

THE BOOKMARK



CENTRE COUNTY LIBRARY & HISTORICAL MUSEUM'S
NEWS, EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

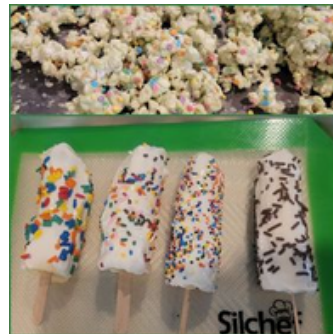
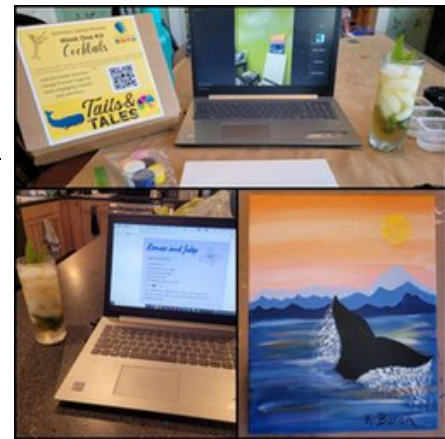
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HAVE YOU SIGNED UP?

If you haven't signed up for the Summer Library Pursuit, you're missing out on fun and the opportunity to win great end-of-summer prizes! There is still time to register, and you can catch up on what you've missed by visiting our [Summer Library Pursuit webpage](#).

The Summer Library Pursuit includes activities for all ages and is designed for in-person or online participation (or a combination of the two!).

As the program continues, we'd love to see your creations. Share your photos with us on our [Facebook page](#) or [email](#) them to us. We can't wait to see what you create.



INTRODUCING JACOB JEFFCOAT



When the Bookmobile returns to the road later this summer, there will be a new friendly face behind the wheel. We're excited to introduce Jacob Jeffcoat, our new Bookmobile Librarian!

Jacob is a recent Penn State graduate and is originally from the Gettysburg area. He is looking forward to bringing some new ideas to his Bookmobile patrons to make our Bookmobile even more useful and dynamic. Check out the last page of this newsletter to see Jacob's answers to some fun questions.

NEW ACCESSIBILITY TOOLS FOR PENNSYLVANIANS



The Free Library of Philadelphia, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, and The Pennsylvania Office of Commonwealth Libraries, along with guidance from Wall-to-Wall Studios is excited to announce a new central location for library patrons in Pennsylvania.

The **Library of Accessible Media for Pennsylvanians** (LAMP) offers people who cannot access the printed word a way to restore their love of reading by shipping - for free - materials in accessible formats like braille, audio, described movies, and large print directly to patrons across Pennsylvania. In addition to physical content, LAMP also provides digital access to downloadable audio or braille to hundreds of thousands of titles. If you cannot read standard print due to blindness, a

visual disability, or because you can't hold a book or turn pages or, if you have a reading disability such as dyslexia - then this service is for you.

To learn more about LAMP or to apply for services visit their [website](#).

HIDDEN HAPPY VALLEY

What if you could take a ten-minute journey back in time, open a window into local life, and glimpse a sense of community from the past with no limitations except your own time and imagination?

That's what a new historical video series, Hidden Happy Valley, which [premiered](#) on June 26, aims to offer thanks to a collaboration between several local organizations.

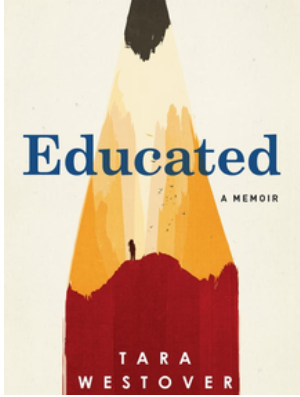


Our team at Centre County Library & Historical Museum has teamed up with Schlow Centre Region Library, the Happy Valley Adventure Bureau, and Local Historia to offer the free series of short, virtual experiences that focus on the lesser known history behind favorite spots across the region. Part tour, part lecture, Hidden Happy Valley will be released on our [YouTube Channel](#) one episode per month in June, July, and August.

Local historians Matt Maris and Dustin Elder moderate each episode on location from special spots in Philipsburg, Boalsburg, and Howard. Each video offers a ten-minute guided tour showcasing places and spaces filled with history and spotlighting Centre County life in a unique way. The collaborating organizations have decided to keep specifics about each "community gem" featured in the series a surprise until the videos are released.

Watch the Hidden Happy Valley [trailer](#), connect to the series on [YouTube](#), and then head out for fun and adventure by visiting each location in person. Episode 2 premieres July 24, and the final episode will be released August 28 on each organization's YouTube Channel.

VIRTUAL BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



The Virtual Book Discussion Group will meet via Zoom on Wednesday, July 21, at 6:30pm. This month's book is [Educated: A Memoir](#) by Tara Westover.

