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Burgettstown Enterprise-September 26, 1946 Enterprise**

BURGETTSTOWN BOROUGH

ORDINANCE NO. 127

Providing for appropriation of certain sum of money for aiding in maintenance of a free public library in the Borough of Burgettstown.

The Town Council of the Borough of Burgettstown, in the County of Washington, Pennsylvania, does ORDAIN:

Section 1. That there shall be appropriated from the general Borough funds monthly, beginning the month of February, 1935, the sum of \$10.00, to the Junior Women's Club of Burgettstown, for the purpose of aiding in the maintenance of a free public library in said Borough of Burgettstown.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into an Ordinance this 4th day of February, 1935.

D. C. DOWDEN,
President of Council

Attest:
W. J. WHALEN, JR.
Secretary

EXAMINED AND APPROVED by
me this 4th day of February, 1935.

J. A. MCKENZIE,
Burgess.

**Burgettstown Borough Ordinance No. 127
Aid in Maintenance of Free Public Library
Burgettstown Enterprise-February 6, 1935 Edition**

"When will you move into the new library?" is a frequent question since the little red brick building on Kerr Street appears almost ready for occupation.

"It won't be long now," is the response from those in touch with the Library's activities.

A peek through the new library windows will reveal final construction taking place -- stack building, or shelf building. What beautiful shelving it will be! And in what a delightful room!

The two-tone green tiles of the floor peep through the litter of carpenter's shavings. The smooth light colored mahogany wall-board gleams satin-like in the sun shine. The big electric fixtures dangling from the ceiling promise to throw the whole room in a flood of light at nightfall.

Here and there one catches a glimpse of interesting corners where a cupboard door can swing open to reveal space for library equipment; where a bulletin board is backing for an outside show window; where a door will lead to a tiny lavatory.

The new library should be finished this month!

"At what cost has all this been accomplished?" is the next query. Has the Burgettstown Community Library, which promises to be one of the most attractive in the county, been paid for?

The answer: The Library Board has so far spent \$5080.92, a remarkable small sum for so fine a piece of construction.

Two bills yet unpaid are estimated at approximately \$200 and \$230 respectively. There is \$456.68 in the building fund which should take care of these items.

But a third bill--that for the shelving which costs like fury in this day of expensive lumber amounts to \$623.32.

The library board has not gone beyond its ability to pay. It still has some security, but that security lies in its operating expense account, not in the building fund. If the library is to continue in operation this fund of a mere \$740.77 should not be touched.

What every library board member wishes with all his heart is that from some sources another thousand dollars can be secured to meet the costs of construction. Then the fund for current expenses will not be tapped.

The community and its friends have been marvelously generous. What seemed an impossibility four years ago has become a reality. The library has been built. In a few days it will be used by the people of the Burgettstown Community. Hundreds of young people and older folks will go in and out its door seeking enlightenment, refreshment for the mind, entertainment. From it, will issue books and books and books full of information and inspiration. The library will continue to become, as it has already, one of the greater assets of the community, or, as Roger Babson calls it a place "to recharge your mental batteries."

The Burgettstown Community Library Board wants every cent of that asset paid for. They are sure that you do too.

How about it, folks? You've done well. Can you do just a little better? Let the door of the library open this month to a building that is truly paid for! Mail your donation to Mrs. Dorothy McElhaney, treasurer, Burgettstown Community Library Board, Burgettstown, Pa. You will feel then that the library is truly yours! — K. A. P.

**Library to Enter New Building Soon; Needs Additional Funds for Operation
Burgettstown Enterprise-May 3, 1956 Edition**

Book Depicting History Of American Legion Presented To Local Libraries



Don Proudit, Senior Vice Commander of the Burgettstown American Legion Post 698, presents the book, "The American Legion

Story," to Miss Mary Wilson, treasurer of the Burgettstown Community Library Board.



Nine copies of the book, "The American Legion Story," have been distributed for the local reading public, it was announced today by Jerry Stiffler, Commander of the Burgettstown American Legion Post 698.

John Grecco, supervising principal of Burgettstown Area schools, accepts copy of the book, "The American Legion Story," from George Connelly, chairman of the Americanism Committee of Burgettstown Post 698.

The books were purchased by the local post. Six were presented to the Union high school library, and three were given to the Burgettstown community library.

The book, written by Raymond Moley, Jr., with a foreward by J. Edgar Hoover, is a story of what individuals have done and can do in a free society. The history of the American Legion is significant, not as something separate and apart from the history of the United States, but as a dynamic, consistent force in national affairs. It is an integral part of any full account or appraisal of our country's progress in the twentieth century.

The Legion's activities and services to community, state and nation are covered in the brief narrative—Rehabilitation, National Security, Child Welfare, Americanism, Youth Training For Better Citizenship, Religion, Disaster Relief, Foreign Relations and many more.

From the closing days of World War I to today's atmosphere of renewed world crises, this is a vivid story filled with dynamic vignettes such as

**ATTRO FRATONI
HONORED AT LIBRARY**

A social hour was held at the Burgettstown Community Library Friday evening, March 1, to honor Attro Fratoni, a past president of the Burgettstown Community Library Board. Mr. Fratoni was presented with a plaque for his years of faithful service.

Marlo Grabski, accompanied by Annette Valenti, sang for the occasion. Light refreshments were served.

Library Fund Drive 1988

The annual fund drive for the Burgettstown Community Library begins today. Letters of appeal will be received by residents of the Burgettstown Area School District.

The library is appealing to businesses and professional persons of the district, as well. This year's goal is \$10,000 due, in part, to a loss of \$3,000 in state funding. The library is asking for help in offsetting this loss as well as meeting its 1988 operating cost.

The people of Burgettstown and the surrounding area have had the good fortune, through the efforts and dedication of so many people, to be able to "go to the library." It is more than 50 years since the idea of a local library was born with the Junior Womens' Club of Burgettstown.

This organization and its charter members, many of whom still reside in the area, are to be commended and thanked for the "foundation" on which we have built what we have today. The legacy of the library is one in which the district should take pride and make every effort to support.

As you read the letter of appeal, please be aware that if everyone helps the library can, not only overcome the current financial setback, but meet the operating costs for 1988 and also assure the people of the Burgettstown Area that the library will be here another 50 years...at least.

Library Fund Drive 1988
Burgettstown Enterprise-March 23, 1988 Edition

50 NEW BOOKS ADDED TO SHELVES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

During the summer months and until further notice, the Burgettstown Public Library will be open Tuesday and Friday evenings, from 7:30 p.m., to 9:30 p.m., instead of from 7 to 9 as it has been in the past.

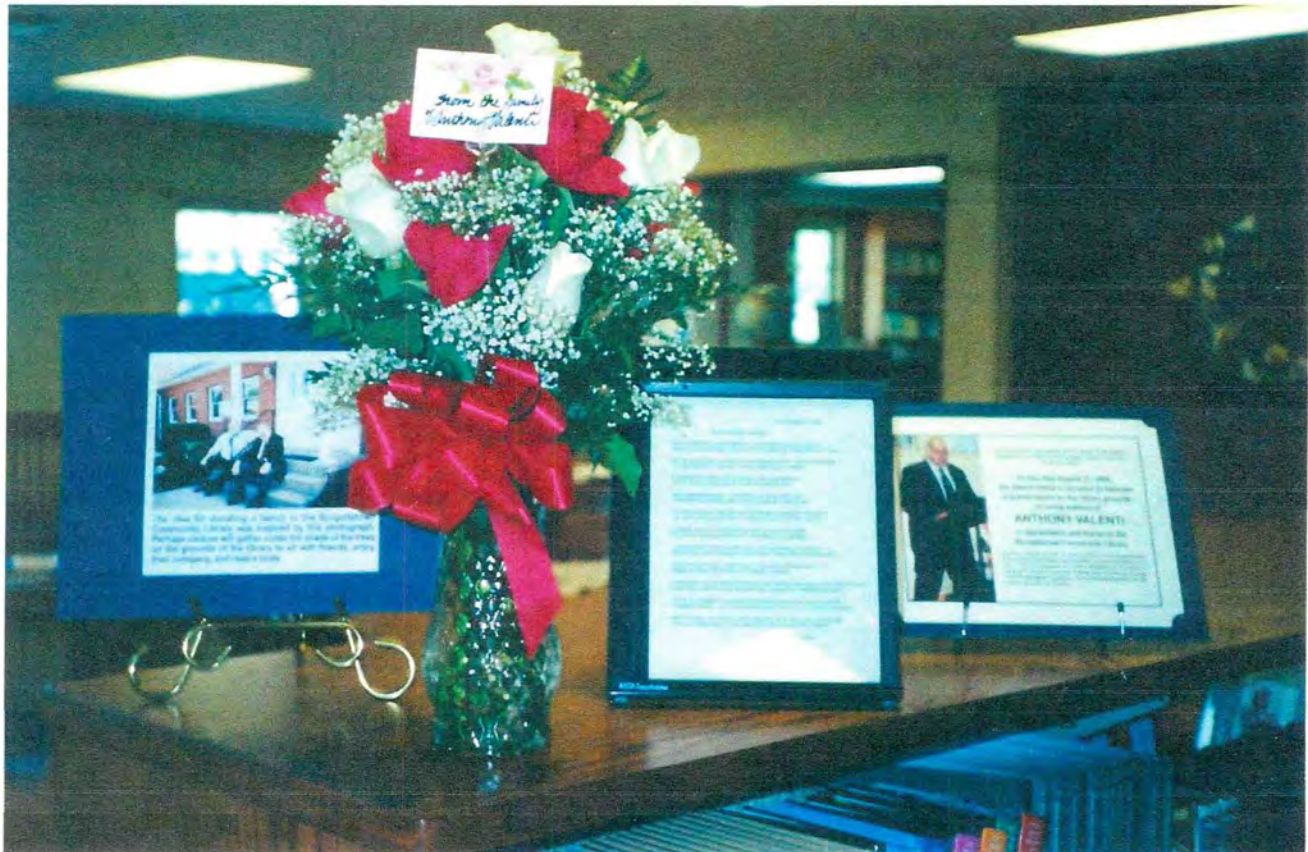
The Junior Women announce that fifty books have been added to the library shelves and are now available for reading.

"Clo" by Abbott; "When The Stars Come Out" Baker; "My Animal Babies" Benchley; "Harvest of the Hudson" Berry; "On the Tip of My Tongue, Brody; "All In A Lifetime" Buck; "Enemy Post" Childers; "The Grocery Mouse" Clymer; "The Black Rose" Costain; "Journey Among Warriors" Curie; "Katrina" Gleitsman; "The Silver Darlings" by Gunn; "The West Window," Hartley; "The Eskimo Hunter" Hayes; "Wildwood Wisdow" Jaeger;

"The Junior Sports Anthology" Kelley; "A Star Danced" by Lawrence; "Country Colic" Lawson; "Rendezvous On Mindanai" by Litten; "Americans And Their Songs" by Luther; "Homing" by Hill; "The World The Flesh, and Father Smith" Marshall; "The Upstart" by Marshall; "The Love Letters" by Massie; "Up Front" by Mauldin; "Call Of The Mountain" Meigs; "Wild Lilac" Miller; "The Bar-20 Three" Mulford; "Portrait of Love" by Nichols; "Hurricane" by Nordhoff.

"Lay That Pistol Down" Powell; "Now, Voyager" Prouty; "The Murderer Is A Fox," Queen; "Like A Girl" Randall; "Low-Cost Crafts For Everyone" Reynolds; "The Family" Riasanovcsky; "Renni, the Rescuer" by Scacheri; "GI Had Fun" by Schacht;; "AWOL, K-9 Commando" Shurtleff; "Horsethief Pass" Snow; "Elizabeth and Essex" Strachey; "Blood From A Stone" by Wallis; "Great Short Novels" by Weeks; "Crime Incarnate" Wells; "My Indian Family" by Wernher; "Apartment In Athens" by Wescott; "Judith" by Whitney; and "One World" by Wilkie.

**50 New Books to be Added to Shelves of Public Library
Burgettstown Enterprise-July 11, 1946 Edition**



Anthony Valenti Memorial-August 21, 2006

In The Library

By Arietta Zelenko

For the children:

● **The Care Bears and The Terrible Two's.**

● **Green Eggs and Ham.** Replacement of a Dr. Seuss.

● **Pig's New Hat.**

● **Frederick.** My favorite — the story of a little mouse who has the answers. This book has been placed in memory of Fred Stom, who passed away recently. He entertained us many times here in the library. The book is aptly named **Frederick.**

● **Saint George and the Dragon.** Caldecott winner.

● **Teddy Bears Go Shopping.**

● **The Berenstain Bears: Messy Room, Moving Day, The Truth and Meet Santa Bear.**

● **Strawberry Short Cake and the Winter That Would Not End.**

New in non-fiction:

● **1985 Guinness Book of World Records.**

● **You Don't Have to Be a Genius to Land a Computer Job.**

● **In Search of Intimacy.** Loneliness and what to do about it.

● **Friends, For Life.** The psychology of close relationships.

● **Forgive and Forget.** Healing the hurts we don't deserve.

● **Mind Bending.** Brainwashing, cults and programming in the '80s.

● **Nothing Down.** Real estate.

● **Like Father, Like Daughter.** How father shapes the woman his daughter becomes.

● **Arco's Practice for the SAT.**

● **Flying High.** Inside big-time drug smuggling.

● **What Color is Your Parachute?** Practical manual for job-hunters and career-changers.

● **Acid Rain.** Devastating impact on North America.

● **Why Children.** To have or not to have children.

● **Private Life of the American Teenager.** Parents, sex, drugs, drinking and peer pressure.

● **What a Game They Played.** The good old days of early football.

● **Dr. Burns' Prescription for Happiness.** George Burns.

Please be reminded of our used book sale in conjunction with National Library Week. Books will be on sale April 15 through April 19.

In the Library

Burgettstown Enterprise-April 10, 1985 Edition

Someone Tries To Burn Down Local Library

Persons unknown, with a warped sense of values, attempted unsuccessfully to burn down the Burgettstown Community Library late Saturday afternoon. The Library is still under construction, scheduled to be completed in the next few months.

Willie Lockridge, janitor, was working in the new section of the building when he saw and smelled smoke. He quickly checked throughout other parts of the building, and discovered smoke in every room.

Unable to determine its source, he called Elizabeth Scott, Librarian, who arrived in a few minutes and attempted to locate the fire.

Together they went to the basement, where the steel reinforcement on the outside cellar door was red hot. Outside, they discovered that weeds, cardboard, papers and pieces of wood had been set afire next to the door, burning a hole through it to the steel plate. Several foundation stones had also been pulled loose.

Mr. Lockridge beat out the

fire and threw water on it to extinguish it completely. Buzz Farner Fire Extinguisher and Burgettstown Police were then called, as was Frank Pappas, member of the Library Board.

It was determined by all that the fire was deliberately set, possibly by youngsters playing in the neighborhood. Since the Library grounds are private property, neighbors are asked to report any children trespassing in the area of the building.

An hour prior to the discovery of the Library fire, leaves and papers had been set afire under the pine trees in the front yard of Mrs. Betty Grimes, Highland Avenue. Mrs. Grimes is vacationing in Florida, and the house is occupied by her daughter and husband, Beverly and Ben Marks.

This is not the first time the Community Library has been hit by vandals of various descriptions. Last fall, someone as yet not apprehended punched large holes in the insulation, requiring the task to be done the second time. Other objects have been thrown at the building a number of times.

**Burgettstown Community Library-Arson Attempt
Burgettstown Enterprise-February 21, 1976 Edition**

1983 Library Fair Scheduled Sept. 10

On Saturday, September 10, the Burgettstown Community Library will hold its ninth annual fun raiser, the Library Fair. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, it will again feature a variety of ethnic foods and entertainment.

The fair will be held at the library grounds from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m., with Debbie Vraninin as the chairperson.

The following have taken charge of the various events:

Debbie Vraninin, raffle and entertainment; Susan Price, treasurer; Mary Kay Shimko, food; Ellen Slak, Country Store; Dorothy Jancart, art; Irene Bongiorno, children's section; Donna Wishnok, flea market; Caesar Grossi, used book sale; Michele Pappas, bake sale; and Louise Dugas and JoAnn Valenti, crafts.

**1983 Burgettstown Library Fair Scheduled Sept. 10
Burgettstown Enterprise-August 17, 1983 Edition**

Library Board Holds Annual Meetings And Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the Burgettstown Community Free Library Association Monday evening, October 20, Mrs. Harold McElhaney was elected president. Mrs. Michael Bihum was chosen vice president; Mrs. J. R. Culley, secretary and Mrs. Delmont Whalen, treasurer. Miss Katherine Pyle was retained as librarian.

