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Rotary sign is a welcome one

Nothing says "Welcome home for Christmas" like a billboard at a busy intersection in the center of town. Several members of the Rotary Club of Dallas recently spent a Saturday morning placing Christmas decorations on the triangle at Routes 309 and 415 in Dallas. It has been a club tradition for several decades

to welcome everyone home for Christmas and to wish them a happy New Year. From left, are Past District Governor Art Peoples, Dan Jones, Melissa Saxon, Project Co-chair Joe Stager, Project Chair Nick Stredny, Club President Todd Buckley, Ken Chapple and Jerry Reisch.

New books on shelves at Black Mtn. library

The following new books have been added to the shelves of the Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, for the month of December 2013:

EXPRESS
"The Prince of Risk" by Christopher Reich, "The Spook Lights Affair" by Marcia Muller, "Forget Me Not" by Fern Michaels, "The Gods of Guilt" by Michael Connelly

FICTION
"The Prince of Risk" by Christopher Reich, "Command Authority" by Tom Clancy, "Forget Me Not" by Fern Michaels, "The Gods of Guilt" by Michael Connelly, "S." by J.J. Abrams, "The Supreme Macaroni Company"

by Adriana Trigiani
NONFICTION
"Nursing Shoes" by Brenda Condusta Pavill

MYSTERY
"The Spook Lights Affair"

by Marcia Muller

BOOKS ON CD

"The First Phone Call from Heaven" by Mitch Albom, "Sycamore Row" by John Grisham, "Mirage" by Clive Cussler, "Dust" by Patricia Cornwell, "Accused" by Lisa Scottoline, "Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls" by David Sedaris

YOUNG ADULT

"Open Mic: Riffs on Life Between Cultures in Ten Voices," "Revealed: A House of Night Novel" by P.C. and Kristin Cast

MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

* On Jan. 2, 1811, Timothy Pickering, a Federalist from Massachusetts, becomes the first U.S. senator to be censured when the Senate approves a motion against him. Pickering was accused of violating congressional law by publicly revealing secret documents.

* On Dec. 30, 1862, the U.S.S. Monitor sinks in a storm off Cape Hatteras, N.C. Just nine months earlier, the ship had been part of a revolution in naval warfare when the ironclad dueled to a standstill with the C.S.S. Virginia (Merrimack) — the first time two ironclads faced each other in a naval engagement.

* On Jan. 5, 1920, the New York Yankees major-league baseball club announces its purchase of the heavy-hitting outfielder George Herman

"Babe" Ruth from the Boston Red Sox for the sum of \$125,000. The deal paid off as Ruth went on to smash his own home run record in 1920, hitting 54 homers.

* On Jan. 1, 1946, on the island of Corregidor, in Manila Bay, 20 Japanese soldiers approach a lone soldier — literally waving a white flag. The soldiers had been living in an underground tunnel and only discovered that the war was over by reading it in the newspaper.

* On Jan. 3, 1967, Jack Ruby, the Dallas nightclub owner who killed the alleged assassin of President John F. Kennedy, dies of cancer in a Dallas hospital. The Texas Court of Appeals recently had overturned his death sentence for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald and was scheduled to grant him a new trial.



YOUR SPACE

Bobby Zampetti, of Tunkhannock, picks up Qik Joe at Gay's True Value last Friday night, in anticipation of the snowstorm that dumped several inches of the white stuff on our area the next day. Zampetti said, "It's a lot easier to add heat to your sidewalk than to your buttocks after you fall."

"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

Den 1 of Cub Pack 281 visited the Kingston Township Police Department for finger printing achievement in the Bear Book. Scouts attending were: Aron Carkoff, Kevin Arnaud, Russell Kalnoskas, Daniel Smith, Peter Van Loon, Christopher Marcikonis, Justin Steele and David Gilcini.

A musical production, "The Little Christmas Lamb" by Stephen Elkins, will be presented by the children of Shavertown United Methodist Church School this weekend at the church, located at the corner of N. Pioneer Ave. and W. Center Street, Shavertown. Children participating in the production were: Shana Baker, Jennifer Moser, Crystal Oley, Kelly Adams, Erica Koehl, Ken Bauer, Matt Moser and Chelsea Coslett.

