## Books 'n Banter

APRIL 2025

McCord Memorial Library 32 W. Main St. North East PA (814) 725-4057 www.mccordlibrary.org



### Friends' of McCord Book Sale

The Friends of the Library Book Sale will be hosted the week of April 7-12 during normal library business hours. Saturday, April 12 will be \$1 bag day. The sale will include a wide variety of used books, audiobooks, puzzles, movies, and more! All items included in the sale are all donations or library discards. The library can only accept cash or check payments. Small bills and change are preferred.

# National Library Week April 6-12, 2025 "Drawn to the Library"

April 7: Right to Read Day April 8: Library Workers Day April 9: National Library Outreach Day April 10: Take Action for Libraries Day

McCord will be hosting Patron Appreciation
Day: **Wed., April 9**. Stop by and pick out a
treat before you leave!



### **Skincare of the Ancient World**

Saturday, May 3 | 10:00-12:00 Co-Cost: \$10

Discover the timeless beauty secrets of the ancients! Join us for an interactive session on ancient skincare rituals, where you'll learn how people from the past protected their skin from the elements. Create your own antioxidant yogurt face mask and Cleopatra-inspired milk bath to take home and pamper yourself the way royalty did!

Open to Ages 17+

## **Upcoming Programs:**

Take and Make Kits

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Teen "Crafternoon"

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7th Annual Poetry Contest

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**Read Across America** 

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**Seed Library** 

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Therapy Dogs & Crafts

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## **Holiday Hours**

Saturday, April 19: Close at 2:00

Monday, April 21: Closed



LIBRARY HOURS
MONDAY—THURSDAY
9:30 - 7:00
CLOSED FRIDAY
SATURDAY 9:00 - 4:00

## **April Take and Make**

Available at the Main Desk.

## April's activity:

Origami



T(w)een "Crafternoon"

Origami

**Saturday, April 5** @ 1:00 **Thursday, April 17** @ 4:00



### **April is National Poetry Month!**

It is time to vote for our poetry contest! Vote for your favorite poem from each of the age categories: 10–15, 16–19, and 20+. The poems and voting ballots are included as an insert to the Books 'n Banter. Votes must be submitted to the front desk or by email by April 30. The winner of each age group will be announced in May's Books 'n Banter and win a prize! A poetry station will be set up in the library with blackout poetry and other poetry crafts available.





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## **Elevate Our Library: A Library Fundraiser**

WHEN: Friday, May 30 | 6:00-8:00 Tickets - \$15 OR 2 for \$25

Join us for an evening of delicious hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and a chance to explore all that McCord has to offer! Enjoy learning about library resources, interactive activities, and learn about the programs that make our library a vital community resource.

We're raising funds to replace our outdated elevator system, which is costly to repair due to unavailable replacement parts. All proceeds will go towards the construction of updating our elevator, set to begin in September, ensuring accessibility for all.

Come for the fun, stay for the cause, and help us elevate our library for generations to come!

Ticket Sales will take place April 10-May 26

## Welcome to the new books list! These books may be placed on hold

#### **Adult Non-Fiction**

- Darling, Peggy Jean: Get a head start on gardening with winter sowing
- Dezenhall, Eric: <u>Wiseguys and the White House: gangsters, presidents, and the deals they made</u>
- Francis, Pope: Hope: the autobiography
- Gates, Bill: Source code: my beginnings
- Hamad, Ruby: White tears brown scars: how white feminism betrays women of color
- Hamilton, Nigel: Lincoln vs. Davis: the war of the presidents
- Hauser, Susan: Wild sugar: the pleasures of making maple syrup
- Lawrence, Paul R.: <u>Veterans benefits for you: get what you deserve</u>
- Leach, Warren: Plants for the winter garden: perennials, grasses, shrubs, and trees to add interest . . .
- Morrison, Toni: <u>The source of self-regard: selected essays, speeches, and meditations</u>
- Oliva, Alejandra: <u>Rivermouth: a chronicle of language, faith, and migration</u>
- Pearl, Matthew: Save our souls: the true story of a castaway family, treachery, and murder
- Perry, Sarah: Sweet nothings: confessions of a candy lover

#### **Adult Fiction**

- Ballard, Falon: <u>Change of heart</u>
- Bennett, S. J.: <u>A death in diamonds</u>
- Davis, Fiona: The stolen queen
- Dunmore, Evie: <u>The gentleman's gambit</u>
- Eckstine, Erin Crosby: Junie
- Finder, Joseph: The oligarch's daughter
- Goodman, Allegra: <u>Isola</u>
- Graudin, Ryan: The enchanted lies of Céleste Artois
- Greaney, Mark: Midnight black
- Hay, Alex: The queen of fives
- Hutton, Taylor: Strike and burn
- Kellerman, Jonathan: <u>Open season</u>
- Kerr, Jakob: Dead money
- McBreen, Heather: Wedding dashers
- Moyes, Jojo: We all live here
- Murray, Victoria: Harlem rhapsody
- O'Donnell, Paraic: The naming of the birds
- Perry, Thomas: <u>Pro bono</u>
- Rose, Lucy: <u>The lamb</u>
- Soffer, Jessica: This is a love story
- Sullivan, Sophie: Can't help falling in love
- Wade, Kevin: <u>Johnny Careless</u>
- Wilkerson, Charmaine: Good dirt
- Yarros, Rebecca: Onyx storm

