

Library Hours

Monday-Thursday
10am to 7pm

Friday & Saturday
10am to 5pm

Sunday
Closed

Closures

Saturday, July 4th

Meetings

SNHL Board
July 8, 7:30pm

SNHL Friends
No meeting

We Are All in this Together!

Welcome back! We're excited to continue to safely and carefully begin our next phase of service to you. We appreciate the many kind words we've received over the past months.

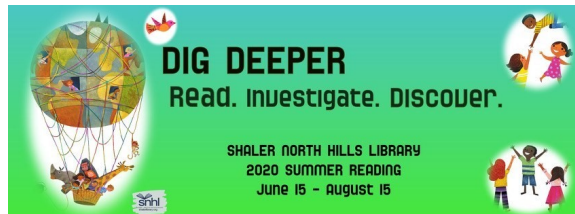
Please see inside for all the information you need to continue to make use of YOUR library. From getting your materials back to us, to picking up new ones, to your first visit back to the building—read on to learn how to do it safely.

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Join Summer Reading Now!

We're excited to offer 'online' Summer Reading for **ALL AGES!** Adults, teens, and children can all register online for loads of reading fun. Please see page 6 for the details. Reading is one thing we can do 'together' this summer!

Please note NEW Hours!

Moving forward, the Library's hours will be:

Monday-Thursday 10am to 7pm
Friday & Saturday: 10am to 5pm
Sundays: Closed

YOUR Library is here for you. For the latest news, stay in touch via our Website, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Sign up on our website to receive regular emails.

Donate Today!



Don't forget to complete the Census! It's the law...and will affect funding for our area for the next 10 years. Visit:

<https://2020census.gov/>

(As of mid-June, Shaler was at 83% completion.

Let's strive for 100%)

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The 2020 Virtual Great Gardens Tour

Sunday, July 19 at 11:00am (Submissions due by July 14)

The no pressure garden tour! Every year the Library and the Shaler Garden Club partner to celebrate the beautiful garden spaces our community creates. While we cannot gather to explore these spaces this year, we are going virtual! Share your beautiful gardens with your friends and neighbors.

Here's how it works:

- Open to all. Do your kids garden? All ages welcome also.
- Email 3-5 pictures of your flower, fairy, vegetable, pollinator, rock, Zen, herb or container garden to snhlibrary@gmail.com. (You may also mail photos to the Library. These will not be returned.)
- Include your name, phone, email, and a short description of your garden.
- Submissions accepted through July 14.
- All entrants will be eligible for a drawing for a chance to win two (2) tickets to the 2021 Great Gardens Tour.



The Library will create a virtual tour for all to enjoy. The tour will 'begin' at 11am on Sunday, July 19 and be available on our website and across our social media platforms.

And, if you can...this has been a Shaler Garden Club fundraiser to benefit the Library for many years, so please consider a donation in any amount via the Yellow Donate Button on our website. Just note "Garden Tour". Thank you!

Summer Virtual Programs for Babies, Kids, and Teens!

Join in the 'Virtual Wackiness' fun! Just [LINK HERE!](https://www.shalerlibrarykids.org/)
(Or copy and paste this URL: <https://www.shalerlibrarykids.org/>.)
Not able to watch a live program? No problem! We have archived many of our popular programs for you to watch at your convenience.

Here's what's up for summer fun:

- **Summer Science (Mondays, 12:15pm)**
- **Dinostories (Tuesdays, 11:00am)**
- **Ready Set Read (Wednesdays, 11am)**
- **Discover Nature (Fridays, 1:00pm)**
- **Fun Food For Kids (Saturdays, 1:00pm)**
- **Summer Art Studio**
- **Little People, Big Dreams (nightly)**



TEEN MASTER CHEF!

Have you been cooking and baking up a storm? Come show off your culinary skills or just see what others have made. Bake or cook whatever you'd like and we'll gather on Zoom to see what you amazing Master Chefs have created. \$20 Cash Prize for the People's Choice Winner.

July 9, 7:00pm

Please register on Eventkeeper so Kara can send you the details for joining the Zoom meeting. Questions? Contact Kara Falck at falckk@einetwork.net
Recommended for Grades 7 and up.



Community Shredding Event

sponsored by Senator Lindsey Williams

Saturday, August 15, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

A truck will be available in the Shaler North Hills Library parking lot. Watch for details on what you may bring to shred.

Safety First!

We are committed to the safety of our patrons, staff, and volunteers. Your cooperation with our standards is what makes it work for everyone in our community! Thanks for caring.