Elected to serve a three year term on the board were Miss Elizabeth Scott, Mrs. Frank Blaine, Mrs. Bihum and Atty. E. V. Sciamanna.

Mrs. Whalen, retiring president, conducted the meeting which opened by a reading of the minutes and annual reports by the librarian and treasurer. Miss Pyle reported that 2957 books had been circulated directly from the library during the past year. This was about 100 books more than had been circulated during the previous year, and the number does not include the several hundred volumes circulated by the library in the Smith township and Burgettstown Borough schools.

Plans to increase circulation in several new areas were discussed, but until the library has more books, no special effort will be made to extend the scope of circulation.

The librarian also reported that 470 books had been added to the library during the past year, the bulk of these being in circulation in the schools.

Mrs. Bihum announced that a balance of \$720.07 was in the treasury, bills for the past month having totaled \$242.42.

The board agreed that fines should be lessened so that two cents on each book will be collected only for days when the library is open. This will reduce the fine for one week from fourteen to six cents on each book.

The date for the annual tag day was set for November 8 and Miss Elizabeth Scott was placed in charge of the project.

Miss Gina Filippini and Miss Katherine Pyle were appointed as a committee to send out letters of information and thanks to organizations which contributed to the library in the past year.

It was agreed that story hour would not be started until after holidays. Ten board members were present including Mrs. Delmont Whalen, Mrs. Michael Bihum, Mrs. Frank Blaine, Mrs. Harold McElhaney, Mrs. J. R. Culley, Miss Elizabeth Scott, Miss Gina Filippini, Miss Katherine Pyle, W. P. Miller and E. S. Wheeler.

**Library Board Holds Annual Meetings and Elects Officers
Burgettstown Enterprise-October 23, 1952 Edition**

LIBRARY BOARD RESPONSIBLE FOR PROJECT'S GROWTH



Officers and members of the Community Library Board are pictured above. Seated, from left to right, are Miss Gina Filippone, Vice President; Richard Holt, financial chairman, and

Miss Elizabeth Scott, President. Standing, from left to right, are Miss Katherine Pyle, Librarian; Mrs. Emily Bihum; Miss Nancysue Blaine, Assistant Librarian; Miss Helen Eigger;

Miss Mary Wilson, Treasurer; and Mrs. Clara Lanczak. Not pictured is Mrs. Katherine Zollars, Secretary.

Library Board Responsible for Project's Growth
Burgettstown Enterprise-April 5, 1962 Edition

Campaign for Public Library Marked by Good Beginning

Active campaigning for support in their efforts to establish a public library in Burgettstown was inaugurated last Friday evening. At that time a dance and card party, sponsored by the Junior Women's Club, was held on the gymnasium floor of the Union high school building, with practically the entire club membership taking part in the management of the function.

Despite the fact that advertising had been meagre and the event scheduled on very short notice, the response of the people of the community was gratifying. After deductions for all expenses, which were under the circumstances quite high, a neat sum was realized by the club. This sum goes toward the laying of a foundation for the capital that will be required to get the projected library under way.

About 40 couples enjoyed dancing to the music of the Keystone Cavaliers, an excellent orchestral organization of the local district. Upward of a dozen tables of bridge and "500" were

in play, cards being preferred by many of the older guests and a number of young people. Some indulged in both diversions. A number of visitors from out of town were in attendance at the party.

Judging from the success of the initial social function, staged on short notice and immediately following the Thanksgiving holiday, splendid support to the library project will be accorded the Junior Women's Club. From now on it is proposed to wage an intensive campaign to assure the establishment of the library at an early date. Announcement of further activities may be expected within a very short time.

The proposition is not being based upon a begging plan. Donations of books will be requested, but the club takes the position that when cash is asked something in the way of entertainment should be returned. This attitude is most commendable, and it is safe to predict that at the proper time cash donations will also be made available.

**Campaign for Public Library Marked by Good Beginning
Burgettstown Enterprise-December 5, 1934 Edition**

She earns ceramic egg for many good deeds

By Bridgette B. Nofsinger
The Record-Enterprise

Her granddaughter says she dresses nice, smells good and makes a mean spaghetti.

In her spare time, Clara Alvarez manages the UniMart in Burgettstown and coordinates every community project from planting May flowers to hanging December lights.

She serves on the Burgettstown Restoration Committee, regularly attends Our Lady of Lourdes Church and dreams of the day she will once again visit her family in Italy.

Clara Alvarez is a good egg - and now she has the ceramic to prove it.

Family, friends and coworkers gathered May 14 in the Burgettstown Community Library to celebrate the 18th annual Good Egg Award and congratulate this year's recipient.

The Good Egg award was established in 1980 by Friends of the Library, an auxiliary to the library's Board of Trustees. It is given annually to one person who, by contributing their time and effort, has made the Bur-

gettstown community a better place to live.

The children of John and Barbara Stunda requested the Good Egg be given in their parents' memory, following their tragic death in 1984.

Along with a ceramic egg, the Stunda family makes a \$1,000 donation to the library in the name of the winner.

Clara is the fourth Good Egg winner from the UniMart. Others included Grace Preston, Evelyn Beard and June Mancinelli. Clara said she is proud to be included among these women.

"I don't do anything alone," she said. "Without the support from my husband, my coworkers and people in the community, none of the projects would be possible."

Clara and her crew are responsible for the flowers seen blossoming throughout the summer in Burgettstown's "center," as she and June Mancinelli call it, as well as for the twinkling lights that hang from the telephone poles at Christmas time.

They hold fundraisers for those who need help and buildings that need to be refurbished. In October 1997, they restored the Fairview Cemetery building. This year, Clara is working



THE STUNDA FAMILY presents a ceramic egg and plaque to Good Egg winner Clara Alvarez.

toward installing a fountain in town.

"I want a big one," she said. "I want people to be able to see our fountain from UniMart."

She is also working on a picture book of Burgettstown, com-

plete with photos from the past and present. After sewerage goes through, some great things will occur in Burgettstown, she said.

Mrs. Alvarez has lived in Burgettstown for 23 years. She often returns to her hometown of

Aliquippa to visit her two brothers and to participate in the three-day San Rocco festival. San Rocco is the patron saint of the little town of Patricia in Italy where Mrs. Alvarez's mother was born.

"When I was little, the festa of San Rocco was more exciting to me than Christmas," she said.

Although she grew up many miles from where she now lives, Mrs. Alvarez said she has loved Burgettstown for as long as she can remember.

"My dad had a cousin who lived here," she said. "We would take two buses and a train to visit her."

Her father returned to Burgettstown before he died, several years ago.

"I think it would make him very happy to know I am living here now," she said.

Among those who spoke about Mrs. Alvarez during the Good Egg ceremonies were her husband, Richard, her good friend, June Mancinelli and Burgettstown Borough Council member John Panconi.

Each echoed the same sentiments - Mrs. Alvarez has a great love for her town, her family, her church and her friends.

The world could use a few more Clara's and so could the UniMart corporation, said her supervisor Stewart Sivic.

"You are the shining star of our town, Clara, you really are," said Panconi.

Clara Alvarez-1988 Good Egg
The Record Enterprise-May 20, 1988 Edition



**Burgettstown Community Library- 2 Kerr Street
Construction of original library, currently used as the Children's Room.**

The Fairy Tale of the Burgettstown Library

Once upon a time, long, long ago, this Village gathered and proclaimed that it was necessary and appropriate that it erect a public library to bestow the gifts of education and knowledge upon its citizens.

Consistent with that proclamation, a dedicated band of merry men and women took action to fulfill the Village's desire. They worked and toiled and made plans to make the dream a reality.



With the cooperation of the Village's educators, a parcel of real estate and small castle were acquired and the crusade was underway. Upon this property emerged our grand damsel, within whose walls we congregate today.

Our damsel grew and flourished over the years thanks to the generosity of the Villagers and the good works of our dedicated band. She fulfilled her mission and served us well.

As time passed, and as things changed, as they always do, our damsel suffered some growing pains. She needed to expand and to revive. She needed a white knight to come to her aid.

And as fairy tales always go, there was a white knight--in this case, several—who came to the rescue of our grand damsel. Through the generous charitable bequests of those white knights, our dedicated band of library merry men and women were energized to envision an expanded and greatly improved public library.

To assist them in making their vision a reality, they enlisted the assistance of a local son who specializes in castle design. It was his work that translated their vision into this magnificent place.



Also, because of the high cost of castle building in today's world, our band of merry men and women petitioned the Governor of the Realm to open the Realm's treasury to assist them with their crusade. Because the Governor is a benevolent leader, he looked favorably upon the Petition and declared it to be worthy. Through his local Lords, he bestowed funds upon the Village.



Thereafter, the artisans and craftsmen appeared, and with great skill and care, completed their work and made it so.

Which brings us here today to celebrate and re-dedicate this great Castle of our Village and to proclaim again, for all to hear, that we are committed to this place and this mission.

This might be a good place to say THE END—but in reality I believe this is just a beginning for our Village and that this story will bear re-telling again and again as we move into the future.

Thank you.

*—Comments made by Paul J. Walsh
at the Dedication of the new
Burgettstown Public Library
on November 13, 2004*



A dedicatory program marking the completion of renovations to the Children's Room of the Burgettstown Community Library, in memory of the late John Toth, will be held at the library Thursday evening, April 21, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

The library board, which is sponsoring the event, cordially invites the public to attend.

Prior to John Toth's death two years ago, his co-workers at Pennsylvania-American Water Company, some friends and his uncle, William Stewart, launched a campaign to raise funds for a bone marrow transplant which was thought might save him from succumbing to myelogenous leukemia. Before the operation could take place, Toth died May 8, 1992.

A substantial amount of money, approximately \$5,000, had been collected, which was recently contributed to the Burgettstown Library that serves the entire community in which Toth grew up and resided at the time of his death.

It was decided to use the funds to make necessary renovations in the children's room. The ceiling was lowered; new lighting, Walltex and carpeting were installed; and several sets of new books have been added to the shelves. Some money may still be used for small tables and chairs for the room.

Among the books purchased were a set of *World Book* encyclopedias; *World Book Information Finders* (on discs); the *Time Frame Series*; *People and Places*, a geographical series; *Study Guides for SAT*; and a selection of paperbacks.

Anthony Valenti, a member of the library board, will serve as master of ceremonies Thursday evening. Following the program, refreshments will be served by the library board.

John Toth, who was 42 years old at the time of his death, was survived by his wife, Kathleen; two children, Amanda, then 8, and Matthew, 7; also his parents, Alex and Elizabeth Toth of Cherry Valley; a brother, Alex of Buffalo, N.Y.; and a sister, Marilyn Clair of Langeloth.

John Toth grew up in Cherry Valley and graduated from Burgettstown Area High School in 1968. He was employed by the Smith Township Water Company before working for Pennsylvania-American Water Company. His ill-



John Toth

ness was diagnosed in May 1991, and he was given three courses of chemotherapy. He became a patient in Allegheny General Hospital in October and was permitted to come home for the holidays, but he returned to the hospital in January of 1992.

Toth was a member of St. Alphonsus Church, McDonald, and he is buried in Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery here.

Before his illness he had enjoyed remodeling his home, and he was always especially interested in hunting.

During the campaign to raise funds in his behalf, bake sales, garage sales, a dance and a flea market were held in the community. Numerous local persons contributed to these projects so that it seems fitting that they may now benefit from the Toth Memorial Gift to the library.

Dedicatory Program slated at Burgettstown Library in Memory of John Toth

The Enterprise-April 20, 1994 Edition

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society

PUBLIC LIBRARY DISCUSSED
AT FRIDAY CLUB MEETING

The regular monthly business and social meeting of the Friday Club was held in the home of Mrs. J. G. Scott, Center avenue, last Friday afternoon. About 25 members were in attendance. The president, Mrs. W. L. Scott, presided.

A discussion relative to aiding the Junior Women's Club in their efforts to establish a public library occupied a considerable part of the time of the business session. Definite action in the premises was deferred for the immediate present.

The program of social activity included the reading by various members of papers dealing with Christmas customs in other lands. These papers were prepared by a number of young ladies of the community, and were interesting and informative.

The Scott home was beautifully appointed with seasonal decorations, and a brilliantly lighted Christmas tree in many colors. A luncheon completed the afternoon's activities.

The next meeting will be held in the Westminster church, where a joint meeting with the Junior Women's Club will be held, the Friday Club members acting as hostesses. The Juniors will present a program of entertainment.

**Public Library Discussed at Friday Club Meeting
Burgettstown Enterprise-December 19, 1934 Edition**

District Library Meeting Held Here; Open House Planned At Local Facility



Nineteen librarians and representatives of eight Library Boards met in the first District Library meeting to be hosted by Burgettstown, last Thursday, October 21. The meeting opened at 10 a.m. with Dean Gross, District chairman, of Citizens' Library, Washington, in charge.

Each one present brought a sandwich for the noon meal, which was supplemented by salads contributed by the women of the Library Board, a cake donated by Jim Petrucci, president, and coffee and donuts served by Joanne Valenti, Mary Wilson and Nell Petrucci.

The group meets monthly at various libraries in the Washington District. They were given a tour of Burgettstown's new facility, and all were duly impressed. The building which has been under construction for a number of months will be completed when the original section, which will be known as the Children's Room, undergoes some modernization. A parking lot will also be built.

Those attending in addition to Elizabeth Scott and Jean

Barton from Burgettstown were Jama Revak and Anna Salek, of German - Masontown Library; Mildred Christoff, Canonsburg; Patricia O'Connell, Waynesburg; Trudy Berkey, Carmichaels; Eda Nimerth and Jessie Muchant, Marianna; Helen Armstrong and Marian Mamrack, Chartiers - Houston; and Marty Hensel, Susan Priest, Patty Thompson, Pat Gregg, Marcella Gantz, Hilda Bigler, Louise Stuart and Dean Gross, all of Citizens' Library, Washington.

At a recent meeting of the Burgettstown Library Board, it was voted to hold Open House on Sunday, December 12, beginning at 2 p.m. Definite hours will be decided at a later meeting.

The public will be invited to this event, which will stress the completion of the new and modern facility.

**District Library Meeting Held Here; Open house Planned
Burgettstown Enterprise-October 27, 1976 Edition**

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society

Burgettstown Community Library

Started by Burgettstown Junior Women September 13, 1934.

Incorporated: April 9, 1954 as Frederick Public Library, but the name was amended to read Burgettstown Community Library, August 29, 1955, when Mr. Fredericks refused his agreed contribution.

Present building was built during the summer and fall of 1955. Contributions were made by individuals and organizations. The skeleton of the building which was erected out of lumber from a discarded school building which was donated by the School Board. A brick veneer, slab floor and covering, windows, heating, plumbing, and stacks were paid out of Library funds. Books were moved to the building in May 1956.

There are presently ten members of the Board. The officers are: Miss Elizabeth L. Scott, President; Miss Gina Filipponi, Vice President; Mrs. Katherine Zollars, Secretary; Miss Mary Wilson, Treasurer; Mr. Richard Holt is Financial Chairman.

The followings facts are gleamed from the annual State Library report presented in December 1961.

Areas of service: Burgettstown Boro
 Smith Twp.
 Jefferson Twp.

The Union Board, January 1962, agreed to pay the librarian's salary plus a contribution of \$300 for books for the school service, \$100 for the general fund of the Library to be used as deemed best.

Approximately 1627 borrowers are on the active list in the past ten years. 176 new borrowers were received during 1961.

The building is owned by the Library, but built on the Union School; property. The library is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 7-9PM.

The library inventory in December 1961 showed 6,682 books. 24 slide films. 2 records. 9 periodicals, 600 books in circulation to six schools. The 600 are rotated between the schools so that the schools receive a new group three times a year. They are returned to the Library and reissued near Thanksgiving, and again at Easter.

One librarian is hired.

Part time help is hired to help in checking books out.

