

Hours

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thu:
10:00am to 8:00pm

Friday & Saturday:
10:00am to 5:00pm

Closed:
Sundays

Park & Pickup Hours
(Come to the Pickup
Window or delivery to
your vehicle)

Same hours as above

Meetings

SNHL Board
February 8, 7pm

SNHL Friends
No meeting

Play Mini Golf at the Library!



The most fun you can have indoors while the snow is falling outside. Come play 18 crazy holes of mini-golf with family and friends. Past themes have included Harry Potter, Wizard of Oz, the Beatles, Apollo 11. You won't want to miss this family-fun event! Brought to you by the Friends of SNHL.

Here's how it works:

- Come play golf, have fun! No registration required
- Vote for your favorite hole
- \$5.00 per golfer ages 11 and up; \$2.50 for 10 and under
- Purchase refreshments at the 19th hole
- Browse and shop a mini pop-up kids' book sale in the large print room

Saturday, February 18: 10:00am to 4:00pm

Sunday, February 19: 10:00am to 4:00pm

Monday, February 20: 10:00am to 4:00pm

Sat., February 18: TEENS ONLY (grades 7 and up) 7:00-9:00pm

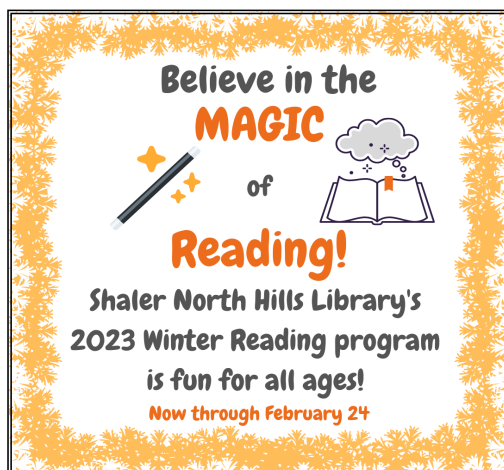
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Please follow us!



PA FORWARD



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PSSSTTTT....

The Friends of SNHL Spring
Book Sale returns this April!

April 28-May 3.

Valentines for Seniors Returns!
**Please drop off between January
30 and February 7.**
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Monthly/Weekly Get Togethers

Join us monthly or weekly for any of the following activities! Always open to new members.

MONTHLY GET TOGETHERS



Monday Night Book Group

Second Monday of the month, 6:30pm

Reads a wide variety of material, from newer best sellers to classics. Please contact Sharon at mcraes@einetwork.net

February 13: *The Berlin Exchange* by Joseph Kanon

March 13: *Hello Molly* by Molly Shannon

Mystery Book Group

Third Thursday of the month, 2:30pm

Reads mysteries and thrillers.

Please contact Beth at lawryb2@einetwork.net

February 16: *56 Days* by Catherine Ryan Howard

March 16: *All Good People Here* by Ashley Flowers

Sense & Sound: A Fresh Perspective on Poetry

Last Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Please contact Ingrid at kalchthaleri@gmail.com

Register: <https://poetryisnotreallyboring.blogspot.com/>

February: *African American Poets*

Readings in Alternative Everything

Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm (VIRTUAL)

Community-led.

Current Title: *Fourteen Lessons in Yogi Philosophy* by Yogi Ramacharaka

For more information and to obtain a Zoom invite, please email Richard Kajuth, EdS, DD at rkajuthdd@gmail.com

Rummikub Game Night

First Thursday of the month at 6:00pm

Community-led. Drop in.

Come join in the fun! Open to all.

Seeking more players!

WEEKLY GET TOGETHERS



Exercise Class with John Uddstrom

Mondays & Fridays, 8:45am-9:45pm

Requires Release Form at first session.

Drop-in. \$2.00 fee payable to instructor.

Please contact Adult Services for questions.

SNHL Card Playing Group

Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00pm

Community-led. Drop-in.

