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Fall 2009

Dear Community Members,

Now that our unusual summer is over, we are beginning our fall activities.

In this newsletter you will find additional information about some of our planned events.

On November 16, 17, and 18 we will have a book fair with Barnes & Noble Bookstore. This will be an opportunity for an early Christmas shopping trip when you can purchase thoughtful Christmas gifts for the special people in your life. Vouchers will be available at the store and at the Library.

Our Fall Book Club has begun, meeting on the second Tuesday of each month. Led by Dorothy Yazurlo and Janet Rygiel, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, it is attended by 32 enthusiastic participants who are looking forward to very interesting discussions.

On behalf of the Library Association I extend to our entire community wishes for a happy and blessed holiday season.

Dr. Leona L. Castor, President
Laflin Library Association

A thought for the day ---

“It is easy to make a buck, but it is a lot tougher to make a difference”
Tom Brokaw

Fund Drive 2009

"Special Angel"

Colonna, Ms. Elizabeth
Davis, M/M Glen
Durako, M/M Drew & Family
Fisher, M/M Patrick J.
Frank, M/M Joseph A.
Menendez, M/M Christopher J.
Pinto, M/M Nelson
Rubando, Ms. Maria
Schuler, Jr., M/M Reynold C.
Sipe, Mr. Gary
The Muddy Moose Country Store

"ANGEL"

Adonizio, Mrs. Mildred M.
Anderson, Mr. Roger F.
Basta, M/M Michael E.
Beccaris, Ms. Jeanne
Benderavich, M/M Paul J.
Block, M/M Benjamin Z.
Borja, Ms. Marianne
Borkowski, Mr. Raymond
Brazon, Dr./Mrs. Richard A.
Broгна, M/M Lawrence
Burns, M/M Richard J.
Capitano, Ms. Agnes L.
Castellani, Mrs. Josephine
Castor, Dr. Leona L.
Chiampi, M/M Gerard A.
Cianflone, III, M/M Ross J.
Coassolo, M/M Ernest & Family
DeCinti, Ms Mary & Son
DeCinti, M/M Patrick
DeFine, Sr., M/M David J.
Della Rosa, Jr., Dr.&Mrs. John J.
Dougherty, Mrs. Mary Ann
Emmel, M/M William J.
Fearick, Ms. MarieT.
Fisher, Mrs. Carol A.
Gilhooley, M/M Patrick
Grebeck, M/M Michael J.
Grebeck, M/M Stanley J.
Groves, M/M Edward G.
Healey, M/M Joseph E.
Hrichison, M/M John J.
Hughes, Ms. Jane
Januzzi, M/M John M.
Kienle, M/M Kurt A.
Koerber, M/M Barry L.
Kopcho, M/M John J.
Kosik, M/M George M.
Kosik, Dr. & Mrs. James J.

Kovaleski, M/M Charles
Lavelle, M/M Frank T.
Littleton, M/M William
Lolli, M/M Alexander
Lombardo, Jr., M/M Michael A.
Long, M/M Douglas
Luongo, Mr. Frank A.
Lupas, M/M Anthony J.
Magdalinski, M/M Frank J.
Malvizzi, M/M Mario
Matkins, M/M Edward P.
Matkins, Ms. Melissa
McAndrew, M/M Joseph
McCormick, M/M Patrick J.
Michaels, Mr. Richard E.
Mocion, M/M Joseph
Monahan, M/M Kevin
Morrissey, Ms. Mary Jane
Musto, Ms. Nancy A.
Nicoletti, Mr. Robert A.
O'Boyle, M/M Joseph
Pinkos, M/M Robert F.
Reap, M/M Joseph P.
Reed, M/M Richard G.
Reinhard, Mrs. Betty
Richards, Sr., M/M Thomas J.
Rinish, Mrs. Patricia
Roarty, Ms. Genevieve & Kathleen
Rygiel, Ms. Janet M.
Santarelli, M/M Eugene J.
Santos, M/M Romeo F.
Sapser, Mr. Thomas M.
Scappaticci, M/M Thomas
Sellitto, M/M Joseph A.
Serafin, M/M Richard G.
Sieminski, M/M Robert J.
Slesinski, Ms. Mary
Sobejano, Dr. Antonio & Dr. Paola Bianco
Stuccio, Dr. & Mrs. Vincent J.
Wendoloski, M/M Robert P.
Williams, Jr., M/M Joseph H.
Yastremsky, M/M Carl S.
Yazurlo, Mrs. Dorothy Shea
Yencha, M/M Jeffrey M.

