



October 2009

The Lebanon Community Library

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Lebanon, PA
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[www.lclibs.org/
lebanon](http://www.lclibs.org/lebanon)

Check out our blog at
lebanonlibrary.blogspot.com

Library Hours

Mon.—Wed.
8am—8pm

Thurs. 8am—6pm

Fri.—Sat.

8am—5pm



October Happenings...

October 1 2PM - The Thursday Afternoon Book Group will discuss *Letters of a Woman Homesteader* by Elinore Pruitt Stewart.

October 5 6PM—One Book One Community: Book Discussion. No registration required.

October 7 7PM—One Book One Community: Old World Folk Band at Beth Israel Synagogue.

October 13 9AM - The Tuesday Morning Book Group will discuss *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain. Registration is required.

October 13 12PM - Lebanon County Library System board meeting. Open to the public.

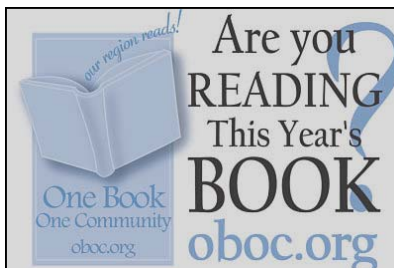
October 19 6PM—Booksigning: Robert Vogel.

October 23 12PM—Book Sale: Preview Sale.

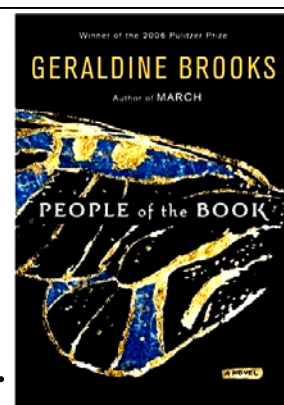
October 24—28—Book Sale.

October 27 6:30PM - The Tuesday Evening Book Group will meet. Title TBA.

October 28 12PM - Lebanon Community Library board meeting. Open to the public.



Read with us during October and watch for book-related events in Lebanon and surrounding counties.



**October 5 6PM—
Book Discussion at the Lebanon Library.**

Other programs around Lebanon County:

Sept. 30 at 7 PM—Book Discussion at Richland Community Library

Oct. 5 at 6:30 PM—Book Discussion at Annville Free Library (Only open to current book club members.)

Oct. 7 at 7 PM—Free Community Program at Beth Israel Synagogue: Old World Folk Band – Klezmer and Eastern European folk music and a special multimedia presentation on *People of the Book*. Presented by One Book, One Community, Lebanon County Library System, and Beth Israel Synagogue

Oct. 12 at 6:45 PM—Book Discussion at Palmyra Public Library

Oct. 22 at 7 PM—Book Discussion at Myerstown Community Library

Oct. 27 at 5 PM—Book Discussion at Matthews Public Library

Oct. 27 at 7 PM—“Three Faiths in One World”: Special One Book, One Community presentation at Myerstown Community Library. Presented by Dr. Thomas Maiello, Dean of Admissions at the Evangelical School of Theology

Book Review Corner



War of the Worlds

By H.G. Wells

On October 30, 1938 radio listeners across the U.S. tune in to hear a breathless news announcer describing the scene he is witnessing at that very moment: Martian spacecraft landing and firing upon crowds of curious onlookers in a small town in New Jersey. He is abruptly cut off as he begins to shout about incoming flames. Other radio announcers come on describing similar scenes all over the country as more alien ships appear and release heat rays and poison gas. All the broadcasts are suddenly cut off.

The broadcasts prompt frantic listeners all over America to call friends and relatives, telling them to turn on the radio. Police stations are flooded with calls and people get into their cars to flee the alien invasion.

In reality the "news reports" were just part of the Halloween broadcast of *Mercury Theatre On The Air*, a weekly radio drama. Directed and narrated by actor Orson Welles, the show was an adaptation of H.G. Wells' novel *The War of the Worlds*. Audiences tuning in from another popular program missed the introduction at the beginning of the broadcast stating that it was a completely fictional presentation.

Even knowing the real story today, you'll be struck by how authentic the program sounds and understand why so many people panicked. You've probably seen or heard broadcasts that have been interrupted by "Breaking News." Did you ever doubt the truth of what you were being told?

By Sarah Annibali.

The audio recording of the radio broadcast is available on CD at CD 791.447 WAR.

The War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells is available at SF/WEL and J/TEEN/WEL, on cassette at CASS/SF/WEL and as a downloadable audiobook.

Attention Book Groups!

Find out about exciting book-group-related events (like One Book One Community programs and more)! Email Anne Hall, Community Relations Coordinator at ahall@lclibs.org! Thanks!!

October Storytimes

Public storytimes are held each Tues. at 11AM and Thurs. at 9AM in the Storytime Room.

All 3-5 year olds are welcome, and no registration is required.

Tues. Oct. 6 & Thurs. Oct. 8—Ducks

Tues. Oct. 13 & Thurs. Oct. 15—Hats

Tues., Oct. 20 & Thurs. Oct. 22—Farms

Tues., Oct. 27 & Thurs. Oct. 29—Spiders



Smart Start Storytimes

Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16
10:30AM

For babies birth through 2
years of age. Siblings
are welcome!

In memory of Alice Eck

We lost another dedicated volunteer recently. Another woman who influenced library service and quality of life within our community; her name was Alice Eck.



Alice was our dedicated paperback department coordinator – volunteering at the library since 1989. Over the years, she gave over 5,000 hours of service to the library, coming in almost every day of the week. In addition, she recruited other volunteers to keep the paperback section well stocked and orderly.

