhurst when she bought a barn frame because it was "too cheap to resist,"

cooperative the includes venture antiques, collectreproductions, crafts, folk art and more.

Lloyd Droppers, Dallas, and Priebe, Shavertown, were named recipients

of Wyoming Seminary Lower School Merit Scholarships. Droppers is a fifth grade student, son of Alice and Kent Droppers, Dallas. Priebe is a first grade student and daughter of Paul Priebe and Dr. Dorothy Farrell, Shavertown.

30 YEARS AGO - 1983 Mike Borton received the MVP trophy for his performance in the Dallas-Nanticoke game last week. Borton gained 109 yards on offense, made eight single tackles and had five assists on defense.

This week's "Soccer team of the Week," is The Strikers of Division I in the Back Mountain Soccer Association. The Strikers defeated The Sting behind the scoring of Mark Richardson who tallied four goals and Jason Maniskas who accounted for one goal. Other members of the team are: Chris Millette, Shane Fegley, Heather Lawley, Donna Scull, Joshua Henry, Richard Burak, Enrico Nardone, Liz Millette, John Sheehan, Amy Mazur, Shawn Straka and Hugh Wall.

40 YEARS AGO - 1973

The Trucksville Volunteer Fire Company Search Team recently held a 10-week selfdefense course at the Wilkes-Barre Academy of Karate. Instructor was Mr. May. Those completing the course were:

Kenneth Coombs. Pam Evans, Missy O'Malia, Bob Cieczko, Loretta Fuller, Tom Schmidle Jr., Nancy Schmidle, Paul Jordan, Patty Johnson, Harry Owens, Harold Parker, Tom Schmidle Sr., Bob Sabol, Allan Adamitz, Jan Bigelow,

ONLY YESTERDAY Pete Romanowski, Mark Engler, Jay Greenley, Don Engler and Dean Johnson.

Members of the Jonathan Davis Volunteer Fire Company, Idetown, recently completed specialized training and received certification cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) through the American Heart Association, Pennsylvania Northeastern Affiliate. Those who were certified are: Jo Ann Casterline, Anna Mae Zim, Susan James, Arthur Major, Grace Ide, Josh Bryant, Rita Bulford, Walter Blajwas, Jack Frederick, crew captain; Al Zim, David Zim, Charles Casterline, Becky Casterline, Harold Grey Jr., Allen Atherholt, Jeanne Barrat, Barnie Dobinick, Orville Ide, Lolly Volissky, Harold Haefle and Lionel Bulford.

50 YEARS AGO - 1963 Hat Show and Card Party planned by Saint Theresa's Altar and Rosary Society later this month will feature Mrs. Edward Chukinas, Mrs. Margaret Bednar, Mrs. Thomas Tagila, Mrs. Edward

Zaboski, Mrs. John Carey and Mrs. Edward Kupstas as mod-

Dallas Rotary Club entertained local participants at the Leadership Training Camp this summer at a dinner meeting of the organization recently. Those honored for their participation in the camp included Jay Ruckel, John Farley, Thomas Pierce and Gary Miers.

Women of Prince of Peace will sponsor a Hat Sale in the Parish House this evening. Mrs. Edward Ratcliffe is chairman, assisted by Mrs. John Grant. Mrs. Louise Edwards will be in charge of admissions, Mrs. Neal Kocher and Mrs. Edward Meneeley in charge of

**60 YEARS AGO - 1953** 

Sgt. John Vavrek, returning Korean War prisoner, landed at Avoca Airport Thursday afternoon at 4. His mother, Mrs. Anna Vavrek, members of the immediate family, and a delegation from Daddow Isaacs Post American Legion, were at Avoca early in the morning, meeting plane after plane.