## **Adult Fiction Large Print**

- Andrews, V. C.: <u>Dreaming of autumn skies</u>
- Brennan, Allison: North of nowhere
- Brown, Rita Mae: Time will tell
- Craft, Susan F.: Love's winding road
- Lynch, Christina: Pony confidential
- Matthews, Mimi: The muse of Maiden Lane
- Palmer, Diana: Lawbreaker
- Trussoni, Danielle: <u>The puzzle box</u>

#### **Non-Print**

#### **Book on CD**

Page, Sally: The secrets of flowers

Pepper, W. A.: One icy night

#### DVD

Wicked, Part I

Slow horses, the complete first season

Slow horses, the complete second season

#### **New-Adult Fiction**

#### **Graphic Novels**

• Vaughan, Brian K.: <u>Saga. volume one</u>

## Children's

#### Blue Dot- Picture Books

- Colombi, Chiara: Rocket beams, lunar dreams
- Commeh, Kobina: <u>Kwesi and Nana Ruby learn</u> to swim
- DeGennaro, Gabriella: <u>I [heart] grandpa with The Very Hungry Caterpillar</u>
- Floca, Brian: Moonshot: the flight of Apollo 11
- Higginson, Sheila Sweeny: <u>Marvel beginnings: my</u> first bedtime storybook
- Jackson, Bea: <u>Lily's dream: a fairy friendship</u>
- Jones, Susan: <u>Grandpa's promise</u>
- Mensah, Bernard: Jollof day
- Parra, John: <u>Growing an artist: the story of a landscaper and his son</u>
- Small, Steve: <u>The hare who wouldn't share</u>
- Takahashi, J. P.: Waiting for Hanami
- Vickers, Elaine: <u>Heartfelt</u>

#### Wonderbook

• Carle, Eric: The Very Hungry Caterpillar 5-Minute Stories

#### Orange Dot - Earliest Chapter

• Elliott, Rebecca: The secret of the lost gold

#### Red Dot- 3rd-5th grade

• George, Jean Craighead: Winter moon

#### **Graphic Novel**

- Battersby, Katherine: <u>Cranky Chicken. 4, The Cranky-verse</u>
- Horner, Doogie: <u>The adventures of Invisible Boy.</u>
   <u>book 2, zeroes to heroes</u>

#### Yellow Dot - 6th & 7th grade

- De la Cruz, Melissa: <u>The super-secret mission to the center of the moon(pie)</u>
- Hautman, Pete: Answers to Dog\_
- Marianayagam, Maria: No purchase necessary
- Ponti, James: London calling



#### **Children's Non-Fiction**

- Burgess, Matthew: <u>As Edward imagined: a</u> <u>story of Edward Gorey in three acts</u>
- Carr, Aaron: Woodpecker
- Dolan, Hannah: How to build everything
- Yasuda, Anita: Tabei: a life in the mountains

#### Vox

• Moening, Kate: Archelon

#### Children's Non-Print

DVD

The wild robot

## **Young Adult**

#### Fiction

- Arnold, Marie: <u>I was told there would be</u> romance
- James, Cassandra: <u>Capitana</u>
- Liang, Ann: <u>I am not Jessica Chen</u>
- Raughley, Sarah: <u>The Queen's spade</u>
- Williams, Kalela: <u>Tangleroot</u>

#### **Graphic Novels**

- Batman: road to no man's land. volume 1
- Batman: war games book one
- Diaz, Dani: <u>Dreamover</u>
- Peyer, Tom: The wrong earth. vol. 1
- Vaughn, Sarah: <u>Alex + Ada. volume 1</u>
- Vaughn, Sarah: <u>Alex + Ada. volume 2</u>

#### To place a book on hold

Call (814)725-4057 to request the item OR

- 1. Go to mccordlibrary.org
- 2. Click catalog
- 3. Log in to the catalog
- 4. Username is your library card barcode #
- 5. Password is last four digits of your phone #
- 6. Search for the book
- 7. Click Place request
- 8. Choose your pickup library
- 9. Click submit request



## Taws & Pages: Reading with Therapy Dogs

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Saturday, April 26 2:00



All Ages Welcome

## **Library Staff Picks**

Sam - <u>The Dutch House</u>, Ann Patchett Heather - <u>The House in the Cerulean</u> Sea, TJ Klune

Loree - <u>Mister Seahorse</u>, Eric Carle
Autymn - <u>My Brain is Different,</u> Monzusu
Sarah - <u>Book Thief</u>, Markus Zusak
Pamela - <u>North Woods</u>, Daniel Mason
Rachel- <u>Argylle</u>, Elly Conway
Alexis- <u>Ugly Love</u>, Collen Hoover



Join us for Graphic Novel Club When: Tuesday, April 8 Time: 4:00-4:30 Where: Upstairs (due to Book Sale)

Join our Graphic Novel Club for tweens, where we dive into awesome graphic novels and share our thoughts with friends. Enjoy snacks and fun discussions about latest reads.