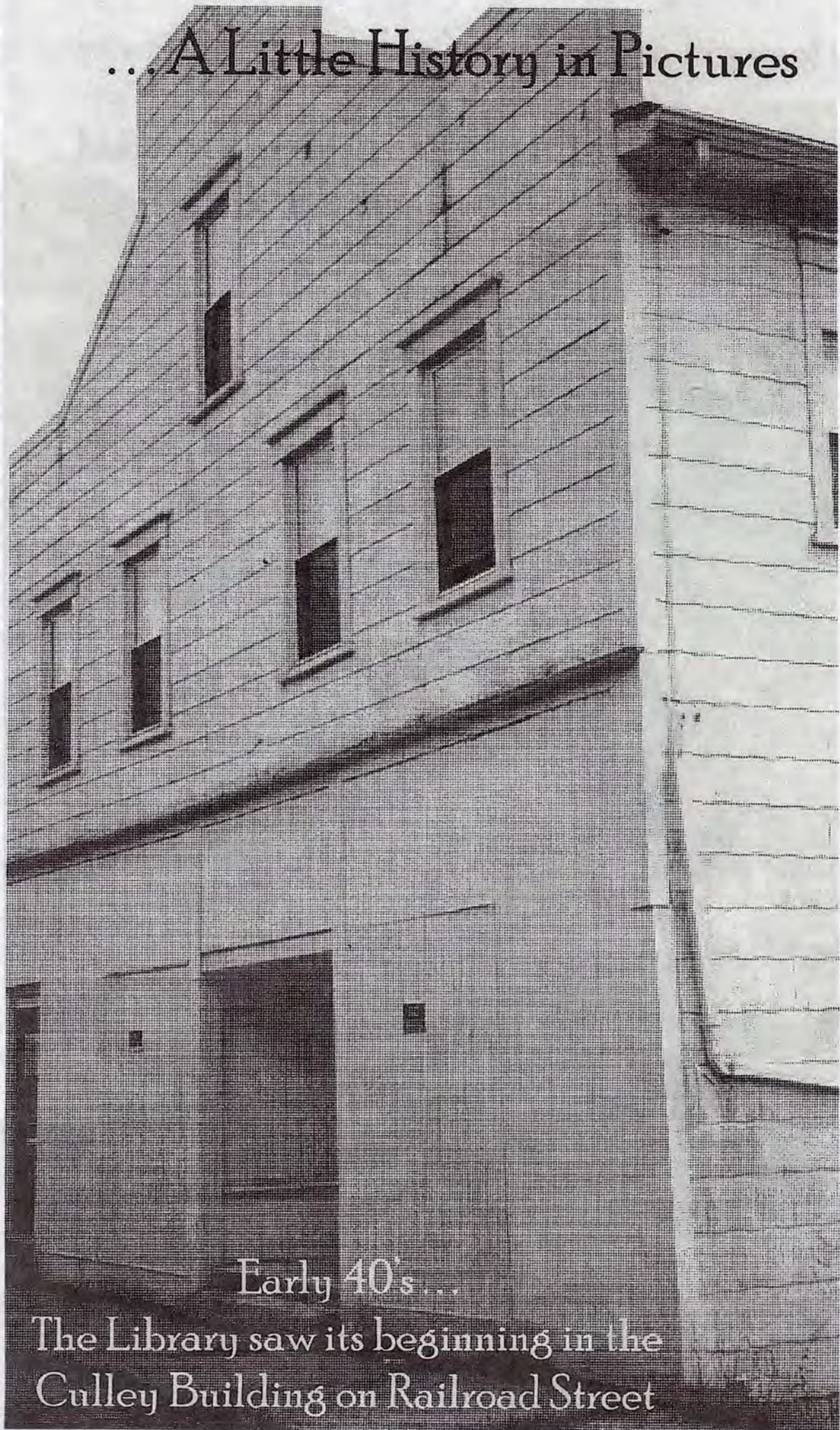
Librarian is paid \$2.50 per hour. It is estimated that care, processing and ordering of books require equal time to the hours open, and she is paid on the basis of 12 hours.

Receipts from School District (Not salary)		\$400.00
Receipts or appropriations from taxing body (Boro) 1961 (Promised but never received)		300.00
Income from Climax Company for Science corner		600.00
Miscellaneous		<u>177.00</u>
	Total	\$1477.00

Expenditures.		
Salaries building staff (cleaning)		\$230.00
Books		1442.88
Binding and repairing		12.13
Heat, light, power, water		157.65
Insurance		<u>36.66</u>
	Total	\$1879.32

Librarian's salary was paid directly to her by the Burgettstown Area School District and therefore does not show on these pages.

...A Little History in Pictures



Early 40's...

The Library saw its beginning in the
Culley Building on Railroad Street



Grant aids Burgettstown library

Burgettstown Community Library received 82 new children's and young adult books through a grant from the Libri Foundation. The Libri Foundation is a nationwide nonprofit organization that donates new, quality children's books to small, rural public libraries. The library received additional math and science titles through an additional grant the foundation received from Hal Berenson and Laura Ackerman. The grant was made possible through matching funds generated by Friends of the Library's annual Spring Tea. The books have a value of \$1,403, and range from children's board books to junior fiction Newberry award-winning titles. The library was able to incorporate the books into its summer reading program. Library director Kristin Frazier said she selected the new books based on Burgettstown Elementary School's requirements. Cody Rosa is shown checking out one of the books, "Creepy Carrots."

Burgettstown Community Library
July 28, 2013-Observer-Reporter



THE ENTERPRISE / JIM DALLARA

Honored for contribution to library

Burgettstown Hardware owner John Weidert and clerk Tammy Cook were presented a plaque recently by Burgettstown Community Library president Debbie Vraninin, right, in recognition of their efforts in aiding library causes. During the year, Weidert and Cook, with the help of a certain porcine character in town, raised money for the local library through sales of Pauline the Pig shirts and hats. They also promoted other activities to aid the library and local fire fighters.

John Weidert Honored for Contribution to Library
The Enterprise-November 11, 1992 Edition



**Library in the McMurray Building
Sponsored by the Junior Women's Club**

In The Library

By Arletta Zelenko

Please note: Upcoming in the library. Tupperware demonstration on Nov. 29 at 6 p.m. Bake for Books Cookie Sale on Dec. 16. Craft class for adults on Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. The craft will be a Mr. or Mrs. Santa Claus door decoration or wall hanging. Instructions will be given by Betty Sweeney.

The Library Board of Trustees will sponsor a holiday turkey raffle. The tickets are one dollar each, which entitles the buyer to 15 chances to win. The winners will be announced on Dec. 15.

What are you reading? The library has the current best sellers. Used paperbacks are on sale. It is time to "stock up" in the event the weather prevents your going to the library for "something to read." Videos in the library are popular for children and adults alike. Visit the library and ask about the video policy. Library hours are Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

In the Library
Burgettstown Enterprise-November 16, 1988 Edition

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society

In The Library

By Arletta Zelenko

DATES TO REMEMBER:

• **Oct. 15 through Nov. 19,
Krafts For Kids.**

The Burgettstown Community Library is offering craft classes for sixth and seventh grade students.

The classes will be:

Decorated Picture Frame -

This project will require two consecutive weeks to complete. Oct. 29 and Nov. 5. Craft time is 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The cost for the Decorated Frame Project is \$5.

Thanksgiving Napkin Holder -

Once again, it will require two weeks to complete this craft. Nov. 12 and Nov. 19. The time is 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$5.

Sample crafts are on display

Anyone interested in the craft classes is encouraged to register, as the number is limited. Those registering for a class must pay half the cost of the class one week prior to the class. This is necessary in order to insure the correct amount of materials needed.

If registration permits, Moms and Grandmas interested in learning a craft to share with the youngsters in their lives are welcome to call the library.

• **Oct. 26. 6:30 p.m. Adult Craft Class.**

Fall wreath, corn husk and ribbon variation.

The scheduling of adult craft classes is in progress. Anyone interested in offering a class at the library is asked to contact Mrs. Zelenko at 947-9780. If you have any requests or suggestions, you are encouraged to call.

• **Library Hours:** Mon.-Fri., 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat., 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

In the Library

Burgettstown Enterprise-October 26, 1988

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society

In The Mailbox

Burgettstown, Pa.
Feb. 4, 1955

Dear Editor:

What would we do without our library? What would happen if other small communities lost their libraries? A library is one of our biggest resources of present knowledge, further education and wholesome enjoyment. Libraries are incentives that help to develop the mind and character of not only young children but all of us. We need our library and we need to support it for our daily benefit.

Many persons won't support the library because they think that they receive nothing in return. Did you ever try to discover what an enjoyable evening a book can provide? Did you stop to think that maybe the youngster who stops at the library to look up information on a school assignment may someday be in a profession that will aid you? By giving generously to the library fund, you will be helping yourselves as well as everyone in the surrounding area. And a few years from now, when you see these young people who are grown up and going out to give their contribution to society, you will feel warmth that will be more than enough payment for your small contribution.

Some think that a library is not important. Had the pharaohs, rulers and kings not felt a need for libraries and not kept them well preserved we would have no knowledge of their ancient world. So just as it was necessary for them to preserve their history, so it is just as important for us to keep our books and our libraries for future generations.

Carole Maroni
Junior, U.H.S.

In the Mailbox-Library
Burgettstown Enterprise-January 20, 1955 Edition



Miss Elizabeth Scott presenting Linda Boni with a registration card, number 5000. (circa 1960)

**Miss Elizabeth Scott presenting Linda Boni with a registration card number 5,000.
(Circa 1960)
Burgettstown Enterprise-Centennial Edition-July 5, 1978 Edition**



**Miss Elizabeth Scott presenting Linda Boni with a registration card number 5,000.
(Circa 1960)
Burgettstown Enterprise-Centennial Edition-July 5, 1978 Edition**

JUNIOR WOMEN PLAN TAG DAY FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

A tag day for the benefit of the Burgettstown Public Library will be sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club on Saturday, Sept. 15. Club members will be stationed on various streets in town all day to receive contributions. Funds donated will be used to purchase new books for the library.

At present about 2,200 books are listed for circulation. Library hours are from 7 to 9 p. m., every Tuesday and Friday evening. Mrs. Paul Morgan, chairman of the library committee, has appointed the following club members as librarians for the ensuing club year:

September: Tuesday - Mrs. George Bish, Mrs. Raymond Wade; Friday - Mrs. George Grimes, Mrs. Betty Tschuti.

October: Tuesday - Mrs. James Walker, Mrs. James Crilley; Friday - Mary Smith, Mrs. Thelma Halliday.

November: Tuesday - Mrs. Edwin Wagner, Mrs. George Lewis; Friday - Mrs. Clair Noah, Mrs. George Rogers.

December: Tuesday - Mrs. Hugh Pollon, Mrs. William Craig; Friday - Mrs. George Kraeer, Mrs. Roland Clair.

January: Tuesday - Mrs. Paul Morgan, Ruth Friday; Friday - Mrs. James Kimberland, Mrs. Henry Quinet.

February: Tuesday - Mrs. Austin Studa, Mrs. James Hall; Friday - Ruth Bland, Mrs. Margaret Kettle.

March: Tuesday - Mrs. Eugene Petrucci, Betty Franz; Friday - Mrs. George Wagner, Mrs. Harold Davidson.

April: Tuesday - Mrs. W. P. Miller, Mrs. Harry McCormick; Friday - Mrs. Warren Malone, Mrs. Wendell Brabson.

May: Tuesday - Mrs. Ralph Hill, Mrs. Edward Lukon; Friday - Mrs. Robert Hemphill, Mrs. Kenneth Smith.

June: Tuesday - Mrs. Harold Malone, Betty Riddile; Friday - Mrs. Dwight Cook, Wilma Wagner.

July: Tuesday - Mrs. Hugh Hitchcock, Mrs. Cecil Mester; Friday - Mrs. Joe Hemphill, Jean Skipper.

August: Tuesday - Mrs. James McHenry, Marie Love; Friday - Mrs. Asa McCoy, Mrs. Clair Martin.

**Junior Women Plan Tag Day for Public Library
Burgettstown Enterprise-September 13, 1945 Edition**

ADD MORE NEW BOOKS TO STOCK OF LIBRARY

Junior Women's Club Announce New
Books for Adults and Children
Recently Received

Through the continued efforts of the Junior Women's Club and the cooperation of the community in supporting its various projects, the Burgettstown Public Library is steadily growing. A shipment of 30 new books has just been received. The Junior Club is happy to offer these books to its patrons. The book committee chooses books with great discrimination, attempting to select from a wide and varied field of adult books, and uses the greatest care in the selection of children's books. The new books upon the library shelves are:

"Gone with the Wind," by Margaret Mitchell. The foremost novel of the year.

"The Doctor," by Mary Roberts Rinehart. The author, who is a doctor's wife, writes with a rich, warm American humanity as she describes the life progress of a doctor of today.

"It Can't Happen Here," by Sinclair Lewis. A book which has awakened the country. It presents the imaginary situation of America ruled by a dictator.

"The Last Puritan," by George Santayana. A memoir cast in the form of fiction, composing a sort of spiritual landscape of the Puritan New England scene.

"Drums along the Mohawk," by Walter D. Edmonds. A story of the American Revolution as it was endured by the frontier settlements of the Mohawk Valley.

"After All," a collection of essays, sketches and poems selected from the works of the late Clarence Day.

"Saint Joan of Arc," by V. Sackville-West. A magnificent new biography and an enduring portrait of the indomitable woman of the people who led the armies of France and fired the world's imagination.

"The Brothers Ashkenazi," by I. J. Singer. A powerful European novel.

"Listen for a Lonesome Drum," by Carl Carmer. The romance of New York State in history, legend and picture.

"I am the Fox," by Winifred Van Etten. An extremely popular and unusual novel.

"Old Jules," by Mari Sandoz. A colorful biography of a Swiss pioneer in the Middlewest, as written by his daughter.

"Forty Days of Musa Dagh," by Franz Werfel. A true account of the Armenian exile of 1915.

"Death Comes for the Archbishop," by Willa Cather. A story of the church's part on the New Mexican frontier.

The new children's books are as follows: Bluebonnets for Lucinda, Child's Day, Farm Twins, Hurdy Gurdy Man, Now we are Six, Manners can be Fun, American Twins of the Revolution, Arkansas Bear, Book about Ships, In the Days of Giants, Book of Cowboys, Little Maid of Quebec, Great Kipling Stories, Bear Twins, Audobon.

Library hours are Tuesday afternoon, from 3 to 5 o'clock and Friday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock. The Junior Club is glad to serve all during these hours. Persons not already enjoying the advantages of the library are invited to visit the library during these hours and get a personal card which will entitle them to select books of their choice.

Junior Women's Club
Add More New Books to Stock of Library
Burgettstown Enterprise- November 19, 1936

TAG DAY FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY TO BE HELD OCT. 26

Members of the Junior Women's club will conduct a community wide tag day on Saturday, October 26, when they will hold open house at the new Library room in the McMurray school building.

Friends of the Library of the Greater Burgettstown Community are cordially invited by the sponsoring club to pay the new library home a visit. The library, housed for the past 10 years in the Culley Building on Railroad street was moved this month to a double room in the McMurray school, furnished by the Burgettstown School Board. The new headquarters has been attractively re-decorated, such a project having been made possible by donations of material and labor from library friends. Proceeds from tag day will be used to operate the Library the current year and to buy new books.

Mrs. William Miller, chairman of the Library committee reports a great demand for children's books. It has been suggested that friends of the library donate books for the Gold Star Shelf, where a living memorial is to be created for men and women of World War II who paid the supreme sacrifice in the conflict.

Business details of Library tag day are being planned by Mrs. Henry Quinet, chairman of the Ways and Means committee of the club. Other members of the committee are: Mrs. Asa McCoy, Miss Mary Smith, Mrs. Harold McElhaney and Mrs. Wilbur J. Tschudi.

Persons who desire to present the new library home with critically needed equipment, other than by tag day contributions are reminded that the following equipment is desired:

A child's round Library Table, 48 in., in diameter and 30 in. high and a set of Chairs for use by primary age children. The cost of the table, listed in the library catalogue is about \$30.

A Bookcraft Box, containing tools and materials to mend books. This equipment is listed at about \$2

New steps to the entrance. The present steps are badly in need of repair or replacement.

The Library Board is planning several innovations in the library schedule after the opening. A story lady will be present on Saturday afternoon to entertain pre-primary children.

Library statistics show that the Burgettstown Community Library is used extensively by school age children and by adults. There is need for juvenile books, also reference books for high school age children.

Tag Day for Public Library to be Held Oct. 26
Burgettstown Enterprise-October 17, 1946 Enterprise

Help the Library Fund.

A card party for the benefit of the public library fund is announced by the Junior Women's Club. The party will be held in Haines hall, Tuesday evening, January 8th. All the bridge and "500" experts expect to be on hand.

Help the Library Fund
Burgettstown Enterprise-December 26, 1934 Edition

Library Fund Dance.

A dance and card party will be held by the Junior Women's Club in the high school building on Friday evening of this week. Proceeds are to be used in the establishment of a public library for Burgettstown. Dancing and card playing will start at 9 o'clock. The Keystone Cavaliers will furnish music.

Library Fund Dance
Burgettstown Enterprise-November 28, 1934 Edition

Library Benefit Party.

A card party for the benefit of the proposed public library will be given by the Junior Women's Club in Haines hall on Tuesday evening, January 8th. Tables will be provided for bridge, 500, rhum and hokum as may be desired by those attending. It is hoped a good crowd will turn out and help these public spirited young women in the excellent plans they are sponsoring to give the town a public library. Refreshments will be served during the course of the evening, and other features will prove of special interest.

