Notorious Pittsburgh....
Stories from Your Hometown (and Ghost Stories too!)
Tuesday, October 24, 6:30pm

Join us for an entertaining evening of stories from storyteller and author Chris Whitlatch! Chris will regale us with his favorite Pittsburgh stories—including the first bank robbery, a famous jailbreak, and Pittsburgh’s former ‘red light district’. Featuring more than 20 stories from Pittsburgh’s past, Notorious Pittsburgh by Chris Whitlatch and illustrated by well-known artist Joe Wos will be available for sale.

Please take a moment to fill out this form if you are interested in baking for the sale or volunteering! The sale is a great way for students to volunteer for service or honors society hours! It takes a lot to put the sale together!

https://forms.gle/tk4xPhyX8fhbR3Mj8

Download and print the book sale flyer and share with others!

BOOK SALE FLYER

SHALER NORTH HILLS LIBRARY FALL BOOK SALE
Adult items only!
November 4 & 5, 2023

Saturday November 4, 10 AM to 4 PM: Bake Sale too
Sunday November 5, 10 AM to 4 PM: $5.00 Bag Sale
We’ll provide the bag. You fill it!
(Books only, AV priced separately.)
Pay by cash, check, or charge.

Want to volunteer? Visit shalerlibrary.org for details.
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 mcras@shalerlibrary.org

October 9: *Mexican Gothic* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia
November 13: Let's chat about what you are reading!

Mystery Book Group
Third Thursday of the month, 2:30pm
Reads mysteries and thrillers.
Please contact Beth at lawyb2@shalerlibrary.org

October 19: *Daisy Darker* by Alice Feeney
November 16: *Two Girls Down* by Louisa Luna

Sense & Sound: A Fresh Perspective on Poetry
Last Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm
Please contact Ingrid at kalchthaleri@gmail.com
Register: tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry

October 24: Naomi Shihab Nye
November 28: David Whyte

Food for Thought
Second Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm
Community-led.

October 11: Apples and Pumpkins
November 8: Holiday Traditions

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-9:45am
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.
New players always welcome.

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.

Readings in Alternative Everything—Virtual
Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm
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

Art Gallery
*October: Stu Chandler
November: Diane Grguras*
Programs

Israel from Dan to Eilat, a Photographer's Journey
Tuesday, October 10, 6:00pm PLEASE REGISTER
Come join us as we see the country of Israel through the eyes of a photographer. Fine art photographer Stu Chandler has journeyed there several times, and will be sharing his images and talking about the challenges facing any photographer exploring new places. Stu's photographs will be on display in the Art Gallery of the Library during October.

About the presenter:
An electrical engineer with a passion for photography, Stu's career has allowed him to travel the world, always with a camera at the ready. Stu started with film while in Europe with the US Air Force and renewed his passion thanks to the digital revolution.

Stu says: "My goal as an artist is to capture more than just a pretty picture. Photography is often seen as documentary: it's expected that what the viewer sees is a true representation of what the photographer saw. As an artist, I seek to create images with a sense of place, interest, moment, drama, beauty. Through the medium of digital photography, I enjoy the freedom to shape an image to realize the full potential of a scene." You can follow Stu's travels through his website: www.StuChandlerPhotography.com

In the Center of the Storm:
The History of the 139th PA Volunteer Infantry
Friday, October 20, 1:30-2:30pm PLEASE REGISTER
The 139th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry Regiment was made up of ten companies from Allegheny, Mercer, and Armstrong Counties. Companies D & F had soldiers from the local area—Shaler, Hampton, Etna, and McCandless. Join authors John Haltigan and Arthur B. Fox who will share stories of these local men—battles, letters home, stories of veterans and the war's aftermath, and more. Accompanied by historic images. Their book will be available for sale.

About the Authors/Presenters:
Art Fox was a U.S. Navy veteran, former archaeologist at University of Pittsburgh, World Geography professor at CCAC. He has degrees from the University of Pittsburgh and a Masters in history from Duquesne. He has written four books on Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania in the Civil War.
John Haltigan was a U.S. Air Force veteran, retired after a career with the Department of Veterans Affairs, serving in Baltimore, Washington and Pittsburgh. He has co-authored two books on soldiers from western Pennsylvania in the Civil War and articles regarding the air war in Vietnam.
Ongoing Programs

Shaler Library Writers’ Group
Mondays, 6:00pm (by Zoom and in-person)

Are you a creative writer? Do you want to be? Whether you create short stories, non fiction, poetry, dialogues, TV Scripts or existential historical fantasies - everyone who writes likes to belong to a group of like minded creators for support and accountability. The Shaler North Hills Library Writer's Group could be a great free resource for you. Zoom sessions and one in-person meeting on the 4th Monday of each month. Community-led by Jim Binz. If you are interested, please email Jim at jf.binz@gmail.com.

