

SHADES OF BROWN

A NEWS PUBLICATION FROM THE STAFF & FRIENDS OF THE JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY

MARCH—APRIL 2023

Dedicated people, bound together like pages in a book, have the strength to achieve great things.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO REGISTER!

FRIENDS OF THE JVB LIBRARY

Saint Patrick's Day CELEBRATION

Fundraising Event at the

Peter Herdic House

MARCH 17th at 6:00 pm

Irish Cuisine, Music, & Literature

COST: \$70 PER PERSON

Reserve by email by **MARCH 10th:**
info@herdichouse.com

SUMMER LEARNING 2023

ALL TOGETHER NOW

James V. Brown Library

Sponsor A Summer Learner

You can help the Library be a partner in the summer fun for all ages by supporting the Summer Learning Program.

This year's theme, **"All Together Now,"** focuses on kindness, friendship and unity – characteristics we should embrace all year round.

Did you know that children who have been read to from an early age have a larger vocabulary, acquire better language skills, and are more likely to want to learn to read than children who have not been read to?

Research has shown that children need to develop certain skills in order to fully benefit from the reading instruction they receive when they arrive at school. The Library plays a key role in helping young patrons develop those skills and in educating parents and other caregivers about their crucial role as their children's first teachers.

The Library's Summer Learning Program is 100% supported by donations from people just like you who understand how books and exciting programs can instill a lifelong love of learning and reading.

All it takes is \$10 to sponsor one child in Summer Learning. We cannot do it without you. You can give on our website at: jvbrown.edu, or by returning the card you receive in the mail.

With your help and generosity, we can nurture young minds to love the world of literature all summer long.

FRIENDS OF THE JVB LIBRARY

BLOOM with BOOKS

SPRING BOOK SALE

April 27th — 29th

@ Christ Episcopal Church
426 Mulberry Street, Williamsport

"FRIENDS" PREVIEW NIGHT
Thursday, APRIL 27th — 5 pm to 8 pm
Memberships available at the door

PUBLIC HOURS:
Friday, April 28th — 9 am to 7 pm
Saturday, April 29th — 9 am to 3 pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT: jvbrown.edu

CROSS-STITCH CLUB

3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

THIRD FLOOR VINTAGE MEETING AREA
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

To register and for more information please visit: calendar.jvbrown.edu

OWN-A-DAY
IN THE LIFE OF THE JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY

The Perfect Gift

The Library's "Own-a-Day" program makes the perfect gift. For \$100, you can Own-A-Day at the library and have your gift be recognized on the receipts at circulation desks, on the flat-screen TVs inside the library, on the library's home page, and in the library's email and printed newsletters. This is the perfect way to honor or memorialize someone special, publicize a business, or celebrate a birthday or anniversary.

MARCH

March 1	In memory of Beulah Yerk
March 4	In honor of Sawyer Alan Frick
March 7	Bianca and Alberto Taddeo Day
March 11	Christopher and Kaitlyn Balduino Day
March 12	Marin, Lucia, Giovanni, Emma, and Wilkes Catino Day
March 14	Jack Charles Boyle Day
March 16	Micah Kaiser Day
March 17	In memory of Henrietta Tyson
March 18	Fred Schuler Day
March 21	In memory of Jean S. Shelley
March 24	John and Patsy Troisi Day
March 26	In memory of Sylvia Starr Sarno
March 28	In memory of David Steinbacher
March 29	In memory of Richard E. Deffaa
March 30	Christine Rauff Day

APRIL

April 1	Williamsport Kiwanis Club Day
April 7	In memory of Barbara Olin
April 8	In memory of Father John Manno
April 9	In memory of Sylvia M. Cray
April 10	In memory of Celeste Rockov
April 11	In memory of John and Ruth Beisman
April 14	Logan and Adelyn Bastian & Tristan and Zachary Campbell Day
April 15	Derek A. DeSeau Day
April 17	In memory of Paul Seaman
April 19	Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cooper and Family Day
April 22	In loving memory of Becky Walko
April 28	Jan Dulak Day
April 30	Michelle Frantz McCabe Day

For more information or to Own-A-Day, visit:
www.jvbrown.edu

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30 HOURS OF ONLINE GIVING

2023

Please support

JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY

MARCH 8TH – 6PM UNTIL MARCH 9TH – 11:59 PM

Mark your calendar!