Library Benefit Party

Burgettstown Enterprise-January 2, 1935 Edition

**JUNIOR WOMEN
PLACE NEW BOOKS
ON LIBRARY SHELVES**

Journey Cake, Isabel McLennan
McMeekin.

How Old Stormalong Captured Mocha Dick, Irwin Shapiro.

The Citadel of a Hundred Stairways,
Henry C. Pitz.

Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze,
Elizabeth F. Lewis.

Hooming, Girl of New China,
Elizabeth F. Lewis.

Wonder Book of the Air (New Edition),
Laura D. Lyman.

New Wonder Book of Knowledge (Revised Edition).

Poo-Poo and the Dragons, C. S. Forster.

Carol Plays Summer Stock, Helen D. Boylston.

Apple Pie Inn, Mary D. Donahey.
Flight Training For The Army and Navy.

Chooky, Lucille Wallower.
Thumbs up! Rutherford Montgomery
Flying Banners, Edith B. Sherman.

The Blueberry Muffin, Mary W. Thompson.

My Room Is My Hobby, Marion Downer.

Adventure For Allison, Elizabeth Howard.

**Junior Women Place New Books on Library Shelves
Burgettstown Enterprise-June 3, 1943 Edition**

Juniors Elect 1948-49 Officers

Mrs. Paul Morgan was elected president of the Junior Woman's Club at a meeting Wednesday evening at the Legion home. Mrs. Jack Cunningham will serve as vice president, Mrs. Glene Nicholls as corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ruth Melvin as recording secretary and Mrs. James Smalley as treasurer.

New members were elected at the meeting and include Mrs. Joseph Caplan, Mrs. David Spiegel, Miss Jo-Anne McNally, Mrs. Edward Wagner, Mrs. Violet George, Mrs. Dominick Mungello, Mrs. Wilda Vernillo and Mrs. Ruth Hodges.

Resignations were received from Mrs. George Grimes, Mrs. James Walker, Mrs. Clair Martin, Mrs. Noel Freville, Mrs. Harold McElhaney, Mrs. W. P. Miller, Mrs. Dwight Cook, Mrs. Edward Welsh and Mrs. Robert Hemphill.

The annual banquet and installation will be held at the Legion home June 3. The Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion Post 698 will serve a ham dinner. Serving on the committee for arrangements are Mrs. George Wagner, Mrs. William Craig, Mrs. Paul Morgan, Mrs. Ruth Melvin, Mrs. Alfred Christy and Miss Mary Rose Eannace.

The club voted to donate \$5 to the Crusade for Children. Mrs. James Smalley volunteered to take over the Brownie Scout troop upon the resignation of Mrs. Robert Hemphill.

Library launches important fund-raiser

By SARA SNATCHKO
Staff writer

BURGETTSTOWN, Pa. — The Burgettstown Community Library recently launched the most important fund drive in the history of the institution, according to the Burgettstown Library Board of Trustees.

After years of maintaining the daily expenses through the fund drive, the board now finds itself in the position to foster major growth through the generosity of those who left bequests.

With the pending expansion and addition of square footage and services such as Internet access, this year's fund drive, as in the past, is absolutely vital to the continuance of daily operations.

The board has invested a number of bequests in two accounts — one for

capital expenditures and another to provide matching funds for a Keystone Grant, which will be used to add a 2,000 square foot addition to the building.

The capital expenditure account will keep the building in good condition. From 1985 to 1991, capital expenditures included windows and a roof in the children's section, sidewalks, security lighting, floor support, tree service, central heating, electrical updates, water lines, structural repairs and more. In those six years, the capital expenditures exceeded \$33,000. Those expenses did not include daily operations, such as utilities, postage, book binding and staff costs.

"The bread and butter of our day-to-day operations comes from the fund drive," said Librarian Arletta Zelenko. "If everyone would just give a dollar it would be a big help."

Zelenko said the library receives 30

percent of its day-to-day income from the state. Five percent comes from county funds. The local communities are responsible for the remainder of the expenses.

While always appreciated, the local contributions are sometimes barely enough to keep the library running.

"When December rolls around, you're wondering if you'll make it through," Zelenko said. She was featured in an article in the Philadelphia Enquirer in 1997, entitled "Libraries in Distress." The article was published when Pennsylvania libraries were facing a financial crisis.

The theme of a past fund drive was "Endangered Species: Bald Eagle, Humpback Whale, Whooping Crane, Gray Wolf, Public Libraries."

The sacrifices from library employees and board members have included wearing layers of clothing to avoid

raising the thermostat, conserving electricity by turning off lights and shoveling snow.

The local contributions help to combat these problems, and have kept the library open for the thousands of people who benefit each year. A Burgettstown Enterprise article published in 1962 shows a photo of then 5-year-old Linda Boni, whose library card marked 5,000 users.

Zelenko said the library has been blessed to have a generous community and dedicated board members.

"It's difficult to name certain people who have contributed money because you would never want to leave someone out," Zelenko said. "We have a handful of board members who take on this responsibility. We've always been so lucky to have extremely dedicated

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board members."

The president of the Burgettstown Library Board of Trustees, and active member of the library for over 20 years, Debbie Vranin said she volunteers her time because of the wide range of people that benefit.

"One of the reasons I chose to do this is because it doesn't cater to one specific group or age or walk of life," Vranin said.

Not only do local donations contribute to the general operations, but they also help the library secure funding from the state, Vranin said. "State aid is based on what is stimulated locally. So if growth is slow with the local fund drive, it is slow everywhere."

The Burgettstown Community Library was founded as a result of the efforts of the Junior Women's Club in the 1940s. It was housed on Railroad Street before moving to the old McMurray Homestead. In 1955,

the library moved into the current location on Kerr Street in Burgettstown.

Burgettstown Enterprise articles throughout the years often refer to the library as the "little red brick building."

In the 1970s, the library expanded significantly. An open house was held Dec. 12, 1976 to celebrate new additions, and the adjoinder to an educational building that originally belonged to the Burgettstown Area School District.

That expansion quadrupled the size of the library and provided meeting rooms, furniture and equipment. And with the expansion, came the need for additional support from the community to pay for operating expenses. According to the program for the 1976 open house, "It is anticipated that the increase in physical size, the additional hours of operation, extra personnel and the proposed new programs will

result in an operating budget at least three times greater than the one in use prior to expansion." That operating budget was dependent upon contributions from the community, and the new proposed expansion should include a similar rise in the cost of operations.

The expansion will include paved parking, a first-floor meeting room, a computer room, a showcase area for historical and genealogical information and artifacts, a new library office, a wheelchair accessible rear entrance and complete accessibility throughout the building, two new accessible restrooms, and more.

Vranin said the furniture and supplies will come from local contributions. "With the expansion, we should be able to keep up with the times. The local contribution maintains us. And now, we need to move forward."



Contributed

OLD LIBRARY — This is the McMurray Homestead, where the community library was located prior to 1955, when it was relocated to its current location on Kerr Street in Burgettstown.

Library Launches Important Fund-Raiser
Burgettstown Enterprise-May 2, 2002 Edition



THE DIRECTOR

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
STATE LIBRARY AND MUSEUM
HARRISBURG

February 15, 1939

Miss Daisy Allison, Librarian
Public Library
Burgettstown, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Allison:

I received your letter today signed as librarian of the Burgettstown library. Are you the librarian permanently in charge or is yours a temporary position? We would like to know so that we can change our records if your position is permanent.

The traveling library which you now have was sent you a year ago in March. You probably will want an exchange collection since you have had the books so long. I am enclosing a report card for you to fill in if you do want another collection. If not, will you please tell us so and we will send a packing case to you for the books. These traveling libraries are loaned with the understanding that the library which borrows them pays the cost of transportation both ways. On receipt of the report card we will send a list of seventy-five books. From that list you choose fifty which you would like to have by checking the titles and returning the list to us. We send these new books to you and when you receive the new collection you send back the books you now have in the box which held the new library. The books may be sent either by freight or express, whichever way you prefer. We have generally found, however, that the shipment by freight is the cheaper.

Sincerely yours,

Evelyn L. Matthews

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Assistant Extension Librarian
Library Extension Division

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Libraries are centers of our communities

Can libraries survive the 21st century? We've been hearing for years now that the Internet, electronic books and smart phones have made the local library obsolete, and it's only a matter of time before its doors close.

"The internet has replaced the importance of libraries as a repository for knowledge," wrote M.G. Siegler, general partner at Google Ventures and a columnist for Tech Crunch. "And digital distribution has replaced the role of a library as a central hub for obtaining the containers of such knowledge: books. And digital bits have replaced the need to cut down trees to make paper and waste ink to create those books. This is evolution, not devolution."

Siegler's point is that – sad to say – libraries will die because they are warehouse of outdated technology.

But it doesn't look as if death is so near here.

Libraries in Washington and Greene counties have not only had to deal with the realities of the digital revolution but also cutbacks in funding by the state, school districts and local government. Some, like Chartiers-Houston Community Library, have buckled under the pressure. Yet most have managed to stay open and in some cases to grow. They have done so by redefining their purpose.

The latest evidence of this is in Bentleyville, where the public library has chosen an architect to oversee construction of a \$1.6 million expansion project. The enlarged building will be known as the Bentleyville Community Center and will house the local historical society, senior center, Meals on Wheels program and an expanded library.

The key words here are "community center." The library is

no longer just a place to read and borrow books on paper. It is a collection of information resources, a computer lab, a meeting place, a lecture hall, an art gallery and a classroom. And many other things.

Reading printed books will continue in libraries for many years to come because of all the other activities that happen there.

Next week's schedule at Canonsburg's Frank Sarris Library typifies the transformation: Monday, Lego Club meets; Tuesday, an all-ages story hour

focuses on squirrels, and a class for those learning English; Wednesday, children learn how to make puppets and teens and adults learn box appliqué; Thursday, senior health fair; Friday, book sale.

The diversity of activity is no different at Washington's Citizens Library and at Bowlby Public Library in Waynesburg. And even at smaller libraries, in places like Avella, Donora, Burgettstown and McDonald, the transformation of

TEENAGERS IN CARMICHAELS CAN'T COMPLAIN THAT THERE'S NEVER ANYTHING TO DO, BECAUSE FLENNIKEN LIBRARY OFFERS THEM "CRAFTERNOON," AN AFTER-SCHOOL DROP-IN CRAFT CLASS, AND A GAME NIGHT WHEN THEY'RE INVITED TO PLAY BOARD GAMES, WII, CARDS OR ROLE-PLAYING GAMES.

purpose is evident.

Teenagers in Carmichaels can't complain that there's never anything to do, because Flenniken Library offers them "Crafternoon," an after-school drop-in craft class, and a game night when they're invited to play board games, Wii, cards or role-playing games.

Libraries are now places for all kinds of learning and also for social activity and companionship. In an age when so many people are absorbed in their own digital worlds, libraries are a venue from real human interaction.

If we care about our communities, then we need to care more about our libraries, our community centers.

Library Aid Prospects.

According to existing school laws a school board may give financial assistance toward the support of a public library if the district does not maintain a separate public school library, officials of the Department of Public Instruction say. If the district does not maintain its own library it may join with or aid any individual or association in the maintenance of a free public non-sectarian library.

Library Board Holds Annual Meetings And Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the Burgettstown Community Free Library Association Monday evening, October 20, Mrs. Harold McElhaney was elected president. Mrs. Michael Bihum was chosen vice president; Mrs. J. R. Culley, secretary and Mrs. Delmont Whalen, treasurer. Miss Katherine Pyle was retained as librarian.

Elected to serve a three year term on the board were Miss Elizabeth Scott, Mrs. Frank Blaine, Mrs. Bihum and Atty. E. V. Sciamanna.

Mrs. Whalen, retiring president, conducted the meeting which opened by a reading of the minutes and annual reports by the librarian and treasurer. Miss Pyle reported that 2957 books had been circulated directly from the library during the past year. This was about 100 books more than had been circulated during the previous year, and the number does not include the several hundred volumes circulated by the library in the Smith township and Burgettstown Borough schools.

Plans to increase circulation in several new areas were discussed, but until the library has more books, no special effort will be made to extend the scope of circulation.

The librarian also reported that 470 books had been added to the library during the past year, the bulk of these being in circulation in the schools.

Mrs. Bihum announced that a balance of \$720.07 was in the treasury, bills for the past month having totaled \$242.42.

The board agreed that fines should be lessened so that two cents on each book will be collected only for days when the library is open. This will reduce the fine for one week from fourteen to six cents on each book.

The date for the annual tag day was set for November 8 and Miss Elizabeth Scott was placed in charge of the project.

Miss Gina Filipponi and Miss Katherine Pyle were appointed as a committee to send out letters of information and thanks to organizations which contributed to the library in the past year.

It was agreed that story hour would not be started until after holidays. Ten board members were present including Mrs. Delmont Whalen, Mrs. Michael Bihum, Mrs. Frank Blaine, Mrs. Harold McElhaney, Mrs. J. R. Culley, Miss Elizabeth Scott, Miss Gina Filipponi, Miss Katherine Pyle, W. P. Miller and E. S. Wheeler.

Library Board Holds Annual Meetings and Elects Officers
Burgettstown Enterprise-October 23, 1952 Edition

Library Board Makes Plans For Building Drive

The Library board met in the Library on Monday, Nov. 9. The new Library building, which will be known as The Fredericks Public Library, was the topic for discussion. Very soon a definite plan of action will be presented to the public. Be ready to give your assistance. To speed this worthy cause, the following committees were appointed: Building Committee, E. S. Wheeler, W. P. Miller, Jack Noy, with Katherine Pyle as Consultant. Finance Committee, Ed Sciamanna, Gina Filipponi and Margaret Whalen.

Elected to serve a three year term as members of the Library board were: Mrs. J. R. Culley, Miss Gina Filipponi, Mrs. Delmont Whalen, Mrs. Katherine Zollars, and Jack Noy.

The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Miss Elizabeth Scott; vice president, Mrs. Katherine Zollars; secretary, Mrs. Emily Bihum and treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy McElhaney.

**Library Board Makes Plans for Building Drive
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LIBRARY BOARD RESPONSIBLE FOR PROJECT'S GROWTH



Officers and members of the Community Library Board are pictured above. Seated, from left to right, are Miss Gina Filippone, Vice President; Richard Holt, financial chairman, and

Miss Elizabeth Scott, President. Standing, from left to right, are Miss Katherine Pyle, Librarian; Mrs. Emily Bihum; Miss Nancysue Blaine, Assistant Librarian; Miss Helen Eigger;

Miss Mary Wilson, Treasurer; and Mrs. Clara Lanczak. Not pictured is Mrs. Katherine Zollars, Secretary.

Library Board Responsible for Project's Growth
Burgettstown Enterprise-April 5, 1962 Edition

Happy 79th Birthday to Burgettstown Community Library

PLAN TOWN'S LIBRARY TO OPEN ON THURSDAY

Great Community Project Sponsored
by Junior Women's Club Has
Reached Successful Issue

Through the cooperation of the Junior Women's Club and the Burgettstown Borough Council, it has been made possible to open a Free Public Library in Burgettstown. The Library is located on Railroad street, next to the post office, in the store room formerly occupied by Mrs. A. W. Bingham.

The library will be open for inspection and registration on Thursday, March 21st, between the hours of 2 P. M. and 5 P. M., and the general public is very cordially invited to attend the opening.

The Junior Women's Club members have devoted a lot of time and effort to get the library started, and are very grateful to the many persons who donated books. Approximately 500 books are on the shelves to start the library. Many were donated and the balance purchased by the club.

Miss Matthews, of the Pennsylvania State Department of Public Instruction, spent three days at the library getting things arranged in a systematic order. She highly praised the splendid cooperation the Junior Women's Club received from the Borough Council and the residents of the community.

The library committee is desirous of getting more books for the shelves, and will most heartily welcome any donations of books or money to buy books from interested patrons.

A sponsor's list will be posted in the library, giving the names of all donors and will also be published in the Burgettstown Enterprise. Following are the rules of the library governing the lending of books:

Any resident of Burgettstown or Smith township may borrow books as long as he is willing to abide by the rules. The club reserves the right to withdraw the privilege from any one

who persistently disregards them.

One book of fiction and one book of non-fiction will be loaned to adults at one time. One book may be borrowed by children. Juniors and Seniors in High school will be considered adults.

Children must get the signature of a parent or guardian before a borrower's card may be issued to them.

Books are loaned for two weeks, and may be renewed once, by request.

One cent a day will be charged for books not returned on time. Books

may be reserved for a person if he can be reached by telephone, or if he

will leave a postal to be sent by mail.

