Join us for...A Taste of Spring!
Wine Tasting with Local Expert John Eld
Saturday, May 4, 7:00pm (REG-REQ)
Join us this evening for a very special fundraiser with local wine connoisseur John Eld as he heralds in the spring! Small bites of various foods will be provided. John is former chairman of the Pittsburgh chapter of the American Wine Society. Sponsored by the Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library.
This event is for adults 21 and over.
Seating is limited to 30 people.
$30 each or $50 per couple/pair. Payment due upon registration.
You may pay…
• IN PERSON at the library (cash, check—made out to Friends of the SHNL, or credit card)
• BY MAIL
• BY CREDIT CARD through the Library’s PAYPAL account on the website—just indicate Wine Tasting in the “Special Instructions to Seller” field.

A Spring Concert—Pittsburgh Recorder Society
Saturday, May 11, 1:00pm
Please join the members of "Concordance" for a delightful concert to celebrate spring! Bring your mother, grandmother, sister, or aunt to celebrate Mother’s Day.
The group plays music from the Baroque and Renaissance periods as well as modern compositions. You will also learn about the different recorders—sopranos, altos, tenors, bases, contra-bases—and what they sound like and how they work together. No registration required.

SUMMER READING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!!!
Don't forget to sign up for summer reading with your library. Children, Teens, Adults—something for everyone!
Watch for Al Mazing’s Magical Summer Reading Kickoff show on Friday, May 31.
See p. 4 for more info!

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Health & Wellness

Please note: Exercise classes require registration and signed waivers.

Exercise Class for All Levels
with John Uddstrom
Every Monday and Friday morning $8.45am to 9:45am
Class focuses on stretching, balance, body toning and Tai Chi. The class is offered twice per week, Monday and Friday mornings. Cost is $2.00 per class, $10.00 per month or $100.00 for the entire year. Cash or check. Drop-ins allowed. Must sign-in and pay at the circulation desk. Fees are payable to Shaler North Hills Library.

SNHL Friends & FUNdraising

Looking for ways to show your love for your library? Here are just a few ideas!

Please Join Us!!
SNHL Friends Annual Meeting
Monday, May 6, 6:30pm
Love your library and want to learn more about helping? Consider becoming a FRIEND! The Friends Annual Meeting is a great way to learn what the group does—open to all and we encourage newcomers. Please join us!

“FRIEND” Us!
The Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library actively work to make SNHL a better place. They annually donate over $20,000 through fundraisers, membership dues and raffles. ALL funds go towards library programming and the purchase of special items the library could not otherwise afford. Membership is only $15.00 for Individuals. The membership form is available on the Library website or at the “Friends” board by the elevator.

Learn Something New Today!
The Testing and Education Reference Center (TERC) returns to Shaler Library. With this site you can practice the SAT, PRAXIS, NCLEX, Firefighter, Postal Exams, and so much more! Study up with an eBook too—without late fees. Free with your Shaler North Hills Library card.

Ready to build your skills? Click HERE

Explore the complete list of ebook and exams available: TERCTitleList (Visit our website to connect directly.)

Never Miss a Local Event Again...Including YOUR Library Events!
We are excited to announce a great service that will allow you to easily keep track of everything going on in Shaler Township, Millvale, Etna and Reserve!

Burbio.com is a FREE website and app that puts school, library and other local events all in one calendar. You can create a personalized event feed and even sync events to your Google or iPhone calendars. You’ll also receive important notifications if events change. Sign up at Burbio.com or download the free APP to your iPhone or Android. Follow your favorite calendars...including SNHL!

Celebrate May in a BIG WAY!

Mother’s Day Gifts!
Need a gift for that special mom in your life? Give the gift of reading! Books make great gifts. We’ll supply some lovely books (you can pick or we will help), a gift bag with tissue, a bookmark and a card. Just $10.00!

Clivia Plant Raffle! See the Reference Desk for details.

