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The Newsletter of the Back Mountain Memorial Library

96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, PA 18612

## Suggested Reading List

### *The Black Swan of Paris* by Karen Robards

A heart-wrenching novel showcasing the extraordinary lengths one goes to, to save their family from German prison. A web of spies, the resistance, and a vivid portrayal of Paris in wartime.

### *Transcendent Kingdom* by Yaa Gyasi

A moving portrait of Ghanaian immigrants. Gifted, a sixth year PhD candidate in neuroscience at Stanford University, seeks to understand through hard science the cause for loss and suffering within her family. Nana, her brother, a gifted high school athlete, after an injury dies from a heroin overdose, and her mother suffers from severe depression. Throughout the novel she grapples with her evangelical childhood faith. An exquisitely written novel about faith, science, religion, and love.

### *The Answer is....* by Alex Trebeck

A story of the Canadian-American game show host sharing his personal and professional life.

### *Choppy Water* by Stuart Woods

Targeted for assassination, former Secretary of State Holly Barker, now elected President with the help of those protecting her struggles to find out who wants her dead. This is prime Woods; reliable and action oriented with a political bent.

### *Winter Counts* by David Heska Wanbi Weiden

Virgil Wounded Horse, the half Lakota, half white narrator serves as a fists-for-hire enforcer on Dakota's Rosebud Indian Reservation. The novel, a crime fiction at its best, twists delicately around various personal conflicts while artfully addressing issues related to the politics of the reservation.

### *All the Devils Are Here* by Louise Penny

Penny's sixteenth Armand Gamache novel moves Three Pines in Quebec to Paris. A speeding van hits Gamache's billionaire godfather, Stephen Horowitz, after leaving a family reunion dinner. Gamache believes the hit and run was intentional and sets out to determine who wanted his godfather dead. As the novel unravels, it reveals fissures in the Gamache clan, but also shows the resilience and love at its roots. Series devotees will revel in Penny's evocation of Paris and the increased role she allots to librarian Reine-Marie, whose research skills are crucial to untying the Gordian knot at the mystery's core.

## *A Message from the Library Director, Martha Butler*

The library is now open and allowing patrons to come inside to browse for books, read the newspapers, and by appointment to use the Internet computers. The Back Mountain Memorial Library was one of the first libraries to open back up to the public!

We are continuing with curbside pick-up of books and materials. Call the library with your titles and we will have them ready for you to pick up at the front desk.

At this time, we are not able to accept either book donations or donations for the auction. Thank you to those of you who have thought about us with your donations while cleaning out during the pandemic shutdown. We hope to be able to start taking donations in the spring.

The library received a number of grants last year that has made it possible for us to begin to digitize the Dallas Post. To date, we have digitized the years 1929 to 1971. You can access them without cost on the Penn State University Library website.

Finally, we are very excited about our upcoming Renovation Project which we will begin in the very near future. Please check the library website and Facebook for posts about any interruptions of services and possible temporary closings. Thank you in advance for your patience in the next six months during which time we will be working on the renovation project.

## *Highlights from the "Auction with a Twist"*

It took 74 years to knock our annual auction "off the block"! A recommendation from one of our board members to hold a basket raffle, as a much-needed fundraiser, the "Auction with a Twist" was created.

The committee, headed by auction chairperson Gary Dymond, rolled up their sleeves and were able to procure 128 baskets! This could not have been accomplished if not for the businesses and organizations in our community who gave so graciously. Also, to the board members, the Friends of the Library, and individuals who donated to the raffle helped make this endeavor a major success. Not least, a big thanks goes out to everyone who attended the event and purchased tickets for our basket raffle!



On the grounds of the Library our antique barn was filled with pre priced items. Also, there was a jewelry booth, electronics and plant tents, Vicky's "Gifts from The Heart" tent, food trucks, and a silent auction.

Every year the highlight of the auction is the painting by Sue Hand. Since this year's atmosphere was quite different, Sue's creativity was challenged. She decided to give her painting a different perspective from across the street. Needless to say, the picture is fabulous and the honor of owning Sue's 30th auction painting went to Dave and Darlene Szela.