Needles & Hooks by the Books

Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00pm

Community-led. Drop-in.

This group meets to knit and crochet.

Watercolor Open Sessions

Thursdays, 10:00am

No instruction provided.

Please contact Shaler Adult Services to be put in touch with the group that meets for more info.

Meditation Sessions

Fridays, 9:30am to 10:00am (VIRTUAL ON ZOOM)

Led by certified guide.

For more information on joining,

email Beth at lawryb2@einetwork.net

Walk Talk Walk

Saturdays, 8:00am

Meet in the Library Parking Lot. Drop-in.

Please contact Ingrid at rev.kalchthaler@gmail.com.

“There’s nothing better than curling up with a good book and sitting in front of the fire on winter evenings.”

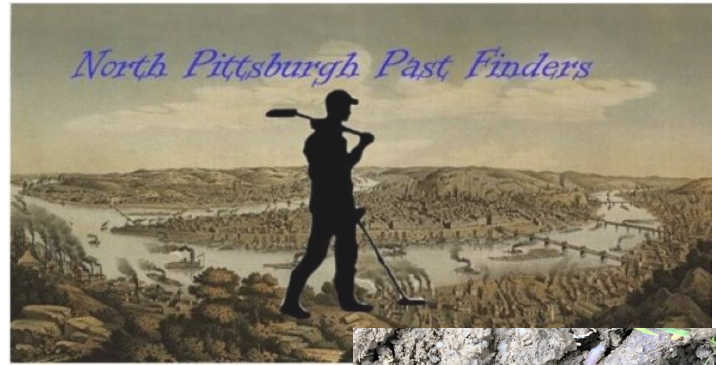
— Leo Sayer

Programs

Finding the Past Through Metal Detecting

Tuesday, March 14, 6:30-7:30pm

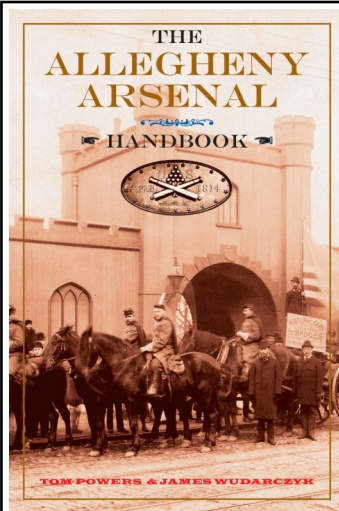
REGISTER: tinyurl.com/ShalerPastFinders



Join members of the North

Pittsburgh Past Finders as they share the hidden 'treasures' they find in our area...and their love of the Metal Detecting pastime. Come learn about what's hidden all around us...and how to detect properly and respectfully. Presented by Katelynn O'Neill, a Shaler resident for 15 years, and Jim Pschirer, a retired pharmacist and lifelong resident of Shaler Township.

Items that members have collected will be on display in the Library Display Case on the upper level during the month of February. The Library owns a metal detector that you may borrow on your card! Please ask about the schedule at the Reference Desk.



Pittsburgh's Allegheny Arsenal

Friday, March 24, 1:00pm

REGISTER: tinyurl.com/ShalerAlleghenyArsenal

Pittsburgh's Allegheny Arsenal served the nation through five wars between 1814 and 1926. It suffered a tragedy on September 17, 1862, that was the greatest single day loss of civilian life during the Civil War. Inside *The Allegheny Arsenal Handbook* is the history of Pitts-

burgh's last federal military facility in stories, illustrations, maps, and photographs.

Tom Powers is president of the Lawrenceville Historical Society and editor of its newsletter. Jim Wudarczyk is a board member and former president of the Lawrenceville Historical Society.



Shown: Fredalina Neckerman, victim of the 1862 explosion.

Mark Your Calendars!

Coming up...