Memorial Day Basket Raffle
Kick off summer with a Memorial Day raffle sponsored by the Friends of SNHL. Tickets are $1.00 each or 6 for $5.00. Drawing will be held on Friday, May 17.
Ten Things Families Can Do to Help Someone with a Mental Illness Handle Legal Hassles (REG)
Tuesday, May 14, 6:30pm
Need help navigating the law for a loved one with mental illness? Join author and attorney Linda Tashbook who will share practical advice from her years of experience.
Linda Tashbook has been a law librarian at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law for more than twenty years. For all of that time, she has also had a pro bono law practice representing individual clients in disability claims and consumer matters and establishing and consulting for nonprofit organizations. In 2008, she created The Homeless Law Blog which she continues to manage. This combination of work earned her the Pennsylvania Bar Association’s Pro Bono Award in 2011.
Visit her blog at: https://mentalillnesslawbook.blog/

Get in Tune with Nature Series: Backyard Biology (REG-REQ)
Tuesday, May 21, 2:00-3:30pm or 6:30-8:00pm
Creating wildlife habitats in your yard provides food, water, shelter, and nesting sites for a variety of organisms. The photo exhibit is an introduction to the Backyard Biology workshop, where we will investigate a few of the ecological processes that take place everyday to sustain the cycles of life. Activities include reading tree rings, observing how plants “breathe”, analyzing feathers, comparing the genetics of black & wild type gray squirrels, making seed balls, and methods of journaling. Participants always bring lots of questions, info, fun and laughter.
This is our popular series of workshops with our trainee Master Naturalists helping us learn about the natural world around us. Presenters Pat Milliken and Gil Pielin are retired high school teachers. Pat has taught for 32 years, including many courses in Biology and Environmental Science. She also does nature photography. Gil Pielin taught for 41 years including classes on biology, anatomy, physiology, chemistry, math, and environmental science. He was selected Environmental Teacher of the year in 2007.
The program is FREE but you MUST register. Space is limited. Geared for adults. You must be 14 years of age to participate.
You can learn about the Master Naturalist program here: https://pamasternaturalist.org
Estate Planning for Parents of Young Children
Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30pm

A legal seminar presented by Carolyn Spicer Russ, Attorney at Law, Olds Russ Marquette & Peace, LLC (REG)

Estate planning for parents of young children is like life insurance—you sure don’t want to need it, but if you don’t have it, the consequences can be dire. Learn what documents you need to have and what to think about when you choose a guardian or decision maker.

Register online or by calling the library at 412-486-0211.

Protecting Yourself From Medical Harm
A Consumer Reports Workshop (REG)
Friday, May 10 at 1:30pm

Please join us for this informative workshop providing strategies and tips for how to protect yourself and your loved ones when you are in a hospital setting.

Learn...
- How to ask the right questions of your doctor or nurse
- How to avoid infections
- How to track your medications and keep your information as a patient

Facilitated by Community member Larry Wolfson
Please register.

Summer Reading Fun for All Ages!
Don’t miss out this summer—be sure to join in one of our summer reading programs and watch for all the great programs.

Summer Reading for all ages kicks off on Friday, May 31 at 7pm with Al Mazing’s Magical Summer Reading Kickoff Show!

Children’s/Teens Summer Reading: It’s Showtime @ SNHL
Adult Summer Reading: There’s a Good Book in Your Future.

Watch for fun games and more! Read books and win prizes!

Dementia 101 (REG)
Brought to you by:
ArdenCourts
Friday, May 17, 1:30pm

If you are caring for a loved one with Dementia, Alzheimer’s, or other memory issues, join us for this informative session by memory care professionals. Learn the basics about how the brain functions and what memory is. We’ll explore the types of dementia, including Alzheimer’s, as well as the various symptoms. You’ll receive guidance on how to interact with your loved one and how to take care of yourself in the process. Please register.
What’s all the hoopla about hoopla??
Hoopla is a digital service provided by your library where you can borrow music, stream TV shows and movies, and listen to audio books. If you haven’t checked it out yet, ask any reference staff for help. Here’s some exciting news!

Hoopla now has BBC shows available—including Call the Midwife; Upstairs Downstairs, The Inspector Lynley Mysteries—and so much more!

Hoopla now supports Amazon Alexa devices! With Alexa, patrons can play borrowed music albums and audiobooks directly on the Amazon Echo, Dot, Spot, and Show devices. To get hoopla on your Alexa devices, you must add the hoopla “skill” (this is the Alexa equivalent of installing an app from the app store). The skill can be added to Alexa by searching for hoopla Digital on the Amazon website.

When interacting with hoopla, Alexa requires patrons to phrase the command like this:
“Alexa, ask hoopla...”
For example, “Alexa, ask hoopla to list all the titles I have borrowed.”

More information on using hoopla with Alexa can be found on hoopla’s help pages:
https://www.hoopladigital.com/help

Community News

Cycling Safety for Young Cyclists, Saturday, May 18
Participants should bring their bicycle. The Bike Rodeo includes an obstacle course, bicycle and helmet inspections and teaching the rules of the road. Helmets are provided. Refreshments will be served. Free bike raffle for all kids in attendance.

