

Fall 2018 Events and Classes @ the Shaler North Hills Library

September through
December 2018



Shaler North Hills Library
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Understanding Our Kids' Online & Offline Social World: Friendships, Cliques & Power Plays – The Library is proud to be partnering with Ross and West View Elementary Schools and the North Hills School District to bring Trudy Ludwig to Pittsburgh. Ms. Ludwig's acclaimed books include My Secret Bully, Just Kidding, Sorry, Trouble Talk, Too Perfect, Confessions of a Former Bully, and focus on helping children thrive in their social world. Learn more about what bullying is and isn't, relational aggression (the use of relationships to manipulate and hurt others) including the latest research findings, the nature of boys' and girls' friendships, cyberbullying, as well as tips, tools, and resources to help you empower your children to connect with one another in kinder and more caring ways. For adults. **Monday, September 10 from 6:30-8:00pm**

Playdoh Family Fun Nights – Fun for the whole family! Join us as we make fun objects with Playdoh. Please register. **Tuesdays: September 11 (Down on the Farm), October 16 (Creepy Creatures), November 20 (Family Feast) from 7:00pm to 7:45pm**

Family Fun Bingo Nights! - Prizes and lots of fun for the whole family. Please register. **Mondays: September 24, October 29, November 26 and December 17 at 7:00pm**

Sensory Storytime NOW AT TWO DIFFERENT TIMES - Especially designed for children on the autism spectrum and/or with sensory integration challenges. This program combines books, songs, movement and more to stimulate all five senses and promote learning. Due to the nature of the program, registration is limited.

Wednesdays: September 26, October 24 and November 28 at 6:30pm

Saturdays: September 15, October 20, November 17 and December 15 at 10:15am

Saturday Storytime - Back again! Join us for fabulous stories, great songs and a lot of fun! No registration necessary! The Library will be closed on Saturday, September 29 for the Shaler Area Homecoming. Go Titans! **Saturdays: September 15 through December 22 at 10:30am**

Tail Waggin' Tutors - Visit your favorite therapy dogs and share a story with them! Volunteers from the Western PA Humane Society and their TDI dogs are here the last Saturday of each month. In September, the Library is closed on Saturday, September 29 for Shaler Area's Homecoming, the dogs will be here the week prior. No registration.

Saturdays: September 22, October 27, and November 24 and December 29 from 10:00am to 12:00pm



Harry Potter Party! – Join us to celebrate the wonder that is the world of Harry Potter! Friday Family Fun! Crafts, snacks and more! Please register. **Friday: September 28, at 7:00pm**

WQED Write On! Book Release and Puppet Show! – Join us as

WQED presents the winners of the 2017 Write On! Writers Contest and celebrate with a special performance by Pittsburgh Puppetworks! **Sunday: September 30 from 2:00 – 4:00pm**



Creative Corner - Bring your imagination and visit the library on Thursday, October 11 any time between 3pm-8pm. We'll have crafts and activities for you to make and take that let you show your creative side, including broken crayon art, found object art, poetry, and more. **Thursday, October 11 from 3:00pm-8:00pm**

2nd Annual Fall Festival! – Together with the Autism Connection of PA and Stoneridge Covenant Church, we will be having a fabulous fall festival! Join us for food, crafts, free horse rides and sensory activities! **The Fall Festival will take place at the Stoneridge Covenant Church in Burchfield, 811 Dressel Rd., Allison Park, 15101. Saturday, October 13 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm**

Shaler Township Fall Fest: Halloween Fun! - Join us for an October evening of fun and games at the second annual Shaler Township Fall Fest at Kiwanis Park! Wear your Halloween costume and participate in the costume parade at approximately 8:30 PM, costumes optional. Enjoy games, a hay maze and make “spooky” crafts to take home. Decorate a small pumpkin, limited quantities available. \$2.00 for the pumpkin or bring your own. Miss Rebekah and Miss Ing will have “spooky” tales and some Harry Potter wizardry. S’mores: make your own for \$1.00 each. Our D.J. will be belting out the Monster Mash, Ghostbusters and other seasonal favorites. **Please register here: tinyurl.com/ShalerHalloween or at the Library! Saturday: October 27 from 6:00 – 9:00pm**

