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Fall for Great Books

Friends of the James V. Brown Library
FALL BOOK SALE!

SEPTEMBER 26th – 28th

PINE STREET UMC, 441 Pine Street, Williamsport

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 26th
from 5 pm–8 pm
"Friends" Only Preview Night
Memberships available at the door

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27th
from 9 am–7 pm

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28th
from 9 am–3 pm

Bag Sales Each Day!

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: calendar.jvbrown.edu

Library Card Sign-Up Month



Autobots, roll out...to the library! September is National Library Card Sign Up Month and features Optimus Prime of the Transformers franchise to encourage people of all ages to get a library card.

Whether you're upgrading your skills, scouting for knowledge and information, or connecting with other heroic readers, a library card is your key to an arsenal of resources. Spark your creativity as a builder or tinker in your library's creative space; mine the library's stacks and databases for new stories and adventures; kickstart your

critical thinking skills to defeat the Decepticons of misinformation lurking online. Hitting the road? Use your library card to fuel your mind with books, e-Books, audiobooks, and museum passes.

"Library cards open worlds of opportunity for Autobots and humans alike. Whether or not your favorite genre is science fiction, library cards spark creativity and inspire critical thinking skills. Join Optimus Prime, who I'm told is a huge library fan, and check out your local library," said American Library Association President Emily Drabinski.

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

TEEN FANDOM NIGHT

Starting September 16th
EVERY OTHER MONDAY FROM 4:15 – 5:15 IN THE TEEN CAFE

AGES 12–17

*Registration is required. To register please visit: calendar.jvbrown.edu

HOPEABILITY
For Adults with Diverse Abilities

STORYTIME & CRAFTS

1st Wednesday of each month @ 9:30 am

*Registration is required
LOWRY ROOM

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ADULT COLORING CLUB

FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH @ 10:30

NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY • THIRD FLOOR VINTAGE MEETING AREA • WALK-IN, ADULT PROGRAM

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DIAMOND ART CLUB

1st TUESDAY of the month
11:30 am–12:30 pm

ADULT PROGRAM
LOWRY ROOM
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:
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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 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.

- SEPTEMBER:**
- 9/2/24 JR Confer Day
 - 9/4/24 In Honor of Janel Boden
 - 9/8/24 In Honor of Nancy Lady
 - 9/13/24 Stephen M. Drezner Day
 - 9/16/24 Denise Walls Weintraut Day
 - 9/18/24 In Memory of Daniel B. King
 - 9/19/24 In Memory of Patricia Smertneck
 - 9/21/24 Jeffrey Richards
 - 9/22/24 In Memory of Harold Yerk
 - 9/24/24 In Memory of Jean Hanford Haas
 - 9/28/24 Alan and Karen DeBrody Day
 - 9/29/24 In Memory of Michael King Lamade
- OCTOBER:**
- 10/1/24 In Honor of Shane Carey
 - 10/2/24 In Memory of Ann Dinges
 - 10/5/24 In Memory of Richard Lightbourn
 - 10/12/24 In Memory of Rich Roan
 - 10/16/24 Jerry Picco Day
 - 10/17/24 In Memory of JoAnn Mapstone Mincemoyer
 - 10/24/24 In Memory of Bob Orso Sr.
 - 10/26/24 In Memory of Cathy Hower Brungard
 - 10/27/24 Jake and Audrey Comerford Day
 - 10/29/24 Barbara Thomas Day

Library Receives FCFP Grant

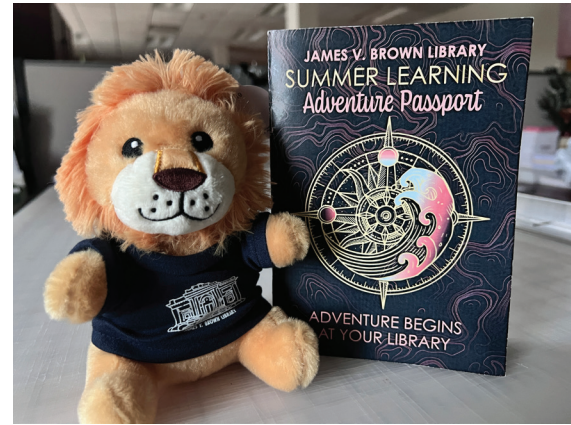
The Library recently was the recipient of a grant from the First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania.