Minions Movie in Kiwanis Park, Friday, May 24
(Rated PG) Evolving from single-celled yellow organisms at the dawn of time, Minions live to serve, but find themselves working for a continual series of unsuccessful masters, from T. Rex to Napoleon. Without a master to grovel for, the Minions fall into a deep depression. But one minion, Kevin, has a plan. Accompanied by his pals Stuart and Bob, Kevin sets forth to find a new evil boss for his brethren to follow. Their search leads them to Scarlet Overkill, the world’s first-ever super-villainess.

Spring Festival at Fall Run Park, Saturday, June 1
Enjoy nature by walking the trail to the waterfall. The nature trail is approximately 1 mile from the Route 8 entrance to the waterfall. Spring Fling activities will take place at the soccer field and entrance to Fall Run Park off Route 8. Activities will include crafts, games, obstacle course, scavenger hunt, physical fitness challenge, Humvee exhibit. Food provided by SASD Booster Clubs. Sponsored by Gateway Engineers.
Community News

The Twelfth Annual Recycle-Rama
Saturday, May 18, 2019 from 9:00am – 12:00pm
Hampton High School &
Hampton Township Pool Parking Lot
A great opportunity to properly dispose of and recycle many items including electronics, construction materials, cell phones, printer cartridges, batteries, light bulbs, craft supplies, medical equipment, clothing, shoes, towels & blankets, eyeglasses and sunglasses, bicycles, styrofoam peanuts, scrap metal, small household items.*
They are NOT accepting items with Freon, household chemicals, pharmaceuticals or tires!
*For specifics, visit the Hampton Twp. website at:
http://www.hampton-pa.org/275/Recycle-Rama
For questions on the event, call Danelle Jameson at 412-487-0752 or email at dmjameson3@verizon.net.

Collection of Common Household Chemicals
Saturday, May 4, 2019 9 am - 1 pm
North Park Swimming Pool Parking Lot
Click HERE for the flyer or visit the Pennsylvania Resource Council’s website at prc.org

Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, May 18, 8:00 to 11:00am
Blueberry & plain pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, milk, coffee, tea.
Shaler Area Middle School, 1810 Mt. Royal Boulevard
$7.00 adult; $3.00 children under 12
Chinese Auction; 50/50 Raffle
Part of a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

Shaler Garden Club Plant Sale
Saturday, May 4, 9:00am to Noon
Kiwanis Park
Bake sale, flea market, gifts for mom and so many wonderful plants! Proceeds benefit community projects, including the Shaler North Hills Library.

SNHL partners with the Shaler Garden Club for these annual summer events—

Local Great Gardens Contest
If you have a beautiful garden you’d like to share with others, enter the Great Gardens Contest! We’re always seeking unique gardens to share on our tour. Deadline to enter is July 10. Winners will be announced Tuesday, July 23 at 6:30pm during the Shaler Garden Club annual meeting.

Great Gardens Tour
Sunday, June 30 from 11:00am to 3:00pm
Tickets $12.00 in advance, $15.00 day of the tour. On sale at Shaler North Hills Library.

Fairy House Making for Children
Friday, June 14, 7:00pm
Members of the Shaler Garden Club will be on hand to help families create enchanting fairy residences from natural materials to grace the Library gardens. (Children must be accompanied by an adult.)
**Pulitzer Prize Winners 2019**

Fiction: *The Overstory* by Richard Powers  
History: *Frederick Douglass, Prophet of Freedom* by David W. Blight  
Nonfiction: *Amity & Prosperity: One Family and the Fracturing of America* by Eliza Griswold  
Biography: *The New Negro: The Life of Alain Locke* by Jeffrey C. Stewart  
Poetry: *Be With* by Forrest Gander

Also—Breaking News Award to the Staff of the Pittsburgh Post Gazette “for immersive, compassionate coverage of the massacre at Pittsburgh’s Tree of Life Synagogue that captured the anguish and resilience of a community thrust into grief.”

Read more here: [https://www.pulitzer.org/prize-winners-by-year](https://www.pulitzer.org/prize-winners-by-year)

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**Art & Inspiration International**

Join us each Thursday evening at 7:00pm for a gathering of creative minds and hearts. From sharing works to special guests, performances to presentations, there’s something interesting each week. Drop by any Thursday. No registration required. Free & open to the public. *Poetry Workshop meets the first Thursday of the month.*

**Upcoming Special Guest**

Environmental artist & educator Angelo Ciotti  
Please watch for the date.