Sense and Sound: Monthly Poetry Series
Last Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm

Think poetry isn’t for you? You might be surprised! Join us on the last Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm to explore poets and poetry.
Register Here: Tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry

ACT OUT: Reader’s Theater for Adults
Third Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm

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! Check out our podcast!

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

Nature “Snippets” (For Adults)
Thursdays, 1:30-2:30pm
Please Register! Space is limited.

Don’t miss our popular nature series with educators and Master Naturalists Pat Milliken and Gil Pielin! Pat & Gil have created a series of programs designed to put people in tune with nature. Participants will learn from this duo of retired high school teachers about all things nature in these hands-on workshops. This is an adult-focused program series, ages 16 and up.

Poisonous Plants...or Not?
October 12 REGISTER HERE
If you think plants are passive, immobile organisms growing to provide pleasure and sustenance for us humans and other creatures in the animal kingdom, THINK AGAIN! Join us to take a peek at the chemical schemes plants have devised to avoid being eaten and thus ensuring their survival. Tasting will be optional, if you dare!

The Evolution of a Pollinator Garden
November 9 REGISTER HERE
Join Master Naturalist Pat Milliken on a photographic journal following the transition of a garden from a bare lot in 2004 to a current garden. The garden naturally changes each year and so do some of the organisms within.

Food for Thought Group
Second Wednesday of the Month, 1:00pm

Love to cook? Love to eat? Try new recipes? This is the group for you!

The group will gather once a month to share recipes, food, and conversation around a shared theme. No registration required. New members always welcome!

October 11:
Apples and Pumpkins
November 8:
Holiday Traditions

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

How and Why to Tell Your Life Story with Wall Street Journal Obituary Writer

Wednesday, November 1, 6:30pm

No registration required

Presented by Pittsburgh-based James R. (Bob) Hagerty, staff reporter, retired lead obituary writer of The Wall Street Journal, and author. Mr. Hagerty offers easy ways to collect and save those stories while you can. Mr. Hagerty will also introduce his new book, Yours Truly, a guide to telling life stories.

ColorFall Leaves: A Botanical Drawing Class

There is color exploding everywhere this time of year! Come and learn to draw leaves in colored pencil with teacher and botanical illustrator, Robin Menard. No experience or special skills are needed, just the desire to capture the beautiful colors of the season.

Begins Monday, November 6 and runs through December 11.

- 6:00 to 8:00pm
- $50.00 class fee
- Limit of 15 per class
- Payment due at Registration
- Register in person at the Circulation Desk or call to register and pay through PayPal on the Library website

Supply list available from Adult Services Staff. Paper will be provided.

Robin shares her love of nature and art by capturing botanicals in graphite, ink, watercolor and colored pencil. She is a core botanical illustration certificate instructor at Phipps Conservatory and an American Society of Botanical Artists and Allegheny Highlands Botanical Art Society member. Robin is also a communications, marketing and graphic design professional.

SHOULD I ADD MY KID(S) TO THE DEED TO MY HOUSE?

October 25, 1:30pm

PLEASE REGISTER

I’VE BEEN NAMED AN EXECUTOR. NOW WHAT?

November 15, 1:30pm

PLEASE REGISTER

presented by Rebecca A. Olds, Nora Curley Peace, and Jeanne Marie Marquette, Attorneys at Law, Pittsburgh Estate Law, P.C.
Programs

Caring for a Loved One with Cognitive Issues? Find some support with these two offerings....

Dementia Friends Information Session
First Friday of the month at 10:30am.
Register: tinyurl.com/shalerfriends or call the Library for assistance.

Join us 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. 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.

Caring for Caregivers: A monthly series for those caring for loved ones.
Third Wednesday of the month at 1:30pm.
Registration is helpful but not required. Walk-ins always welcome. Visit our Event Calendar to register.

Erin McMaster, a Memory Care Advisor from Promedica Memory Care, leads free monthly sessions for persons who are caring for or supporting a loved one with Alzheimer’s, Dementia, or other cognitive/memory issues.

Sneak Peek for November & December

The History of Hartwood Acres with Park Ranger Deaglan McManus
November 17, 1:30pm
REGISTER HERE

The Gilded Age of Pittsburgh with historian Sue Morris
December 8, 1:30pm
REGISTER HERE

Introduction to Google Applied Digital Skills

- Learn about the Google Applied Digital Skills Curriculum.
- Get started with learning the skills to help with career planning.