Reserved books will be held only until the next time the library is open;

that is, when a notice of a reserve is sent out on Tuesday, the book is held

until closing time Friday night. If it has not been claimed by that hour,

the next person on reserve will be notified.

Books not in the library's collection will be borrowed from the State

library if the borrower wants them, provided the borrower will pay the cost of postage.

Town's Library to Open on Thursday

Burgettstown Enterprise-March 20, 1935 Edition

Fort Vance Historical Society

Steering Committee Plans Community Center

Representatives from 16 organizations in this community met in Pompe's Restaurant Tuesday night to discuss a recreation center and library building and elected a "steering committee" to begin the foundation planning work.

Elected were: W. Joseph Cunningham, Chairman; D. L. Malone, Vice Chairman; and Ernest Williams, Secretary-Treasurer.

Charles Cunningham, president of the Lions Club, presided over the initial meeting when questions such as size of a building to house both a library and recreation center, how much funds will be required, what kind of program will be planned for agreeable clubs in the community to adhere in fund raising campaigns, and site-took up several hours' discussion.

It was agreed that if a consolidation of both projects, new library and recreation center are approved, the steering committee will meet and formulate a set of plans which will again be presented to the clubs for approval.

Those present include: Commander William Sztukowski and

Michael Hayden, Slovan VFW; Alfred Christy, Edward L. Dugas and Ernest Williams, Knights of Columbus; J. L. Caplan, D. L. Malone, Charles Cunningham, Lions Club; Wilbur A. Moore, Cross Creek Village Grange; Peter Gobleck and Emil Stanish, Raccoon Owls Club; Blake E. Miller, Burgettstown VFW; Nell A. Christy and Mrs. Mary Lukon, Catholic Daughters of America; Mrs. Vance Lee, American Legion Auxiliary; Mrs. Jack Cunningham and Mrs. Donald Bywaters, Junior Womans Club; Mrs. Harold McElhaney and William P. Miller, Library Board; Mrs. Edwin Wagner, Friday Club; Mrs. Ralph Organ, B.P.W.C.; August E. Repole, Burgettstown Fire Company; Agnes Donati, VFW Auxiliary of Kucher-Saska Post; James Dellaria, American Legion; Mrs. Eugene Tucci, Slovan Italian Women; and W. Joseph Cunningham.

It was stressed, however, that need for a new building to house the library is immediate and should be primarily considered.



MEGAN SELLA PUTS the finishing touches on a gingerbread house. A class was held in the Burgettstown Community Library recently for children K through 6. Pictures taken of the children in attendance may be picked up at the library.

Magan Sella-Completes Gingerbread house at Burgettstown Library
The Enterprise-December 23, 1992 Edition



Martin and Julia McMurray Home
Main Street, Burgettstown, PA

*The home was located near Stottlemeyer Park with their drug store located to the left.
Later, the home was used for school classes and the library during the 1940's.*

*MEMORY TREE...SIXTH ANNUAL
LIGHT-UP NIGHT '98
BURGETTSTOWN COMMUNITY LIBRARY*

*...what we have once enjoyed...we can never lose...
...all that we love deeply becomes a part of us...
Helen Keller*

THOSE REMEMBERED

<i>George Abbott, E.</i>	<i>Ida Mae Knisley (mother)</i>
<i>Dan Adamson</i>	<i>Family</i>
<i>Ben Alvarez & Ange</i>	<i>Pete & Alice Blue</i>
<i>Benny Alvarez & Rita</i>	<i>Pete & Alice Blue</i>
<i>Matthew Baker, P.</i>	<i>A&R Zelenko</i>
<i>William Baker, P.</i>	<i>A&R Zelenko</i>
<i>John Bartoletti</i>	<i>MM Michael Bartoletti & Family</i>
<i>William Bertus</i>	<i>Judy Petricca</i>
<i>Geno Bianchi</i>	<i>Don & Jackie Bianchi</i>
<i>Irene Bianchi</i>	<i>Don & Jackie Bianchi</i>
<i>Edward Black</i>	<i>Joyce Roupe</i>
<i>Idamary Blaker, R.</i>	<i>Roseleta Taylor</i>
<i>Pete Blue & Lottie</i>	<i>Pete & Alice Blue</i>
<i>Richard Bongiorno "Ducky"</i>	<i>Dana Bongiorno</i>
<i>Joe Bongiorno</i>	<i>Bob Bongiorno</i>
<i>Gary Bongiorno</i>	<i>Bob & Deb Bongiorno</i>
<i>Art Campbell</i>	<i>Enid Leeds & Nadene Dodds</i>
<i>Frank Christy</i>	<i>Marge Homitz</i>
<i>Red Christy</i>	<i>Marge Homitz</i>
<i>Charles Christy & Felicia</i>	<i>Marge Homitz</i>
<i>Nellie Clark, L.</i>	<i>Edie Jones</i>
<i>Earl Cline</i>	<i>Susie Reynolds</i>
<i>Anita Collinger, Rose</i>	<i>Rose Collinger Sabatasse</i>
<i>Jack Crisco, Jr.</i>	<i>Family</i>

<i>Robert Darras, W.</i>	<i>Peggy Sziminski Large</i>
<i>J. Darras, Perry</i>	<i>Cynthia Darras</i>
<i>Elsie Dennis</i>	<i>Shirley Marcucci</i>
<i>Joey DePaul</i>	<i>MM Scott A. Skiple</i>
<i>Delma DeSanto, Lawson</i>	<i>Charles Lawson</i>
<i>Robert Diehm</i>	<i>A&R Zelenko</i>
<i>Moe Dowler, "Poppy"</i>	<i>Ross & Neil Longo</i>
<i>Kathie Dudeck</i>	<i>Rich & Judy Lounder</i>
<i>Joseph Durain</i>	<i>Arvella Sella</i>
<i>Gertrude Durain</i>	<i>Arvella Sella</i>
<i>Paul Dusenberry</i>	<i>Christina Dusenberry</i>
<i>Eleanor Eckhouse</i>	<i>Jim & Dolly Valenti & Family</i>
<i>Ginger Ely</i>	<i>Susie Reynolds</i>
<i>Ferbezar Family</i>	<i>Jennie & Elsie Ferbezar</i>
<i>Earl Farner & Bertha</i>	<i>Walter "Buzz" Farner</i>
<i>Joseph Franchina</i>	<i>Zèe Guido</i>
<i>Jeff Galentine</i>	<i>Eleanor Meerdo</i>
<i>Beulah Gardner</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Pogue Gardner</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Brenda Gates</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Hilda Gavazzi</i>	<i>Karen Adamson</i>
<i>Del Gavazzi</i>	<i>Karen Adamson</i>
<i>Jack Gilbert</i>	<i>Mary Gilbert</i>
<i>William Gilbert, "Buddy"</i>	<i>Grace Petrucci</i>
<i>Cecil Grey</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Valerie Grey</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>James Guido</i>	<i>MM Tony Valenti</i>
<i>Tony Homitz</i>	<i>Marge Homitz</i>
<i>Becky Jackson</i>	<i>Debbie Vraninin</i>
<i>Walter Johnson</i>	<i>Martha Johnson</i>
<i>Harry Jones, C.</i>	<i>Edie Jones</i>
<i>Mae Kerekes</i>	<i>Morgan Lauff</i>
<i>EmmaJane Klim</i>	<i>A&R Zelenko</i>
<i>Frank Korosec</i>	<i>Frances Korosec</i>
<i>Florence Kristoff</i>	<i>Bernice Kristoff</i>
<i>Julius Kristoff</i>	<i>Bernice Kristoff</i>
<i>Ricky Kuczyski (son)</i>	<i>Kathy O'Hara</i>

<i>Charles Lawson, Sr.</i>	<i>Charles Lawson</i>
<i>James Lawson & Tillie</i>	<i>Charles Lawson</i>
<i>Kimberly Libengood</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Edward Lukon, P.</i>	<i>The Phillip Lukon Family</i>
<i>Ben Mader & Ellen</i>	<i>Mary Vraninin</i>
<i>Don Malone</i>	<i>Bob & Deb Bongiorno</i>
<i>John Mancinelli</i>	<i>Jonni Buchwald</i>
<i>Mary Mancinelli</i>	<i>Jonni Buchwald</i>
<i>Gildo Mancinelli</i>	<i>Jonni Buchwald</i>
<i>Gildo Mancinelli</i>	<i>Michael & Julie Mancinelli</i>
<i>John Mancinelli</i>	<i>Michael & Julie Mancinelli</i>
<i>Mary Mancinelli</i>	<i>Michael & Julie Mancinelli</i>
<i>Jean Manni</i>	<i>Joe & Bev Manni & Family</i>
<i>Al Marcucci</i>	<i>Dorothy Marcucci</i>
<i>Evelyn Marcucci</i>	<i>Dorothy Marcucci</i>
<i>John McCabe</i>	<i>Mary McCabe</i>
<i>Red McClain</i>	<i>Diane McClain</i>
<i>Teofila McGraw</i>	<i>Pat McGraw</i>
<i>Pat McGraw, MM</i>	<i>Pat McGraw</i>
<i>Andrew Minzak</i>	<i>Clara & Richard Alvarez</i>
<i>Lil Morra</i>	<i>MM Jos. Sherasky</i>
<i>Dan Murphy</i>	<i>Dan & Joan Murphy</i>
<i>Mary Murphy</i>	<i>Dan & Joan Murphy</i>
<i>Anthony Muzopappa</i>	<i>Dorothy Muzopappa</i>
<i>Frank Neely</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Betty Neely</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Mae Nice</i>	<i>Virginia Geisler</i>
<i>Barbara Onda</i>	<i>Jim & Dolly Valenti & Family</i>
<i>Sara Orga, R.</i>	<i>Sam Orga</i>
<i>Jack O'Hara</i>	<i>Don & Jackie Bianchi</i>
<i>Jack O'Hara</i>	<i>Morgan Lauff</i>
<i>Regina O'Hern</i>	<i>Mary Lou Dowler</i>
<i>Mike Pasquale</i>	<i>Shirley Pasquale</i>
<i>Matt Patterson</i>	<i>Tom & Nancy Patterson</i>
<i>Donna Petka</i>	<i>Stanley Mozina</i>
<i>Eugene Petrucci, Jim</i>	<i>Cheryl Chesnic</i>
<i>Earl Petrucci, "Peachie"</i>	<i>Grace Petrucci</i>

<i>Nell Petrucci</i>	<i>Cheryl Chesnic</i>
<i>George Porchiran</i>	<i>Lila Porchiran</i>
<i>Joe Pusateri</i>	<i>Josie Pusateri</i>
<i>Larry Radomski</i>	<i>A&R Zelenko</i>
<i>Tex Reed & Margaret</i>	<i>Dale, Sandy & Kayla</i>
<i>Mary Repole</i>	<i>Sheila & Tom Repole</i>
<i>Jim Repole</i>	<i>Sheila & Tom Repole</i>
<i>Doris Riddle, S.</i>	<i>Peggy Sziminski Large</i>
<i>Tom Rowland & Esther</i>	<i>Charles Lawson</i>
<i>James Sabatasse</i>	<i>Rose Collinger Sabatasse</i>
<i>Joy Saffle</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Kermit Saffle</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>James Saffle</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Maxine Saffle</i>	<i>MM Donnie Grey</i>
<i>Shirley Salvadori</i>	<i>Florence Salvadori</i>
<i>Battista Salvadori</i>	<i>Florence Salvadori</i>
<i>Mary Salvadori</i>	<i>Florence Salvadori</i>
<i>Agnes Saska</i>	<i>Sheila & Tom Repole</i>
<i>PJ Sciamanna</i>	<i>Cynthia Darras</i>
<i>Tete Sella</i>	<i>Arvella Sella</i>
<i>Clarence Shawley</i>	<i>Jim & Dolly Valenti & Family</i>
<i>Samuel Sprando</i>	<i>Rose & Gene Sprando</i>
<i>Rebecca Sprando</i>	<i>Rose & Gene Sprando</i>
<i>Richard Sprando</i>	<i>Rose & Gene Sprando</i>
<i>Richard Sprando</i>	<i>Pete & Alice Blue</i>
<i>Rebecca Sprando</i>	<i>Pete & Alice Blue</i>
<i>George Srekon</i>	<i>Mary Vraninin</i>
<i>Dawn Starr</i>	<i>Christopher Stafford</i>
<i>Matthew Stetar</i>	<i>Family</i>
<i>Pearl Stetar</i>	<i>Family</i>
<i>Ludwig Stetar</i>	<i>Family</i>
<i>Evelyn Stetar</i>	<i>Family</i>
<i>Ann Stiffler</i>	<i>Martha Stiffler</i>
<i>Ralph Stiffler</i>	<i>Martha Stiffler</i>
<i>Dolly Sziminski</i>	<i>Peggy Sziminski Large</i>
<i>Sergie Sziminski, "Red"</i>	<i>Peggy Sziminski Large</i>
<i>Edwin Taylor, M.</i>	<i>Roseleta Taylor</i>

<i>Ted Testa</i>	<i>Rich & Judy Lounder</i>
<i>Tom Testa</i>	<i>Rich & Judy Lounder</i>
<i>Margaret Testa</i>	<i>Rich & Judy Lounder</i>
<i>Teddy Testa, Joe</i>	<i>Rich & Judy Lounder</i>
<i>Carmelo Trimarki</i>	<i>Antionette Trimarki</i>
<i>Michael Trimarki</i>	<i>Antionette Trimarki</i>
<i>Hugh Tustin, Sr.</i>	<i>Teri Bowers</i>
<i>Rose Valenti</i>	<i>MM Tony Valenti</i>
<i>Joseph Valenti</i>	<i>MM Tony Valenti</i>
<i>Mary Vega "Tuna"</i>	<i>A friend</i>
<i>Robert Walden</i>	<i>Alice Walden</i>
<i>Eddie Welsh</i>	<i>Darlene Welsh</i>
<i>Josephine Whiteford</i>	<i>Sheila & Tom Repole</i>
<i>Mrs. Wiehloh</i>	<i>Karen Adamson</i>
<i>Edward Wojick</i>	<i>O'Hara Family</i>
<i>Pat Gianni</i>	<i>Deanna Gianni</i>
<i>Ruth Yatsko</i>	<i>Bob & Deb Bongiorno</i>
<i>Tim Yeager</i>	<i>Marlene Antonetti</i>
<i>Gregory Zamberlan</i>	<i>Ilde Kreszock</i>
<i>Mary Zelenko</i>	<i>A&R Zelenko</i>
<i>Joseph Zelenko</i>	<i>A&R Zelenko</i>

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING OUR "SING ALONG" WITH CAESAR GROSSI (ONCE AGAIN, THANKS, CAESAR)

HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS AND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR LIBRARY.

THOSE REMEMBERED

<i>Julius Kaminski</i>	<i>David & Susan Kaminski</i>
<i>Loring E. "Bud" Williams</i>	<i>David & Susam Kaminski</i>
<i>Preston Family</i>	<i>Grace Preston</i>
<i>Charles Strongosky</i>	<i>Ritu</i>
<i>Anthony Pusateri, Sr.</i>	<i>Agnes Pusateri</i>
<i>Mancinelli Family</i>	<i>June Mancinelli</i>
<i>Stewart Family</i>	<i>June Mancinelli</i>
<i>Battisti & Giuliani Families</i>	<i>Clara Alvarez</i>
<i>Little Tausha</i>	<i>Clara Alvarez</i>
<i>Souls of Fairview Cemetary</i>	<i>Clara Alvarez</i>
<i>Alvarez & Vega Families</i>	<i>Clara Alvarez</i>



The Seventh Annual Dedication of the Memory Tree

This year, the Restoration/Beautification Committee of Burgettstown and the Burgettstown Community Library, have come together at this special time of the year in an effort to promote the meaning of community. Let us do the best we can with what we have and enrich our community.

...enjoy this evening...

THOSE REMEMBERED

...what we have once enjoyed...we can never lose...

...all that we love deeply becomes a part of us...