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**ART CLASSES**

Open to the public. Fees for supplies.

- **Acrylic Painting with Scott Bryte**  
  Wednesdays at 2:00pm $  
  Contact Scott Bryte via the Library.

- **Open Watercolors Class**  
  Thursdays at 10:00am to 12:00pm $  
  Contact Maggie Wood via the Library.

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**Making Music Together**

**Chamber Music Group**
Seeking fellow adult musicians to perform chamber music written for small groups of musicians such as duets, trios, quartets, quintets.

Meeting next on:  
- **Sunday, May 12, 1:00 to 3:00pm**

If you are interested in chamber music or giving it a try, please contact Anthony Giampolo at [ChamberMusic@Musician.org](mailto:ChamberMusic@Musician.org) with your name, email address and/or phone number, and the instrument(s) you play.

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**Missed it at the Movies?**

**Tuesday, May 21 at 1:30pm**

**On the Basis of Sex**
The true story of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, her struggles for equal rights, and the early cases of a historic career that lead to her nomination and confirmation as U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice. —IMDB

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**Art Gallery & Display Cases**

In our Art Gallery:  
*Pat Milliken*

In our Display Cases:  
*WalkBikeShaler*
BOOK GROUPS

These groups are open to all! No registration necessary. Come make new friends!

Monday Night Book Group
Second Monday, 6:30pm
May 13—The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
June 10—The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah

Lively Lunch Book Group
Fourth Wednesday, 12:00pm
May 22—The Line Becomes a River by Francisco Cantu
June 26—TBA

Fantasy Book Group
First Wednesday, 1:00pm
May 1—Muse of Nightmares by Laini Taylor
June 5—The Raven Boys by Maggie Stiefvater

Food for Thought Book Group
Third Wednesday, 6:30pm
May 15—Now That’s A Meatball!
June 19—Christmas in June

Afternoon Mystery Book Group
Third Thursday, 2:30pm
May 16—The North Water by Ian McGuire
June 20—Invisible Prey by John Sandford

COMMUNITY-LED BOOK GROUPS

A New Earth: Awakening to Your Life’s Purpose facilitated by Ken Herbold
Wednesdays, 10:00am to 12:00pm
New members are welcome as we discuss and meditate on Eckhart Tolle’s works.

Readings in Alternative Everything facilitated by Richard Kajuth, Eds, PhD
Second Wednesday, 6:15pm
May 8—Death-And After? by Annie Besant

CREATIVE & SOCIAL GROUPS

What’s Your Story?
Second and Fourth Monday, 12:30pm to 2:30pm
Do you have some heart-felt stories from your life you’d like to write about and share with others? Come as often as you are able.

SNHL Card Club
First and Third Tuesday, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
Second and Fourth Tuesday, 1:00pm to 4:00pm
If you like to play card games with adults please come and meet new friends, hone your card-playing skills, and learn new card games.

Needles and Hooks by the Books!
Every Wednesday, 2:00pm
Bring your knitting or crochet projects and join us for an hour together at the library. Meets downstairs in the Large Print Room. Drop in the first Wednesday of the month for a free learning session!

Rummikub Game Night for Adults
First Thursday, 6:30pm
Bring a friend and a snack to share.

SNHL Quilt Group
Every Friday, 12:00pm
Hang out with other quilters, share ideas and have a great time!

FILM PROGRAM

Missed it at the Movies?
Third Tuesday, 1:30pm
May 21—On the Basis of Sex
June 18—Isn’t it Romantic

If you know someone with a vision or physical disability that affects their ability to read, find out more about the Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped. This FREE service can provide a digital player and delivery of audiobooks right to your doorstep! Ask at the Reference Desk for an information packet.

PROGRAM REMINDER!

All Library programs are open to new members. Programs are free unless otherwise noted. Please register if you plan to attend as this helps us with our arrangements. For programs that require registration, please register online or call the library at 412-486-0211.

- (REG): Registration is requested
- (REG-REQ): Registration is required
- ($): Programs with a fee

Sign up to know more about Adult Programs!
Want to be in the ‘know’ for our programs and events? Sign up for our email newsletter on our website. Go to the right-hand column, give us your name and email and confirm. You’ll be notified about once a month of the interesting things going on at SNHL! (We don’t use your email for any other purpose and don’t share it.)