October 5th at 12:00pm
October 12th at 7:00pm
At the Etna Pop-Up Library
341 Butler Street, Etna PA 15223
Register online at shalerlibrary.org or call 412-486-0211

October 5: REGISTER HERE
OCTOBER 12: REGISTER HERE

Take a Road Trip Around Your County Libraries—Pick up a Passport Today!

Ready for an adventure? How about planning a 'trip' to visit all the public libraries in Allegheny County? How many will you see?
Pick up your Passport at any library and start checking off the ones you visit.

♦ For each library you visit, you will receive a coupon for a percentage off at Spark Books.
♦ For each region you complete (North, South, East, West), you will receive a small swag bag from ACLA!
♦ For completing the entire county, you will receive a free book of your choosing at Spark Books. (located in Aspinwall).

Let us know when you complete a region and we’ll send for your reward.
So get traveling...get reading...and fill up that Passport!!
Virtual Visits–Check out These Museum Spotlights in October!

This fabulous “Museum Spotlight” Series will be held FREE via Zoom on Wednesdays at 5:00pm! Check out the schedule below. Registration required. Please visit our website for details and the links to register.

- Wednesday, October 4: Meadowcroft Rockshelter & Historic Village
- Wednesday, October 11: Fort Ligonier
- Wednesday, October 18: Old Economy Village
- Wednesday, October 25: David Bradford House and the Whiskey Rebellion Education and Visitor Center

Ask about our Experience Kits to visit these places in person for FREE!

Donate to the SNHL “Bottoms Up!” Campaign (to make our restrooms more accessible and usable for all!)

In 2021, the library worked with a consultant to conduct an Americans with Disabilities audit. It was clear from the audit that the most critical need was to add a first floor and fully ADA accessible restroom, and update the 38-year-old second-floor restrooms to meet ADA requirements. The library is now raising funds and applying for grants to fund this important project.

If you are able, please donate to the “Bottoms Up!” campaign and help us make YOUR library’s restrooms more accessible for people who have disabilities. Families with strollers and older adults who need to use a restroom on the first floor will benefit greatly from this project.

Please use this link to donate here: tinyurl.com/shalerlyl

Read even more about this important project on our website HERE.

News & Notes

National Drug Take-Back Day

Do you have unused or expired medications you need to dispose of? Now there’s an easy way to get them out of the house safely and responsibly!

Drop off to the Shaler Township Police at:

Shaler North Hills Library
Rear Parking Lot Drop Off

Saturday, October 28
10:00am to 2:00pm

Important! Please read!

- 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.
- Vaping materials accepted.
- No needles, syringes or lancets are accepted.
- DO NOT BRING EARLY! The Library Staff cannot accept the medications.

For more information visit: www.dea.gov

Hard to Read License Plate PennDOT Replacement Form Completion

Concerned that your license plate is illegible? The Shaler Township Police can help you get a replacement!

“If a vehicle owner is not due for inspection and believes their license plate is illegible, they may...have a law enforcement officer verify the license plate is illegible on Form MV-46.... “

Shaler Police will offer this service on October 28 as well!
Community News

**Have a Safe and Happy Halloween!**
The Library will CLOSE at 5pm on October 31 so that everyone can prepare for our little trick-or-treaters!

**TRUNK OR TREAT**
SATURDAY, 10/14
5:00 PM
KIWANIS PARK

Come for treats and hand out treats!
Participants must register online at www.shales.org by Monday, October 9. The best decorated car wins a prize!

**We salute our Veterans!**

Please note the Library will open at NOON on Wednesday, November 8 to accommodate the Veteran’s Breakfast next door at the Middle School.

**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. Membership is only $15.00, $25.00 for household. For more information contact Janet Miller at jmmpitt@msn.com. (The membership form is available on the Library website.)

**Shaler Library invites you to explore...**

**SEALER AREA 51**
Saturday, October 7 from 5:00 - 8:00 PM

**Trunk or Treat**
Saturday, October 14

**Lite Up Night**
Saturday, November 18

Visit Shaler.org for more info on these events!

**To Go Dinner Fundraiser Events**
Glenshaw Valley Presbyterian Church

**Our Delicious Dinner To Go program raises money for Scholarship Grants for Shaler Area High School Seniors!**
Just $15.00! Order by calling 412-487-7194.

**October 6**
**November 3**

House Tour & Craft Fair
Saturday, November 11

**Discover and access free or discounted tickets to regional attractions with your Allegheny County library card!**

Visit radpass.org for all the details!