### **April is Autism Awareness Month**

The library's website has a number of resources for parents and individuals who are affected by Autism. Physical resources about Autism can be found in our non-fiction section under 616.85

## **Seed Library**

In honor of Earth Day on April 22, we are passing out seeds for your garden.

Stop by the Main Desk and select a packet of seeds to help start your summer garden! One packet of seeds is available per person per visit.

Available while supplies last through May 22.

## LEGO Club Monday, April 7

Ages 6-12

Join us every first Monday @ 4:00

## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Ask for a bag and registration form at the main desk.

For each 100 books you read, receive a sticker and move your name along the tracker wall located downstairs by the elevator. Receive a free book when you reach 1.000 books!

After every 100 books parents or guardians can take a picture by the milestone posters.

## <u>Memorials</u>

March Books purchased from donations in memory of:



## **Shirley Bemiss**

#### By

North East Investment Club

Mayer, Holly A.: Women waging war in the American Revolution

### **Betty Eades Kimmy**

Mary Lou Wittman

Jenoff, Pam: Last twilight in Paris

#### Linda A. Ostrander

### By

Neighbors from Vineyard Park Sub Division

Beaton, M.C.: Death of a smuggler

Memorials, Endowments, and Tributes honor family members and friends \*\*If your employer makes matching donations, be sure to note that on the form.\*\*

Memorial brochures are available at the library or by calling: (814) 725-4057.



## **Dial-A-Story**

New story every week!

## **April Stories:**

4/6- Max's chocolate chicken 4/13- Pick a perfect egg 4/20- Patience, Miyuki 4/27- <u>I quit</u>

## What is Dial-A-Story?

Dial-a-Story is a library program that is available 24/7! Call 814-347-8318 to hear a story read to you. Stories are available in English and Spanish. English stories change weekly and the Spanish story changes monthly. Call as many times as you want!



Join our Read Across America Challenge and explore books set in all 50 states! This self-paced challenge is open to adults (18+) and teens (12-17). Register at the Main Desk to get your progress tracker and a suggested reading list. Each book you read counts as an entry for the grand prize—a \$50 gift card for one winner in each age group! Read all year and return your progress tracker in December. Start reading today and you might be our next lucky winner!



## Spring Word Search

### Word Bank

April Bird Bunny Butterflies Chick Daffodil Earth Easter Egg Garden Insects Nest Rainbow Seeds Soil Umbrella

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## **APRIL 2025 EVENTS & ACTIVITES**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Preschool: <b>11:00-11:30</b>	Preschool: <b>11:00-11:30</b>	Toddler: <b>11:00-11:30</b>		
!		11:00 Story and Activity The Very Hungry Caterpillar	2 11:00 Story and Activity Flutter By FOL: 3:00	3 11:00 Story and Activity Butterflies	4 CLOSED	5 <b>1:00</b> Teen "Crafternoon"
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	Friends of the Library Book Sale					Book
	National Library Week			CLOSED	<b>Sale</b> : \$1 Bag	
	<b>4:00</b> Lego Club Ages 6-12 upstairs!	<b>4:00</b> Graphic Novel Club <i>upstairs!</i>	Patron Appreciation Day Stop by for a treat			Day
	No Story Time					
13	14	15	16	17 11:00	18	19
	<b>9:30</b> Book Sale	11:00 All Ages Story and Activity	<b>11:00 All Ages</b> Craft Day	Story and Craft	CLOSED	CLOSE AT 2:00
	Clean up	Environmental Program	BOD 3:00	<b>4:00</b> Teen "Crafternoon"		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	HAPPY EASTER	<b>11:00</b> Story and Activity I Love Earth	11:00 Story and Activity <i>Dragons</i>	<b>11:00</b> Story and Activity <i>Dragons</i>	CLOSED	2:00 All Ages Therapy Dogs and Crafts
27	28	29 11:00 Story and Activity Once Upon A Time	30 11:00 Story and Activity Once Upon A Time	Story time: Includes a story & activity or craft  • Free to attend, no preregistration required  • Adult must stay with child		

#### **Teen Activities:**

- Take and Make kits for April are available at the front desk!
- Join us for our "Crafternoon" activities. We will be making Origami