Social News

Bradford County Library

The Bradford County Library presents Celia Clement discussing her book at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8, via Zoom.

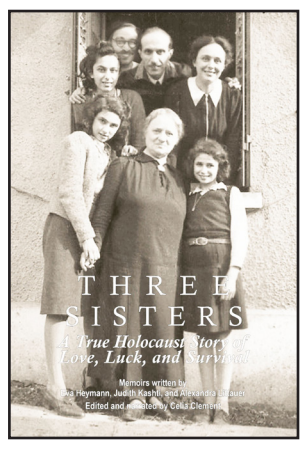
November 1938 begins the four-year ordeal of the seven member Kroch family who endure unfathomable conditions in their fight for survival: imprisonment in French internment camps, hiding in a tiny tool shed, and adapting to the deplorable conditions of a Nazi prison.

The memoirs of Alexandra, age 11, and her sisters, 15-year-old Eva and 14-year- old Judith, interweave as they recount the true story of their escape from the Nazis. Leaving behind their life of luxury, the girls describe unimaginable hunger, deprivation and fear. Family love, music, and the close friendship of strangers are the essential ingredients that sustain them through the hardships they face at every step. Two factors ultimately saved them: rescuers and enormous luck.

This story of resiliency and courage will inspire and uplift. By reading Three Sisters, a testament to the human spirit, you will bear witness, and in so doing, keep the memories of the Holocaust alive.

Celia Clement received her BA from Cornell in 1977 and graduated in 1980 from Columbia University with a Masters in Social Work. Since 1985 she has worked for the Ithaca City School District as a school social worker and is recently retired.

Celia has been working in the field of bully prevention and intervention for over 30 years. She has developed several programs for elementary, middle and high schools that help to change school



cultures. She has presented bullying awareness training to students to every grade. She has also offered workshops addressing bullying and cyber bullying to community groups, parent groups, day care and school staff.

Both of Celia's parents are Holocaust survivors. Her father escaped from Germany and was raised by a family in England. Her mother is one of the three sisters in the memoir about their escape from the Holocaust. Celia sees many connections between the work she does in bullying prevention, and her book about the Holocaust, which she hopes will inform people about the consequences of not standing up to hate.

She lives in an 1830s farmhouse in Ithaca New York with her husband, one cat, and a very small dog. She and her husband have raised three children.

Celia, with some friends, started a group for children of Holocaust survivors. More than 70 people in the small city of Ithaca have joined this group which is on hold at the moment due to Covid.

This program is free and open to the public. Please contact the Library at (570) 297-2436 or bclibrary@bradfordco.org for Zoom login information.

Blossburg Memorial Library

Come visit the Blossburg Memorial Library during our Smalltown Christmas Open House on Saturday, Nov. 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stop by to say hi, warm up, and have some homemade cookies! There will be door prizes, giveaways, contests, coloring activities and free books for all kids who visit. Get your Basket Raffle tickets while you're visiting and see all the prizes on display! Learn about what the library has to offer and what the Friends of the Library do to support the library. Held upstairs in the library, this event is hosted and sponsored by the Friends of the Blossburg Memorial Library. All ages are welcome and we will offer normal library services during the event, as well.

Support the library by buying tickets for our fabulous November Basket Raffle! We have 30 baskets on display at the library and on Facebook through the entire month of November (plus, we have tickets for a quilt raffle too). Tickets are only $1 and your chances can go on whichever baskets you like! Thanks to all the businesses and individuals who donated baskets – check on our Facebook page to see who all the donors are and be sure to thank them for supporting the library! Tickets must be purchased by November 30th at the library, from a Friend of the library, or from library staff.

November's Book Club book is, "Educated," a memoir by Tara Westover. Stop by the library to borrow a copy of this book. We will be discussing it on Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 4 p.m. in the library's Community Room. Feel free to stop by even if you haven't read the book.

Do you love the library? We're currently looking for additional volunteers to help us out! Stop in, e-mail or call for more information about any of our initiatives: blosslibcirculation@gmail.com or 570-638-2197.

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Green Free Library

Preschool Learning Time continues on Facebook this week with Thanksgiving as our theme.

