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NOVELS, NEWS, AND NOTES

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Summer Fun with Reading Program (SFRP) 2026: Words and Wonders!

WIN BIG with Reading Challenges for ALL Ages

Get a reading log at the library. Record every book you read or have read to you starting June 1. Earn a chance to win for EVERY book when you bring your log back!

Prizes include gift certificates and passes to Becky's Drive-In, Shankweiler's Drive-In, the Book Nook, Gap Diner, North Summit Climbing Gym, the PA Shakespeare Festival, Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm, Sparkle Car Wash, and Weona Park's carousel and mini golf, plus art and craft supplies, handmade children's quilts, stuffed animals, an inflatable bowling set - and MORE!

Different prizes will be offered during each phase:

Phase 1: Mon., June 1-Sat., June 13
Phase 2: Sun., June 14-Sat., July 18
Phase 3: Sun., July 19-Sat., August 22

Readers' Raffle for ALL Ages June 1-August 31

Every time you use your library card, earn a chance to win a gift certificate for a large pizza from an area business. Winners will be randomly selected from entries at the end of June, July, and August.



"Two Stories and a Craft" Storytime for Ages 3-6

Thurs., June 11, July 16, Aug. 13 at 10am
Registration required, with a deadline of noon on the Mon. prior to each program.

"Books and Bedtime" Storytime for Ages 3-6

Thurs., June 25, July 30, Aug. 27 at 7pm
No registration required. Wear your coziest pajamas!

Six Special Programs at the Parks

Ages 4-9 are invited to attend these fun and educational outdoor programs at our municipal parks! Rain or shine. Registration required, with a deadline of noon on the Fri. prior to each program.
- Wed., June 10 and 24 at 10:30am at Plainfield Township Municipal Park at 6292 Sullivan Tr., behind the municipal building (see back of pg.)

- Wed., July 8 and 22 at 10:30am at Wind Gap Park at 334 S. Lehigh Ave.
- Wed., Aug. 5 and 19 at 10:30am at Weona Park at the intersection of Route 512 and S. Main St.
Call 610-863-3029 or email info@bmcl.org to register for the programs.

What else is happening at the library?

Half-price Book Nook sale!

From June 22-27, during all regular library hours, all items will be half-price. Please note that the Book Nook is located on the second floor.

Hygiene bank

Give what you can and take what you need.

Scavenger hunt for children

There's a new one for June (summertime-themed) in the children's room AND young adult fiction room. Happy searching!

Book group for adults

June 9 - A Marriage at Sea by Sophie Elmhirst
The group meets at 6:30pm. Email info@bmcl.org to register.
Future picks:
July 14 - Theo of Golden by Allen Levi
Aug. 11 - The Correspondent by Virginia Evans
Sept. 8 - The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters
Oct. 13 - The Secret Book Society by Madeline Martin

Board meeting

Tues., June 23 at 6:30pm



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Support BMCL while enjoying delicious homemade pie and ice cream while listening to *Joyous* at "Summer Sounds" at Weona Park on June 28 at 6pm.

Thank you to our 2026 sponsors:

- CJ's Heating & Cooling
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- Gaffney Parsons Funeral Home
- Hoch Accounting
- Sabatino Insurance Agency
- State Farm (Debbie Pettinari)

Please utilize the services of these generous community partners!

We have too many new items to list them all here...so we'll highlight just a few!

Adult fiction:

- The Devil's Daughter (Danielle Steel)
- The Calamity Club (Kathryn Stockett)
- Hope Rises (David Baldacci)
- Lady Tremaine (Rachel Hocchauer)

Adult nonfiction:

- True Crime (Patricia Cornwell)

Large print nonfiction:

- Be Ready When the Luck Happens (Ina Garten)

YA fiction:

- The Witches [graphic novel] (Roald Dahl)

YA nonfiction:

- Forest Craft (Richard Irvine)

Juvenile fiction:

- Giraffe Problems (Jory John)
- The Curious Case of the Missing Mammoth (Ellie Hattie)
- Pokemon Legendary Nightmare [graphic novel] (Meredit Rusu)

Juvenile nonfiction:

- Wonders of Our World (Carron Brown)

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Nazareth Borough Memorial Day Service

By State Rep. Joe Emrick

On Memorial Day, I attended the Nazareth Borough Memorial Day Service and got the chance to hear former U.S. Marine J.R. Rubio provide the keynote address. It was a powerful message about his personal experience serving our country and what Memorial Day means to him.

Additionally, Eagle Scout and graduating Nazareth High School senior Brody Muthard delivered the Gettysburg Address as part of the service.



Jonathan Bright and Michael Lucas of Troop 76 Earn Eagle Scout Rank

By State Rep. Joe Emrick

This week, I had the honor to meet with Jonathan Bright and Michael Lucas, both Boy Scouts with Troop 76, in advance of their Eagle Scout Court of Honor that will be held this weekend.

Jonathan, his mother Julie, Michael and his mother Lori visited my district office where I presented the two scouts with Pennsylvania House of Representatives citations acknowledging their accomplishments.

For his service project, Jonathan built an additional pergola for the Jacobsburg Historical Society. Michael created a grill area - including the installation of pavers, a firepit, two benches and two planters - for the Bethlehem Township Volunteer Fire company for his service project.

Jonathan and Michael represent the spirit and essence of what it means to be a Boy Scout, and I extend my warmest wishes for their future success.