Let’s Go Luna! One-of-a-Kind Celebration – The folks from WQED will be bringing an advanced copy of their new show, Let’s Go Luna! This new cartoon will begin this fall on WQED and features three friends, Leo the wombat, Carmen the butterfly, and Andy the frog who travel around the world via “Circo Fabuloso,” their parents' traveling performance troupe. Along their stops, Luna the moon teaches them about the local languages, music, and other daily routines. Join us for an afternoon of celebrating our uniqueness and our similarities! Families have different traditions; they come in all kinds of shapes and sizes. The first 50 families who register will get a free copy of THE CELEBRATE FAMILY BOOK: YOU AND YOUR SPECIAL, WONDERFUL, ONE-OF-A-KIND FAMILY **Sunday: November 11 from 1:15 to 2:15pm**



Shaler “Lite” Up Night – SNHL will be open helping to kick-off the holiday season! Holiday friends will be on hand! Plus music, crafts, and refreshments. **Saturday: November 17 time to be announced**

Grinch Night! - He can be a little cranky when it comes to Christmas! Come and meet him! Wear your Cindy Lou Who Hair or Grinch-y style garb! A night of family fun with a grinchy snack and crafts and stories! Please register. **Friday, November 30 from 7:00-8:00pm**

Hour of Code – Computer science is fun and creative! Join us for the SNHL edition of the Hour of Code where you can try out new challenges unplugged or online. Bring a friend and get your CODE on! Please register **Saturday, October 27 from 10:15am to 11:15am**

A Visit from Santa! - The Big Guy in the Red Suit will be here and good tidings will occur! All ages fun! Please register. **Saturday, December 1 at 10:15am**

Happy Hanukkah! - Celebrate Hanukkah at the Library! Come and celebrate your faith or learn about a faith different from your own! All ages fun! **Tuesday, December 4 at 7:30pm**

Shaler Area Polar Express Party – Shaler and Reserve Townships, Etna and Millvale Boroughs and the Shaler Area School District are working together to present you with a Polar-iffic get together! Come gather as a community and watch and participate in an interactive viewing of The Polar Express. **Saturday, December 15 at the Shaler Area Middle School, time to be announced, keep posted to Shaler Township Facebook and the Library Facebook page for more information.**

Noon Year's Eve Party - Staying up to midnight can be hard. Celebrate the New Year early with crafts, games and snacks! All ages fun! Please register. **Friday, December 28 from 11:30am -12:30pm**

BIRTH TO PRESCHOOL

No Registration required, unless noted. Also, be sure to check out our Special Events!

Art from the Start - Come and share an art experience with your toddler or preschooler. Don’t dress up, because we’ll be scribbling, squeezing, stretching and smearing our way through artistic learning and fun!

Thursdays: September 6, October 4, November 1, and December 6 at 10:15am

Family Place Imagination Station - Come and play with our toys and have fun at story time after playtime! Child health professionals will be on hand to answer your questions. Birth through age 6, with a caregiver.

Tuesdays: September 4 from 10:00am - 11:15am

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Sunday Family Block Parties - Playing with blocks develops your child's eye-hand coordination as well as math and science skills. Come play, build, and learn together at a block party! Birth through age 6.

Sundays: September 16 through December 16 from 1:00 - 2:30pm

Mother Goose - Thirty minutes of stories and fun for children ages 18 through 30 months, with a caregiver.

Mondays: September 10 through December 10 at 10:15am and 11:15am

Parachute Play - Thirty activity-filled minutes that include music, creative movement and fun, all with one colorful parachute!