We've Taken These Steps

- Sneeze guards have been installed at all service desks.
- Social distancing markers and guides have been placed throughout the library.
- Chairs, toys and imaginative play items have been stored.
- Computers have been spaced apart.
- Books and materials have been quarantined for 72 hours and cleaned as well.
- The facility has been cleaned top to bottom. Regular cleaning and sanitizing is ongoing.

We Need You to...

- If you are feeling unwell, please postpone your visit.
- Visitors are required to wear masks covering the nose and mouth to enter the building. (All staff and volunteers are too.)
- If you have a health issue, we can provide service to your car. Please call us from the parking lot with your needs.
- Social distancing is required.
- Stay together as a family unit if bringing children into the building.
- Let us know if we can help you find your materials more quickly or help with any other need.



Not Yet Ready to Visit? We're Still Here for You!

- Our Park and Pickup Service will continue through the summer. Use our online form to make a request. We will 'fill' your order and bring it out to your car.
- You can call or email with reference questions. Email: shalerref@einetnetwork.net
- Virtual programs for children and teens are ongoing. Visit shalerlibrarykids.org
- Virtual programs for adults will be ongoing.
- Summer Reading is now online! [LINK HERE.](#)
- You can access all the free eBooks, eAudio-books, streaming movies & TV shows, magazines and more through our eResources. Or get an 'online' library card here. [LINK HERE](#) to connect to Your Library From Home!



Park and Pick Up Service

To pick up materials from the safety of your vehicle, use this service.

Note! We can only fill orders from materials currently in our building. We cannot request materials through the holds system or from other libraries.

How to Place a Request:

- For the quickest option, please request via this online form: <https://forms.gle/yrhevAcBermM98No8>
- If you are unable to use the form, you may call us with your requests at 412-486-0211.
- Give us at least 24-48 hours to pull items and we will call/email you when you can pick them up.
- Pull into the back parking lot, open your trunk or back seat, stay in your vehicle, and call us!



Your Library Materials

Returns

Yes! We're accepting materials back. We have large bins available near our outside Book Drop for your returns. Here's what you need to know:

- You can return all library materials from any Allegheny County library to these bins.
- There will be NO late fees for your items.
- Some items may not be checked in off your card right away—this has to do with quarantining (72 hours) and the holds system. Please don't worry about it now.

Donations & Book Sales

You may also place donated items into the smaller bin in the same location (it's labeled). These will be quarantined for later sale. (Please—NO magazines or VHS tapes at this time.)

Holds (Requesting Items)

We'll let you know when the county is ready to start the holds system back up. The exchange of materials amongst the libraries may be different as we manage the large volume coming back into the system.

Borrowing Materials

We will be continuing to loan out the items already in our building and as they come in.

- You can still request via our online form for bringing to your vehicle (Park and Pickup Service available through the summer).
- You will be able to do some browsing in the building.
- Watch for our 'grab and go' display items to help expedite your visit!
- No late fees through the rest of the year (though donations are welcome).
- All items will be quarantined for 72 hours as per CDC guidelines. Afterwards, staff clean and dry items with a mild cleaning solution.



A Few "Extras" to Help

No Internet Access? Access the Library Wi-Fi from your vehicle in our parking lot. There is no password required but you will need to 'accept' the Internet terms to connect.

Paper Copies Available on the Library "Front Porch". Pull up in your vehicle or walk up to the SNHL "front porch" in the front parking lot for paper copies of many items including tax forms, summer reading registration and logs.



News flash! The Crawford Pool is open!
Please visit the Shaler Township website
for the details you need
to know.



Your Visit to the Library

Before You Come

We encourage you to have your plan ready for visiting.

- Please eat at home BEFORE you visit. No eating in the library.
- Bring your mask as this will be required. We do have hand sanitizer available!
- Think about what your needs are so we can quickly help you.
- Talk to your little ones about what to expect. We'll miss the hugs too (no Mr. Bear).

What's Available

- You will be able to do some browsing in the building. Please limit your handling of items, use hand sanitizer or wash your hands. There will be designated bins for items you decide not to take—please return to these bins so we can wipe down!
- Watch for our 'grab and go' display items to help expedite your visit! Books and materials are limited to what's on hand.
- Books for sale will be available. (No worries about returning!)
- Computer use will be limited to one hour.
- Computer help will be done with social distancing and through special software.
- You may use the copier for copies and scans. We will have self-guided sheets to help you.
- Self-checkout machines will be available.
- Bathrooms are open. One family unit/one person at a time.