Dallas High School German students who traveled to Germany last summer recently shared their experiences in Europe with seventh grade students. Participants included Carl Wiedlich, Alisa Meroli, Joy Scott, Heather Patton, Steven Lieberman, Greg Nazdan, Steven Miknevich, Scott Sobocinski and Adam Nicely.

30 YEARS AGO - 1983

Members of Cub Pack 241 of Lehman recently received a "Genius Kit" which consisted of various odds and ends donated by local merchants. The Cubs were instructed to build their own creations from the contents of the kit. Winners

in the Best Built category were: Donny James, first place; S i m e o n Wilkins, second place; and Paul Klemunes, third place.

Several members of the Dallas Senior High School Chorus will be presenting musical programs throughout the Christmas season. Participants are: Susan Niskey, Katie McKeown, Lori Timek, Amy Clemm, Judy Fitch, Lynn Todd, Charles Baker and Pam Lundberg.

40 YEARS AGO - 1973

New members of the Dallas Junior Woman's Club were introduced at a Christmas Dinner meeting at the Irem Temple Country Club recently. New members are: Mrs. William D. Davies, Mrs. John Booth, Mrs. Clyde Duffield, Mrs. Richard Orlovski, Mrs. William Mannix, Mrs. Harold Haefele, Mrs. Beider Higgs, Mrs. Joseph Zikor, Mrs. Sheldon Munn, Mrs. John Cherup, Mrs. John Patterson, Jo Ann Shonk, Mrs. David Fouchs and Mrs. Frank Wilczynski.

Notification was received this week from the "National Essay Press" that four sophomore students from Dallas Senior High School will have original manuscripts published this spring in an anthology of essays entitled, "Young America Speaks."

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

* It was beloved American pianist and comedian Jimmy Durante who made the following sage observation: "Be nice to people on your way up because you meet them on your way down."

* Famed marksman and exhibition shooter Annie Oakley was born the daughter of Quakers, who gave her the name Phoebe Ann Moses.

* It was in July 1911 when daredevil Bobby Leach became

the second person (and the first man) to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel. His daring came at a cost, though; he spent six months in a hospital, recovering from injuries due to his feat. He later went on publicity tours, recounting his experience and posing with the barrel that took him over the falls. He was on one such tour in New Zealand in 1926 when he slipped on an orange peel, injuring his leg slightly. The leg became infected, necessi-

tating an amputation — which still didn't save him. He died two months later, the daredevil felled by a citrus rind.

* Those who study such things say that fully 10 percent of the country's total income is due to organized crime.

¥ You might be surprised to learn that only two out of every 10 ears of corn grown in the United States actually ends up being eaten by people. The other eight are destined to feed animals and to be made into

ethanol gasoline.

* If you're like more than half of all Americans, you'd be willing to live in a haunted house — provided you didn't have to pay rent.

* There are those who say that actor Johnny Depp is afraid of clowns.

Thought for the day: "This country has come to feel the same when Congress is in session as when the baby gets hold of a hammer." — Will Rogers

"WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS MEMORY?"



"BUYING MY DAUGHTER A \$150 SWING SET AND WATCHING HER PLAY WITH THE BOX."

Marko McCrossen
Orange
Gunner Lowery, Dallas.



"WHEN I WAS 10, MY DAD BOUGHT ME A PLAY BATTERY MOTORCYCLE AND I SAW HIM HIDE IT. YES!"

Gunner Lowery
Dallas



"MY BROTHER, WHO LATER DIED, GAVE ME A 4 FT. HIGH WHITE TEDDY BEAR HE HID IN HIS DUFFLE BAG."

Lisa Risch
Franklin Twp.



"GETTING UP EARLY AND STAYING UP LATE TO PUT ALL THE TOYS TOGETHER FOR THE KIDS."

Harold Hoover
Franklin Twp.



"THE FIRST YEAR MY WIFE AND I WERE MARRIED WITH OUR SON."

Richard Stoff
Franklin Twp.



"THE YEAR MY BROTHER THREW MY COUSIN INTO THE COUCH AND KNOCKED DOWN THE TREE."

Diane Morse
Dallas