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STACKS OF NEWS

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Upcoming New Books

Watch for these new books coming soon by your favorite authors: *Beyond the Ice Limit: A Gideon Crew Novel* by **Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child**. A failed mission to recover a gigantic meteorite is revived with life or death consequences for humankind if Gideon Crew and Eli Guinn can't destroy it in time.

The Girl from Summer Hill by **Jude Deveraux**. The first novel of a new series set in Summer Hill, a small town where love takes center stage against the backdrop of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*.

The Last Mile by **David Baldacci**. Detective Amos Decker, the man who can forget nothing, will need all of his extraordinary brainpower to stop an innocent man from being executed in this second thriller in the series.

Extreme Prey by **John Sandford**. Lucas Davenport joins the campaign staff of the Minnesota governor who is just cranking up a presidential campaign. Seems like fun until they find they have a shadow: an armed man intent on killing the governor and anyone who gets in the way.

Hide Away by **Iris Johansen**. Forensic sculptor Eve Duncan flees to Scotland to escape the ruthless predators that threaten her and her family.

Other upcoming books:

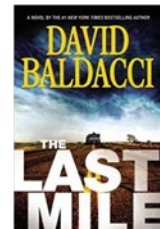
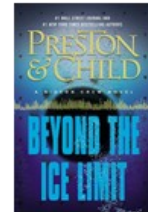
Boar Island by **Nevada Barr**

Blood Flag by **Steve Martini**

Love in a Short White Dress by **Lauren Weisberger**

End of Watch by **Stephen King**

Call or stop by the Library to put your name on the list for these titles.



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Memorials & Honor Donations

Memorial donations received since December 2015: For **William Best** by Sandi Murton and Family. For **John Boris** by Cathy and Kate Zimmerman and Ken Singley; John and Agnes Reiley. For **Nancy Brennan** by Mary Helen and John Guscott and Family. For **Gerald Dalton** by Anthony Kuchinsky. For **Gregory Davenport** by Nancy Smink; Denise Miller. For **Elizabeth "Betty" DiNicola** by Joseph and Deborah Ferhat. For **John F. Evans** by Peggy & Michelle Evans. For **Fred S. Fanelli, Sr.** by Dr. and Mrs. William R. Davidson. For **Mrs. Gladys Fernsler** by Catherine Kellit. For **Dr. Guy E. Fessler, Jr.** by Virginia Liddle-Fessler. For **Reba Franklin** by Paul and Joanie Dimmerling; The Tuesday Bridge Club; The Philanthropic Club; Peggy and Ralph Jaeger. For **Jean Freeze** by Sandra Murton. For **The Honorable George W. Heffner** by Jeanne Heffner; Dr. and Mrs. William R. Davidson; John and Agnes Reiley; Attorneys Ronald and Linda Pellish; Joan M. Urenko. For **Mary Louise Heller** by Virginia Liddle-Fessler; Marybeth & George Dohman; William & Viola Delker; John & Agnes Reiley; Scott Miller; Jane Fennelly; Schuylkill Medical Maintenance. For **Bud Hoffman** by Dolores Hoffman. For **George and Selena Hume** by Ross and Besh Rismiller. For **Barbara Kull** by David and Christine Ambrose; Peter J. Armstrong; Donna Bentz; Denise Miller; Joseph Pritchett & Joseph Kwiatkowski; Jean & Mike Towle; Grace King; Steve and Karen Dunkin; Nancy Smink; Sandi Murton; Doranne Polcrack; Dr. & Mrs. William R. Davidson; Mary Ann & Bill Pugh; Cathy and Kate Zimmerman and Ken Singley; Joan M. Koslosky; Carl and Nancy Berger; Karen A. Moran; Eileen Letcher; Sandra Berger; Linda McElvaney; Jack and Sue Spleen and Family; Esther Clark; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webb; Pat Shellhammer; Joan and Dave Deiter; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Eroh; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kurtek. For **Dorothy Lecher** by Grace King. For **James Lecher** by Gregory and Lia Brennan. For **S. David Liddle** by Virginia Liddle-Fessler. For **Valentina Lizak** by Nancy Smink; Pottsville Free Library Board. For **Loved Ones** by Catherine Kellit. For **Annie Marie McSurdy** by John and Agnes Reiley. For **James Moran** by Peter J. Armstrong. For **Gerald J. Nagle** by Sandra Murton; Dr. and Mrs. William R. Davidson.