We can't thank Sue and Joe Hand enough for their commitment every year by helping raise funds for our library. Although it wasn't the traditional affair that has been held in the past, we are so appreciative of all the committee members that helped make the "Auction with a Twist" a grand success. We look forward to next year's 75th auction!

## Back Mountain Memorial Library Board of Directors 2020

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### *Municipal Representatives*

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Ms. Jenn in the Children's Room castle.



Mrs. Keefe checking out a new book box for her classroom.



Meditation and paper collage presented by Linda Keck.



Rachael, Patrick, and Christopher Flanagan were the winners of the Smores Raffle Basket.

## LIBRARY NEWS

**E-Books and E-Audio books** Our new format to access and download E-books and E-Audio books is CloudLibrary. Click on the icon found on the library website [www.backmountainlibrary.org](http://www.backmountainlibrary.org) or contact the library for details on how to retrieve titles.

**Online Resources/Databases** Found on the library website [www.backmountainlibrary.org](http://www.backmountainlibrary.org), click on the icon for **America's Newspapers** - newspapers throughout the U.S., **Heritage Quest** - ancestry information, **Learning Express Library** - practice tests, and **Power Library** - a wealth of information through Virtual Reference works with specialized reference resources on a variety of topics, and AP Images where you can view the greatest events in world history with photos, audio sound bites, videos and graphics for over 185 years, updated daily with new information.

**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!

**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; 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: \$100.00 per brick. (Order forms available online or at the front desk.)

## CHILDREN'S ROOM ACTIVITIES FOR FALL 2020

### New Facebook Page

The Children's Room now has its own Facebook page! Find the new page as Back Mountain Memorial Library Children's Room, or by searching @BMMLChildrensRoom. Follow us for news about upcoming children's programs.

### On Demand Story Time

Online story times will premiere each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. After the premiere you can watch anytime. No registration required. Just join us on our new Facebook page. Stop by the library and ask for a craft pack to make the cool crafts that accompany each story.

Spanish (Online) Stories in September - Premiere September 9, 16 and 23 (3 Weeks/Crafts)

Fall (Online) Stories - Premiere September 30, October 7, 14, 21, and 28, November 4, 11, and 18 (8 Weeks/Crafts)

### New Sections & Fortification

Come visit the children's wing and enjoy browsing the revolving themed books displays. Check out two new specialty sections: **Graphic Novels** and **World Languages**. Be greeted by a fairy tale castle and village. Find our giant teddy bear, Sunny, in her new resting place.

### Bundle Up

Not sure what books to select for the children in your life? Don't have time to browse? Ask for a book bundle. Grab your library card and call the library, tell us the child's age and interests. We'll call back to confirm some titles. Then just stop by for your bundle of books.

### Book Boxes

Are you affiliated with a local organization that works with children? The library will put together boxes of books customized for the ages of the children. At regular intervals, a new box will be delivered to your organization and the previous box will be picked up. Call the library to find out more.

### Accelerated Reader (AR)

For many students back to school means back to Accelerated Reader (AR). The library's collection contains a broad range of books that qualify for AR points. Whether your student is looking for fiction or nonfiction, a certain number of points, or a certain reading level, visit the library to find book selections to both enjoy and meet AR goals.

### Books for Sale

Slightly read children's and teen books are on sale each day in the Children's Room. Selections are only a quarter per book. Funds are used to support children's programming.

### Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

This early literacy initiative mails new, age appropriate books each month to children from birth to age five at no cost to children or their families. For more information, pick up a brochure at our library, or contact the United Way of Wyoming Valley.

Children's Room information can be found on [backmountainlibrary.org](http://backmountainlibrary.org) or on Facebook.



Cindy Katyl with a craft pack for her grandkids.



Debby Kirkwood reveals her latest outfit for Sunny the Bear.



Linda Israel reads a story for the fall.



Mason scans the new graphic novel section.

## 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

Find the best book buys around!

Lee Lawrence, Manager (Entrance 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. - 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.;  
Thursday, 1 p.m. - 6 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.

