THE BOOKMARK

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

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INTRODUCING KATHLEEN EDWARDS

Centre Hall patrons may have noticed that there is a new face behind the Circulation Desk: we're happy to introduce Kathleen Edwards as the new Branch Manager.

Born and raised in Mifflin County, Kathleen went to Albright College (Reading, PA), where she earned degrees in English and Fashion Design. Kathleen may look familiar because she previously worked at Centre County Library in Bellefonte as a Library Assistant and Youth Programmer. Before coming to the library in Centre Hall, she worked as a Shows and Education Coordinator at the American Philatelic Society.

Kathleen lives in Bellefonte with her husband, son, a dog, and a cat. Visit the last page of the newsletter for some fun facts about Kathleen.



BRANCHES RECEIVE BRONZE STAR STATUS



Centre County Library & Historical Museum is excited to participate in the PA Forward Star Library Program. Created by the Pennsylvania Library Association (PaLA), the Star Library Program encourages libraries to use literacies to help build engaged, educated, and aware citizens who are involved with their communities.

As work begins toward silver status, take notice of how each of the five literacies are highlighted in programs and displays.

To learn more about PA Forward click here.

INTRODUCING BOOK BUNDLES

If you've ever struggled with what you would like to read next, the library has a solution for that problem.

The Book Bundle Club is a monthly program where staff chooses three books for you in a chosen genre(s). Clubs are available for children, teens, and adults.



To participate, simply fill out a form with a few simple questions. Your request will be filled within a week, and you will be emailed when your books are ready for pickup.

To join the Book Bundle Club, visit our <u>website</u> home page and click on the tile for your club (Junior, Teen, or just "Book Bundle" for adults).

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

The Board of Trustees meets monthly to discuss the important business of the library. Meetings are open to the public, and the minutes are available on our <u>website</u> The Board meets via Zoom on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30pm.



There is currently a board vacancy. If you would like to learn more about serving on the Board of Trustees, contact Executive Director Denise Sticha via <u>email</u>.



INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICES RESUME

One of the first changes made at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic was the interruption of Interlibrary Loan (ILL) service. This service resumed on March 29th, which is good news for patrons looking for items not in our catalog.

Although ILL has resumed, there are a few temporary tweaks to this service: First, patrons will only be allowed to request two ILL items at any one time. Second, staff can only request items from Pennsylvania libraries, meaning that some items that you request may not be available. We hope to resume out-of-state ILL in the future.

A reminder, ILL requests can only be placed for items that: 1) Are not currently owned by a Centre County Federation of Public Libraries location, and 2) Have been published for at least six months at the time of the request.

Centre County Library & Historical Museum patrons can submit an Interlibrary Loan request via our <u>website</u>.

HOME INTERNET ACCESS FOR PATRONS

Portable Wi-Fi HotSpots are now available for check out.



A HotSpot is a device that provides wireless internet to your cell phone, tablet or computer. It can be used to create a Wi-Fi zone for up to 16 devices. The HotSpot

can also be used as a power bank to charge your cell phone or tablet. Our hotspots can be used anywhere there is T-Mobile coverage.

Patrons in good standing may check out a HotSpot for free for a period of six (6) weeks. While you can reserve a HotSpot, they cannot be renewed. To borrow, visit your branch's Circulation Desk.

Centre County Library & Historical Museum is able to lend HotSpots because of generous support from the Centre Foundation.

YOUNG AUTHOR CONTEST DEADLINE APPROACHING



First through Sixth graders in Centre County can submit stories of their own creation to the Young Author and illustrator Contest.

Make sure to digitally submit your story to

youngauthor@centrecountylibrary.org or mail to 200 North Allegheny Street Bellefonte, PA 16823 by April 16th.

For contest guidelines and required documents, visit our <u>website.</u>

Getting to know KATHLEEN EDWARDS

- What's the first book you remember reading? Hop on Pop and Go Dog Go by Dr. Seuss. I liked to read them to my little sister!
- Who's your all-time favorite book character? Anne Shirley from Anne of Green Gables
- Are there any books you could read over and over again and never be bored by? Any Jane Austen novel!
- What 3 famous people, living or dead, would you want at your fantasy dinner party? Jane Austen, Audrey Hepburn and Mindy Kaling
- What is your proudest accomplishment? In 2015, I read over 120 books in one year!
- What would you sing at karaoke night? "Wannabe" by the Spice Girls
- Is there anything you wished would come back into fashion? Smaller cell phones- WHY do they keep getting bigger?!
- What's the most interesting thing you can see out of your office or kitchen window? Nothing of note, sorry!
- What's a great book you've read recently? What Kind of Woman: Poems by Kate Baer.
- What is your favorite movie quote? "People who love to eat are always the best people." - Julia Child





Did you know that 45% of U.S. adults give themselves a grade of C, D or F on their personal finance knowledge? Join us on social media during April to find tips on becoming more financially savvy.

COMING SOON

- Centre Gives 2021
- Tails and Tales: Summer Library Pursuit 2021