Library Hours
Monday* 10-8
Tuesday 10-9
Wednesday 10-8
Thursday 10-9
Friday* 10-6
Saturday 10-5
Sunday 1-5

*Extended Hours for Adults
Mondays and Fridays the Adult section of the Library opens at 8:30am. Children’s opens at 10:00am.

Closures
Close at 5:00pm on October 31.
Open at 12:30pm on November 6.

Meetings
SNHL Board
October 9, 7:30pm
SNHL Friends
October 7, 6:30pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR OUR FABULOUS FALL BOOK SALE!

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 & 27

SNHL hosts one of the best book sales around! Great best sellers, paperbacks, DVDs, CDs, puzzles, and TONS of Children’s materials.

Saturday: 10:00am to 5:00pm, with Bake Sale!
Sunday: 10:00am to 4:30pm, $5 Bag Sale (Books only)
Friday: 6:30 to 8:30pm Preview Night
Consider joining our Friends Group and you’ll be invited to our exclusive Friday Night Preview event! Music & refreshments. Membership is only $15 individual or $25 per household.

We also welcome volunteers to help with set-up and break-down. Pick up a Book Sale Volunteer form and return to the Circulation Desk.

History buffs! Don’t miss a chance to meet the CEO of the PA Cable News Network!
Celebrating 20 years of talking with Pennsylvania authors and historians, CEO Brian Lockman is touring the state to share his favorite stories and the books that covered PA history, people, and culture. He will be at Shaler North Hills Library on October 24. Read more on p. 3.

Author George Kruth Talks Shalercrest (REG)
Sunday, October 13, 2:00pm
Congratulations to Shaler resident George Kruth on the publication of his book, Shalercrest: A Defense Housing Project. This 349-page book is a history of how the federal government provided housing to World War II defense workers in a specific community in the Shaler Township suburban community.
Come hear George discuss local history, his research on this topic and how he put the book together for publication.

Inside....
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Prescription Drug Take-Back!
Saturday, October 26
Read details on page 7.

Meet the Author Series @ Shaler North Hills Library
Facilities Update

A reminder that many projects will be going on at the Library in the coming months. We’ll be continuing to work on:
- The rehabilitation of our 39-year-old elevator
- Updating our fire panel and our smoke detectors
- Installing security cameras
- Fixing our gutter/water issues by our main door
- Replacing outdated windows

We appreciate your patience with all of these much-needed projects. Temporary inconvenience for permanent improvement. (And for those who’d like to help, all donations are appreciated!).

Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library

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, $25.00 for household. For more information contact Janet Miller at jmmpitt@msn.com. (The membership form is also available on the Library website.)

Next meeting: Monday, October 7, 6:30pm

Community Connections!

We’re connecting with our local Shaler organizations and businesses. We want to know what you and your employees or members are reading/listening to/watching! Watch for cool posters on our bulletin board to the left of the elevator to learn more about your community neighbors.

If you’d like to participate, please email Ing Kalchthaler at kalchthaleri@gmail.com

October 16 is...National Dictionary Day!

National Dictionary Day was created in honor of Noah Webster’s birthday (October 16, 1758) and was set aside as a day to emphasize the importance of learning and using dictionary skills and increasing one’s vocabulary. Webster is considered the Father of the American Dictionary. —NationalDayCalendar.com

Celebrate by learning a new word and sharing it with your family and friends.
**How to Get Started Doing Your Family History** *(REG)*

**Tuesday, October 22, 1:30pm**

Starting to explore your own family history can be daunting. Perhaps you’ve heard family tales or have photos with no names. Where do you start? What are the resources?

Join Elissa Scalise Powell of the North Hills Genealogists and an expert and teacher in the field for a discussion and conversation on how to get started in doing your own genealogy research. Bring your questions and a notebook!

Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL, is co-director of the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP), past-president of the Board for Certification of Genealogists, and coordinator of the IGHR (Institute for Genealogy and Historical Research) “Professional Genealogy” course. She was an instructor and creator of part of Boston University’s Genealogical Research Certificate course. She was awarded the 2017 Association of Professional Genealogists Professional Achievement Award.

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**The Williamstown Boys in the Civil War: Two Brothers Who Made History** *(REG)*

**Friday, November 8, 1:30pm**

Imagine clearing out your family attic and discovering an enormous collection of letters written by two soldiers during the Civil War, but not knowing why the letters were there.

Faced with that situation, Carleton Young spent more than a decade visiting battlefields and researching the two Vermont soldiers. In *Voices From the Attic: The Williamstown Boys in the Civil War*, he tells the story of two brothers who witnessed and made history by fighting in the Peninsula Campaign, then at South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, and Cedar Creek. They then preserved that history through their surprisingly detailed and insightful letters.

Books will be available for purchase and signing.

