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The Newsletter of the Back Mountain Memorial Library

Calendar of Events

Monthly Book Clubs

Book Club – meets 4th Monday at 10:00 a.m.
Book Club – meets 3rd Thursday at 10:00 a.m.
Call the library for more information.

Technology Instruction

Ongoing for individual instruction.
Call the library to schedule a date and time.

Monday Evening Yoga Classes – Six week sessions \$60.00.

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Ongoing, stop by library to register.

***NEW – Friday Morning Chair Yoga Classes** –
Six week sessions \$60.00.

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. Ongoing, stop by library to register.

SEPTEMBER

September 26 – 6:30 p.m. Music for Wellness – Join us to experience 3 evidence based ways to lower blood pressure, boost your immune system and release tension through music. Presented by Music Therapist, Cheryl Mozdian, MM, MT-BC.

OCTOBER

October 7 – Designer Bag Bingo at Dallas High School (ample parking, handicap accessible). Doors open 11:30 a.m.; Bingo begins at 1:00 p.m. Tickets: presale, \$20.00 at library, \$25.00 at door. 3 bingo cards for 20 games, extra bingo cards sold at door. 50/50 raffle, basket raffles, food & drink available for purchase.

October 10 – 6:30 p.m. Local history film and discussion, Frances Slocum Child of Two Americas, kidnapped on Nov 2, 1778 – presented by Bill Bachman. Suitable for families. Call library to register.

October 24 – 7:00 p.m. Communication for Success: Watch Your Language. Presented by Paul Hatrak. Call library to register. Improve communication skills; individuals, business owners, and entrepreneurs. 1CLE for Attorneys & CPAs.

NOVEMBER

November 16 & 17 – The annual Second Hand Shop's Christmas Extravaganza will take place. Stop by for gift items, decorations, floral arrangements and more.

November 22 – Closed for Thanksgiving.

November 24 – Pick up Fresh Christmas Wreath orders.

DECEMBER

December 19 & 20 – Library Open House. Stop by the library for light refreshments and holiday music.

December 24, 25, & 31 – Closed for Holidays.

Check the library website, www.backmountainlibrary.org, and Facebook for additional programs and activities not yet scheduled.

Back Mountain Memorial Library Board of Directors 2018

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Highlights from Board President, Gary Williams

Fall is here and hopefully you enjoyed the Farmers' Market like the rest of us! Relocated to the Dallas High School parking lot, there was much more parking available that was in close proximity to the merchants than we had at our former locations at the Dallas Elementary School and on the Library grounds. Everyone seemed pleased with our new location. Many thanks to the Dallas School District Board for offering us this new space and to the community for supporting the merchants!



I'm excited to report that our Library Auction was the most successful we've had in recent years despite the inconvenient traffic patterns with the Dallas roundabout construction. The weather cooperated for Co-chairs Pat and Bill Peiffer, who did a great job in organizing and directing the hundreds of volunteers who work endlessly to make this annual event successful. Even more good news is the fact that Pat and Bill have agreed to co-chair the Auction again in 2019!

Your Library Board has been seriously considering significant improvements to both the Community Room and the floor above the main library. What we have in mind could easily exceed \$500,000; therefore, we are seeking grant opportunities which can help offset a major portion of the cost. This will take some time, but if we're successful in obtaining adequate grants, improvements will likely begin sometime in 2019.

In closing, I want to thank everyone who supports us through Designer Bag Bingo held every year in early October. Our fund-raising efforts are important in order to sustain the library and its programs. This year we'll be selling fresh Christmas wreaths provided by Rogers Nursery in Dallas. (See details on page 3.) We trust our community's participation to help make this project another success!

FRIENDS STEERING COMMITTEE WELCOMES NEW PRESIDENT

Deb Cooper grew up in Kingston where her father always took her to the Hoyt Library. She would get excited to make her own decisions about which books she wanted to read and remembers borrowing "Cheaper by the Dozen" often!

While raising daughters Erin and Lacey, she again found herself in the children's section, only this time it was at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Instilling the love of books continues through her grandchildren. Deb's own love of books and the library led her to her new position as President of the Friends Steering Committee which she feels honored to hold.



Working a full-time job, raising children and caring for elderly parents left Deb with little time for much else. The thought of joining the Friends group had always been stronger than her ability to make the actual commitment. Now retired and having experienced a major health scare, Deb decided it was time to put an end to the procrastination. When she walked into her first Friends' meeting, she was surprised to discover how many women she already knew.

Deb is appreciative of the members who have "steered the ship" by keeping the Friends' Steering Committee moving forward over the past thirty-one years. She is in awe of the funds raised and the group's enthusiasm to take on whatever fundraising efforts that are much needed in order to keep the library doors open.

"We would love to have new members join our group to help us stay on course and provide the library with the support it needs and deserves to continue serving our community." Deb continues, "Not only are new members wanted, they are needed!"