Memorials have been received in memory of Katherine Lepper from Dee-Dee Brown.

Please note that the library will be open Friday, November 19th from 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM only.

New Items have recently been added to the library in our Juvenile and Young Adult sections.

YOUNG ADULT:

The Hawthorne Legacy by Jennifer Barnes

The Shadowed Castle by Jennifer Nielsen

A Spindle Splintered by Alix Harrow

The Betrayed by Kiera Cass

The Betrothed by Kiera Cass

Enola Holmes and the Black Barouche by Nancy Springer

JUVENILE FICTION:

The Christmas Pig by JK Rowling

Eva's New Pet by Rebecca Elliott

Everybody in the Red Brick Building by Anne Wynter

Forty Winks: A Bedtime Adventure by Kelly DiPucchio

Franz-Ferdinand The Dancing Walrus by Marcus Pfiester

Gladys the Magic Chicken by Adam Rubin

Goldilocks and the Three Engineers by Sue Fliess

Grandude's Green Submarine by Paul McCartney

Grumpy Monkey Oh, No! Christmas by Suzanne Lang

Guess What? By Mo Willems

Home Alone by Barbara Nascimbeni

A House by Kevin Henkes

How Do Dinosaurs say Goodbye by Jane Yolen

We give Thanks: A picture Book by Cynthia Rylant

JUVENILE NON-FICTION:

Gizmos, Gadgets and Guitars: The Story of Leo Fender by Michael Mahin

If you Lived During the Plimoth Thanksgiving by Christopher Newell

The Leather Apron Club: Benjamin Franklin, His son Billy and America's First Circulating Library

Playing at the Border: A Story of Yo-Yo Ma by Joanna Ho

This is Your World: The Story of Bob Ross by Sophia M. Gholz

Unbound: The Life and Art of Judith Scott

What's in Your Pocket: Collecting Nature's Treasures by Heather Montgomery

These and many others have been added to our collection. Check us out at: Cantonlibrary.org

Allen F. Pierce Library

Thanksgiving Day approaches! Are libraries among the things we should be grateful for? American novelist Anne Lamott considered the question and concluded:

"…for some of us, books are as important as anything else on earth. What a miracle it is that out of these small, flat, rigid pieces of paper unfolds world after world, worlds that sing to you, comfort and quiet you or excite you. Books help us understand who we are and how we are to behave. They show us what community and friendship mean; they show us how to live and die. They are full of the things that you don't get in life…wonderful, lyrical language, for instance. And quality of attention: we may notice amazing details during the course of a day but we rarely let ourselves stop and really pay attention. An author makes you notice, makes you pay attention and this is a great gift. My gratitude for good writing is unbounded; I'm grateful for it the way I'm grateful for the ocean."

New reads are definitely on my list of things to be thankful for! Here are the latest books we've added to our shelves for you to enjoy:

Hellmira: About Elmira, NY's infamous Union Civil War Prison Camp. By James Patterson

The Boys: A memoir of Hollywood and family. By Ron Howard

The President's Daughter: A past president must defended his family as staunchly as he has his country. By Bill Clinton & James Patterson

Journey to Joy: Book 18 in the Bregdan Chronicles, historical fiction romance, March - August 1872. By Ginny Dye

The Judge's List: Investigator Lacy Stoltz follows the trail of a serial killer, and closes in on a shocking suspect—a sitting judge. By John Grisham

The Wish: A novel about the enduring legacy of first love, and the decisions that haunt us forever. By Nicholas Sparks

The Lost Boys of Montauk: The true story of four men who vanished at sea, and those they left behind. By Amanda Fairbanks

The Nine: The true story of a band of women who survived the worst of Nazi Germany. By Gwen Strauss

Enemy at the Gates: Mitch Rapp, the CIA's top operative, searches for a high-level mole with the power to rewrite the world order. By Kyle Mills

Foul Play: Stone Barrington stumbles into trouble. A new client is in danger—and both business and the safety of the city are at stake. By Stuart Woods

On Animals: Stories that consider our pets, the animals we raise to eat, the creatures who could eat us, and the other animals who are central to our life. By Susan Orlean