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**The History of Pennsylvania as told through PA Books** *(REG)*

**Thursday, October 24, 3:00pm**

Brian Lockman, President and CEO of the Pennsylvania Cable Network, has hosted more than 800 episodes of PCN’s popular television show, PA Books.

Over more than 20 years, authors have appeared on the program to discuss their books covering the state’s history, people, and culture. Starting with the first humans who lived here 16,000 years ago, to the New Sweden colony, through the American Revolution, to Gettysburg, to the Industrial Revolution and up to the present, Pennsylvania’s rich story has been told by some of today’s most prominent historians.

Brian will share some of his favorite books and stories from 20 years of talking with authors and will tell of some lesser-known scenes from Pennsylvania’s history.

*Don’t miss this amazing trip through PA History!*
Arts & Culture

Art and 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.

Upcoming Guests:
Oct. 17 - Poets Deena November and Kayla Sargeson
Nov. 14 - poet, artist, Vietnam war veteran - Kathie Trew Swazuk
Nov. 21 - Photographer Don Staricka and poet Joan E. Bauer

Art Gallery
October: Kathleen J. DePasse

Display Cases
October: FINS Homeschooling Robotics Team
October: Henry Roll, Reconstructed electronics

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 Session
Thursdays at 10:00am to 12:00pm $ Contact Maggie Wood via the Library.

Have a SAFE and FUN Halloween!

Do-Si-Do with the Y Knot Square Dancers
Family Fun for Everyone—all ages welcome!
Tuesday, October 29, 6:30pm

No registration required.
Get ready to watch some fancy dancing with the Y-Knot Square and Round Dance Club of the North Hills!

Missed it at the Movies?
Join us on the third Tuesday of every month at 1:30pm. (For adults)

Yesterday
Tuesday, October 15 at 1:30pm
No registration required.

A struggling musician realizes he’s the only person on Earth who can remember The Beatles after waking up in an alternate timeline where they never existed. —IMDB

Coming November 19: The Professor and the Madman
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Programs —Let’s Learn Something Together!

Get in Tune with Nature Series Returns!
Animals, from Cockroach to Chinchilla (REG)
October 8, 1:30-3:30pm
In this interactive workshop we will have a visit from LIVE animals including a snake, chinchilla, hairless rat and cockroaches! Learn about the animal kingdom and how we all fit together. Bring your curiosity and join in the fun as we learn about the world all around us.

Join Master Naturalists (in training) and retired educators Pat Milliken and Gil Pielin for our third series of interactive workshops! Through hands-on activities you’ll learn about the animals and wildlife of Pennsylvania, how to understand behavior, identify predators vs. prey, and more!

November 12: Mammals & Skulls

Please register via the website. This program is for ages 14 and up.

HOT TOPICS

Our Legal Help in Plain Language series returns with attorney Carolyn Spicer Russ of Olds Russ Marquette & Peace, LLC. In personal and informal sessions, Russ helps demystify common topics that everyone will face at some time or another.

Fall 2019 Series (REG)
Thursdays, 1:30-2:30pm
November 7 (DATE CHANGE!) Practical Aspects of Dying and Death

Please register via the website.

College Financial Seminar (REG)
Tuesday, October 15, 6:30pm
A session to help students & their families understand the path to college financing.

What exactly is financial aid? Financial aid overview to help college bound students and their families start planning for how they’ll pay for college.

How do I start the process of applying? Outlines how to access and complete the FAFSA and CSS/Financial Aid Profile, documents needed throughout the application and helpful tips.

My FAFSA is complete, what’s next? Understand how the Expected Family Contributions (EFC) is used and how to read an Award Letter. I received all the free money I can, how do I fill the gap? Overview of financial aid components such as scholarships, grants, federal work study and federal and private loans, including how Citizens can help.

Brought to you by your local Citizen Bank representatives.

Engineer Girls Save the World (and Make it Beautiful) Event! (REG)
Saturday, October 19, 11:00am to 3:00pm
Ever wonder how cool ideas become reality? It’s all about engineering! Engineers love to help others, and want to make the world a better place, whether it’s creating clean energy, detecting cancer, or cleaning up oil spills. Come find out for yourself!

At this event, you will:
♦ Show your creativity with three hands-on activities.
♦ Meet women engineers and learn about their work.
♦ Have fun with other girls who share your interests.

For girls in grades 5-8. Please see the flyer for details and register online.
FREE ADMISSION PASSES TO GREAT SITES!

Plan now to visit...

- Old Economy Village
- Quecreek Mine Rescue Site
- Historic Harmony Museum
- David Bradford House
- (Wait list only for the Senator John Heinz History Center and its associated museums)

Stop by the Reference Desk to reserve your week or pick up a brochure with all the details.

Don’t Miss This!

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming programs...