Helen Keller

Adamson, Dan	Family
Ahlborn, C. Milton	Janet, Dan, Danny & Nick
Ahlborn, C. Milton	Norma Jean Ahlborn
Aller, David	Jim & Debbie Aller
Alvarez & Vega Families	Clara Alvarez
Anderson, Doris	Richard & Karen Anderson
Armstrong, Delbert	Linda Armstrong
Baker, Matthew P.	Arletta & Richard Zelenko
Baker, William P.	Arletta & Richard Zelenko
Barto, Barry	Alyce & Duffy Barto
Bennett, Paul...Deceased members of...family	Dorothy & Paul Bennett
Bernola, Elmo "Monk"	Esther Tabone
Bianchi, Irene	MM Don Bianchi
Bianchi, Geno	MM Don Bianchi
Blaine, John	Betty Blaine
Blaine, Jamie	Betty Blaine
Brunner, Eleanor	John Weidert
Bubenheim, George	Debbie Stetar
Campbell, Art	Alice Campbell
Chalmers, Alverda	Donna Lynn
Christy, "Red"	Marge Homitz
Cipranic, Helen & Louis	Jerry Cipranic Family
Clark, Nellie L.	Edith C. Jones
Classmates of '49	June Mancinelli
Collinger, Anita Rose	Rose C. Sabatasse
Cunningham, Edith	Joanne Cunningham
Darras, J. Perry	Cynthia Darras
Davidson Family	Don & Betty Ann Fletcher
Degenkolb, Ellen	The Baker Family

Dennis, Elsie	Shirley Marcucci
DeSanto, Fred & Delma	Walter & Irene Smitsky
DeSanto, Delma	Smitsky Family
DeSanto, Alfred	Charles E. Lawson
DeSanto, Delma	Irene Smitsky
DeSanto, Alfred & Delma	George & Connie Nemeth
Diehm, Robert	Arletta & Richard Zelenko
Dowler, "Moe"	Mary Lou Dowler
Dowler, "Poppy Moe"	Ross & Neil Longo
Dudeck, Kathy	Rich & Judy Lounder
Duesenberry, Paul	Christina Duesenberry
Dugas, Sr., William,	Rose Dugas
Fazio, Adeline	Rose Marie Angelo
Fazio, Tony	Rose Marie Angelo
Fefolt, Thelma Suica	*see final page
Ferbezar Family	Jennie & Elsie Ferbezar
Filipponi, Gina	Richard & Karen Anderson
Filipponi, Gina	Clara Giacomelli
Fletcher Family	Don & Betty Ann Fletcher
Fullerton, Glenn O.	Library Board of Trustees
Gallo, Barbara	Clara Alvarez
Gardner, Pogue & Beulah	Donnie M. Grey
Gates, Brenda Lee	Donnie M. Grey
Gavatorta...Deceased members of...family	Mary Ann Gavatorta
Gavazzi, Del	Karen Anderson
Gavazzi, Hilda	Karen Anderson
Giacomel, Angelo	Florence Giacomel
Giacomelli, Angelo	Clara Giacomelli
Gilbert, Jacob	Mary Gilbert
Gilbert, William "Buddy"	Grace Petrucci
Giuliani & Battisti Families	Clara Alvarez
Grabski, Stanley E.	Ray & Janet Suica
Grey, Alma (Lou)	Donnie M. Grey
Grey, Valerie Ann	Donnie M. Grey
Grey, Cecil	Donnie M. Grey
Halulko, Mike	Edna Halulko
Harper, Hazel	Sheree Zimmer

Havelka, Chuck
Hemphill, Joseph V.
Holland, Freda
Homitz, Tony
Hucik, John
Hucik, John
Hughes, Alice
Jackson, Becky
Jones, Harry C.
Jones, Clifford
Jones, Clara
Kaminski, Ann & Julius
Kerekes, Mae
Kern, Wanda
Kira
Klim, Emma Jane
Knowlton, Sr. , W.B.
Knowlton, Dorothy E.
Kokoskie, Andy
Korosec, Frank
Kranak, Dorothy
Kristoff, Florence
Kristoff, Julius
Kyczynski, Ricky
Lawson, Sr., Charlie
Lawson, Josephine
Lawson, Tillie & James
Lawson, Charles & Delma
Lawson, Sr. , Charles
Lawson, Josephine
Leas, Annie & Kenny
Libengood, Kimberly
Little, Floyd
Little Tausha
Longo, Sue
Lounder, Rudy
Lukon, Edward. P.

Punky
Kay Hemphill
Carol Holland
Marge Homitz
Wanda Hucik
Roy & Peggy Lochran
Ray & Cheryl Miller
Arvella Sella
Edith C. Jones
Adolf Schilinski
Adolf Schilinski
David J. Kaminski
Morgan Lauff
Megan Kern
Starlene Duesenberry
Arletta & Richard Zelenko
Mary E. Westlake
Mary E. Westlake
Edna Halulko
Frances Korosec
Rich & Judy Lounder
Bernise Kristoff
Bernise Kristoff
Kathy O'Hara
Walter & Irene Smitsky
Lynn Lawson
Charles Lawson
Charles Lawson
George & Connie Nemeth
Charles Lawson
Mary Vraninin
Donnie M. Grey
John & Kathie Antonetti
Clara Alvarez
Anthony Longo
Rich & Judy Lounder
Phillip Lukon Family

Lukon, Mary E.
Mancinelli, Gildo
Mancinelli, John & Mary
Marcucci, Al
"Marie's Parents"
Marra, Sam
Matesic, John G.
McClain Family
McClain, Gerald "Red"
McGraw, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Pat
McGraw, Teofila
Meneely, Bert
Meyers, Donald
Miladinovic, Sophie
Miladinovic, Sophie
Miladinovic, Sophie
Miller, Betty Rose (Halulko)
Miller, Adam & Ethel
Minzak, Andrew & Margaret
Morra, Lil
Mugello, Sr., Anthony
Mungello, Jessie
Neely, Frank & Betty
Nemeth, Frank & Anna
Orga, Sara R.
Orga, Chris
O'Hara, Jack
O'Hara, Jack
O'Hern, Regina
Patterson, Matt
Pavlik, Jason
Petka, Donna
Petrucci, Earl "Peachie"
Petrucci, Nell & Jimmy
Pierce, Rose Ann
Pinciario, Nicolene
Pinciario, Silvio

Phillip Lukon Family
June Mancinelli
June Mancinelli
Dorothy Marcucci
Judy Hucik
Joanne Cunningham
Jeanette Matesic
June Mancinelli
Freda McClain
Pat McGraw
Pat McGraw
Pauline Meneely
Donna Lynn
Mary Vraninin
Mary Vraninin
Vraninin Family
Edna Halulko
Ray & Cheryl Miller
Clara Alvarez
Ginny & Joe Sherasky
Anthony Mungello, Jr.
Anthony Mungello, Jr.
Donnie M. Grey
George & Connie Nemeth
Sam Orga
Sam Orga
Morgan Lauff
MM Don Bianchi
Mary Lou Dowler
Nancy Patterson
Lois Pavlik
Stanley Mozina
Grace Petrucci
Arletta
Linda Armstrong
Arletta & Richard Zelenko
Arletta & Richard Zelenko

Poznak Family	Dolly Poznak
Preston Family	Grace Preston
Pusateri, Joseph	Josie Pusateri
Radomski, Larry	Arletta & Richard Zelenko
Reed, Tex & Margaret	Sandy, Dale, Kayla McQuillan
Resnik, Rose	John Resnik
Riggle, Melanie	Arvella Sella
Rinehart, Mary	Roy & Peggy Lochran
Rinehart, Mary Ann	Roy & Peggy Lochran
Robinson, Mary	Clara Alvarez
Romestan, Family	Dolly Poznak
Rosen, Matthew	Perry Smith
Rowland, Tom & Esther	Charles Lawson
Saffle, Kermit & Maxine	Donnie M. Grey
Saffle, James & Joy	Donnie M. Grey
Salvadori, Shirley	Florence Salvadori
Salvadori, Batista & Mary	Florence Salvadori
Schilinski, Ben	Adolf Schilinski
Schilinski, Barbara	Adolf Schilinski
Schilinski, Judy	Adolf Schilinski
Sciamanna, Pete	Cynthia Darras
Sella, Americo	Arvella Sella
Senile, Romeo	*see final page
Sinile, Phoebe E. Young	*see final page
Slopek, Charles	Margaret Pescho Family
Slopek, David	Margaret Pescho Family
Slopek, Edward	Margaret Pescho Family
Stetar, Matthew	Family
Stetar, Pearl	Family
Stewart, Wm. H. ...Deceased members of...family	Elsie & Bill Stewart
Stewart, John...Family	June Mancinelli
Strouthers, Scottie	Christina Duesenberry
Suica, Stanko	*see final page
Suica, Jeka Minnich	*see final page
Tabone, Steve	Esther Tabone
Talmonti, Monty	The Baker Family
Tarr, Elmer	Mary, Gary, Sue & grandchildren

Tasz, Joseph	Mary Tasz
Taucher, Mary Margaret	Lynn Taucher
Testa, Margaret	Rich & Judy Lounder
Testa, Ted	Rich & Judy Lounder
Testa, Teddy Joe	Rich & Judy Lounder
Testa, Teddy Joe	Joann Testa
Testa, Thomas	Joann Testa
Testa, Tom	Rich & Judy Lounder
Thornburg, Linda	Roy & Peggy Lochran
Toth, Joseph, Sr.,...Deceased members of...family	Elsie & Bill Stewart
Trevena, Charles	Mary Vraninin
Trevena, Charles	Mary Vraninin
Trevena, Charles	Ruth Cowden
Tribsch, Bob	Sue, Gary, Bob, Cyndy, John & grandchildren
Tribsch, Martha	Sue, Gary, Bob, Cyndy, John & grandchildren
Turkaly, Skip	Pat Flynn
"Uncle Russ"	Judy Hucik
Vladich, Nikki	Desire'e Aller
Walden, Robert	Alice Walden
Westlake, Perry R.	Mary E. Westlake
Wetzel, Gladys	Raegene Stetar
Wetzel, Lew	Raegene Stetar
Williams. Loring "Bud"	David & Susan Kaminski
Wilson, Margaret Ann	Bob & Dana Fratini
Windsheimer, Alma	Margaret Pescho
Yeager, Tim	Marlene Antonetti
Yeager, Tim	John & Kathie Antonetti
Zamberlan, Gregory	Ilde Kreszock
Zelenko, Joseph	Arletta & Richard Zelenko
Zelenko, Mary	Arletta & Richard Zelenko

***remembered by Ray & Janet Suica, Ed & Suzanne Sell, Tom & Terri Reed and Phoebe Suica & John McConnocki**

*The Restoration and Beautification Committee
Clara Alvarez, June Mancinelli, Charles Lawson, Gracie Preston
wish to thank the following:*

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of the
Burgettstown Community Library
Debbie Vraninin, President...Lynn Taucher, Secretary
Charles Lawson, Treasurer (thanx for the tree, Charlie)
Sheila Repole, Janine Despines, Donnie Grey, Tony Valenti
Marie Tulle, Beverly Rankin, Janet McGraw*

*would like to take this opportunity to say “Thank you”
to “one and all” for the help in making this night one
to remember.*

...Many thanks for many things to many people...

*Special thanks to Caesar Grossi...at the piano,
the folk group, Love United and the ministers.*

HAPPY “HOLIDAZE” !!!

...join us for refreshments...

Mrs. Claus coming to Burgettstown Library

BURGETTSTOWN — The Burgettstown Community Library will welcome Mrs. Claus from 10 a.m. to noon Nov. 30 at the library located at 2 Kerr St.

She will read a story and share a snack with area children. Parents are asked to call the library and register if they plan for their children to attend.

Adult Tai Chi classes are held at 11 a.m. on scheduled Thursdays for a \$10 donation. Call the library for scheduled dates and to register.

The Quilters and Friends of Quilters groups meet at 6 p.m. the second Thursday of each month. The groups are open to both beginning and experienced quilters. Members share ideas and patterns. Newcomers are welcome; call the library to register. The group will next meet Nov. 14.

The library board meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month. It will next meet Dec. 3, and the public is invited to attend.

The library has book clubs meeting; call for information.

Fort Vance Historical Society volunteers are available to assist with genealogical and historical research. To make an appointment, inquire at the library.

The historical society is digitizing its archives so they can be accessed from the library's computer network. Those interested in making donations toward this project or assisting can ask at the library.

The society also is composing collections of old

newspaper articles on various historic events and people. Volunteers are needed for the organization and collection of these articles. Volunteer hours are flexible.

The group will be available at the library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays through November. For information on the historical society, call (724) 947-5441.

The Friends of the Library group assists with fundraising efforts and volunteer work. Those interested can call the library at (724) 947-9780.

The Burgettstown Doll Club meets from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month and is open to those of all ages interested in collecting 18-inch dolls. The club will not meet in November and December. Those interested in attending a meeting should call the library to register.

Library officials request donations of paper towels, toilet paper, hand soap, scotch tape, paper clips, ink pens, Post-It notes, U.S. Postage stamps, art supplies, children's snacks, printer paper and cleaning supplies.

The library will be closed Nov. 28-29, Thanksgiving; Dec. 24-25, Christmas; and Dec. 31, New Year's Eve.

The library is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday; 9 a.m. to noon, Friday; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat-

urday. The library is closed Sunday.

Patrons can download e-books and audio books from the library's website at www.burglibrary.org through the "Off the Shelf" initiative.

The library benefits from deposits at the ABITIBI recycling containers, which are located at the library and the Barbush Community Center's baseball field entrance in Langeloth.

The library is holding a continuous book sale, with mysteries, romances, biographies and children's books available. Hardback books are \$1, and paperback books are 50 cents.

The library is registered for the Labels for Education program. Residents are asked to drop off labels from participating products. The eLabels for Education program also is available. Those wanting to participate may visit eLabelsForEducation.com and register their frequent shopper card from a participating store and select library as the organization they want to support.

To earn double label points, participants can still clip and redeem labels in addition to registering them through the e-program.

The library also benefits from those designating the library to receive rewards from their Petrucci's IGA Loyalty Card.

For information or to register for a program, call (724) 947-9780.

Mrs. Claus Coming to Burgettstown Library

PA Focus-November 7, 2013 Edition

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society

Community Library Services Threatened

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening from 7 to 9 the Burgettstown Library comes alive with activity. Frequenters of the library are adults, high school and grade school students, and even preschoolers. They come to the library for information or for reading pleasure.

These visitors are selecting books of fiction, browsing in the Climax Science Corner, using the encyclopedia for information for a term paper, reading current magazines and newspapers, or studying ethnic data concerning the Burgettstown Community.

In addition to on-the-spot service given, the library keeps circulating over 600 books to the elementary schools in the Burgettstown Area. Elementary students who see the sampling of books at their grade schools are motivated to visit the library themselves in the evenings for other interesting books.

The librarian assists those who come to the library in finding materials they need and keeps an accurate record of all books borrowed. She constantly supplies the library with the most recent reading matter and catalogs all books. In fact, one librarian should not be expected to handle all this work, but because of limited finances, it is impossible to get her the help she needs. The Library Board realizes that the library should be opened every night, but again, the financial condition of the library prohibits this.

All library services are still available to the people of the area only because Miss Pyle has worked the past 3½ months without pay.

Financial problems are not strange to the Community Library, but the library has never been in such a desperate situation as now. Money is needed to keep the library open. The Library Board consulted with personnel of the State Library Extension Service and has been advised to seek additional money from local sources. According to State Act 189, the library can get state aid only if support is given by local districts. In order to keep the library open, the local governing bodies will have to assume this responsibility.

**Community Library Services Threatened
Burgettstown Enterprise-November 23, 1961 Edition**

OLD BOOKS, PAPERS, AVAILABLE



An ancient book, published in 1813, is shown to Beverly Grimes and Vicki Spanogians by Librarian Katherine Pyle. Entitled "Travels In the Interior Districts of Africa," the book was bought from sale of the Raccoon Library in March of 1822. That label Miss Pyle is pointing to carries an interesting message: "This book belongs to the Raccoon Library. Do not lend it, nor hold its back to the fire, nor a candle over it, nor turn down its leaves."

Old Books, Papers, Available
Burgettstown Enterprise-April 5, 1962 Edition

**WELCOME
TO BURGETTSTOWN
COMMUNITY LIBRARY
OPEN HOUSE**



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1976

2:00 TO 6:00 P.M.

BURGETTSTOWN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

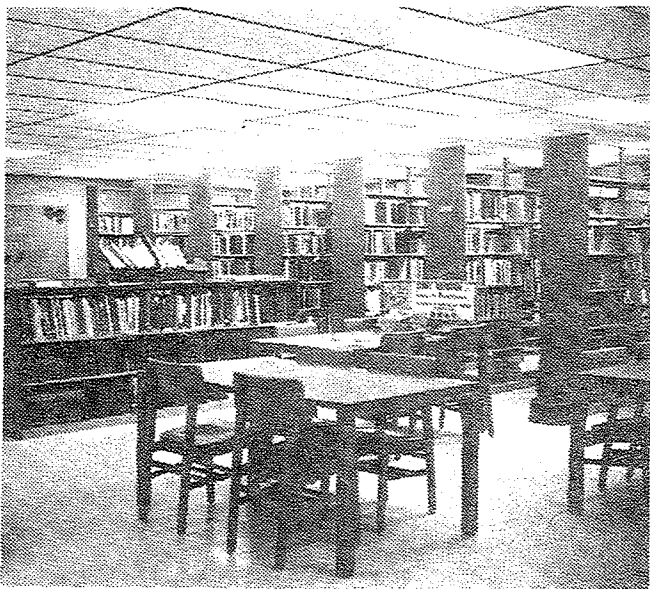
The Burgettstown Community Library came into being in the early 1940's, a product of the efforts of the Junior Women. Its first location was on Railroad Street. From there it was moved to the old McMurray Building, then to its present location on Kerr Street when the original building was constructed in 1956.

