



Library Hours

MTWT • 10 am - 8 pm

Fri • 10 am - 5 pm

Sat • 9 am - 1 pm

Sunday • Closed

Passports by
appointment

Milanof-Schock Library Newsletter

December 2009

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Change at the Library

Herb Landau, Library Director at the Milanof-Schock Library, turns over the keys to Assistant Director, Nancy Behney.

Herb is moving to the Lancaster Public Library as director. Nancy will be interim director at the Milanof-Schock Library until a permanent director is found.

Farewell to Good Friends and to Beloved Greentop

It seems like it was just yesterday that I became Director at the Milanof-Schock Library- but it was nearly eight years ago. I've held nine full time jobs in seven states but my time at this beautiful country library in Mount Joy were the best years of my entire career. The wonderful staff, volunteers and library friends with whom I have had the privilege to serve are also the best co-workers I've ever known. The people of the Donegal region served by the Milanof-Schock Library are as fine a group of library patrons as one could find anywhere and I am grateful for their support of the library and its programs.

Now I must move on and leave the library known as "greentop" (after its painted tin roof). In December I will start a new job as Executive Director of the Lancaster Public Library. However, I do so with a pain in my heart and a tear in my eye because I will dearly miss the friends I have made here at greentop. But it has been a great ride. We have had some good times, a few challenges and a few victories. It's all been great fun! I hope some of you will sometimes think of Herb, the old librarian, because I will always fondly remember the wonderful staff, volunteers, friends and patrons of the Milanof-Schock Library. It has been a pleasure sharing the last eight years with you all.

May "greentop" continue to grow, excel and remain the best small library in America. It will always be so to me.

Herb Landau

Inspirational Speaker December 10th

You are invited to hear Valen Cover, a young woman of incredible inner strength, share her journey out of the darkness and into the light.

She has fought against seizures, scoliosis, pancreatitis and polycystic kidney disease (PKD) --one of the most common genetic, life-threatening diseases on the planet.

Her inspirational story will lift up your heart.



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New Library Hours in January

Budget cuts and the decrease in donations have forced us to cut our hours beginning January 1, 2010.

Hours will be: **Sunday - Closed** **Monday - Thursday 10 - 8**
 Friday - Closed **Saturday - 9 -1**



I want to thank everyone for helping with the successful Craft and Book sale. This was our third year and each year it has brought in more than the year before. A big *Thank You* to Bonnie Dini and Joyce Ponsell for putting the craft sale together.

The Friends membership is increasing and we look forward to an even better 2010. Would you like to be a Friend?

If you have books to donate for our annual Book Sale please drop them off at the Library. The book sale is Friday, April 23, 2010 from 8am to 8pm and Saturday, April 24, 2010 from 8am to 2pm.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Friends. *Judy Scanlin, President*

10th Annual Mitten Tree Project!

Public Libraries throughout Lancaster County are holding their 10th annual Mitten Tree Campaign. All 17 of the county's public libraries and the bookmobile, in the spirit of holiday giving, will be collecting new mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, earmuffs and umbrellas that will benefit children & families served by Lancaster County Children & Youth Services. Donations may be made through Friday, December 18.



The Mitten Tree project has been hugely successful during the past nine years. Last year's 4,121 donations were record-breaking. Lancaster County's Children and Youth Social Service Agency will oversee the distribution to children throughout the county.

Lancaster County's Children and Youth Social Service Agency serves over 4,000 children throughout Lancaster County. Bring new, unwrapped mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, umbrellas and earmuffs to the Milanof-Schock Library by December 18.

Model Railroad at Library

Dave Methlie is bringing his latest four by eight foot HO scale model railroad display to the Milanof-Schock Library on Wednesday, December 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. A re-creation of a layout he first built in the late 1970s, the Pine Valley II depicts small town life in the early 1900s.

Registration is not necessary for this event. Drop in and enjoy a trip into the past.



Celebrate the New Year in Jakarta!

Happy New Year! Can't stay up till midnight? Celebrate the New Year early with us. We will explore traditions from Jakarta, Bangkok and Beijing. Their New Year begins at our noon. We will have rafts and games, plus the big countdown! Bring the whole family. Thursday, December 31, from 11 a.m. till noon. No fee, but donations will be gratefully accepted. Please register by calling 653-1510.



Behind the Reference Desk . . .

You will find everything related to holidays behind the reference desk in December.

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