For **Patricia Brennan Piccioni** by Ellen Bambrick Zane; James Alan Bambrick; Nancy Smink. For **Antoinette A. Reilly** by Dr. and Mrs. William R. Davidson. For **Robert Reiley** by Cathy and Kate Zimmerman and Ken Singley. For **Sara L. Rile** by Judith A. Rile. For **Ronald and Ethel Rismiller** by Ross and Besh Rismiller. For **Ellen Schlitzer** by Jim and Mantura Gallagher; Cathy and Kate Zimmerman and Ken Singley; Paul and Joanie Dimmerling; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Eroh; Joanne Yuengling; Del Hauck; Marybeth and George Dohmann; Dan and Judy McGrory; Paula and Thomas Ney; Roger Bailey; John and Geri Sink; John and Agnes Reiley; Robert Crosswell; Bob and Peggy Allen; Joe and Pam Purcell; Patricia Shellhammer; Martin and Anita Dwyer; Susan Bendle and George Yannaccone; Walter and Gail Kurtek; David and Christine Ambrose; Jim and Esther Clark; Thomas and Diana Beausang; Regina Farber and Family; Molly B. Guers; Linda Koch; Beth and Clare Boyer; Dr. and Mrs. William R. Davidson. For **Kurt Shellhammer** by Joan Koslosky. For **Betty Shuman** by Deborah Shuman Reed. For **Robert and Betty Shuman** by Deborah E. Reed. For **Florence Silberling** by John and Agnes Reiley; Barbara and Michael Cardamone. For **Ann Smith** by D. Hoffman and Family. For **Loraine Spotts** by Gerald Spotts. For **Andrew Susylo** by Carol and David Bowen. For **Joe Tarone** by Pottsville Open Writers. For **Georgine Tidmore** by Paula Perez and Savannah Rea. For **John Urmanavage** by Joseph and Deborah Ferhat. For **Beth A. Vice** by Dr. and Mrs. William R. Davidson. For **Edith Yuengling** by Stephen M. Lilienthal. For **Gerald Yonchuk** by Marion Kaiser.

Honor donations:

In honor of **Hardworking Library Employees** by Debra and John Yuda. In honor of **Vincent J. Genovese** by William J. Gaydos. In honor of **Fran Lorenz** by The Pageturners. In honor of **Joan Burke** by Diane McCully. In honor of **Helen Curry** by Susan Dougherty. In honor of **Florence Silberling** by Sherrill J. Siberling.

The following Memorials/Honors have been placed for the 2015 Fund Drive:

For **Patricia Geirsson** by Cutler Family; by Pat Geirsson. For **Mildred Pritchard** by Diane Bogdan.

In Memory

The Pottsville Library is saddened by the loss of one of their volunteers. Val Lizak passed away on February 18, 2016. Val volunteered every Tuesday for almost 19 years, assisting with local history projects in the Reference Department. She will be missed by the library staff.

Block of Art

This year **Block of Art** Weekend is April 22nd through April 24th. The 2016 theme is *Pottsville through the Ages*. There will be galleries and venues all over downtown Pottsville focusing on the arts and music.

You can stop in the Library on Saturday, April 23rd and enjoy the events taking place here.

Author and filmmaker, **Stephen Pytak**, will be signing and selling his novels and short films on DVD from 9 AM to 4:30 PM.

There will be poetry readings from 1 PM to 3 PM.

The **Allied Artists of Schuylkill County** will have works on display throughout the Library.