The money for early operating was realized from grants, gifts, bequests and memorials. In recent years a Library Fair was held annually, resulting in substantial sums for expenses.

In 1975, a significant expansion program was begun, aimed at joining the original Library and the



The Climax Room is the Children's Room, which was formerly the entire Burgettstown Library.



The Vian Room is the main Library Room.

adjacent educational building belonging to the Burgettstown Area School District. This move resulted in quadrupling of space, as well as providing a large well-equipped meeting room, and a display room for the Fort Vance Historical Society.

All of this was accomplished at a cost of nearly \$50,000, including over \$10,000 for furniture and equipment. Money was raised by a special fund drive, as well as from usual sources.

The community is indebted to two outstanding personalities who have graciously served in top-ranking library duties over a period of many years. Katherine Pyle, who was with the Library since the beginning, retired only two years ago and was presented with a plaque by other members of the Library Board.

Elizabeth Scott, who was called into the institution in its infancy, and who later helped to design the original building, remains today as Acting Librarian. She also holds a plaque for her untiring services.

The Library is now one of the finest assets of the Burgettstown area. It is anticipated that the increase in physical size, the

additional hours of operation, extra personnel and the proposed new programs, will result in an operating budget at least three times greater than the one in use prior to the expansion.

It is hoped that these financial needs can be met by an effort to secure greater government, industry and business participation, increased emphasis on the memorial program and the active interest of individuals and organizations.

Burgettstown Community, this is your Library.



The Petrucci Room is the Adult Reading Room.



Upstairs Meeting Room, furnished by Burgettstown Women's Club and Charles Lawson. Available for public meetings. Seats 60.

LIBRARY BOARD

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Elizabeth Scott



Katherine Pyle

Library Board Meets First Thursday of the Month
Present Library Hours: 4:30 - 8:30 P.M. Weekdays

Phone: 947-9780

DONORS

Plaques have been placed
throughout the building in honor of those who
have donated one hundred dollars or more.

In Memory of Vito and
Angela Bovalina.

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Bovalina Packing Co.,
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In Memory of James Guido.
By Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Valenti

To the Memory of Julian Gobleck Family.

Mr. & Mrs. James Dellaria

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Mr. & Mrs. R. Donald Hall & Family

In Memory of Eric Sarracino.
By Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Rizzi

Burgettstown Women's Club

Burgettstown Homemakers

In Memory of Harold Murphy
By Burgettstown Lions Club

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Gene Povero Family

Money contributed by many have resulted in plaques for the following:

Historical Room

In Memory of Kevin Cowden, Susan Robertson, Walter M. Dickson, Alberta Franz, Anne Richey and Roberta Beaumont.

In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Tucci and Mr. Stanley Tyrpin and members of the Building Trades Program - BASD.

POWER Library unveiling new look

The Pennsylvania POWER Library, unveiling a new look, is now all on one website — powerlibrary.org — and allows users to chat with a librarian, search e-resources, or find a book or photo from a library across the state.

POWER Library is the online portal to all Pennsylvania libraries. Users have free access to newspapers, magazines, journals, historical documents and photos, online databases and eBooks at all hours of the day. Librarians are on call to direct users to websites and e-resources and recommend keywords and search terms.

POWER Library gives Pennsylvanians access to authoritative, subscription-only information not available through free search engines or web directories.

Most of the site is open for browsing, but to use the online e-resources, users must have a library card issued by a Pennsylvania library or obtain an eCard that allows access to the POWER Library e-resources.

Information on obtaining a library card or POWER Library is available at the Avella Public Library, Burgettstown Community Library and Heritage Public Library.

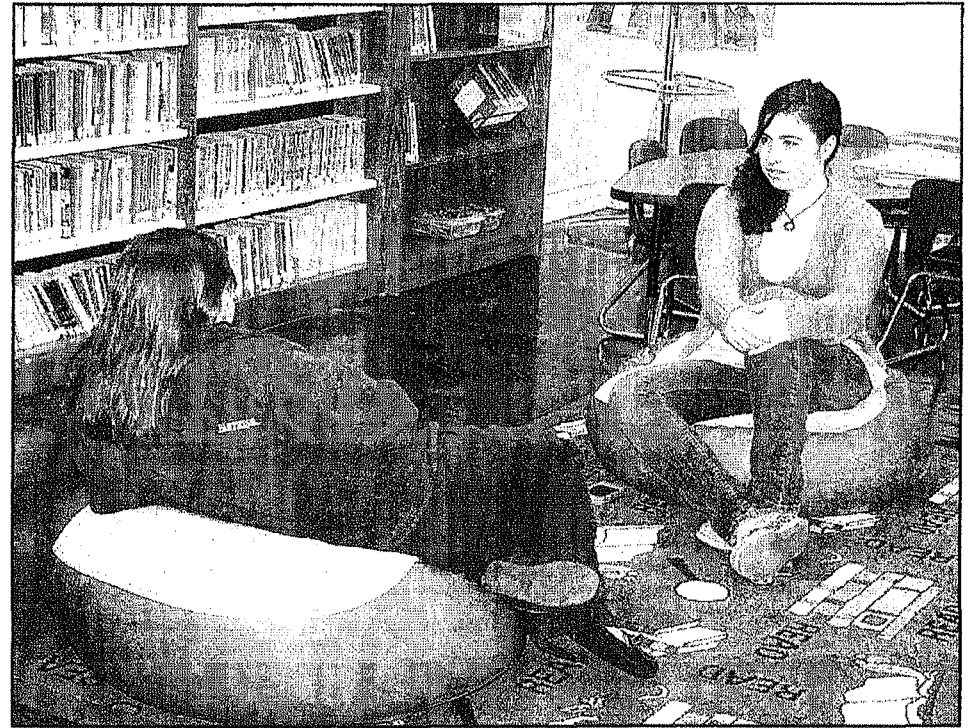
The Avella library is open from noon to 5 p.m. Mondays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesdays, noon to 7 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. It is closed Fridays and Saturday. It is located at the Avella Community Center at 11 School Court. For information, call (724) 587-5688.

The Burgettstown

library is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays; 9 a.m. to noon Fridays; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. The library is closed Sundays. It is located at 2 Kerr St. For information, call (724) 947-9780.

Heritage library is open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. It is located at 52 Fourth St., McDonald. For information, call (724) 926-8400.

POWER Library is an integral part of Information Literacy, a component of the PA Forward initiative of the Pennsylvania Library Association, promoting the value of libraries in the 21st Century. Libraries help all Pennsylvanians learn how to use online resources and current technology to fully par-



Staff Photo

NEW FEATURE – The Avella Public Library, located at 11 School Court, Avella, is one of three local sites, also including Burgettstown Community Library and Heritage Public Library, where residents can receive more information about Pennsylvania POWER Library.

ticipate in a digital society. POWER Library is a service of Common-

wealth Libraries, a Division of the Pennsylvania Department of Educa-

tion. It is supported by the taxpayers of Pennsylvania.

Power Library Unveiling New Look
PA Focus-November 7, 2013 Edition

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society



Burgettstown Community Library

Recognition Reception

Donor Wall Honorees

October 29, 2015

The Burgettstown Community Library was established by the Junior Women's Club of Burgettstown in 1935 to serve the community. Incorporated in 1953, it was housed in several locations until it found a permanent home in its present location on Kerr Street. Obviously it has undergone several changes and must continue to change to meet the changing needs of its patrons. It is only through the generosity of the people of the four municipalities that it serves, that the library will accomplish that goal.

To recognize those individuals who have so generously supported the library in the past, the Donor Recognition Wall has been established so that their generous gifts to the people will not be forgotten.

The Donor Wall that we officially unveil this evening recognizes four levels of donors. Eligible donors have made a single contribution that meets one of the following levels:

Emerald (\$1,000 - \$4,000)

Sapphire (\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Ruby (\$10,000 - \$24,999)

Diamond (\$25,000 -)

Our Inaugural Honorees at the Sapphire Level are:

Charles Lawson: "Charlie" was a long-time supporter of the Library and of the Fort Vance Historical Society. A life-long resident of Burgettstown, Charlie left a legacy that still to this day reaps benefits for the library.

Katherine Pyle: Katherine Pyle was known primarily as a teacher; however, those who knew her well, knew that Katherine was truly a Burgettstown treasure who supported the Fort Vance Historical Society and the library that housed it.

Our Inaugural Honorees at the Ruby Level are:

The Family of Sara and Joe Montequin: Life-long residents of the Burgettstown Area, Sara and Joe Montequin have left a legacy that continues annually through their sons with donations to the library in their memory.

The family of John and Barbara Stunda: Upon the untimely deaths of John and Barbara Stunda, their sons requested that "The Good Egg Award," a favorite project of Barbara Stunda, be continued annually in their memory. A qualifying donation in the name of the Good Egg recipient/s is made annually by the Stunda family.

Georgiana Taylor: A Burgettstown resident, Georgiana who lived her adult life in Sewickley, was a chemist who maintained her ties to Burgettstown and to Arletta Zelenko at the library. Georgiana left a bequest in her will to the library as well as a stipulation that should additional monies remain after her sister's death, those monies should be donated to the library as well.

Avonelle Stevenson Walker: Avonelle grew up in Burgettstown and was a student of Katherine Pyle. Currently living in New York, Ms. Walker has maintained a life-long friendship with Arletta Zelenko, and because of that friendship, she remembers the Burgettstown Library with an annual qualifying donation.

Our Inaugural Honorees at the Diamond Level are:

Glen Fullerton: Although Mr. Fullerton was not a patron of the Burgettstown Library, through his relationship with Nello Mungai and his wife who was a Fullerton, Glen Fullerton remembered the library with a sizeable bequest in his will.

Edie Jones: A life-long resident of Burgettstown, and a life-long member of the Fort Vance Historical Society, Edie Jones spent a great deal of time in the library. Upon her death, Edie generous bequest to the library belied her love of learning and her love of Burgettstown.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Petrucci: Eugene and Nell Petrucci were long-standing supporters of the Burgettstown Library through monetary contributions, and through service on the Board of Directors. Their love of the library was no more evident than in the bequests that allow the library to weather declining support for public libraries over the years.

Ruth Rommes Tomlinson: As in many cases, participation in the library and in the Fort Vance Historical Society have produced many financial supporters of the library. Ruth Tomlinson, through her friendship with Edie Jones, and through her participation in the Historical Society, recognized the vital role that the library served to the society and to the community, and honored her love of both with a magnanimous bequest in her will.

A public library relies heavily on the support of its patrons. In order to continue to remain relevant in a technology-based society, public libraries must be able to compete with the technology that is at everyone's fingertips, and yet remain relevant to patrons who still view libraries as traditional "book-lending repositories." To that end, the Burgettstown Community Library staff and Board of Directors have committed themselves to ensuring that funding is always available to maintain the library as an effective and efficient benefit to the communities that it serves.

The individuals and families being recognized this evening have known the value of public libraries and have most generously supported the Burgettstown Community Library with financial gifts that have enabled it to be a viable and vital part of the communities that it serves.

About the Artist: Tina Mitchell, a previous resident of Eldersville, is a self-taught artist who had graciously volunteered to help the library create the "Donor Recognition Wall" at the library's lobby entrance. Given only an idea of what the Board hoped to achieve, Mrs. Mitchell created an entrance to the library that captures one's attention, and that highlights those who have been such generous benefactors to the people of Burgettstown. Mitchell's creation allows for continued recognition of those who have given as well as those who may be so generous in the future.

To remain informed about library programs and activities, visit us often at: www.burglibrary.org

*Burgettstown Community Library
2 Kerr Street
Burgettstown, PA 15021*

LIBRARY REPORT SHOWS LARGEST BOOK CIRCULATION IN 1957

Circulation at the Burgettstown Community Library was greater in the past year than in any previous year, it was reported at the annual meeting of the library board Oct. 10. A total of 5228 books was loaned directly from the library during the year, and approximately another 600 books were circulated in the schools from Oct. 1, 1956 to June 1, 1957.

With funds supplied by the Climax Molybdenum Company 250 books, all of scientific nature, particularly for children and teenagers, were purchased. The fund has still not been exhausted, and other books will soon be added to the Climax Corner. Approximately 400 other volumes which were either purchased with money from the library's treasury or were donated by interested citizens have been processed and placed on the shelves in the past 12 months. Also 125 new books for children were ready for distribution in the schools as of September 1, these having been bought with money contributed by the school districts.

Five schools in the area—Burgettstown Borough, Raccoon, Atlasburg, Langeloth and the Parochial school—participate in the "traveling library" service organized by the local library. Each school received about 75 books in September. At Thanksgiving this number will be exchanged with another school and again at Easter.

Among the most recent books purchased for adults and now circulating in the community are:

By Love. Possessed by James Gould Cozzens; *The Lady* by Conrad Richter; "Where Did You Go?" "Out" "What Did You Do?" "Nothing." by Robert Smith; *Compulsion* by Meyer Levin; *Don't Go Near the Water* by William Brinkley; *Cherokee* by Don Tracy; *Alabama Empire* by Wilbourne Kelley; *Jericho's Daughters* by Paul Wellman.

Among some of the more significant donations in second hand books made by local residents were a set of the International Library of Famous Literature (20 volumes); several series of books on applied electricity, electronics, engineering, carpenters and builders guides, and a number of books in French, Spanish and German.

Officers for the new year were elected at the annual meeting. Miss Elizabeth Scott will serve as president, Miss Gina Filipponi as vice president, Mrs. Kathryn Zolters, secretary and Mrs. Dorothy McElhaney, treasurer.

**Library Report Shows Largest Book Circulation in 1957
Burgettstown Enterprise-October 31, 1957 Edition**

State Aid Grants Given To Libraries

Governor David L. Lawrence today approved state aid grants to six libraries in Washington County, including one of \$451.50 to the Burgettstown Library.

The Governor said that today's grants are the first in a series and that a second distribution is scheduled for this fall when a portion of the 1.5 million appropriation for fiscal 1962-63 will be released. Amounts are based on the population served by each library and release dates are determined by the flow of State revenues. The grants are authorized by the Library Code Act of 1961.

The Governor said that he was pleased to see the grants become a reality. "The library program was one of the vital features of this administration's program of state improvements and I am happy that this goal has been achieved.

"The distribution of these grants is the dawn of a new era for the free public libraries of the Commonwealth that have too long suffered from the lack of adequate funds. This is a milestone in education in the state that will enrich and enlarge the library services in even the smallest communities.

"I urged officials to continue, and even increase, local support of libraries so that these grants will increase, not merely replace, local library budgets," the Governor added.

State Aid Grants Given to Libraries
Burgettstown Enterprise-June 18, 1962 Edition

Statement of Club On Library Status

Junior Women Voice Appreciation of
Acts of Helpfulness of People
and Borough Council

The Burgettstown Junior Women's Club wishes to express its thanks to those who have given their support and cooperation in establishing a free public library in Burgettstown.

There are now approximately 500 people on the circulation list. The children especially seem happy to have this means of receiving reading material, and the Junior Women have made an issue of having the best of children's literature at their disposal.

An invitation is extended to the adults who have not visited the library to pay it a visit and not only inspect the books but to join the circulation list. The club appreciates the action of the Town Council for its financial cooperation in this project. The Council agreed to pay the \$10.00 a month rental. Squire W. B. Culley is also to be thanked and commended. Squire Culley saw that the library was repainted and papered, and that new electric light fixtures were installed.

The Juniors are compelled to raise the money for all other necessities. They pay for the gas and electricity and buy all new books and supplies. For this reason the club finds it necessary to raise money from time to time, for which certain activities are inaugurated and the general public invited to join in.

To all of those of the town's people who have donated books the club returns sincere thanks. Good books are always acceptable. Any one having books or magazines for the library please call any Junior Woman and she will personally see that they are taken from your home to the library, and there catalogued and placed upon the shelves.

At this time the greatest need of the library is furniture. Anyone having a straight chair or a table suitable for reading room purposes stored in their attic or not in use, would find it an article much appreciated in the library. Call a club member and tell her if you have one or other of these articles.