Sinatra and me: in the wee small hours: An intimate, revealing portrait of Frank Sinatra—from the man closest to the famous singer during the last decade of his life. By Tony Oppedisano

Jewel of the Nile: Whispered secrets about her parents' past take on new urgency for Chariline as she pays a visit to the land of her forefathers, the ancient kingdom of Cush. By Tessa Afshar

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Soup event is Friday, Nov. 26

Thanks to the partnership between Energy Transfer and Canton Church of Christ, Disciples of Christ, they are doing just that. On Friday, Nov. 26, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. quarts of soup will be available for pick up at 170 N Minnequa Ave, Canton.

"It is our pleasure, honor, and passion to serve and feed our community with God's Word as well as food. God has blessed this endeavor and brought to us those from Energy Transfer who, not only donate for this cause to be what it is today, but also give of their time to help chop, cook, and give out the soup. Soup seems like such a small thing, but if we can give someone piece of mind and rest within their day, then a small portion of soup becomes a major blessing, both in our lives and the lives of those who are nourished by it," said Pastor Nancy Beahm.

Your choices will be Hamburger Vegetable, Chicken & Rice, or Chili. A roll and dessert will be provided along with the soup.

There will be drive-up service in front of the church, or you may come inside for larger orders.

Marilyn Gibble, chairperson of Feed My Lambs ministry, says "It is our heartfelt desire to nourish people physically and spiritually because of our love for the Lord. Jesus told Peter to feed his lambs, and that command is for us too because we are His."

If special arrangements are requested, please call the church at 570-673-5796 for consideration.

The Lighthouse by Jim Lewis

Many of us are concerned about the direction that our country seems to be going. No matter what our political ideology, we cannot deny that the national debt is enormous and growing, and we are continuing in a downward spiral of moral degradation. Certainly, a changing and developing world has been part of this process, but I believe that the majority of our problems have been self-imposed. Do you? I think that we have forgotten what, (actually, who) has made us the most prosperous, successful and benevolent nation in the history of the world.

When President Obama was in office, he announced to the world that The United States was, "no longer a Christian nation." Sadly, in many respects, he was right. The vast majority of our founding fathers were people of faith. They not only acknowledged a creator and Jesus, but also relied on Him and His word in their decision making. For example, the preamble of The Declaration of Independence states: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Prayer was held regularly before debate on forming our constitution and also prior to sessions of congress. Most, if not all of our Federal buildings have the acknowledgement of God, and His laws and wisdom inscribed on them.

Many Americans are not aware of this God or His laws and some people want all of these references removed from the public domain. Modern thinking claims that there are, "other truths" of equal value and the intent of our constitution is being questioned and misrepresented. Well, even Benjamin Franklin, considered among the least religious of the founding fathers said this, "God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? We have been assured in the sacred writings that except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain those that build it. I firmly believe this. I also believe that without His concurring aid, we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel." Read THAT again and remember it when someone tries to tell you that our nation wasn't founded with God and His principles. Even more importantly, have we lost His concurring aid as a result of our faithlessness? Will we? Something to think about…

Perhaps you have heard this one: A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach on sin and lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you to read Mark, chapter 17." The following Sunday, as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark 17. Every hand went up. The minister smiled and said, "Mark has only 16 chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on sin and lying."

Lighthouse of Faith, 141 E. Main St. Canton. Each Sunday, adult lessons start at 9:30 a.m. followed by the worship service at 10:30 (also on Facebook live-Lighthouse of Faith Canton). It's friendly and free. Until next time, look up and smile!

Ralston News by Kathy Austin

Hi All, just want to remind you all about the Ralston United Method Church Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 20, from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. come out and maybe get an Xmas gift. Not sure what all will be for sale but I do know Josh's Creations will be having a few items.

A couple of the Ralston fire members attended the Canton Fire Banquet last weekend it was very nice and some deserving people got awards.

The fire company would like to thank everyone who make the Saturday Bingo's a success. There will be none in December.

The town Xmas party will be in December will have more information later.

Have a great weekend and week.