On **Wednesday, March 8** at 6 PM through 11:59 PM on **Thursday, March 9**, visit: jvbrown.edu or raisetheregion.org and donate to the James V. Brown Library. Your gift will be stretched by a generous donation from Blaise Alexander Family Dealerships and may also help us qualify for prizes from other sponsors.

Thank you for supporting the Library!

Library receives three grants from local Foundation

The Library recently was the recipient of three grants from the **First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania**.

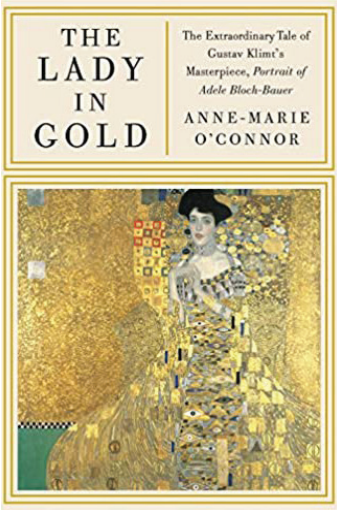
The first grant was \$8,715 from the Edward D. Neff Fund; the second was \$8,408 from the Paul M. Neff Fund; and the third grant was \$140 from the Poet Owl Fund. The Poet Owl grant is specifically for nature or natural history-oriented materials, for children and young adults.

Dana Brigandi, *Development, Marketing and Public Relations Director* at the Library, center; accepts the checks from Jennifer Wilson, *President and CEO* of First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania, and Brian Bluth, *FCFP board president*.

The **First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania** works to improve the quality of life in north central Pennsylvania through community leadership, the promotion of philanthropy, the strengthening of nonprofit impact and the perpetual stewardship of charitable assets. FCFP strives to create powerful communities through passionate giving. For more information, visit: FCFPpartnership.org.



Friends of the Library plan March and April Book Review Events



MARCH

On **March 3rd** Sara Kiehl, local artist/calligrapher, will review the book *The Lady in Gold: The Extraordinary Tale of Gustav Klimt's Masterpiece 'Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer'* by Anne Marie O'Connor.

Kiehl will be discussing the life of the Jewish Viennese socialite who inspired the painting and the painting's significance amidst the turmoil of World War II. She will present a brief history of Klimt's work and its importance in Vienna society, the subsequent art heists that included this painting carried out by the Nazis, and Adele's family's legal case to recover the painting which involved the Supreme Court and consequently turned the art world upside down.

APRIL

On **April 7th**, Dana Brigandi, Development, Marketing and Public Relations Director at the James V. Brown Library, will review the book, *I Must Betray You*, by Ruta Sepetys. Brigandi will discuss how Sepetys's books seek to uncover hidden histories and how several have become best-sellers and made into movies.

I Must Betray You takes place during Romania in 1989 during the Communist regime in Europe and focuses on the fictional story of a Romanian teen who wants to become a writer but is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer. The young man is left with only two choices: betray everyone and everything he loves, or use his position to creatively undermine the most notoriously evil dictator in Eastern Europe.

Brigandi has a master's degree in library science from Clarion University and a master's degree in liberal arts from Lock Haven University. She is an avid reader of fiction, nonfiction and all genres, and loves sharing her passion of books with others.



The review begins at 12:15 p.m. in the Lowry Room of the Welch Family Wing of the James V. Brown Library with a Q&A from 12:45p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Reservations are required due to space considerations. Please call the library at 570-326-0536 or use the library's online reservation calendar (calendar.jvbrown.edu) before 3:00 p.m. the Wednesday before the event. Parking is available in the public lot off Market Street, adjacent to the Welch Wing.

MARCH

Member Special

50% OFF


Health & Fitness, Business & Finance

APRIL

Member Special

50% OFF

Home Improvement (includes Decorating) & Gardening

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19 East Fourth Street, Williamsport PA 17701
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Monday & Friday
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Thursday & Sunday
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