The foregoing is a somewhat revised statement of the Junior Women's Club, submitted to the newspaper for publicity. The newspaper would like to make the addition that the young women, in praising others, take no account of the splendid service they have performed and are still performing. They are making the free public library an institution that the town should be proud of and should in every way encourage and support.

Statement of Club on Library Status
Burgettstown Enterprise-September 4, 1935 Edition



**Burgettstown Community Library-1992 Annual Story Hour Picnic
Mickey and Anthony Gobleck**

Story Hour At Public Library

Children of the Greater Burgettstown Community are invited to attend the Story Hour which will be reopened this Saturday, Nov. 11 in the Burgettstown Community Free Library from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Stories will be told appropriate for children 10 years of age or under. The project has been successfully carried out in the library in past years and members of the library board are hopeful of its continued success this season. Mrs. Harold McElhaney and librarian, Miss Katherine Pyle will be in charge Saturday afternoon.

Story Hour at Public Library
Burgettstown Enterprise-November 9, 1950 Edition

Tamburitzans to perform



Duquesne University Tamburitzans will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Burgettstown Middle-High School performing arts auditorium. Tickets are available at Burgettstown Community Library, 2 Kerr St., which is hosting the group as one of its fundraisers. Advance tickets can be purchased or

reserved for \$25. Tickets will be \$30 at the door. Group rates also are available. Call 724-947-5116 for tickets and information. Founded in 1937, the ensemble performs an average of 80 shows per season and has received critical acclaim both stateside and abroad for performing excellence.

**Tamburitzans To Perform-Benefits Burgettstown Community Library
Observer-Reporter-October 9, 2013 Edition**

(This is the fourth in a series of articles that explains how some institutions and businesses in the Burgettstown Community began.)

Time has almost eclipsed the actual beginnings of the Burgettstown Community Library, but an early history of the Burgettstown Junior Woman's Club, in the possession of Mrs. Ethel Bish, records its birth. Several senior citizens still living in the Burgettstown area were also partly responsible for the library's founding.

It was early spring in 1932, that a group of 14 young girls was invited to the home of Helen Hindman Clark, of Main Street, to discuss organizing a Junior Woman's Club. Two weeks later Mrs. Harry Larimer, of Monongahela, met with the girls and advised them to choose a project of importance, preferably a literary one, if they wished to become members of the Federation of Women's Clubs.

It was two years later, May 3, 1934, before the first formal meeting of the Burgettstown Junior Woman's Club was held. Officers were then elected including Helen Hindman Clark, president; Margaret Whalen, vice president; Nellie Wray, secretary; and Lois Thomassy, treasurer. The following girls were listed, besides the officers as charter members:

Grace Clark Allen, Thelma Cunningham, Norma Dickson, Edna Foster, Elsie Hamilton, Mary Olive Hamilton, Marguerite Mann, Ruth Lawther, Bertha McCormick, Louise Pyle, Margaret Piersol, Dorothy Richey, Mildred Richey, Roberta Hemphill and Ida Woodrow. Mrs. Mildred Barr was selected as an advisor:

At a meeting in September of 1934, the Junior Woman's Club members agreed to establish a public library in Burgettstown.

A benefit dance was held at Union High School in November of that year. It was followed by a series of bake sales, raffles, movies, card parties and other money making projects to support the new library.

A canvass of the community was made to collect second hand books.

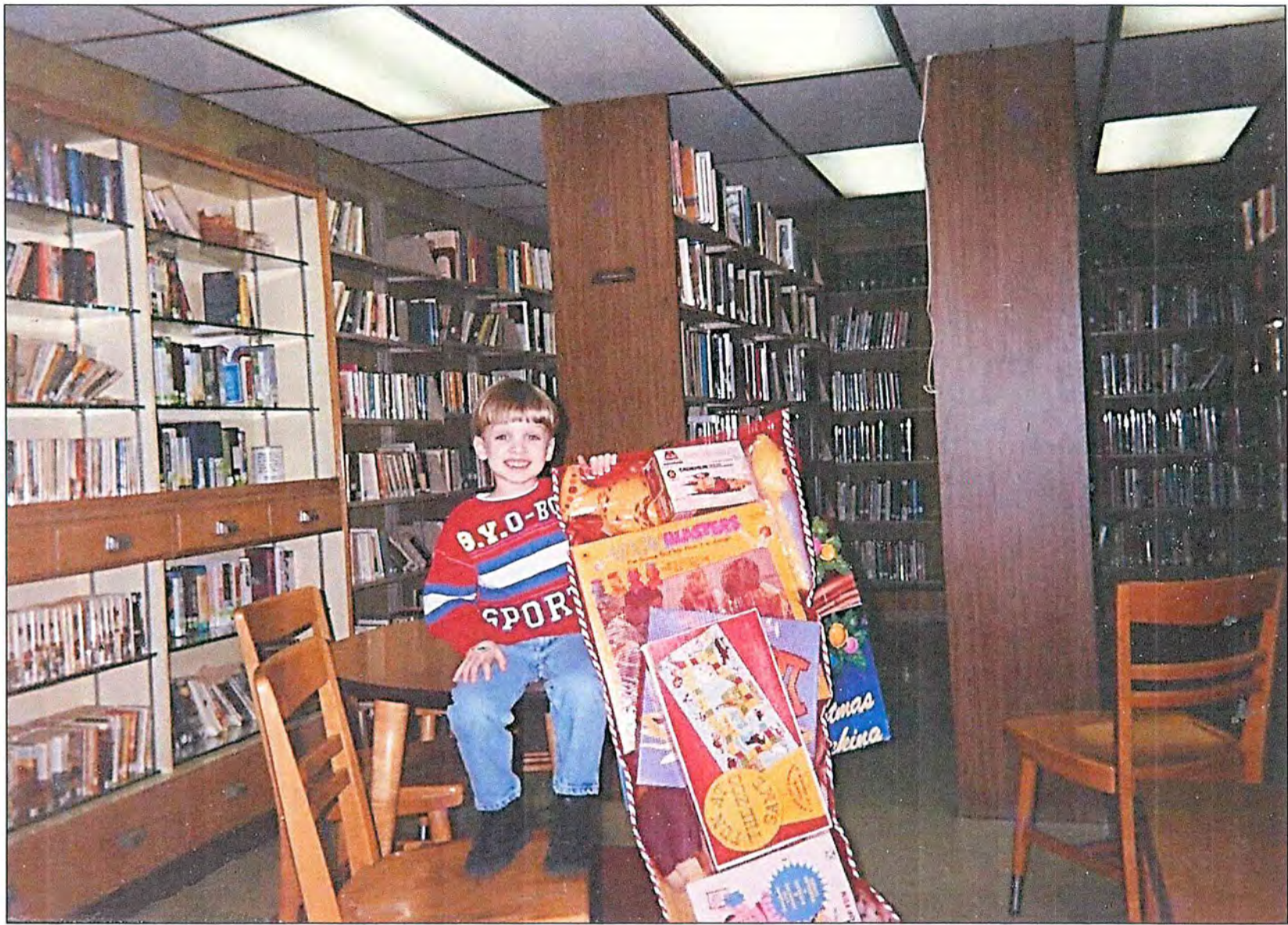
The library was first opened in a storeroom on Railroad Street, formerly occupied by Mrs. Bingham, now a part of Tom McGraw's office. Stella Kuhns was chosen as managing librarian; however, the members of the club took turns opening the library on certain afternoons and evenings each week.

During the Forties the library was moved to the McMurray homestead which was being used at the time for school purposes. It was located on land adjacent to the Burgettstown Public School, now part of Stottlemyer Park.

In the early Fifties the Library Board, which by that time had taken over the work of the Junior Woman's Club as sponsor, voted to erect a small building on Kerr Street. In the mid Seventies an addition was made to the building and the former home economics building was incorporated into the library structure.

During the years since 1934 there have been many people who have contributed to the growth of the library in sundry ways. What began as a dream on the part of some ambitious, starry eyed young girls developed in 50 years into one of Washington County's most progressive libraries benefitting thousands of people in the community.

Beginnings of the Burgettstown Community Library
Fourth in a series of the beginnings of institutions and businesses
Featured in Burgettstown Community, by Katherine Pyle
Burgettstown Enterprise-February 2, 1983 Edition



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Christopher Stokum-Winner at the Library
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Burgettstown

Library hours.

Monday-Thursday from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Register now.

The library will offer adult education classes soon. Call 947-9780 and register now. The class size will be limited. Computer and GED classes will be available. Suggestions for additional adult classes will be accepted.

Kids komputer klass.

The library is offering a computer class for students in grades 7, 8 or 9. The class will run for three consecutive Mondays, and the dates are Nov. 2, 9 and 16. The time for each class will be 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The class size is limited. Call the library today and register. The charge for the class is \$10, which must be paid in advance in order to reserve a computer.

At library

Video on boro to be screened

"Burgettstown," a 30-minute video documentary produced by Greg Scheer and Dan Morrison, will be screened at the Burgettstown Public Library on Wednesday, June 28, at 7 p.m.

Production of the documentary began in April 1994. It was first broadcast on PCTV, Channel 21, in Pittsburgh on May 16, 1995, and will continue to be broadcast through June.

The documentary, which was shot on location in Burgettstown, attempts to portray the history, life, people and inner workings of a small, western Pennsylvania town. Consisting mainly of interviews with townspeople, the documentary presents a mosaic of a distinctive people and their views of the town they love. Among the many people interviewed are A. D. White, John Weidert, Charles Stadelman, Tony Valenti, Dan and LaVerne Johnson, Caesar Grossi and Ron DiOrio.

The documentary was produced using equipment from PCTV, Channel 21, under the auspices of the Rascals, Rogues and Rascallions (RR&R), a fraternal society dedicated to exploration and discovery. In what is called a Rascal's Challenge, the RR&R sends its members out to discover curious and interesting stories which lie hidden below ordinary-looking surfaces. Greg Scheer was sent to discover what could be found in Burgettstown, and he took Dan Morrison along as his assistant.

Greg Scheer and Dan Morrison were both impressed by what they found in Burgettstown. Scheer, a Pittsburgh-based composer and choir director, was particularly pleased to get to know Caesar Grossi, whose sacred and secular compositions span a number of decades and styles, and to learn the Burgettstown Polka, which is played by the John Tasz Band. Morrison, a professor of philosophy at Carlow College, was delighted by John Weidert's folk philosophy and Ron DiOrio's extraordinary wit.

**Video on Boro to be Screened
The Enterprise-June 21, 1995 Edition**

LIBRARY BOARD NEEDS \$2000.00 TO COMPLETE NEW BUILDING

Near Union high school and the Home Economics house stands a brand new building with a green roof and windows that open to the north and east. The building is the Burgettstown Community Library — only so far it is just a building. It can't be a library until it is finished. And it won't be finished until a couple of thousand dollars pours into the library till.

A tremendous amount of construction has been done on very little money. The building is "up" and the mere hanging of doors will close it in. But the brick siding has not been added; the floor has not been laid; the wiring is unfinished. Installation of toilet facilities awaits completion. The inside finishing of walls with mahogany sheet rock, the glazing of windows and the building of stacks must still be done. This sounds like a large order, but the building committee estimates that \$2000 should complete the job. With the end so near in sight, the library board again *appeals to the public for help.*

Over a year ago a house to house canvass was made in the community for funds for the new library. People were generous, as generous as one could expect them to be in this day of "gimmies," and for a project, which at that time had not been started. A few thousand dollars was raised, roughly about \$3500 in all. Then the Smith Township School Board offered one of the old Raccoon School Buildings to the library. With timber from it, construction began on the library August 5, 1955.

Individuals and business firms have chipped in free labor and materials at cost. The building has grown. In a month's time it can be finished.

The library board faces again the fact that it must ask you for money. Since no canvass was made in the business districts during the campaign last year, members of the board have planned to solicit these establishments. A few individuals who were not contacted before may be asked to contribute. But to all of you, we make this general appeal: *Help us to complete the work we have begun.*

Stop by and view the new structure on Kerr street yourself. See what your money can do to make it a public building of which our community can be proud. Contact a member of the library board, preferably Mrs. Dorothy McElhaney, treasurer, and make your contribution.

In the past twenty years the library has operated largely on faith. It has grown steadily because the people of the Burgettstown Community have recognized its value. We have faith that it will continue to grow with your help! Please don't disappoint us.

k. p.

Library Board Needs \$2,000.00 To Complete New Building
Burgettstown Enterprise-October 27, 1955 Edition

Courtesy of Fort Vance Historical Society

**BREAKFAST WITH THE BUNNY
SET AT RAE LYNN'S**

Breakfast with the Bunny will be held again this year as a project of the Friends of the Library. On March 30, from 9 until 10:30 a.m., the 65 persons holding tickets for the breakfast will assemble at Rae Lynn's Restaurant for breakfast and entertainment. The Easter bunny will be present to greet the children. A limited number of tickets at \$3.25 for adults and \$2.25 for children will be available at the library beginning the first week in March. All reservations must be made by March 22.

Tentative plans were made at a meeting of the Friends of the Library Thursday evening, Feb. 21, for the observance of Library Week April 14-21. Announcement was made by the librarian, Arietta Zelenko, that new book pockets had been purchased which are imprinted with a picture of the library.

BURGETTSTOWN LIBRARY ANNUAL FUND DRIVE

Fundraising is a Must to Keep the Doors Open

**THE LIBRARY IS A BUSY PLACE
IN OUR COMMUNITY.**

We have over 2200 registered users of the library. Over 130 children attended this years summer reading program. Our weekly Story Time and ABC Club serve the pre-school children in our community. The computer stations, printing and faxing services are used daily by our patrons.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Quilt Show - Sept. 15 & 16, 2018

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Good Egg Award - May 2019

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

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**CHESSTOURNAMENT
TO BE HELD MAR. 16**

A chess tournament will be held Saturday, March 16, at 1 p.m. at the Burgettstown Community Library. There will be three age categories: grades 1-5, 6-9 and 10-12. Pre-registration is required. Participants should register at the library before March 15. No registration will be held the day of the tournament. A trophy will be given to the winners and they will be eligible to enter a tournament at Citizens' Library in Washington at a later date. The local tournament is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

**GOOD EGG AWARD TO
HONOR BARBARA STUNDA**

The annual Good Egg Award, which has previously been sponsored by the Friends of the Library, will be presented as a memorial award this year in honor of the late Barbara Stunda by members of her family. A contribution of \$100 will be made by the Stundas to the Burgettstown Community Library in the name of the award recipient. The money will be used to purchase books or for any special library project. It is hoped that many persons in the community will think seriously about who should be named for the award. A blank for voting will appear in the *Enterprise*.

By Arietta Zelenko

I am accepting used books. Anyone wishing to donate paperbacks or hardbound books may do so Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily. This year the used book sale will take place in the meeting room, upstairs in the library. The date is Sept. 7.

Stephen King has a new book out entitled *Skeleton Crew*. John Irving's *Cider House Rules* takes place in an orphanage — proves to be food for thought. *Voices in the Wind*, an Evelyn Anthony novel, is a haunting story of love and revenge. Catherine Cookson presents another powerful novel with *The Bannaman Legacy* — a story of three generations trapped by one man's past. *Men and Angels* — a novel about what love can and cannot do, by Mary Gordon, is a good selection. Barbara Bradford's *Hold That Dream* — which is a sequel to *A Woman of Substance* — is one you won't want to put down. Michael Korda in the novel, *Queenie*, has created his crowning achievement. You will want to read this story of an Indian girl from Calcutta who becomes a dream princess of the movie world — and her fate.

Men Are Just Deserts and *Smart Cookies Don't Crumble* are two new non-fiction books by Sonya Friedman — for every woman, 30, 40 or 50, it can simply mean that for every woman there is a second chance — "Read all about it!"

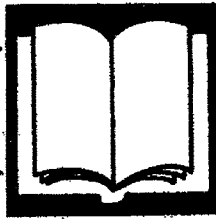
Children be reminded of the hand puppets which you may borrow for a week. Stop in and take your turn borrowing one of our "new friends."

Flowers add so much to our surroundings. The flowers complimenting the library setting were made available through the efforts of Charles Lawson. Thanks a bunch, Charles!

I would like to have a piano recital in the library. The Friends of the Library have made our beautiful piano possible. Anyone interested in presenting a piano recital in the library, ☎ 947-9780.

In the Library

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BETWEEN THE COVERS

Burgettstown Community Library

■ **G.E.D. diploma.**

Anyone interested in acquiring the G.E.D. (General Education Diploma), please register now by calling the library.

■ **Piano lessons.**

Piano lessons are on hold until an instructor is engaged.

■ **Tutoring.**

Parents: if you are interested in

having your child tutored, call the library for information.

■ **Hours.**

Monday through Thursday, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Avella Community Library

■ Hours at the Avella Community Library are Wednesday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Burgettstown Community Library
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