Shavertown Fire Company Auxiliary enjoyed a corn and wiener roast Monday evening. In charge were: Mrs. Harry Beck, Mrs. Byron Kitchen, Mrs. Hilbert Stark, Mrs. Ethel Honeywell and Mrs. George Youngblood. Others present: Mesdames John Eck. Isaac Brace, Roy Martz, Fred Handley, George Swan, Gordon Austin, Willard Lozo, Gertrude Cease, Mae Johns, A. George Prater, Lewis Underwood, A.J. Moreck, Walter Andrews and Miss Myrtle Major.

Mrs. Harris Haycox is general chairman of the all day meeting scheduled for Oct. 1 at Irem Temple Country Club, of Luzerne County Federated Woman's Club.

70 YEARS AGO - 1943 Mrs. Robert D. Currie, major for the Back Mountain District in the Community Chest drive which will open on October 6 and close October 15, has announced the following staff: Co-Major, Mrs. Thomas G. Reese; Captains, Mrs. C. Hayden Phillips, Mrs. John M. Humphrey Jr., Mrs. Fred Howell, Mrs. Harry L. Ohlman, Mrs. Allen M. Trafford, Mrs. Chester B. Gates, Mrs. William Trethaway, Mrs. Joseph A. Bedner, Miss Louella Gossart, Mrs. Howard Hontz, Miss Anna M. Richards; co-captains, Mrs. Earl Lamoreaux and Miss Marjorie Kitchen.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gross, of Huntsville, entertained members of the B.A. Class of Huntsville Methodist Church at their annual clambake Saturday evening. Assisting were Mr. and Mrs. Malvin Wagner. Others present were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nuss, Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Learn, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perrigo, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Elston, Mr. and Mrs. Alden Wagner, Mrs. J.A. Rogers, Mrs. Frank Wyrsch, Mrs. Walter Palmer, Miss Mildred Bertram, Nancy Mae Elston, Marcia and Lucinda Gross, Paul Kostenbauder William Evans Jr. and Alfr

Rogers. The Dallas Post has been in existence for 124 years. Information Yesterday" is taken from back issues of the newspaper and is reprinted here exactly as it first

appeared.

#### STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver One of the former Duchesses of Windsor,

when asked to reveal the secret to a long and happy life, replied, "Fill what's empty, empty what's full and scratch where it itch-

\* You might be surprised to learn that Italians spend more time on social media than people of any

other nationality.

In medieval times in Great Britain, those accused of a crime could prove their innocence (or guilt) in trial by battle. This law was unused and nearly forgotten for centuries. Then, in 1817, a man named Abraham Thornton was charged with murder in the death of a young woman named Mary Ashford. The evidence against Thornton was nearly overwhelming, but he claimed the right to trial by battle against his accuser. Since the law was still on the books, the court decided it had no choice but to grant his request. Thornton's accuser was William Ashford, the victim's brother, but since he declined to appear on the

field of battle, Thornton was freed. Shortly thereafter, trail by battle was officially abolished in the country.

\* Cats can bark, too. \* With 1.45 million lightning strikes per year, Florida experiences more lightning than any other state in the country. Central Florida is unofficially known as the

Lightning Capital of the

\* If you're like 70 percent of Americans, you hate the idea of your parents moving in with you, according to a recent survey. However, if those survey respondents had to have one parent move in with them, two out of three would choose Mom

### "WHO IS YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER?"



"MISS JUNE. SHE'S REALLY FUN." **Grace Aiello** 

Shavertown



"MRS. BARRY. SHE'S VERY JOYFUL."

**Alex Wilson** Dallas



"MR. VIGLONE, BECAUSE HE IS MY FATHER."

**Elizabeth Viglone** Dallas



"DR. SPEZALE. SHE'S A VERY FUNNY MATH TEACHER."

**Joseph Peters** Dallas



"MRS. CWALINA. SHE HAS LOTS OF ENTHUSIASM FOR MATH."

**Celese Josulevicz** Dallas



"MR. ROTHER. HE MAKES PRE-ALGEBRA FUN."

**Heath Jones** Shavertown