April 5:
Ukrainian Egg Art Demonstration

April 7-9:
Closed for Easter Holiday

April 11:
Putting Your House in Order with Bock Funeral Home

April 22
Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

April 28-May 3:
Giant Used Book Sale—adults and teen materials

Helpful/Healthful Programs

Youth Suicide Awareness and Prevention Workshop

February 1, 6:45pm REGISTER: [TINYURL.COM/SHALERARE](https://tinyurl.com/shaleraware)

Join Gretchen Boehm, MS, LPC for this informative workshop to help families freely and safely discuss suicide. Open to teens, parents, caregivers. Please register, though walk-ins welcome.



Dementia Friends Information Session (REG)

Next sessions:

Mondays, February 20 & March 20, 6:30-7:30pm

Register: tinyurl.com/shalerfriends

or call the Library for assistance.

Join us in person at the library to learn more about Dementia Friends of Pennsylvania and the ways in which we can help to create a more positive experience for those living with dementia. Please note that the goal of the questions is to gain a better understanding of how we can be more inclusive of all community members in Pennsylvania. All responses will be kept confidential. If you have questions or concerns about the registration, you can contact info@dementiafriendspa.org.



This session is for adults, but if you are interested in a child or youth session, please email our facilitator at rev.kalchthaler@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you soon!

Caring for Caregivers

A new monthly series for those caring for loved ones.

Are you interested?

Shaler Library is working with Erin McMaster, a Memory Care Advisor from Promedica Memory Care, to host free monthly sessions for persons who are caring for or supporting a loved one with Alzheimer's, Dementia, or other cognitive/memory issues.



Sessions will be held **the third Wednesday of the month at 1:30pm**. Registration is helpful but not required. Walk-ins/drop-ins always welcome! Call us with any questions.

FEB REGISTER: tinyurl.com/ShalerCaregiver



Meditation for Everyone (VIR)

This series runs every Friday from 9:30am to 10:00am. Via Zoom.

Carve 30 minutes out of your week to learn simple and practical meditation techniques that can easily be applied in everyday life. Led by certified guide Cindi Ballard. The program is free but you must register to receive the Zoom invitation.



If you have not attended previously, please contact Beth at lawryb2@einetnetwork.net for some introductory materials before joining.



Walk Talk Walk
Meets weekly on Saturdays in the parking lot of the Library at 8:00am.

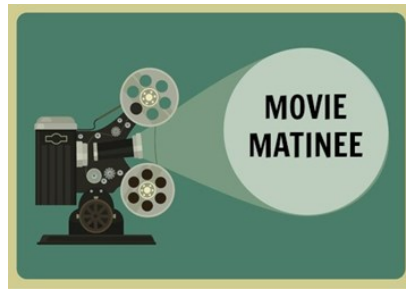
The walk is between 1 1/2 – 2 miles. There is no pressure to be fast, we will walk as fast as our slowest member needs. You don't have to come every week and we hope to keep the program going through the summer and beyond!

For more information check out runtalkrun.com or email Miss Ing at rev.kalchthaler@gmail.com.

Programs

Free Saturday Matinees for Adults!

Missed it at the movie theater?
Come watch at the Library!



Join us on Saturdays to catch up on the movies you missed.
No registration required.



March's pick: Dear Zoe
Saturday, March 4, 2:00pm

"Dear Zoe is Tess's letter to her sister, written as a means of figuring out her own life and her place in the world..."—Amazon

Bring a snack if you wish.

ACT OUT: Reader's Theater for Adults Tuesday, February 21, 6:30pm (REG)

What is Readers Theater? Think old-time radio shows or the more recent Twilight Zone Radio series. Think about using your voice (and sometimes a few props or costumes) to share a great drama or comedy without memorizing a script! We hope to perform as a group live in the Library and also begin a podcast featuring the fine vocal talents of our Shaler Library community. Kids have been doing it for years in schools, why should they have all the fun!



Learn more about the project [HERE](#). Join us for a lot of fun. No experience is necessary; we will all learn together!