We are excited to have Deb Cooper at our helm. If you love libraries too and have extra time to spare, please let the front desk know of your interest in joining Friends.



Songwriting with Ken Brophy and John Olcese.



Final party with the Fidelity Ice Cream Truck.



Sound of Moosic cow puppets presented by Luzerne County Dairy Court.



Dog Therapy Reading Team with Gabby, Ivan, Angie and Miss Vegas.



Early Readers Group with Alyssya (AJ) Raczkowski.



PA One Book with Jean Grube.

LIBRARY NEWS

Slightly Read Bookshop Open six days a week, Monday – Saturday. Located in the lower level of the library. Books for every age and interest. Gently used, never used and old books; fiction, non-fiction, children's, young adult, paperbacks, coffee table, history, biographies and much, much more!

Monday Evening Yoga Gentle but challenging yoga, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Instructor, Pamela Stevens-Snyder. \$10.00 per session.

Electronic Books & Downloadable Audiobooks From the library website (www.backmountainlibrary.org), click on the Magic Wall to download from a selection of titles to your reading device. Easy instructions or call the library for assistance.

Online Resources/Databases From the library website (www.backmountainlibrary.org), find icons for a variety of online resources. Click on Learning Express Library for practice tests for the military, government, student tests including GED and SAT, Heritage Quest to discover your ancestry, and much more. Accessible 24/7 with your library card.

Second Hand Gift Shop Gifts and decorative items, floral arrangements, cards, and seasonal items can be found in this attractive location in the front foyer of the library. Unbeatable prices. **Christmas Extravaganza Sale – Friday, November 16th & Saturday, November 17th. Gifts, decorations, & floral arrangements for the holidays!**

Giving Evergreen Memorial Purchase a Pine Cluster, Stone, or Tree to honor or memorialize someone special. Make them a part of the beautiful Evergreen Memorial at the entry of the library. Pine Needle Cluster: Copper-\$250.00; Silver-\$375.00; Gold-\$500.00; Stones-\$2,500; Tree-\$20,000.

Memorial or Honor Books can be purchased in memory or honor of a birthday or special occasion for a loved one. (Order forms available online or at the front desk.)

Commemorative Engraved Bricks to honor a veteran, or someone special, can be ordered at the library for \$100.00 per brick. (Order forms available online or at the front desk.)

Community Room Available to non-profit organizations for a \$25.00 rental fee. Contact the library for availability.

CHILDREN'S ROOM ACTIVITIES FOR FALL 2018

Story Hours

Fall story hours run for 8 weeks beginning the week of September 24th and ending the week of November 12th. Sessions are based on age. Please call or stop in the Children's Room to register.

Children 12 months to 2 years of age: Tuesdays 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Children 2 years to 3 years of age: Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Children 3 years to 5 years of age: Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. or Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Fall STEM Expo

Come to this event to learn and have fun with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Saturday, November 17 at 10:00 a.m.

An Evening with the Penguins and TUX

Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguin hockey players and Tux will visit the library for an evening of reading fun. There will be stories, player Q & A, prizes and lots of time for autographs! Date and time to be announced.

Books for Sale

Slightly read children's and teen books are available for sale each day in the Children's Room. Funds are used to purchase craft items and refreshments for story hours, and refreshments, snacks, prizes and necessities for the summer reading program.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Do you have a child under the age of five? If so, consider enrolling in the United Way of Wyoming Valley's Imagination Library. This early literacy initiative provides new, age appropriate books each month to children from birth to age five – free to children and their families. For more information, pick up a brochure at our library, or contact the United Way of Wyoming Valley at (570) 829-6711.

Summer Reading 2019

"A Universe of Stories" is the slogan for summer reading 2019. The theme is space and celebrates the 50th anniversary of the first man on the moon. If you would like to present a program, donate items for prizes or crafts, or become a community sponsor, please contact the Children's Librarian!

Children's Room information can be found on backmountainlibrary.org or on Facebook.



Basic sewing techniques with Renee Bebla, Jennie Valek-Kopec, instructor, and Frances Scarboro.



Corey Cohen presents Shared Mindfulness with Your Dog.



Eckley Miner's Village Traveling Trunk Show.



Fiber Art by Verve Vertu.



Fly Fishing by Gary Smith.



Fused glass wall hangings by Maria Livrone.

COUPON

Present this coupon and get \$2.00 off any purchase of \$5.00 or more at the Slightly Read Bookshop

No expiration date.

Slightly Read Bookshop

Lee Lawrence, Manager (Located around the back of the library)

Something for every age: children, teens, and adults / \$3-a-bag deal on paperbacks
Most prices are in the \$.25 to \$5.00 range. Book donations are appreciated.

Book Store Hours:

Monday, 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.; Wednesday 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.;

Thursday, 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.; Friday, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Please call the library if you like working with great people and want to support us.