She loved new paperback donations (of course), but also had a passion for flowers and gardening. She would often bring in some of her "favorites" to brighten up the library. Her dedication and spirit are greatly missed. To read more about Alice's life please visit this link. <http://www.legacy.com/ldnews/Obituaries.asp?Page=Notice&PersonID=132840195>

Late-night burning question?

Go to www.lclibs.org/lebanon.
Click on Ask Here PA.



New Job Seeker Workstations and Computer Workshops!

Thanks to a grant received from the United Way of Lebanon County, the six Lebanon County libraries have installed additional computer workstations dedicated to job seeking. Additionally, the libraries are offering computer workshops for job seekers.

Directors and staff of the six libraries in Lebanon County responded to a growing community need for job seekers who are turning to libraries to use computer resources for job searches, online application, and job-related research.

The six libraries already provide numerous resources for job seekers, such as newspapers; books on career changes, skill building, resume writing, and budget and finance; and printing and faxing services. Each building has patron accessible computers with available Internet, word processing and free e-mail.

The libraries are serving as PA CareerLink outposts and are equipping the new job seeker workstations with information provided by PA CareerLink as well as links to the PA CareerLink web portal.

To address computer training needs, a part time job services coordinator is working with library staff to establish a selection of introductory computer instruction and job seeker workshops such as creating email, conducting online job searches, creating a resume, and sharpening interview skills. The first workshop, "Creating and Using a Free Email Account" was held at Richland Library on September 30. A series of computer classes tailored to improving computer proficiency will be introduced later this year. For more information contact Peggy Shirk at the Lebanon County Libraries at 273-7624 x204.

The Library would like to thank these generous benefactors for their donations received in September.

Iris Alster – *In memory of Phyllis Rich*
Jeff & Susan Reedy – *In memory of Ruth Brown*
Mrs. Karl Wolf, Jr. – *In memory of Wesley Lawrence*
Mrs. Karl Wolf, Jr. – *In memory of Susan & Wesley*

In memory of Alice Eck
Maureen Anderson
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Book Sale

Preview Sale* Fri., Oct. 23 12-5PM



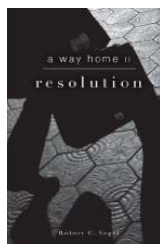
Regular Sale

Sat., Oct. 24 8AM—5PM
Mon., Oct. 26 8AM—8PM
Tues., Oct. 27 8AM—8PM
Box of Books for \$10
Wed., Oct. 28 8AM—8PM
Box of Books for \$5

*Preview Sale passes are \$5 each. Purchase in advance or at the door. Passes will also enter you into a drawing for a fabulous prize!
One pass per person—sorry, no sharing!



Local author to appear at the Lebanon Library!
Oct. 19th 6PM
Copies will be available to purchase and be signed!



Please join us in welcoming local author Robert C. Vogel! Vogel, the author of *A Way Home* and *A Way Home II: Resolution*, continues to write in his retirement after a career in education and sales training and management. He continues to be active in his church as a Eucharistic Minister and Lector. Vogel is a Magna Cum Laude graduate of Mt. St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD. He and his wife Judy reside in Myerstown, near their three adult children and six grandchildren.



**Janet L. Light &
Harold A. Light**
—1992

Light Donation Celebrates Family's Love Affair with Literature

By Maureen Anderson

I have been processing donations at the library for the last seven years and *never* have I received a book donation like this one. In April of this year, the Library was contacted by Deb Follett. She informed us that her father had recently passed away and her family was now transitioning her mother from her home into assisted living and she had a lot her parents' books to donate. Little did I know that Deb would donate 2685 books, several boxes of record albums and some classical CDs!

When the books arrived they were gently-used and beautiful! Deb's father Harold's interests included the Holocaust, the British monarchy, the American Revolution, the Civil War with Abraham Lincoln being a particular favorite. Her mother, Janet, loved mysteries and was a fan of Ruth Rendell, Anne Perry, and Agatha Christie. She also liked reading about celebrities and the American West.

While we would have liked to add all the books we added just 280 items, which is a tremendous addition, especially appreciated due to our recent spending freeze. The rest of the books did not meet our collection criteria, which means: some of the books were duplicates, some were too old, or some subjects were too obscure or specific. So those 2405 titles will be available for purchase at our Friends of the Library book sale in May.

Getting to know Deb during this process, I learned a lot more about her parents and their influence on her. Her parents owned 4000 books in total! Between the Lebanon Community Library, her parents' personal collections, and those purchased specifically for her - Deb was surrounded by literature throughout her entire childhood. She shared with me recently that books became her companions because she was an only child. And even now with her busy life as a wife and mother of two, reading is still a priority and books are still her companions.

Deb's parents enjoyed traveling throughout the U.S. and gained another dimension to their understanding of U.S. history by reading about it. After her father's first heart attack in 2000 the couple could no longer take the trips as they once did. But they continued to "travel" by reading books. Their philosophy was that books can transport you to another world, time or place.

I think it is important to share this story, not just because of the amazing legacy of Harold A. Light and Janet L. Light, but because their story should inform our community. Deb could have easily sold her parents books to a book dealer, but instead she chose to celebrate her parents' life-long love affair with literature through a contribution to the Library.

Book donations matter and benefit everyone! Even older books that are not added to the collection can be sold at our book sales and in turn generate funds to purchase new materials. I encourage you to donate your gently used books or check out the library's wish list on amazon.com to see which newer titles are in demand.

Celebrate Your Birthday with a Story!

*Storytime Birthday Parties are available at the library for children ages 3-6.
\$150 Includes the use of the Community Room plus a Storytime and Craft..*



Each child will receive a book to keep.

Parties may be scheduled on Saturday afternoons.

Full details available at www.lclibs.org/lebanon/programs.php

Call the children's office at 717-273-7624 x4 for more information or to schedule your party

