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Shaler North Hills Library |shalerlibrary.org | 412-486-0211 Jan-Feb 2023

Hours

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

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

Closed: Sundays Closed Jan 27!

Park & Pickup Hours (Come to the Pickup Window or delivery to your vehicle) Same hours as above

> **Meetings SNHL Board** January 11, 7pm

SNHL Friends January 28, 10am



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Please follow us!









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Believe in the Magic of Reading!

- 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.
- Join us on Monday, January 16 for Tea & Oatmeal Cookie Day to kick
- We'll be collecting new or gently used donations of hats, mittens, gloves & scarves. Watch for the display.





Happy Hygge New Year!

Thursday, January 19 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm

Winter is the time of year when we're craving to slow down and give ourselves a little rest to renew our spirit. As the darker evenings draw in, it's time to curl up with a hot beverage, a blanket, and a good book. Settle in and enter Hygge, taking pleasure from the simple cozy things in life in the company of friends.

- "Hygge Your Tea" presented by Danielle Spinola, owner of Abeille Voyante Tea Co., Millyale
- "Hygge Your Spirit" creating a Hygge Gratitude Jar
- "Hygge Your Taste" sampling soups offered by Jen Safron, owner of Sprezzatura, Millyale

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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

January 9: The Maid by Nita Prose

February 13: The Berlin Exchange by Joseph Kanon

Mystery Book Group

Third Thursday of the month, 2:30pm
Reads mysteries and thrillers.
Please contact Beth at lawryb2@einetwork.net

January 19: The Bomb Maker by Thomas Perry

February 16: TBA

Sense & Sound: A Fresh Perspective on Poetry

Last Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm
Please contact Ingrid at kalchthaleri@gmail.com
Register HERE.

January 31: New Year Ambiguity

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 Come join in the fun! Open to all. Seeking more players!

WEEKLY GET TOGETHERS



Needles & Hooks by the Books

Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00pm Community-led.

This group meets to knit and crochet. Drop-in.

Meditation Sessions

Fridays, 9:30am to 10:00am (VIRTUAL) Led by certified guide. For more information on joining, email Beth at lawryb2@einetwork.net

SNHL Card Playing Group

Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00pm Community-led. Drop-in.

Walk Talk Walk

Saturdays, 8:00am

Meet in the Library Parking Lot. Drop-in.

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

Don't Buy eBooks, Borrow!

Did you get a new device this holiday season? Maybe you finally got that Kindle you've wanted.

Before you start purchasing eBooks, check out what the Library has to offer.

Through our streaming services Libby and Hoopla, you can get TONS of free eBooks and eAudioBooks with your library card.



You can schedule a one-onone appointment with us to help get you started. Call Adult Services at 412-486-0211.



Programs

Saturday Matinees!

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

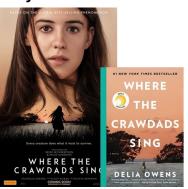


Join us on Saturdays to catch up on the movies you missed.
No registration required!

January's pick: Where the Crawdads Sing based on the novel by Delia Owens.

January 7, 2:00pm

Bring a snack if you wish. We'll provide the popcorn. (Watch the website for any changes due to inclement weather.)



Murder Mystery Thursdays!

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!

Six Thursdays, 1:00-3:00pm January 12 & 26 February 9 & 23 March 9 & 23

No registration required.



Meet Me at the Movies
January 23, showing time to be determined.

Join Shaler Library Staff at the movie theater and we'll watch the latest movie together! Meet up at the Cinemark at McCandless Crossing.

January's pick: A Man Called Otto Starring Tom Hanks

Based on the novel A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman.





Puzzle-Mania for Adults!

TEAM CAPTAINS REGISTER HERE

Helpful/Healthful Programs

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, beginning January 18. Registration is helpful but not required. Walk-ins/drop-ins always welcome! You may register HERE. Call us with any questions.



ARDEN COURTS
PROMEDICA MEMORY CARE

Dementia Friends Information Session

Next sessions:

Mondays, January 16 & February 20, 6:30-7:30pm

Register through <u>THIS LINK</u> 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!

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**.

<u>Listen to the story of how Ms. Robson got the whole thing started</u> on the Running with Jake Podcast here!

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@einetwork.net for some introductory materials before joining.

Winter is a great time to do some Genealogy!



You've always meant to dig into some family history...why not this winter?

If you visit the Library in person, you can jump onto Ancestry.com and do some searching. Check out census records, ship manifests, and more.

Programs

Calling all aspiring voice actors! Join us for an organizational meeting of ACT OUT! Tuesday, January 17, 6:30pm

We are starting something new in 2023. Many libraries across the country have their own adult readers theater troupes. And we KNOW that there are more than a few of you out there with talent just waiting to be unleashed.

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 <u>HERE.</u> Join us for our organizational meeting and a lot of fun. No experience is necessary; we will all learn together! <u>REGISTER HERE.</u>

Mini Golf at the Library Coming in February! Design a hole...come back to play!

You mean you haven't heard about our great mini-golf outing each
February??? It's the most fun you can have indoors while the snow is
falling outside. With your help, we create 18 crazy holes of mini-golf that you and your
family can play. Past themes have included Harry Potter, Wizard of Oz, the Beatles, Apollo
11. You won't want to miss this family-fun event!