What's Not Available (at this time)

- Toys and imaginative play items are stored.
- Most chairs have been removed and seating is limited.
- No in-house programming or meetings at this time.
- Meeting room space is not available.



North Hills Community Outreach Back-to-School Collection until August 17th



Please donate **NEW** back-to-school items for local students.

Backpacks	Notebooks
Binders	24-pack crayons
Pencils/pens	Loose-leaf paper
Markers	Glue sticks
Highlighters	Erasers
Scissors	Rulers
Colored pencils	Pencil boxes

Donations can be dropped off at any NHCO location. Contact NHCO Sharing Projects Coordinator, Vicki, at 412-487-6316 x 3143.

Heavenly Cuisine On the Go! Chicken Dinner!

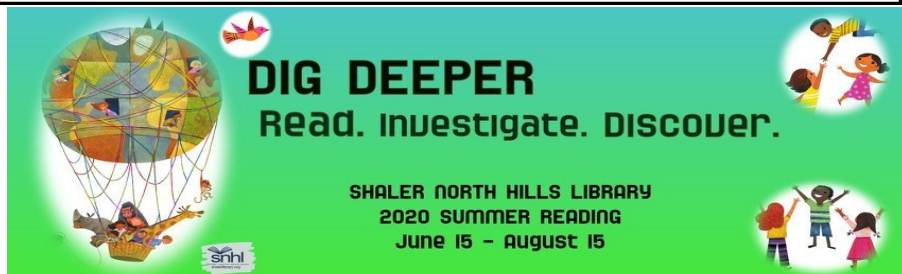
Benefits the Glenshaw Century Club
and local student scholarships

Friday, July 17 from 3:00pm to 7:00pm

- Pickup at the Glenshaw Valley Presbyterian Church on Butler Plank Road
- \$15.00 per meal, cash only at the time of pickup
- Contact Mark at 412-720-4255 or mark@heavenlyccc.com to place your order by Noon on July 15. Include name, phone, #of dinners, and pickup time.
- Enjoy marinated, grilled boneless chicken breast, coleslaw, macaroni & cheese, baked beans, roll and butter, brownie.

The Glenshaw Century Club is an amazing community group dedicated to serving our area, including SNHL. Visit their website at www.glenshawcenturyclub.com.

**Summer Reading is
Here!
Now through August 15**



We're excited to offer 'online' Summer Reading for ALL AGES! Adults, teens, and children can all register online for loads of reading fun. Here's how:

- Everyone will register through one site. You can register yourself, or your whole family.
- Register through the "Beanstack" website or through the App, if you prefer.
- Make an account (name & password) to register.
- The 'challenge' this year is the same for all—read 5 books (or magazines, audiobooks, etc.).

Optional activities include:

- Log your reading as you go. You can earn badges to celebrate.
- Participate in 'activity tracks'.
- Write & submit reviews.

Visit our website to read more about it and join today!

(You can also link here <https://carnegielibrary.beanstack.org/reader365> or get the Beanstack App from your App store.)

If you want help registering, please call the Adult Services Department (ext. 112) or the Youth Services Department (ext. 116). Paper logs for reading will also be available if you'd rather track that way.

Experience Kits Will Be Back!

There are five (5) Experience Kits being prepared for 2020, with four NEW sites! Kits provide FREE admission to these sites for up to four (4) people. Location site rules (closures, tour guidelines) may apply. The kits are for the following attractions:

- ◆ **Senator John Heinz History Center (includes Fort Pitt Museum & Meadowcroft)**
- ◆ **Air Heritage Museum (Beaver Falls, PA)**
- ◆ **PA Trolley Museum (Washington, PA)**
- ◆ **McKeesport Heritage Center (McKeesport, PA)**
- ◆ **Lincoln Highway Experience (Latrobe, PA)**

Borrowing Guidelines

- ◆ Right now some sites are not yet open.
- ◆ Other sites are requiring timed tickets with reservations in advance.

Please stay tuned for when we launch....And NEW this year—check our website for a "Virtual Kit" with fun websites to visit, great project ideas, and more! Plans are in the works for 'Virtual tours/programs' too!



Adult 'Virtual' Programs

These programs are being offered 'virtually' so access is via Zoom or YouTube. You will need access to a computer, tablet, or smart phone. Downloading the Zoom app is helpful but not required as you will receive a direct link to each program. (Zoom is free and available through any App store or on your desktop/laptop as a download.)