REGISTER: tinyurl.com/shalertheater

Murder Mystery Thursdays for Adults

Join us on Thursday afternoons as we dive into some of the great Mystery Series brought to you by the BBC/Acorn /PBS Masterpiece productions.

We'll watch the first two episodes of Season 1 of a variety of shows....meet famous detectives, police investigators, and more.

Many started out from novels!

Four Thursdays, 1:00-3:00pm

February 9 & 23

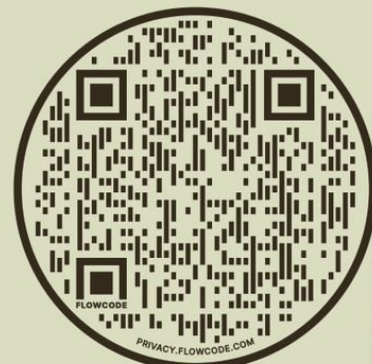
March 9 & 23

No registration required. Bring a snack!

Questions about College?

for high school students, parents and caregivers

Thinking about college and having questions about the process? Jennifer Stapel, M.Ed., an experienced college academic advisor at Pitt, has answers!



please register at tinyurl.com/shalercollege

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
6:30 - 7:45 PM



REGISTER: [Tinyurl.com/shalercollege](https://tinyurl.com/shalercollege)

Believe in the Magic of Reading!

Join us for Winter Reading Fun...runs through February 24.



- * Open to all ages. No registration required this year!
- * Read anything you like. You can 'listen' to a book too! (Or read 10 books to a child for one entry.)
- * Visit the Library and enter the titles of the books you've read into the raffle bin or...[log your books online.](#)
- * Each book/read listened to counts as one entry.
- * Every Friday we'll select two winners for prizes of cozy, wintry treats.
- * We are collecting new or gently used donations of hats, mittens, gloves & scarves.

Looking for a good winter read? Ask us!

If you need something great to read, ask the staff. We love to make a recommendation (or two...or three).

From 2022 here are the Book Group favorites. Ask for the list for the year.

Monday Night Book Group favs:

Last Flight by Julie Clark
Salt to the Sea by Ruth Sepetys
Echo Wife by Sarah Gailey

Mystery Book Group favs:

The Darkest Evening by Ann Cleeves
The Christie Affair by Nina De Gramont
The Sun Down Motel by Simone St. James

Check out our displays too!

Valentines for Seniors Celebrates our Third Year!

You, our library community, just LOVED making area seniors' day brighter with your Valentines.

In 2021 we received **over 900** beautiful, hand-made Valentines.

In 2022 we received **over 2000** Valentines.

This year we're excited to do it again!



Here are the guidelines:

- ♥ Make a valentine (Note: NO glitter! NO candy!)
- ♥ Put your valentine into a plastic baggie (sandwich, quart, or gallon size baggie).
- ♥ One valentine per baggie so they can be individually delivered to our senior area residents.
- ♥ Drop off at the Library between January 30 and February 7. Please do not bring earlier and no later than February 7th!!

Valentines can be signed or not—up to you! We will deliver to area residents and facilities in time for Valentine's Day!

Kids or grandkids? Stay in the know for all our fabulous programs by visiting the website: <https://www.shalerlibrarykids.org/>
Fun for all ages! From birth through teens.



Programs

HOT
TOPICS
LEGAL ISSUES IN PLAIN LANGUAGE

THE 'THREE' DOCUMENTS YOU NEED TO HAVE

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 1:30-2:30PM REGISTER: tinyurl.com/ShalerThreeDocs

This talk will focus on the three most commonly used documents in estate planning—a will, financial power of attorney, health care power of attorney and/or a living will. Our presenters will discuss each of the documents, and its purpose in the planning process, as well as answer any questions you may have.