Are you creative? We need friends to design and make a mini-golf hole!

Fun for families and organizations to create. Past themes include Harry Potter, rubber ducks, Monopoly and so many more creative ideas. (You will need to build your hole at home, bring to the library on Friday, February 17 for set-up). Email Sharon at mcraes@einetwork.net for details.

Just wanna play?

Join us the weekend of **February 18-20** to play a round of golf in the stacks of the Library. It's a fundraiser brought to you by the Friend of SNHL.

Here's how it works:

- Form your group of 2-4 players.
- Teens ONLY (grades 7 and up) on Saturday between 7 & 9 pm.
- Come play golf, have fun!
- Vote for your favorite hole.
- \$5.00 per golfer ages 10+. \$2.50 for our younger pros

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 <u>between January 30 and February 7</u>. <u>Please do not bring earlier and no later than February 7th!!</u>

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.



Martin Luther King, Jr Day

Monday, January 16, 2023

Signed into law in January 1983 by President Ronald Reagan, the national Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday is a celebration of Dr. King's immeasurable contribution to the United States, and to humankind.

The 2023 theme from The King Foundation is

"Beloved Community". You can join in virtual events—from a youth summit to a book/puppetry event here: https://thekingcenter.org/events/

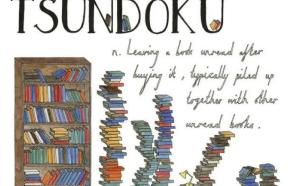
Think about how you would like to make a Beloved Community?
Ask your library staff for book suggestions too!



"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase."

Any of you have a Tsundoku at home?

Tsundoku: The Japanese word for a stack(s) of books you've purchased but haven't read. It comes from the words tsunde-oku (letting things pile up) and dukosho (reading books).





News to Use

Keep Busy This Winter With These Fun Things to Borrow

Have you checked out the cool 'things' that we have to borrow (besides books, of course)? We have plenty of board games to keep your family busy—and jigsaw puzzles too. Plus...

Light Therapy Box

Light therapy may be helpful for Seasonal Affective Disorder or Depression.

Mini-Projector

Show a movie or photos at your next family gathering!

Shredder

Get organized and shred up some of that paperwork sitting around the house!

Knit One, Crochet Too Kit

Always wanted to try knitting? Here's your chance with a great starter kit.

Telescope

The sky can be particularly clear in the winter...great for star gazing!

Binocular Backpack Kit

Winter is also a great time to bird watch. Check out our kit with binoculars, guidebook, and more.

- Items are for 1-week or 3-week loans. Not renewable.
- Cannot be reserved in the system (but call if you can pick up same-day).
- Pick up and return at Shaler North Hills Library only!
- Please read all safety precautions.

Check out our whole collection on our website under the <u>Featured Items in our Collection</u> Menu.



2023—Mark Your Calendars!

Just some of the events coming up....

January 27: Closed for In-Service Day

February 18-20: Mini-Golf in the Library

March TBA: Succulent Garden Workshop

March 16: Botanical Drawing Class Returns

April 7-9: Closed for Easter Holiday

April 28-May 3: Giant Used Book Sale

AARP TAX-AIDE PROGRAM OPENS!

The AARP Tax-Aide Program is up and running at the Shaler Un-

dercliff Fire Company and the Ross Township Municipal Building. This program provides free tax assistance and tax preparation services to low- and moderate-income taxpayers, with an emphasis on those 50 or older.

To schedule your free appointment, please call Senator Lindsey Williams' office at 412-364-0469.

For more information, visit www.taxaide-pittsburgh.com

Watch the Library website for when bulk forms arrive.





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Community News

New Members 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.)

Next meeting: Saturday, January 28, 10:00am

Visit Museums & Historic Sites with Free Passes!

Our Experience Kits will continue to be available for three of the sites. You can sign up for a week and pick up a kit with a pass for four admissions FREE through April of 2023.

The Heinz History Center
The Merrick Art Gallery
The Somerset Historical Center
Pick up a brochure or ask at the Reference Desk
for details or to schedule your week.

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: breadoflifeetna.org



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

Like us on Facebook @Bread of Life Food Pantry Etna.

Bread of Life Food Pantry 94 Locust Street Pittsburgh 15223 412-781-3056 breadoflifeetna@gmail.com

Plenty of Fun from Shaler Township!



Please visit the township website to stay up-to-date: Shaler.org

Annual County Christmas Tree Recycling Program Kicks Off December 26

Christmas Trees Accepted Through Saturday, January 14, 2023 at County Parks

Residents may drop off Christmas trees from Monday, December 26, 2022, through Saturday, January 14, 2023, at all nine county parks from 8:00 am until dusk. All lights, decorations, tinsel and stands must be removed from trees prior to drop-off. Trees will be mulched and used in the county parks. Drop-off location at North Park is the Swimming Pool Parking Lot. Complete list of park drop-off sites at Allegheny County website.

Discover and access free or discounted tickets to

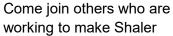


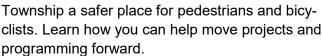
regional attractions with your Allegheny County library card!

Visit <u>radpass.org</u> for all the details!

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

We want YOU!





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.

