

A NEWS PUBLICATION FROM THE STAFF & **ENDS OF THE JAMES V. BROWN LIBR**

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2023

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

Join us

for the Friends of the JVB Library Annual **Business Meeting**

December 5th @ 5:00 pm Lowry Room (3rd Floor Welch Wing)

All members welcome!



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.

NOVEMBER:

November 5 - Happy Birthday, Roller!

November 6 - In memory of Lori Ann Borick

November 7 - Allen E. Ertel Day

November 10 - We thank all Marines for their service

November 11 - In honor of all of our veterans

November 12 - In honor of Col. Paul A. Lady, Ret.

November 13 - In memory of Sister Christina Cables

November 15 - Christi Walls Buker Day

November 16 - In honor of Alexander Mulfinger

November 17 - Victor and Caroline Day

November 18 - In memory of Nancy Ann Charles November 19 - In memory of John Carson

November 20 - In memory of Dakota

November 21 - In memory of Dr. Gordon Shaw

November 24 - Gary and Diane Fague Day

November 27 - In loving memory of **Wanda Hendershot**

November 28 - In honor of Maureen Carey

DECEMBER:

December 1 - Sofia Sartori Day

December 4 - Linda Confer Day

December 6 - Patty Confer Day

December 7 - Jameson Sartori Day

December 8 - James L. Bender IV

December 9 - In loving memory of

Sharon Hoffmann

December 13 - All the Wright Dogs Day

December 19 - Karen Morlock Day

December 20 - Heidi Walls Jordan Day December 23 - In memory of Andy Lady

December 26 - In memory of Duane Olin

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

The Library is the Place for Everyone 2023 Annual Fund **===**

Talitha "Tally" Waugh says the Library is her favorite happy place. In fact, she and her children often visit the Library daily. As a homeschooling parent, Tally and her three children – Thomas, 18, John, 12, and Izabella, 11 - rely on the Library as a place for learning and spending time with friends.

Tally and her children have attended several programs over the years but especially enjoyed the Summer Learning Kick-Off and Finale. They also like

doing scavenger hunts in the children's wing. Aside from serving the family's educational and social needs, the Library also saves them money.

"I have saved almost \$4,000 by using the resources at our library this past year. That is astounding!" Tally said. Libraries are at the heart of any thriving community, and ours is no exception.

The impact of your Library extends far beyond its walls, touching the lives of residents of all ages and backgrounds.

We hope you will donate today by making a secure donation online at: jvbrown.edu/support-the-library/ or by scanning this QR code with your phone or tablet.

Together, we can ensure that future generations have the same opportunities to learn, connect, and grow as the Waugh family have had.

Big Library Read

Library cardholders of all ages can experience Big Library Read, the world's largest digital book club, for two weeks in November with no waiting.

From November 2-16, booklovers with a valid library card can join thousands of others around the globe by borrowing Artie and the Wolf Moon by Olivia Stephens.

After sneaking out against her mother's wishes, Artie Irvin spots a massive wolf - then watches it don a bathrobe and transform into her mom. Thrilled to discover she comes from a line of werewolves, Artie asks her mom to share everything - including the story of Artie's late father. Her mom reluctantly agrees. And to help Artie figure out her own wolflike abilities, her mom recruits some old family friends.



ebook through public libraries.

Artie thrives in her new community and even develops a crush on her new friend Maya. But as she learns the history of werewolves and her own parents' past, she'll find that wolves aren't the scariest thing in the woods - vampires are.

Library card holders may read the ebook and audiobook for free without waiting on the Libby app or by visiting: libbyapp. com/library/ebranch2go.

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·We got you covered for your next GREAT read!

The Library's team of highly-trained professionals can provide a list of 10 to 15 books available through the Lycoming County Library System compiled to your very own Book Guide.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: jvbrown.edu OR CALL 570.326.0536





Come to our open house interactive health fair where most of the tables will provide a service or other meaningful interaction right there on-sight, not just hand out information pamphlets. Get your blood pressure checked, vaccines receive treatment for pain, learn about the effects of smoking and how to quit, have a dental check, and more!