"FRIEND"

Bachkosky, M/M Joseph
Baron, M/M John
Benedetti, M/M Angelo G.
Bowman, Ms. Della S.
Chmura, Ms. Regina M.
Crackett, Ms. Maureen
D'Elia, M/M Michael & Family
Dominick, M/M Robert O.
Dowd, M/M John

Forlenza, Ms. Ann C.
Giamas, M/M James J.
Humble, M/M Arthur R.
Jordon, M/M David
Kern, M/M Richard F.
Lucas, Ms. Clara C.
Luchetti, M/M Robert F.
Mager, Mrs. Bernice S.
Mansfield, Jr., M/M John R.
Mazzarella, M/M Anthony S.
McElwee, M/M John D.
McGrady, M/M Carleton F.
Monahan, Mr. Allan
Occhiato, M/M Albert
Ostrowski, M/M Leonard A.
Pendolphi, M/M Raymond J.
Pierotti, Jr., M/M Aldino L.
Price, M/M Edward & Family
Raiewski, M/M Lawrence
Redding, M/M Dennis
Reginski, M/M Frank
Rich, M/M Michael F.
Richards, Sr., M/M Thomas A.
Salvo, M/M Patrick
Scanlon, M. Catherine C.
Schmidt, M/M Edward F.
Shovlin, M/M Paul V.
Sivelly, M/M Edward L.
Smith, M/M Marvin
Sopkie, M/M Steve M.
Sosnak, Ms. Margaret A.
Steininger, M/M George J.
Stella, M/M Kenneth A.
Tucker, Ms. Diane M.
Turco, M/M Tino
Woytowich, Ms. Mitty & Marie
Yarrish, Ms. Josephine M.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank Father Kirwin for his continued generous support of our newsletter.

I would like to thank the young adults who gave of their time to volunteer at the library this past year. I truly appreciate your help.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Pennsylvania Humanities Council Commonwealth Speakers have approved the appearance of Cassandra Stancil

Gunkel who specializes in material culture—the history and stories captured in hand made objects. She is an exhibited quilt artist and textile designer whose work has been shown in museums and galleries in Philadelphia and Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Dr. Gunkel, a professional folklorist, also lectures around the country on African American culture, the history in quilts, and the artistic legacies of women. She has curated numerous quilt exhibits, including “Renewing Tradition II” at the Bucks County Historical Society in early 2009. Dr. Gunkel designed three of the 40 quilts on display.

The Laflin Library Association is sponsoring Dr. Gunkel’s appearance here in Luzerne County. She will be speaking on Sunday, October 25, 2009 at 2:00pm at the St. Maria Goretti Center located on Laflin Rd., Laflin, PA. Her topic is “The Underground Railroad in Quilts”. The Underground Railroad, the secret path traveled by African Americans who escaped slavery in the South is well documented by historians. Far more elusive is evidence that slaves used quilts as signals to guide their way to freedom. This hands-on talk and demonstration will feature authentic, 19th century quilts and modern reproductions to explore some of the ways in which women stitched their politics, history and mythology into quilt designs. There is no admission to this cultural event provided by the PHC.

AMERICAN GIRL PROGRAM will be held on Friday, October 23rd from 6:00pm until 7:30pm for girls ages 7 and older. Learn about the History of the American Girl “Molly”. Make and take a craft home with you. Bring your favorite American Girl Doll with you!!! For more information and/or to register, please call the Library at 654-3323.

ADULT READERS & STUDENT READERS (7th – 12th Grade) Those who take out books from October 20th through November 21st may enter their name for a drawing to win – Student Prize - \$20.00 cash prize
Adult Prize – \$25.00 Barnes & Noble Gift Card

BARNES & NOBLE BOOK FAIR

The Library will be working with Barnes & Noble, Arena Hub Plaza Store, by hosting a book fair. The book fair will be Monday, November 16th through Wednesday, November 18th. Tuesday, join us for story time at 10:a.m. with the Red Robin.

Wednesday evening from 6:30pm until 7:30pm Tux, mascot for the Penguins, will be joining us at the book fair. What a perfect opportunity for a picture with Tux or even an autograph.

Whether you will be stopping by the café for a coffee or a bite to eat, purchasing a book, magazine, CD or a favorite movie, present the voucher below at time of your purchase and Barnes & Noble will donate a percentage of that sale to our Library.

