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Mission of Love Food Hub
Every Tuesday- Located at 555 North Main St., Bangor, 8am-11pm. All are invited.
Dr. Pastor Frank Pons.
(570) 807-7794

Explore Warren County Tourism at: Explore-Warren.org
Located at 165 County Route 519 South - Belvidere, NJ 07823
908-475-6580 / 800-554-8540

Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Bank
Located at 111 State St. Portland Pa. are open every Monday
8:30am-11:30am

Biking
Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area - River Road Bushkill, PA (570) 426-2452 Levee Loop Trail - Biking East Stroudsburg, PA (570) 426-1512 info@srosrc.org

BIKE TRAIN
ALL ABOARD THE SCENIC BIKE TRAIN!
Hop on the Bike Train and step back in time. Enjoy a relaxing 25 mile train ride through the Lehigh Gorge. Then, pedal your bike back down to Jim Thorpe at your own pace along the Lehigh Gorge Rail Trail.
Advance Tickets/reservations Are Required For The Bike Train And Can Be Made By Calling The Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad (Aka Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway) Directly At https://poconobiking.com/specialty-trips/bike-train/

Jacobsburg Community Programs for October 2026

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center
Community Programs, October 2026
Family Science Night - Owl Prowl

Friday, October 2, 2026 7pm to 8:30pm

Screeches, hoots, barks, and toots; owls make a variety of fascinating sounds! Join us as we listen for local species of owls such as the Eastern-Screech Owl and the Great Horned Owl. Participants should dress for the weather, be prepared for a short, easy walk, and bring a flashlight. This program is specifically for families with young children. All adults must be accompanied by a child. Registration is required for all family members attending.

Nutty History: Walnuts

Saturday, October 10, 2026 3pm to 4:30pm

Explore the amazing historical uses of the Walnut including natural dyes, industry, and cooking. This program is best suited for ages 8 and up. Registration is required.

Project Learning Tree Explore Your Environment Educator Workshop

Tuesday, October 13, 2026 9am to 2pm

Are you a college student, pre-service teacher, classroom teacher, environmental educator, or homeschool provider seeking lessons and skill-building to engage students (K-8) in nature? Dive into environmental education activities, receive an Explore Your Environment Activity Guide with 50 field-tested lessons, experience a sampling of activities from the guide, and learn tips and tricks for working with students outdoors. This workshop will be co-led by professional educators. Bring a lunch and dress for outdoor fun! Attendees will be eligible to receive four and a half (4.5) act 48 hours. There is a $25 registration fee to attend this workshop.

Bird Walk for Adults

Wednesday, October 14, 2026 9am to 11am
Join volunteer educator and long-time bird enthusiast Dan Z. for a bird identification walk. Participants should be prepared for a moderate hike and be dressed for the weather. Binoculars will be provided. Registration is required.

All About Autumn Hike
Saturday, October 24, 2026 2:30pm to 4:30pm
The tell-tale signs of autumn are all around! Join us as we learn about wildflowers, colorful leaves, migrating birds and other signs of the advancing season. Be prepared for a moderate hike that may involve muddy slopes and uphill climbs. Please bring binoculars, a camera, water and a snack, and wear sturdy shoes. Registration is required.

Who Gives a Hoot?
Saturday, October 24, 2026 7pm to 8:30pm
Screeches, hoots, barks, and toots; owls make a variety of fascinating sounds! Join us as we listen for local species of owls such as the Eastern-Screech Owl and the Great Horned Owl. This program is best for ages 8 and up. Participants should dress for the weather, be prepared for a short, easy walk, and bring a flashlight. Registration is required.

Project FeederWatch Citizen Science and Monitor Training
Friday, October 30, 2026 10am to 12pm
Love birds and want to contribute to science? Project FeederWatch turns your love of feeding birds into scientific discoveries. We'll have a special presentation from volunteer Dan Z. on how to identify common feeder birds. Participants will learn how to contribute to Project FeederWatch and be presented with the opportunity to become FeederWatch monitors at Jacobsburg or in their own homes! Attending this program is required if you plan to participate in Project FeederWatch Monitoring at Jacobsburg and have not attended a training in previous years. Project FeederWatch Monitoring will take place on Thursdays and/or Fridays: Dec 3-4, 17-18, 31-Jan 1, Jan 14-15, 28-29, Feb 11-12, 25-26, Mar 11-12, & 25-26. Registration is required.

Fishing Equipment Available
When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 3:30pm
Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth
Borrow fly rods, spinning rods, fly boxes, and tackle to use in Jacobsburg's creeks! To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. Persons age 16 and older must possess a current fishing license to fish. Adults can help children under 16 fish without a license. Bait is not provided. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov.

Discovery Backpacks Available
When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 3:30pm
Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth
Borrow a backpack full of kid-friendly tools to explore Jacobsburg! These backpacks are best for families with young children. Each backpack includes binoculars, notepad, colored pencils, magnifying lens, bug box, dip net, and five field guides for exploring the pond, insects, birds, trees, butterflies and moths. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov.

Blue Mountain Community Library News:
The library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Open hours are Monday-Saturday 10am-12pm and Monday and Thursday 6-8pm. Questions? Call 610-863-3029 or email info@bmcl.org.