Mondays: September 10 through December 10 at 10:45am and 11:45am

Marvelous Mondays Lunch Bunch – Bring your lunch and we'll supply the drink and great fun as we explore seasonal games, stories, and crafts each week. For ages 4, 5, and 6, without a caregiver. Please register.

Mondays: September 10 through December 10 at 12:15pm

Book Babies at Night – Rhymes, songs, and stories for children ages birth through 18 months, with a caregiver. **Mondays: September 10 through December 10 at 6:30pm**

Book Babies - Lively songs, rhymes and stories for children ages birth through 18 months, with a caregiver.

Tuesdays: September 11 through December 11 at 10:15am and 11:15am

Dress-Up Storytime - A fire fighter? A doctor? What would you like to be today? Dress in one costume, listen to a story and then switch costumes up and hear the next! A great opportunity for imagination and play and great stories! For children ages 3 and up, with a caregiver. **Tuesdays: September 11 through December 11 at 1:15pm**



Little Learners: Full STEAM Ahead - Developmentally appropriate (and fun!) games, stories and activities for you and your young child. We will focus on letters, phonics, numbers and beginning math! **Tuesdays: September 11 - December 18 at 6:30pm**

Toddler Fun- Stories feature a different letter each week. For children 2 ½ to 3 ½ years old, with a caregiver.

Wednesdays: September 12 through December 12 at 10:15am and 11:15am

Mighty Math- Math concepts for preschoolers. **Wednesdays: September 12 through December 12 at 1:15pm**

Storytime Chess for 4 Year Olds and Kindergartners - Learn the basics of Chess through this fun and interactive program, one story at a time! Each week we will learn about a different piece and why it moves in the way in which it does. There is a limit of 20 kids, so please register each week! Caregivers are encouraged to attend. **Wednesdays: September 12 & 19, October 10 & 17, November 14 & 28 and December 12 & 19 from 4:30 - 5:00pm**

Parachute Play at Night- Play with the 'chute as the sun-sets! Toddlers and preschoolers, with a caregiver. **Wednesdays: September 12 through December 12 at 6:30pm**



Good Night Yoga PJ Storytime - Sleeping time stories and nighttime yoga exercises before you head off to bed. For toddlers and preschoolers, with a caregiver. **Wednesdays: September 12 through December 12 at 7:00pm**

Dance Party! - Moving and grooving to all of your favorite toddler and preschool tunes! **Every Thursday, all year at 10:15am.**

***The Library is closed on November 23, but Miss Ing will be dancing anyway at the regular time, join us!**

Discovery Kids - This weekly, interactive program for ages 3 and up will feature nonfiction topics each week and learning labs. **On the first Thursdays of the month: October 4, November 1 and December 6, there will be no class but please take the opportunity to check out Art from the Start on these days! Thursdays: September 13 through December 13 at 11:15am**



Activated Stories – Storytime with a twist, you become part of the story! Listen to some new stories and old classics and act them out as the stories unfold. Perfect for toddlers and preschoolers who love a little drama and like to move. Toddlers and preschoolers, with a caregiver. **Thursdays: September 13 through December 13 at 6:30pm**

Preschool Express - All aboard! Preschoolers, ages 3 ½ to 6, will share stories and songs!

Fridays: September 14 through December 14 at 10:15am. There will be no program on Friday, November 23.

Music Adventures – Sing and clap, bang your drums, shake your shakers, ring your bells! Preschoolers, explore your musical talents! **Fridays: September 14 through December 14 at 10:45am. There will be no program on Friday, November 23.**

Reserve Reads! – Meet Miss Pennie at St. Aloysius Church at 3616 Mt Troy Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15212 for stories, a craft and a great time! **Fridays, September 14 through December 14 at noon. There will be no program on Friday, November 23.**

Family Storytime at the Millvale Library – Live in Millvale? Live near Millvale? Head on down to the Millvale Community Library for wiggling, giggling, great stories and songs! **Fridays: September 14 through December 14 at 10:30am. There will be no storytime on November 23.**

Friday Lunch Bunch Sponsored by Ed and Mark's Shop N Save - Bring a bagged lunch, we'll supply the drink and great fun as we explore seasonal games, stories and crafts each week for children ages 4, 5 and 6, without a caregiver. We are grateful to Ed and Mark's Shop N Save (www.edandmarks.com) for their continued sponsorship of this program.