The Friends of the Back Mountain Memorial Library – Our Mission Statement

The Friends Steering Committee actively provides financial and volunteer support to enhance our library's extensive resources and successful programs. Enthusiasm and willingness to participate are the only qualifications needed to join this committee.

72nd Annual BMML Auction Thanks the Community



The Auction Committee along with the Board of Directors wishes to thank the more than two-hundred volunteers who helped make this year's auction possible, including civic groups, Boy Scout Troop 281, Artist Sue Hand, and the generous donations from community members and business owners. The participation of the attendees and bidders who come out to enjoy the festivities is a vital part of the auction's success story. We are grateful to everyone who played a part!

A special thank you goes out to the brother-sister team of Bill and Pat Peiffer for their coordinated effort and year-long commitment to organize and manage all aspects of the work, conducted behind the scenes and on-location during auction week, to make everything run smoothly. We commemorate each of you for jobs well-done and the sensational outcome that made the 72nd auction year another huge success!

Friends Thanks Basket Booth Contributors and Winners

Friends of the Library would like to thank everyone who made monetary donations and provided baskets for the Basket Booth this year and the auction-goers who purchased raffle tickets. In particular, we are grateful for these local merchants and civic clubs who donated baskets: Age of Innocence, Shavertown; Back Mountain Bloomers; Cook's Pharmacy, Shavertown; Dallas Rotary Club; HMS Accounting, Forty-Fort; Humphrey's Children's Apparel, Shavertown; Metz Culinary Mgmt., Dallas; Sew Fine Interiors, Luzerne; Shine Salon, Kingston; and Studio Designs, Dallas.

Basket winners include: Amy Canfield, Kathy Hubbard, Erin Yurko, Cathy Polachek, Lynn Simon, JoAnn Prohaska, Marilyn Reich, Audrey Ide, Robin Smith, Janet Swanger, Janis Winter, Rhonda Evans, Carol Barlow, Hugh Fitzpatrick, Darlene Szela, Lori Early, Rita Mauriella, Dave Picayeski, Cheryl Luper, and Andrea Watson, plus others who only provided their first names. Your collective generosity has contributed to the overall success of the auction!

2018 FARMERS' MARKET

Another booming Farmers' Market season has come to an end! Located at the Dallas High School, this event has continued to draw people from the Back Mountain community and surrounding areas. Fifteen vendors provided a variety of locally grown fruits and vegetables, baked goods, an assortment of popcorn, flowers, pottery, and food related items for the kitchen to include: honey, free-range eggs, meats raised by local farmers, and gourmet cheeses. The Penn State Extension Master Gardeners periodically provided free recipes and gardening information on how to protect your garden, lawn, and shrubbery from insects and animals.



The market was open every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. beginning July 14th through October 13th, rain or shine, with plenty of parking and handicap spaces available. Martha Butler, our director, confirms that this event is an important fundraiser for the Library. The Library Board thanks Harold Koehler, chair of the event, and his team of weekly volunteers! Moreover, the market wouldn't be possible without the continued support from the community - thank you!

SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Luncheon with a Special Author will take place on Thursday, April 19, 2019 at AppleTree Terrace, Dallas, PA

Our Newsletter

The Friends Steering Committee and the Back Mountain Memorial Library are grateful to Jason Aben and the Bayard Printing Group, Plymouth, PA for their assistance in helping to make this newsletter possible.

CHARITABLE BEQUESTS

When you write or review your Will or Estate, please consider leaving a charitable bequest to the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Ask your attorney to include such words as these: "I give, devise or bequest to The Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, PA 18612, for its general purposes, all (or state fraction or percentage) of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate whether real, personal or mixed." Those contributions help to sustain our programs and services in the future. Thank you.

Come Dine at Leggio's

Please support our Library again by dining at Leggio's Italian Restaurant in Dallas on Tuesday, October 23rd from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. A percentage of all food sales (bar sales not included), take-out orders, and gift cards bought during those hours go directly to the Library. All patrons are invited to register for a \$25.00 Leggio's Gift Card, and a donation jar will be available to further support the BMML. We thank Salvatore and Lori Leggio for offering this fundraising opportunity.



Back Mountain Memorial Library

24" Fresh Christmas Wreath

Includes Bow and Christmas Picks

\$26.00 Each

Order by November 9, 2018 and pick up at Library November 24, 2018.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

No. of Wreaths: _____ Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

Please make your check payable to the Back Mountain Memorial Library and return to library by Friday November 9, 2018, or call the library with your credit card information
Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, PA 18612

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Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday
9:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday

9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday

9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

570-675-1182

www.backmountainlibrary.org



Slightly Read Bookshop

is located below the children's wing.

It is handicap accessible with an entrance at the rear of the Library.
Come in for the best book bargains in the Back Mountain.

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