The **Friends of the Library** will hold a used book sale from 9 AM to 1 PM.

For more information on the Block of Art, go to their website: <http://www.block-of-art.org>.

Comic Book Day



Saturday May 7th is Free Comic Book Day. School-Age Kids can come in for free comic books and take part in some fun (and free) activities. Further information will be posted on the library's Facebook page. Comic books are being supplied by *Comics & Paperbacks Plus* in Palmyra.

Cupcake Wars

Come join the fun on Sunday, April 17th at the Schuylkill Mall when public libraries in Schuylkill County present Cupcake War. Set-up is at noon and judging and tasting begins at 1 p.m. Bakers from around the state will display their themed cupcakes to be judged for best presentation, best looking, best tasting and the grand prize. All bakers paid an entry fee by the April 1st deadline to participate. Tasters/Judges can register the day of the event to participate. All proceeds go to the public library of their choice. Cost is \$5 to be a taster/judge.

In addition to the Cupcake War, coloring contest winners from the local libraries will be judged to determine who will win the "County Wide Cupcake Coloring Contest". All prizes are being provided by Schuylkill Mall and its merchants. Leftover cupcakes will be sold at the end of the event with the proceeds going to the participating libraries. Bring your sweet tooth for an enjoyable afternoon of fun!

Summer Reading Clubs

The 2016 Summer Reading Club Kicks off on Monday, June 6th. The themes this year are **On Your Mark, Get Set, Read and Get in the Game. Read.** They're about all the fun physical activities you can do at the library, and how they tie into reading.



Children ages 3 to 5 can participate in the **Read to Me** program where they can get prizes for completing reading logs with their parents or a caregiver.

School-age participants keep track of how much they read using a reading log, and get a prize for each section they complete. They can also enter to win one of three grand prizes: \$50 gift card for Barnes and Noble, \$50 in books of their choice, or \$50 in ride tickets from Knoebels Amusement Park.

Registration for the reading club begins June 6th. Registration forms will be available by the Children's Librarian's desk.

A featured program over the summer is Family Night on Thursdays at 6 PM. These programs are geared for school-age children but younger siblings are welcome. Sessions include special guest presenters, parties, and special activities. You can pick up a flier at the Library click on the "[What's Happening in the Kids Room](#)" link on the library's web site for a list of all programming.

Saturdays with Sherlock Holmes

You've seen BBC's *Sherlock*, CBS's *Elementary*, and the Robert Downey, Jr. movies, now you can discover the original.

One Saturday a month, *Lodge 341, Vermissa*, a traditional Sherlockian literary society will meet at the Pottsville Library to read and discuss a selection of stories.

Discussions will include Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Victorian culture, why Sherlock Holmes has remained so popular, and how he's influenced later characters and detectives.

The next meetings are on Saturday, April 16th and May 21st from 1 PM to 4 PM.

For more information or to register, the email address is: Julianne221b@gmail.com.



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What's happening in libraries today? They're more about doing than borrowing - more about connecting than simply plugging in. Whether you want to get involved in your community, find a job, start a business, or simply get ahead, your library is the key to opportunity. Libraries are transforming. Visit your library April 10-16 during National Library Week and check us out.



Library Calendar

- *National Library Week—April 10th to 16th*
- *Saturdays with Sherlock—4/16/16 1 PM to 4 PM*
- *Block of Art—4/23/16*
- *Book Sales: Saturday, 4/23/16 9 AM to 1 PM and Monday, 4/4/16, 5/2/16, & 6/6/16 Noon to 2 PM*
- *Pottsville Open Writers—4/9 & 5/14—11 AM*
- *Page Turners—4/28 & 5/26—6 PM*
- *Free Comic Book Day—5/7/16*
- *Saturdays with Sherlock—5/21/16 1 PM to 4 PM*
- *Closed Memorial Day—5/30/16*
- *Summer Reading Club Begins—6/6/16*