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Native American Heritage Month Celebration
Civil War Letters—Author Talk (11/8)
Woolworks Exhibit (11/9&10)
Appraisal Fair with Heinz History Center (11/16)
Shaler Township Lite-Up Night (11/23)
Holiday Wreath Decorating Workshop (12/6)
Holiday Concert w/Pittsburgh Recorder Society (12/15)

MAKE IT TAKE IT @ SNHL!

Everyone needs an escape with friends! Why not join us for this series of fun evenings out where you’ll get to explore your creative side? Registration required.

Wreath Decorating with Shaler Garden Club (REG-REQ, $)
Friday, December 6, 7:00pm
Cost: $35.00, payable upon registration
- For adults 21 and over
- Payment due upon registration (cash, check or PayPal via our website)
- Sessions include all instruction and materials
- BYOB and snacks

February—Cookie Decorating for Your Valentine March—Succulent Garden Workshop

Start digging through your closets now for those fabulous treasures and family heirlooms you’ve always wondered about. You’ll get to visit with one of five local experts who can help you assess what you have, where it came from, and advise you on how to care for it. $5.00 per item or 3 for $12.00. Proceeds benefit the Library. Get information now that you’ll be able to share when the family gathers around the table.

Please register online so we have a count of attendance. Attendees will be given a number, first-come, first-serve at the door. You’ll be able to browse a display of local Shaler history items while you wait.

Just in time to share with the family at Thanksgiving...

Appraisal Fair with the Senator John Heinz History Center
Local Shaler History Display
Saturday, November 16, 10:00am to 2:00pm
Community News

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day
"Remembering David"
Saturday, October 26, 10am to 2pm

In conjunction with the Shaler Township Police Department, SNHL will serve as a collection site for any unused, unwanted, or expired medications. This is an environmentally safe way to dispose of medications.
- Medications from households and residences are accepted, whether prescription or over-the-counter.
- Medications may be disposed of in the original container or in a sealed plastic bag.
- Liquids must remain in the original container.
- No needles, syringes or lancets.
Please DO NOT bring medications earlier. Library staff are NOT permitted to accept any medications. If you are unable to make it on this Saturday, ask for a flier about dropping off at the Shaler Police Department building.

Pittsburgh Rug Hooking Guild’s Woolworks Exhibit
Saturday, November 9, 10am to 5pm
Sunday, November 10, 1pm to 3:30pm

Featured fiber artist: Sandra Brown

Don’t miss this opportunity to view amazing handmade works of art. You’ll be surprised at the intricate detail and working of these artisans. Free and open to the public all weekend.

Take a chance to win this beautiful rug “Girls’ Best Friend”
Tickets: $1 each or 6 for $5
All proceeds to benefit the Library
Drawing: 2:00 pm Sunday, November 10
Winner needs not to be present

Rug design by Fritz Mitnick, created by Guild Members.

RADical Days are Here! Through October 13...
Check out the schedule HERE or visit the RAD website at www.radworkshere.org

RADical Days are a THANK YOU each year to the taxpayers of Allegheny County for their investment in our region’s quality of life through RAD (Regional Asset District). Visit many attractions for free!

Movie at Denny Park—Hocus Pocus
October 12, 7:00pm to 9:00pm @ Denny Park
Hocus Pocus is a 1993 American comedy horror fantasy film directed by Kenny Ortega, starring Bette Midler, Kathy Najimy, and Sarah Jessica Parker; written by Neil Cuthbert and Mick Garris, and based on a story by Garris and David Kirschner. It follows a villainous trio of witches, who are inadvertently resurrected by a teenage boy in Salem, Massachusetts.

Free Yoga at Kiwanis Park
Saturday mornings in October, 8:00am @ Kiwanis Park
Bring your yoga mat and gear. You may follow information about this program and any cancellation or date changes by going to: Lizzzrrd Lounge website.

TRICK OR TREAT HOURS
Thursday, October 31
6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM
Wear reflective tape
Use glow sticks or flashlights.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!
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!

BOOK GROUPS

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

Monday Night Book Group
Second Monday, 6:30pm
October 14—Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity and Love by Dani Shapiro
November 11—The Dry by Jane Harper

Lively Lunch Book Group
Fourth Wednesday, 12:00pm
November 27—TBA

Fantasy Book Group
First Wednesday, 1:00pm
October 9 (DATE CHANGE!)—Winter of the Witch by Katherine Arden
November 6—Shadows of Self by Brandon Sanderson

Food for Thought Book Group
Third Wednesday, 6:30pm
October 16—Apples & Pumpkins
November 20—It’s a Campout!

Afternoon Mystery Book Group
Third Thursday, 2:30pm
October 17—The Body in the Castle Well by Martin Walker
November 21—Back Blast by Mark Greaney

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
New book: The Gentle Art of Blessing: a simple practice that will transform you and your world by Pierre Pradervand

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- (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.)