WALK-IN FAMILY PROGRAM LOWRY ROOM (3rd FLOOR WELCH WING)

For more information please visit:



Friends Announce November and December Programs

GOOD WIVES Image and Reality in the Lives of Women in Northern New England 1 6 5 0 1 7 5 0 LAUREL THATCHER ULRICH Author of Al-Gardin Files Witters of the Palarse Prise

November Book Review Event

On November 3rd, Gary Parks, Executive Director of the Lycoming County Historical Society, will review Laurel Thatcher Ulrich's Good Wives: Image and Reality in the Lives of Women in Northern New England, 1650-1750 and A Midwife's Tale: The Life of Martha Ballard, Based on Her Diary, 1785-1812.

In **Good Wives** Ulrich elevates the status of the "ordinary" woman to celebrated status, especially during the Revolutionary War when the men in the family were fighting for independence and the women were "on their

A MIDWIFE'S

own." This left the women on the home front to do all of their traditional work, as

well as the work the men normally did — manage crops, and care for finances and legal matters. Additionally, these women became midwives for other women in their community. From Ballard's diary in *A Midwife's Tale*, Ulrich noted the delivery of 814 children between 1785-1812 when Ballard traveled by boat to support women through childbirth and for some, sadly, stillbirths.

Parks has been the Executive Director of the Lycoming County Historical Society since 2011. He has degrees from Towson University (Biology/English), University of North Carolina (Master's in Museum Studies/Public History), and special studies at Winterthur, Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts, and Colonial Williamsburg.

Parks credits his grandmother with instilling in him the appreciation of a 1777 family needlework picture inspiring his collection of 101 needlework samplers.

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 12:45-1 p.m. Complimentary snacks and bottled water will be available. Attendees are also welcome to bring their own lunch. 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 p.m. Nov. 1. Parking is available in the public lot off Market Street, adjacent to the Welch Wing.

December Celebration of the Arts

The Friends of James V. Brown Library celebrate the creative arts at the **December 1st** holiday program by featuring the **Williamsport Area School District's GQ**, a men's a capella group formed in 1993. GQ is one of the eight vocal performing groups at the high school under the direction of Sam



Robinson. Williamsport Area School District offers a variety of programs for vocal and instrumental talent in a wide range of music selections from classical to contemporary, including 19 performing ensembles at the high school.

Williamsport Area School District has been awarded **The Best Communities for Music Education Award** for over 20 years. The Best Communities for Music Education Award is a signature program of The NAMM Foundation that recognizes and celebrates school districts and schools for their support and commitment to music education and efforts to assure access to music for all students, as part of a well-rounded education. Williamsport Area High School is proud to provide curricular music education for students in vocal and instrumental coursework, as well as non-curricular music opportunities. Specialized groups like GQ, Strolling Strings, Marching Millionaires, Les Chanteuses, orchestras, and vocal ensembles are often invited to perform at various community events, and have repeatedly performed at the White House.

The Brown Library Rotunda will open at noon on December 1st. The program is open to all ages. Snacks and water will be available. The program begins at 12:15 p.m. and ends at 12:45 p.m. Reserve a seat by calling the library at 570-326-0536 or by using the library's online reservation calendar at http://calendar.jvbrown.edu. Reservations are required due to space considerations and must be made before 3 p.m. November 29th. Parking is available in the public lot off of Market Street, adjacent to the Welch Wing.

FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP 2024 Membership runs from January 1st – December 31st **NOVEMBER** Member Special YES, I WANT TO BE A FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP LEVELS Individual \$20 Family \$35 Supporter \$50 NAME Cooking, Entertaining Sponsor \$100 Patron \$200 Benefactor \$250+ & Holiday for Adult & Children Member Special EMAIL. I WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER RETURN THIS SLIP TO: Friends of the JVB Library ■ BOOK SORTING CREW 19 East Fourth Street, Williamsport PA 17701 ■ BOOK REVIEW LUNCHEONS ■ BOOK SALES Cooking, Entertaining *Annual membership contributions are fully tax deductible & Holiday for Adult & Children SPECIAL EVENTS

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FRIENDS OF THE JVB LIBRARY BOOKSTORE HOURS: Mon, Fri, & Sat: 10:30 am-1:30 pm, Tues & Wed: 1:30 pm-4:30 pm, Thurs & Sun: Closed

Book donations are accepted.

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