A three-part series presented by Rebecca A. Olds, Nora Curley Peace, and Jeanne Marie Marquette, Attorneys at Law with Pittsburgh Estate Law. *Coming up:*

Estate Planning: Ten Common Mistakes and Ten Important Tips : Tuesday, April 25 at 1:30pm

Planning for Nursing Care: Tuesday, May 23 at 1:30pm



CREATE A SUCCULENT GARDEN

with members of The Shaler Garden Club

Friday, March 3, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Looking for a "green activity" after this winter? Come join us to create your own succulent garden! A great night out for adults with friends and/or family or date night to make a gift to keep or give. Members of the Shaler Garden Club will provide succulents, soil, containers and instruction for your garden.

COST: \$35.00, Limited to 30 participants

Registration: tinyurl.com/ShalerSucculents

Payment due at registration.

Please visit shalerlibrary.org to register and pay online (recommended) or come into the library to register and pay with cash, check or credit card.



Black History Month

President Gerald Ford was the first to officially recognize Black History Month, in 1976. Here are some black women writers worth checking out this month:

The intersection of Africa and America? read **Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie**.

Love some science fiction? Don't miss the 'grand dame' **Octavia Butler**.

Poetry & politics? Get to know **Nikki Giovanni**.

For an epic novel on slavery and the south, read **Yaa Gyasi's Homecoming**.

Hilarious 'spit out your drink' essays, check out **Samantha Irby**.

Anne Moody shares coming of age in the south.

Comedian and pod-caster **Phoebe Robinson** will make you laugh and learn.

For kids? Must be **Jacqueline Woodson**.

Spring is Here! A Six-Session Botanical Drawing Class

Mondays, March 13-April 24; 6:30-8:30pm

- Cost: \$50.00 for 6 sessions (Mondays, 3/13—4/24; No class 3/27) Limit: 15 participants
- REGISTER: tinyurl.com/ShalerBotanicDrawing



Come and learn to draw springtime blooms like pussy willows, snowdrops, and crocuses in colored pencil. No experience or special skills necessary, just a willingness to try! Students will be sent a suggested supply list upon enrolling.

Instructor Robin Menard is a core botanical illustration certificate instructor at Phipps Conservatory and an American Society of Botanical Artists and Allegheny Highlands Botanical Art Society member. Registration and pre-payment required. Pay online at registration. Pay in person by cash, check or credit card. **After registering, please click on the "BUY NOW" button to complete your payment.**

Community News

TAX NEWS—Did You Know?

Each year the Library orders your tax forms from the federal and state government offices. We make these available to you as we receive them so we appreciate your patience. Most years, the forms become available around February 1. Please watch our website for details.



- Forms that are sent in large quantities are made available FREE of charge.
- Other forms we can print for you—one free, all other copies 20 cents/page.
- We can also help you access forms and information online.
- We cannot offer tax 'advice'. You'll need to know what forms you need!
- AARP Tax-Aide Program offers free tax assistance and tax preparation services low- and moderate-income taxpayers, with an emphasis on those 50 or older. We have a list of tax-aide sites and where to call for your appointment. Please check our website or stop in to pick up the list. For more information, visit www.taxaide-pittsburgh.com

New Members Always Welcome!



Love Your Library? Want to help out? Join as a new member of the Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library!

Friends of SNHL 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.](#))

Donations of books and puzzles always welcome! Look for the white door to the left of our Book Drop. Drop in your donations any time!

Discover and access free or discounted

RAD Pass

tickets to regional attractions with your Allegheny County library card!

Visit radpass.org for all the details!

The Bread of Life Food Pantry serves families in need in Etna, Shaler and Sharpsburg. Learn more about our hours and shopping days at our website:

www.breadoflifetna.org



See how you can help by donating dollars, goods or your time.

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Love to walk or bike or run in our beautiful township? Would you like to help expand walkability and improve safety?

We want YOU!



Come join others who are working to make Shaler Township a safer place for pedestrians and bicyclists. Learn how you can help move projects and programming forward.

Interested? Send us a message at: WalkBikeShaler@gmail.com
Join us at 7:00pm on the second Monday of each month at Shaler North Hills Library.