## 2020 FARMERS' MARKET

The Farmers' Market is back and doing better than ever thanks to the great community support! Located at the Dallas High School, this popular event continues to grow, drawing people from the Back Mountain community and surrounding areas. This year fifteen vendors provided a variety of locally grown fruits and vegetables, baked goods, an assortment of popcorn, flowers, gourmet mushrooms, honey, free-range eggs and meats raised by local farmers, Kombucha, and herb infused dipping and marinated oils.



The market, held every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. opened on July 11th and will close on Halloween, October 31st. Rain or shine, there is always plenty of parking with handicap spaces available. Martha Butler, Library Director, acknowledges this event as an important fundraiser for the library. The Library Board thanks Gary Dymond and Bill Peiffer, co-chairs of the event who take care of all the coordination. The market owes its success to the continued backing from the community who make it all possible. Thank you!

### 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.

## 75th Anniversary Friends of the Library Annual Appeal

(Gifts are Tax Deductible)

Yes, I want to offer my support to the library. Enclosed is my check made out to the Back Mountain Memorial Library in the amount of: \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Please charge my gift to:  Visa  Mastercard  Discover Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Back Mountain Memorial Library, 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, PA 18612-1829

*Thank You!*

## AUCTION BASKET RAFFLE WINNERS

(Numbers indicate multiple baskets won.)

Faith Barbuti (2)	Renie Meyer
Ellen Bednarek	Angie Miller
Debby Ann Benyon (6)	Caroline Miller
Diana Berry	Gina Morgan
Jackie Biscontini	Sylvia Moss
Cassidy Borger (2)	George Nelson
Jenna Borger (3)	Deborah Neuhard (2)
Jane Brobst	Sirena Nichol
Sarah Brown	Lois Noble (2)
Ed Burke	Amanda Paci
Luci Callahan	Donna Porzucek (2)
Melissa Chadwick	Monique Pritchard (2)
Allison Coleman	Linda Prutzman
Deb Cooper	Barbara Randolph
Diane Coslett	Mike Raub
Stephanie Crothers (2)	Ken Reddmond
Mary Ellen Cusma	Phil Reid
Janet Dent	Alleysha Reynolds
Mike Devaney	Kim Reynolds
Jean Dobinick	Luan Reynolds (2)
Nancy Doherty	Barbara Roche
Ryan Doughton	Andrew Salko
Kathy Dudick	Cheryl Scales
Andrew Duffy	Theresa Schaeffer
Marilyn Feldman	Matthew Scherer
Lisa Fetterman	Connie Scott
Kelley Flanagan	Emma Sgarlat
Melinda Gaus	Dianne Sickler
Mary Barbara Gilligan	Mary Siegel
Sheila Gionfriddo	Cathy Simpson
Judy Gravina	Shirl Stec
Denise Gretlon	Michelle Steele
Ted & Janice Horn	John Stevens
Leslie Horoshko (2)	Ryan Stoa (2)
Irene Imls	Kelly Sweeney
Jack Jones (2)	Ben Swiatek
Gerardetts Kasprzyk	Kerr Tabor
Jeff Kehler	Collin Tetrochko
Kristen Klemish	Ryan Thomas
Matt Klimas	Bonnie Turchin
Mary Lou Kocher	Jessica Wallo
Dave Kozick (2)	Bob Washick (2)
Jennifer Lamoreaux	Kathy Wega (3)
Theresa Langana	Mary Whipp
Collen Lapasnick	Pam Wintersteen
Barbara Lemmond	Patti Workman
Hillary Lipinski	Marlene Wright
Maria Maas	Lacey Wunder
Sandra Mannear	Barb Yanchick
Cheryl Martin (2)	Susan Yeager
Debbie Mattioli	Carol Yezilski
Barbara Mears	Susan Young
Larry Medvec	Erin Yurko

### BACK MOUNTAIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY –SILVER SCREEN DVD CLUB–



Yearly Membership Single - \$15.00  
Dues Payable January 1st

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9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday

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Come in for the best book bargains in the Back Mountain.



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