Space is limited, so [RSVP](#) to attend. Participants who are part of the [Summer Library Pursuit](#) can earn a raffle ticket for attending the discussion.

ADELE UPDATE

Adele is 8 months old and weighs about 700 pounds. She is eating delicious grain, hay, and TMR (Total Mixed Ration) and continues to live with her herdmates in their pen. When she is two years old, she will give birth to her own calf and join the milking herd just like her mom!

If you haven't yet seen the [virtual tour](#) of the farm where Adele lives, join Farmer Katie as she shows you around.



"MEET N' TREAT" WITH THE TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS



If you've thought about signing up for the Tail Waggin' Tutors program, plan to join us for a "Meet n' Treat" on August 15 at 3pm. You will have a chance to meet our Tail Waggin' Tutors, Connor and Faolin, learn more about this fun and educational program, and have the opportunity to sign up. Please check the next issue of *The Bookmark* for more information.

FILM DISCUSSION GROUP

There are three opportunities to join a film discussion in July. To take part in the discussion, watch the movie on your preferred platform and [RSVP](#) to receive a link to the virtual discussion. Click on the images to find out more about the movies.

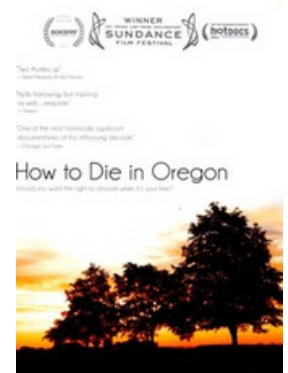
July 2
1 pm
**"The Best
Years of Our
Lives**



July 9
1 pm
Babe



July 16
1 pm
**How to Die in
Oregon**



NATURE NARRATIVES BOOK GROUP

Introducing a book club about nature where the discussions happen in nature. Led by Pennsylvania Master Naturalist Beth Clark, the club will read four books each year and meet outdoors to discuss each book while enjoying a related outdoor activity. Join us!



July - September 2021

**The Curious Naturalist:
Nature's Everyday
Mysteries**

Sy Montgomery

October - December 2021

**Bringing Nature Home:
How You Can Sustain
Wildlife with Native Plants**

Douglas W. Tallamy

January - March 2022

**The Thing with Feathers:
The Surprising Lives of
Birds and What They
Reveal About Being Human**

Noah Stricker

April - June 2022

**The Unlikely Thru-Hiker:
An Appalachian Trail
Journey**

Derick Lugo

For more information, email Beth Clark at naturenarrativesbookclub@gmail.com or visit the **Nature Narratives Book Club** on Facebook.



SCAN ME

FOURTH OF JULY

All locations will be closed in observance of the Fourth of July on Saturday, July 3, and Monday, July 5. We will resume normal operating hours on Tuesday, July 6. Our virtual branch is open 24/7 at CentreCountyLibrary.org.



Getting to know JACOB JEFFCOAT



- If Hollywood made a movie about your life, whom would you like to see play the lead role as you? Probably Jack Black. I feel we have a similar sense of how awesome and fun the world can be. He'd display my glee pretty well.
- What is the last book that you read? I've been reading a Fantasy Novel called *The Black Prism* by Brent Weeks. After being forced to read so many books in college, this has been a nice reintroduction to my true literary interests!
- What skill would you like to master? Despite my want to be a writer, I would love to be able to draw/paint! So much imagery passes through my mind, but I don't have the skill to put any of it on display.
- What fad or trend do you hope comes back? I really hope 60's-70's fashion comes back. It's all so colorful and fun looking. The Hippie trend would be especially fun to return to. The shirts and dresses seem so comfy.
- If you could compare yourself with any animal, which would it be and why? I'm constantly compared to a dog and I'd have to agree. I'm too affectionate for my own good and I love to beg for food. If I had a tail, it'd probably be constantly wagging.
- Before driving the Bookmobile, what was the largest vehicle you had driven? My father's Chevy Silverado was the biggest thing I had ever driven and it terrified me the first few times I had to drive it. Compared to the Bookmobile however, it's a dinky little truck.
- What is the best perk you ever had at a job? When I worked at Adidas years ago, I got a free pair of shoes every 3-4 months. I could pick any pair I wanted and it was a pretty awesome deal, but it was nothing compared to free books every day at the library!
- What is your go-to karaoke song? There are so many! But I'd have to say *Mamma Mia* by ABBA is always a fun one to sing with friends and random crowds.
- What mythical creature do you think is the most likely to be real: Big Foot, the Loch Ness Monster, or Zombies? Out of these, I have to say the Loch Ness Monster. This is mostly because the thought of a Giant Dinosaur still swimming around a spooky and deep lake in Scotland is pretty awesome.
- What is the most useful thing you own? Never underestimate the power of nail clippers. Besides their obvious use, they're makeshift scissors when you can't find your pair, pliers to get a splinter out if you're careful enough, and even the base of a rubber band slingshot when the need calls for it.