The \$4,500 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 "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.

Summer Learning Wrap Up



The Library hosted an incredibly popular and impactful Summer Learning Program this year based on the theme, "**Adventure Begins at Your Library.**" The adventures took place not only at the library, but also at various locations in the community. Partners included Wildwood Cemetery, YMCA, Hiawatha, Lycoming Audubon Society, PA Game Commission, Smokey Bear, Potting Bench Greenhouse, Little League® Museum, Community Theatre League, and more.

More than **2,000** people participated in library programs in June and July, and nearly **10,000** people walked through the Library's doors in July!

The Summer Learning Program is 100% funded by generous donations and sponsorships to provide free and engaging activities for all participants, and to reward them for meeting their reading goals.

Thank you to everyone who supported this program!

For more information or to Own-A-Day, visit:
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Friends Host October Book Review Event



**FAMOUS
FATHER
GIRL**
*A Memoir of
Growing Up Bernstein*
JAMIE BERNSTEIN

On **Friday, October 4th**, Gerardo Edelstein, music director/conductor of the Williamsport Symphony Orchestra, will review *Famous Father Girl: A Memoir of Growing Up Bernstein* by Jamie Bernstein.

The memoir written by Bernstein's oldest daughter Jamie offers insight into her father Leonard Bernstein's life as a revered composer and conductor. He composed *On the Town* and *West Side Story* and was chief conductor of the New York Philharmonic, as well as a friend of the powerful and influential, and the life of every party. Bernstein's beautifully

written memoir is a great American story about one of the greatest Americans of the modern age.

Bernstein explores the emotional depths of her childhood and shares her family's private world, including glimpses into her father's relationships with influential and powerful friends such

as the Kennedys, John Lennon, Stephen Sondheim, Jerome Robbins, and Lauren Bacall.

One *Vanity Fair* reviewer states that the book is, "...an intimate look at the famous, and famously private musician, whose seven Emmys only begin to scratch the surface of his musical achievements." This memoir helped inspire the movie *Maestro*, starring Bradley Cooper.

Edelstein, a native of Argentina, is beginning his 14th year as music director/conductor of the Williamsport Symphony Orchestra. He is also director of orchestral studies, music director of the Philharmonic and Chamber Orchestras and artistic director of the Penn's Wood Music Festival at Pennsylvania State University. In addition, Edelstein has extensive experience conducting symphony orchestras, choirs, ballet and opera productions in Europe, Asia, South America and the United States. Audiences, musicians, and press alike praise him for his sensitive, charismatic and energetic performances.

The review begins at 12:15p.m. in the Lowry Room of the Welch Family Wing of the James V. Brown Library with a Q&A from 12:45-1:00 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 3:00 PM on Wednesday, October 2. Parking is available in the public lot off Market Street, adjacent to the Welch Wing.

SEPTEMBER
Member Special
50% OFF
Classical Literature, Poetry, Drama-Theater & General Non-Fiction

OCTOBER
Member Special
50% OFF
Children/Tweens/Teens/Young Adults, Music & Art (includes Photography)

AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT
with Kristin Harmel
Presented by JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY
October 10th @ 5:15 pm
Williamsport Country Club
800 Country Club Drive, Williamsport PA
*Complimentary Valet Parking is Available
Tickets are \$125 per person
Doors open at 5:15 pm for in-person silent and ticket auction
Dinner at 6:30 pm
Virtual conversation and Q&A with Kristin Harmel, 7:30 pm

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9:30 AM TO 11:30 AM
JUNE – SEPTEMBER

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Monday – Thursday: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm, Friday: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, Saturday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Sunday: Closed

FRIENDS OF THE JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY USED BOOKSTORE HOURS:
Monday & Friday: 10:30 am to 1:30 pm, Tuesday & Wednesday: 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm, Saturday: 10:30 am to 1:30 pm, Thursday & Sunday: Closed

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