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1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

1000 Books Before Kindergarten is a Library program that encourages all families and caregivers to read 1,000 books with their young children before they enter kindergarten.

Studies have shown that families who start reading aloud to their children at birth help to strengthen their language skills and build their vocabulary –two important tools for beginning to learn to read when they enter kindergarten.

How Does 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Work?

- Register at the Library or online and take home your first reading log AND an ABC book to keep!
- When you fill up your first reading log, bring it in for your 100 Books Sticker. Do this for each 100 books you complete.
- When you get all the way to 1000, you will receive another free book!

GRADES K-3

Please check program descriptions for grade level. Check out our Special Events as well!

Fun Food For Kids – Do you like cooking in the kitchen and making yummy food? We will learn the basics of cooking along with preparing yummy treats based on a different theme each class. *Please register to ensure we have enough supplies.* For those in grades K-6. **(Caution! This class serves & prepares food so if your child has a food allergy the library cannot guarantee that allergens will be avoided.)** Saturdays: September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8 from 11:00am to 11:45am or 12:30pm-1:15pm

Patterns in Nature – Exploring animals and habitats through images and sound. Make an eco-friendly project to take home. For those in grades K-6. Please register. **Tuesdays: September 25, October 23 and November 27 at 7:00pm**

LEGO WEDO Robotics for Beginners - Register each week for this robotics class using LEGOS! Learn about simple machines and make a new project each week. Then use basic computer programming to make your model move! Please register on the Friday of the previous week for each class, as registration is limited. Grades 1 – 6. **Thursdays: Sept. 13 & 27, Oct. 11 & 25, November 8 & 29, and December 13 at 7:00pm**

LEGO Free Build – The chance to build whatever your awesome brain can imagine! Or give a try at building a model of where you live! Or go to school! Or a robot best friend! **Wednesdays: September 26, October 24, November 28, and December 26 from 3:30pm to 5:00pm**

LEGO Robotics for Experts – Join us for this advanced class if you have done the Beginners set of projects! Please register the Friday of the previous week for each class, as registration is limited. Grades 1 – 6. **Thursdays: September 20, October 4 and 18, November 1 and 15, and December 6 at 7:00pm**



American Girl Saturdays – Come, bring your favorite doll, if you like! Stories, crafts and a look back in time. For those in grades K and up. As a courtesy please register for each program to ensure sufficient supplies are available. Many thanks!

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Something Spooky – Listen to some creepy tales and make a pumpkin for your pocket! For those in K-3 who don't mind being a little scared! **Friday, October 12 at 4:15pm**

TWEENS: GRADES 4-6

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Locker Magnet Making – Bring your creativity and we'll supply what you need to make cool magnets for your locker! Please register. For those in grades 4-6. **Wednesday, September 12 from 4:30-5:30pm**

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Vampire Legends and Lore – Creatures of the night, blood-thirsty members of the undead have haunted people's nightmares for centuries. Come hear more about these terrifying beings from folklore, and real life! For those in grades 4 -6.



Tuesday, October 9 at 7:30pm

TEENS: GRADES 7 and UP!

