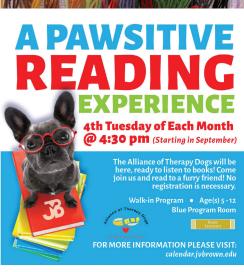


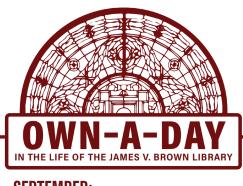
A NEWS PUBLICATION FROM THE STAFF & FRIENDS OF THE JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER—OCTOBER 2023

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

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





SEPTEMBER:

September 1 - Huck Hepler Day

September 2 - JR Confer Day

September 8 - Nancy Lady Day

September 9 - In honor of the Tallman grandchildren: Madelyn,

Grayson, and Ayden

September 10 - Mary Welch Day

September 13 - Stephen M. Drezner Day

September 16 - Denise Walls Weintraut Day

September 18 - In memory of Daniel B. King

September 19 - Susan Peters Day

September 21 - Tina and the late

Jeffrey Meck Day

September 22 - In memory of Harold Yerk

September 28 - Alan and Karen DeBrody Day

OCTOBER:

October 1 - In honor of Shane Carey

October 4 - Amelia Rau Day

October 5 - In memory of Richard Lightbourn

October 7 - In memory of George C. Ginter

October 12 - Rich Roan Day

October 13 - Ann E. Wynngate Day

October 16 - Jerry Picco Day

October 17 - In memory of JoAnn

Mapstone Mincemoyer

October 18 - Karyn Yeagle Day

October 20 - Megan Greevy Boyle Day October 24 - Remembering Bob Orso Sr.

October 27 - In memory of Theodora

"Teddy" Harner

October 29 - Barbara Thomas Day

October 31 - In memory of Mary Lou Archambault

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



Photo: Anthony Musmanno

Best-selling author of historical fiction Marie Benedict is the featured speaker for the Library's 20th Author Gala on Thursday, October 12, 2023.

General admission tickets are on sale now at the Community Arts Center Box Office at 570-326-2424 or www.caclive.com. Tickets are \$30 or \$45 per person and all funds raised benefit the Library and its mission to be the "place to go to learn, connect and grow." A book sale and book signing will take place for attendees after the keynote from **8:30-9 p.m**.

The event will also be livestreamed for a \$25 fee for those who are unable to attend in person. To purchase the link, contact Dana Brigandi at: dbrigandi@jvbrown.edu.

The event will also feature an online auction for the general public, which will open October 5 at: virtualgala.events/AuthorGala and close at 10 p.m. the night of the event, October 12. The gala is the Library's main fundraising event each year.

Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray are the authors of The First Ladies, which came out June 27, and The Personal Librarian. Benedict also is the author of The

Only Woman in the Room, The Mystery of Mrs. Christie, Carnegie's Maid, The Other Einstein, Lady Clementine, Her Hidden Genius, and The Mitford Affair. These books will be available for sale and signing at the event.

Benedict joins the group of best-selling authors who have made this event a must-attend for so many: Elin Hilderbrand in 2022; David Baldacci in 2021; Lisa See in 2019; Dennis Lehane in 2018; Louise Penny in 2017; Chris Bohjalian in 2016; Ruth Reichl in 2015; Jennifer Weiner in 2014; and more. The 2020 event was postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Benedict's travel and speaking fee is generously sponsored by the Friends of the James V. Brown Library.



KEEP CALM CARRY YARN

3rd THURSDAY of EACH MONTH 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm



Theresa Bertucci, Special Services & Outreach Coordinator for the RVTA, will be answering questions from members of the public.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT: calendar.jvbrown.edu

LOWRY ROOM (3RD FLOOR OF **WELCH WING)**



Library Card Sign-Up Month

Get in Your Element this September and sign up for a library card! From borrowing books, ebooks, and museum passes to learning new skills, or attending story time, a library card helps you do more of what you enjoy. Use your library card to spark your creativity. A library card is your most important school supply - it's elemental, really - and everyone should have one.

The posters feature Ember, a fiery young woman, and Wade, a go-with-theflow guy, the two stars of Disney and Pixar's animated feature, "Elemental." The film journeys alongside this unlikely pair living in Element City, where Fire, Water, Earth, and Air residents live together and where they discover something elemental: how much they actually have in common.

The national Library Card Sign Up Month campaign started in 1987 as a response to then Secretary of Education William Bennett, who stated, "Let's have a campaign ... Every child should obtain a library card and use it."



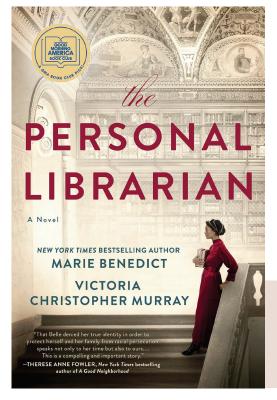
Library Receives FCFP Grant

The Library recently was the recipient a grant from the First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania.

The \$2,000 grant will enhance the Barbours Link Library as part of the Plunketts Creek Township Foundation Fund at FCFP. The Library, in collaboration with Plunketts Creek Township, operates a small satellite library in Barbours as part of the "Link Library" rural outreach.

Located within the former Barbours Schoolhouse, the Link Library provides materials ranging from early childhood literacy to adult new releases, popular bestsellers, adult and juvenile DVDs, public computers and tablets, and free Internet access.





Friends of the Library Host Book Review Event

Mary Beth Kibbe will review *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict at the Friends' Book Review event on **October 6**. Benedict is this year's guest speaker at the J.V. Brown Library's 20th Author Gala on October 12.

The Personal Librarian by Benedict reveals the power of discrimination to squelch talent by chronicling the life of a black woman Belle da Costa Greene who "passed" as white in the early 1900s. By hiding the truth of her race, Greene gained prestige in the art world as curator of the holdings of JP Morgan. Her bravery in keeping her true identity secret in the years of Jim Crow serves as evidence of the extreme measures a talented person might have to take to succeed in a world that prefers one race over others.

Kibbe was a high school teacher of English and literature at Jersey Shore High School prior to her retirement. She volunteers on the board of the Friends of the J.V. Brown Library and the Rowley House Museum.

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.

General admission tickets (\$30 and \$45 per person) for the James V. Brown Author Gala are on sale at the Community Arts Center box office at www.caclive.com







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