## The Mason Dixon Line

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Newsletter of The Mason-Dixon Public Library

November, 2025



# LIBRARY

Monday: 10:00-8:00 Tuesday: Noon-8:00 Wednesday: 10:00-8:00 Thursday: Noon-8:00 Friday: 10:00-2:00 Saturday: 10:00-5:00

Library Director/Youth Services: Carol Stampler Library Assistants: Jeannette A. Juanita J. Christa R. Tori S. Susan V. Ashlynn Y.

#### SHELF INDULGENT **BOOK CLUB**

Our evening book group meets the first Thursday of each month at 6PM. November's selection is Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver December's book will be your choice of favorite Children's book to share. New members are always welcome!

#### AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

Our newest book club meets the first Wednesday of the month at 2PM November's selection is Dinners with Ruth by Nina Totenberg December's selection is The Frozen River by Ariel Lawton New members are always welcome!

### **CULTIVATING CARNIVOROUS** PLANTS

Most people might think that carnivorous plants like the Venus Flytrap, one of the better known species of these plants, only grow in exotic, steamy, tropical jungles. But would you be surprised to know that these plants grow in a variety of environments and that making them an addition to your landscape or garden is possible even here in Pennsylvania? Carnivorous plants are different than other flowering plants because they supplement their nutritional needs by trapping, killing and digesting insects. In addition to the nitrogen and other nutrients provided by digested insects, these plants flourish in direct sunlight, nutrient-poor soil, and a consistently moist to wet growing environment. Anthony Balestrini, is our speaker for this

month's Third Wednesday Series.

November 19th at 6:30PM

Anthony has an interesting story about how he became interested in carnivorous plants, how he has created a backyard nursery to nurture them and his desire to make you consider these plants as an addition to your garden. Some history and the specific environmental factors required for their 'propagation will be included in the presentation.

#### HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The library will be closing early at 2PM Wednesday, November 26th We will be closed on Thursday, November 27th Friday, November 28th Saturday, November 29th

Reopen Monday, December 1st at 10AM Have a safe and peaceful holiday!

#### ART EXHIBITION AND RECEPTION SAVE THE DATE

An exhibition featuring the work of Dave DeRan will open on Sunday, November 9th with a reception from 2 -4 PM.

Dave is a resident of Delta, PA and has earned his living as a professional artist since 1968. He paints in watercolor, oil, and acrylic and prefers painting farm and woodland landscapes, portraits and animals. He paints both realistic and primitive styles, crediting as influences The Wyeths, Vermeer, Louise Nevelson, Joseph Cornell, Jan Swankmajer and tribal arts.

He also enjoys making surrealistic box assemblances. Dave has won various awards in Maryland and PA.

#### GRATEFUL BREAD

The library will be holding our annual Grateful Bread Day Monday, November 24th From 12PM-6PM

Special bread items for sale will include yeast breads and rolls, bagels, muffins, coffeecakes, pastries, holiday quick breads and more!

Quarts of homemade soup and chili, and a variety of dessert items will also be available for purchase.

#### VOTE FOR SPRINKLES!

Our adopted calf has been revealed and she needs your vote on

November 3rd-5th

We will be virtually following Sprinkles for the first six months of her life on the Kurtland Farm and you can join in on the fun by visiting our Facebook page for more information and download the Discover Dairy App in Google or Apple. Please vote for our girl, Sprinkles!