Get your ticket now for a special catered luncheon with author Lee Upton on Thurs., Oct. 8 at 12pm at Grace United Methodist Church, 404 E. Mountain Ave., Pen Argyl. Tickets are $15 and available at the library through Sept. 26. Cash or check. Visit www.leeupton.com and check out one of her books!

Fall Preschool Storytime will meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 10:30am: Oct. 7 and 21, Nov. 4 and 18, and Dec. 2 and 16. Participants are required to register for each storytime they plan to attend; send child's name, birthdate, parent/guardian's name, and phone number to info@bmcl.org, or provide this info at the library or via 610-863-3029. Deadline is Monday two days prior to each storytime. Spots are limited.

Participate in our Readers' Raffle; every time you use your library card, get a chance to win a $25 gift certificate to Zanette's Nazareth Grill!

The adult book discussion group next meets on Tues., Oct. 13 at 6:30pm to discuss _The Secret Book Society_ by Madeline Martin. Email info@bmcl.org to RSVP.

Dine at The Slate Pub on Tues., Oct. 27, and a portion of your bill will go to the library.

New to the circulating collection:
Adult fiction:
- A Founding Mother (Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie)
- The Last Mandarin (Louise Penny and Mellissa Fung)
- The Unknown (Riley Sager)
- The Amateur (Chris Bohjalian)
- Deceptions (Jeffery Deaver)
- Getting Away with Murder (Shari Lapena)
- Big Little Truths (Liane Moriarty)
- Queen Esther (John Irving)

Large print:
- The Rainy Day Bookshop (RaeAnne Thayne)

Juvenile fiction:
- Fox the Tiger (Corey Tabor)
- Exploring the Great Outdoors (Mercer Mayer)
- Fancy Nancy Sees Stars (Jane O'Connor)
- Talent Show Mix-Up (Dan Gutman)
- The Best Seat in First Grade (Katharine Kenah)
- Too Cool for School (Kimberly and James Dean)
- Daniel Plays at School (Becky Friedman)
- Clark the Shark and the Big Book Report (Bruce Hale)
- We Are Growing! (Laurie Keller)
- The Thank You Book (Mo Willems)
- Happy Pig Day! (Mo Willems)
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Participate in our fall silent auction Oct. 12-Nov. 7. We will have many fabulous items on which to bid!

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Grades 4-6, mark your calendars now for a winter program with 4-H: Wed., Nov. 18 at 5:30pm - DiNovember! Registration open mid-Oct.; spots are limited.

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Order shirts and sweatshirts with the BMCL logo and get them in time for Christmas! Sizes adult S-XXXL are available in light gray or medium blue, with the BMCL logo in dark blue on the left chest. Order forms are available at the library now through Nov. 20 at noon. Samples will be available soon.

New to the circulating collection: Adult fiction: - This Changes Everything (Lisa Scottoline) - Agrippa (Robert Harris) - The Great Wherever (Shannon Sanders) - The Most Dangerous Games (MrBeast and James Patterson) - The Birthing Tree (Amanda Peters) - Exit Party (Emily St. John Mandel) - The Pirate Queen (Ariel Lawhon) - Close Knit (Jenny Colgan)

Adult nonfiction: - Are They Dead Yet? (Sam Roberts) - Never Say Die (Ke Huy Quan) - Famesick (Lena Dunham) - Confronting America (Bill O'Reilly) Large print: - Murder at the Grand Alpine Hotel (Lucy Foley)

Juvenile fiction: - Captain Underpants and the Wrath of the Wicked Wedgie Woman (Dav Pilkey) - The Pug Who Wanted to Be a Pumpkin (Bella Swift) - A Monster of a Mystery (Franklin W. Dixon) - Miss Banks Pulls Lots of Pranks! (Dan Gutman) - The Scarecrow (Edgar J. Hyde) - I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005 (Lauren Tarshis) - The Last Kids on Earth (Max Brallier) - Good Morning, Crayons (Drew Daywalt) - No One Likes a Fart (Zoe Foster Blake) - This Book Is Boring! (Ron Keres) - Creepy Pair of Underwear! (Aaron Reynolds)

Juvenile nonfiction: - Who Was Sally Ride? (Megan Stine) - Who Was Amelia Earhart? (Kate Boehm Jerome) - Who Was Jane Goodall? (Roberta Edwards) - Adorable Animals (Mary Quattlebaum) - Bats (Elizabeth Carney) - There's No Place Like Space! (Tish Rabe) - The Presidents Visual Encyclopedia - America's National Parks (Alexa Ward) - Lizzie Demands a Seat! (Beth Anderson) - The Story of Buildings (Patrick Dillon) - Bet You Didn't Know! 2 (National Geographic) - 5,000 Awesome Facts (National Geographic)


BLUE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY LIBRARY
NOVELS, NEWS, AND NOTES
216 S. ROBINSON AVE., PEN ARGYL, PA 18072
610-863-3029 OPEN M-SAT. 10-12; M AND R 6-8
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- Unisex crewneck t-shirts: $11*
- Fitted V-neck shirts: $14*
- Sweatshirts: $20*
- *Adult XXL and XXXL slightly more
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Nov. 10 at 4pm - *Tabitha, Get Up* by Lee Upton
No meeting in Dec.
Board meeting: Tues., Oct. 20 at 6:30pm
Thank you to Mary Mack for her recent donation of adorable handmade cushions for storytime!
SOME of our recent acquisitions...
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