Inkspotters Teen Writing Group – Do you write stories, fanfiction, poetry, or blog posts? Need help picking the perfect character names? Join our weekly writing group and meet other writers! Talk, work on an existing project, or try a writing prompt. No registration required. (There will be no program on Thanksgiving, November 22nd) **Thursdays: September 6 through December 20 from 4:30pm to 5:30pm**

Teen Sardines and Zombie Tag Night – Everyone's favorite hide 'n seek game is here: Sardines! Then play Zombie Tag! We will also play some favorite board games (Apples to Apples, Catchphrase, Anomia, etc.) and card games (UNO, Spoons). You're welcome to bring your games from home, too! Snacks served. *Bring a flashlight or your phone for sardines and zombie tag.* **Saturday, September 8 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm**



Page Turners Book Club

Join Cindy Binz for book discussion, crafts and a good time! For teens and young adult with exceptional abilities. **Tuesdays: September 11 through December 18**

Teen Anime Club – Watch a different anime every week, discuss with other fans, and talk about related things like cosplay, games, and more! **Mondays: September 24, October 29, and November 26 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm**

S'mores and Blackout Poetry – Bring a blanket and flashlight and enjoy s'mores over a "library friendly" campfire. Then spark your creativity with blackout poetry, the writing trend described as "sort of like if the CIA did haiku." Fun and easy! **Saturday, October 6 from 7:00pm to 8:00pm**

Nightmare Tales - Hear stories and legends about some of the creatures that have been haunting nightmares for centuries. A multi-media evening of vampire, werewolf, zombie and other lore that will send shivers up and down your spine. For those in grades 7-12. **Friday, October 12 from 7:00 - 8:30pm**

Teen Comedy and Improv Night – Ever watch "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" and want to try it yourself? Come add your own spin to our evening of improv games, like "Park Bench" and "Scenes From a Hat", or just enjoy as an audience member! Snacks too! **Saturday, October 13 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm**

Phantom of the Library – Seek out what’s stashed in the stacks! Travel through the darkened rooms of the library looking for candy treasures. But beware the PHANTOM or you’ll be frozen in the dungeon! Keep the loot you’ve found. **Please bring a flashlight! Saturday, October 20 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm**

Teen Game Night – Break out your favorite board games or try some of ours before we play “Sardines.” Try favorites like Apples to Apples, Clue, Sorry, Anomia, card games, etc. Snacks too! **Bring a flashlight for Sardines! Saturday, November 10 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm**

Teen Zone Café – Enjoy sweet treats and drinks as we transform our community room into a “coffee shop/café.” Showcase your talents in this casual evening or just hang out in the audience! Tell a joke, sing, dance, play our piano, or bring your own instruments (guitar, ukulele, viola, drums, etc.) **Saturday, December 8 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm**



Sweet Treats for the Holidays – Make an assortment of chocolate covered pretzels and marshmallows, along with holiday themed snack mix. We’ll package it to make the perfect gift, or to enjoy as a personal treat! **Saturday, December 15 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm**

DATES TO REMEMBER

- We will be closed on Saturday, September 29 for the Shaler Area Homecoming Celebration. See us in the parade!
- Friends of SNHL Giant Book Sale Blow Out! Saturday, October 6 from 10:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday, October 7 from noon to 4:30pm! The BIG bag sale! We provide the bag, you supply the \$5.00! Great volunteer opportunities for those ages 14 and up! We need your help! Tell your friends too! Contact Sharon at mcraes@einetwork.net.
- The Library will close at 5:00pm on Wednesday, October 31 for Halloween.
- The Library will open at 12:30pm on Wednesday, November 7 due to the celebration of our local veterans at the Shaler Area Middle School.
- We will close at 6:00pm on Wednesday, November 21 and remain closed until Saturday, November 24 for Thanksgiving.
- The Library will be closed on Sunday, December 23, Monday, December 24, and Tuesday, December 25 for the Christmas holiday.
- We will be closed on Monday, December 31 and Tuesday January 1, 2019 in celebration of New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day.

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If you or your school would like a visit from an SNHL librarian, we will be there! Are you a teacher and need books or other resources for your class? We can help! We go anywhere! Just drop us a line!

It is an honor to serve you!