PAST EVENTS

Contest Results:

Paper Easter Egg Art Contest

Age 3-5 Winners

1st Place – Carissa Benderavich

2nd Place – Brendan Tomeo

3rd Place – Taryn O'Malley

Age 6-8 Winners

1st Place – Cassie Benderavich

2nd Place – Gracie Dombroski

3rd Place – Victoria Mullins

Age 9 & Up Winners

1st Place – Megan Grebeck

2nd Place – Erin Flanagan

3rd Place - Julie Kosik

Tail Wagin Tutors made a visit to our library this past June. The tutors are dogs that are trained through Therapy Dogs International. The dogs listened to the children practice their reading.

A Nature Program “ Insects and Their Relatives “ was presented by Kathy Kelchner, Naturalist from Frances Slocum State Park. The children learned many interesting facts; they were able to look at an exhibit with different insects and even saw a few live creatures.

Summer Reading Program - 41 children participated & read approximately 840 books. Our top readers this year were, Joseph Day, age group 3,4,5; Michael Grebeck, age group 6,7,8; and Bridget Shea Thole, age group 9 & up. The children enjoyed a cookout and each child received a reading certificate and prize. The Red Robin came to visit with the children. Congratulations to everyone for a wonderful summer of reading!

MEMORIALS

The Laflin Library has received the following Memorial Donations: In Memory of Jeanne Blaum – “You, Staying Young-The Owner’s Manual for Extending Your Warranty” from Mrs. Carol Fisher; In Memory of Ruth Marie Thomas – “Polish, Customs, Traditions, and Folklore”,



“Vengeance of the Swallows-A Memoir of A Polish Family’s Ordeal” & “Martha Stewart’s Encyclopedia of Crafts-An A to Z Guide With Detailed Instructions and Endless Inspiration” from the St. Maria Goretti Choir; In Memory of Joanne Pendolphi -
 ”Confessions of A Shopaholic” from Mr. & Mrs. Robert Pinkos; In Memory of Mary Wilchinski – “The Lost Symbol” from Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lombardo.
 To memorialize a loved one or to honor someone for a memorable occasion, please call the Librarian at 654-3323.

HOLIDAY CLOSING

Thanksgiving
 Thursday, Friday & Saturday
 November 26th, 27th & 28th
 Christmas
 Thursday, Friday & Saturday
 December 24th, 25th & 26th

OVERDUE BOOKS

The number of books and DVD’s that are not returned to the library becomes costly to us. Please check among your private collection for any items that need to be returned to the library.



NEW BOOKS

Adult Reading:

A Big Little Life: A Memoir of A Joyful Dog-
 D. Koontz
 A Memoir According To Kathy Griffin –
 K. Griffin
 Alex Cross’s Trial – J. Patterson
 Best Friends Forever – J. Weiner
 Doctor’s Wife – E. Brundage
 Finger Lickin Fifteen – J. Evanovich
 Have A Little Faith – M. Albom
 I Heard You Paint Houses – C. Brandt
 Intervention – R. Cook
 Knock Out – C. Coulter

Michelle – L. Mundy
 Mistress of the Game: Tilly Bagshaw -
 S. Sheldon
 My Life in France – J. Child
 My Remarkable Journey – L. King
 New Tricks – D. Rosenfelt
 Priceless Memories – B. Barker
 Rain Gods – J. Burke
 Resilience – E. Edwards
 Smash Cut – S. Brown
 Speak Softly, She Can Hear – P. Lewis
 The Angel’s Game – C. Zafon
 The Fixer Upper – M. Andrews
 The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo –
 S. Larsson
 The Girl Who Played With Fire -
 S. Larsson
 The Help – K. Stockett
 The Last Song – N. Sparks
 The Scarecrow – M. Connelly
 This Is Where I Leave You – J. Tropper
 South of Broad – P. Conroy
 Time Traveler’s Wife – A. Niffenegger
 True Compass: A Memoir – E. Kennedy
 Where Men Win Glory, The Odyssey of Pat
 Tillman – J. Krakauer
 You Were Always Mom’s Favorite
 D. Tannen



NEW BOOKS

Jr. Reading:

Deep Trouble II – R. L. Stine
 Extras – S. Westerfeld
 Fever 1793 – L. Anderson
 Looking for Alaska – J. Green
 Pictures of Hollis woods – P. Giff
 Pretties – S. Westerfeld
 Savvy – I. Law
 Sold – P. McCormick
 Specials – S. Westerfeld
 Stargirl – J. Spinnelli
 The Underneath – K. Appelt
 Uglies – S. Westerfeld
 Warriors: Dawn – E. Hunter
 Warriors: Midnight – E. Hunter
 Warriors: Moonrise – E. Hunter
 Warriors: Starlight – E. Hunter
 Warriors: Sunset – E. Hunter
 Warriors: Twilight – E. Hunter