Monday Night Book Group

Second Monday of each month at 6:30pm

The Monday Night Book Group will continue to meet to discuss the selected title. If the weather is nice, we may meet in the parking lot! For more information and to obtain a Zoom invite, please email shalerref@einetwork.net. July pick is a "you choose!"

Poetry Workshop

Hosted by Art and Inspiration International

Sessions run one Thursday evening a month, 7:00-9:00pm.

Next sessions: July 9/August 13

This monthly workshop seeks to connect poets to share works and gain feedback. Open to anyone 18 years of age or older. Moderated by Alyssa Sineni. The workshop will be held via Zoom. You will receive a link by email and instructions on joining the meeting via Zoom at the date/time scheduled. For more information and how to participate, please contact Alyssa at infoartandinspiration@gmail.com. All level of poets are welcome in this supportive environment.



Exercise Class for All Levels with John Uddstrom

Our Exercise Class for Seniors has moved 'online'! This class focuses on stretching, balance, body toning and Tai Chi. Instructor John Uddstrom has a new YouTube Channel—*Fitness with John Uddstrom*. John updates content on Sunday evenings. Feel free to tune in and keep in shape from home.

And stay tuned for...

Virtual Programs based on the Experience Kits sites!

- Seven weeks of programs through Zoom
- Every Tuesday from 7-8pm will be a site-specific "lecture"
- Every Thursday from 10-11am will be a program for children.

Sites: Senator John Heinz History Center (includes Fort Pitt Museum & Meadowcroft); Air Heritage Museum; PA Trolley Museum; McKeesport Heritage Center; Lincoln Highway Experience.

I Need a Read!!!

Are you ready to find that great read for the summer? We can help....



- Check out all our Staff Picks recommendations from our Facebook page. Like and share your own favorites in the comments.
- Call or email us and ask for recommendations. We LOVE to find you books you might have missed.
- Take a look at Novelist Plus—found through the eLibrary on our website. You can focus on areas you like to read, find similar authors, and more!
- Need to figure out the order of books in a series? Try the Fantastic Fiction website.

Find what others are reading, latest releases and more through these websites:

- Goodreads
- Book Bub
- Library Thing
- Book Riot
- Book Reporter
- LitHub



Thoughts to ponder this July 4th—

This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in.~Theodore Roosevelt

If there must be trouble, let it be in my day, that my child may have peace.~ Thomas Paine

May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right.~Peter Marshall

You are too kind...quotes from the Library Facebook page...

- * *Thank you so very much doing this! I felt like it was Christmas today when I picked up my library book! Thank you! Thank you! Such a great book day! Yay!!! yay!!!! yay!!! 3 cheers for our amazing library and staff!*
- * *This is book Christmas! I have been so excited to see what you picked for us and the kids were thrilled. Picking up my books today literally made my day. I was giddy driving home to see what was in my bags! Thank you so much! I asked book Santa for books and then get to unwrap them.*
- * *You all have a monumental job to do; thank you for the tremendous work all of the SNHL workers are doing.*
- * *Can't wait till you are open again! We have the best library!*
- * *Thank you for my pickup today! Back to reading and forget the cleaning.*
- * *Thank you to whomever picked out my daughter's books. We gave you a list of things she likes...you gave us perfect, funny, exciting titles, many of which I'd never heard of or would find on my own. We miss our library so much. Thank you for making it a little easier.*



Want to Show Your Support? Here's How!

Financial Donation

We all know that budgets for many organizations will be affected for some years to come. If you are able, we welcome you to make a direct donation through our [website](#). Just look for the big yellow button marked "Donate" on the left side.

Join the Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library

Now more than ever we need our "Friends"! Show your love of the Library by joining our Friends group. Membership is only \$15.00, \$25.00 for household. 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. For more information contact Janet Miller at jmmpitt@msn.com. (The membership form is also available on the Library website.)



Donate in Memory or Honor of a Loved One

We can always use help in buying books and other materials. You can do it while also honoring a loved one with a Memorial donation or celebrating an occasion or person with an Honor donation. We'll select a lovely new book in an area that was of interest to them—or let us pick something we need.

Shop and Pick SNHL to Benefit

When you shop, use Amazon Smile and select Shaler Library; or sign up for Shop'n Save Perks and designate SNHL.

Book Donations Now Being Accepted

Your donations are welcome! We continue to accept new and used books in good condition for our book sales! Kids' books are greatly appreciated as are puzzles, DVDs, and music CDs. Please place items in our donation bin under the tent by the book drop. (Unfortunately, we cannot accept magazines or VHS tapes anymore.) Thank you!