

# Check it out!

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Apr-May 2024

#### **Hours**

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

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

Closed: Sundays May 26 & 27

## Park & Pickup Hours

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

> Meetings SNHL Board

April 10, 7:00pm May 8, 7:00pm

SNHL Friends May 7, 6:30pm



Please follow us!

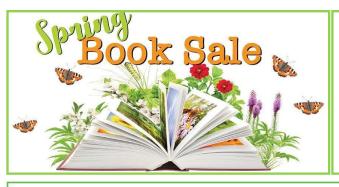








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The Friends of SNHL
Spring Book Sale
Join us April 20 & 21.
Check out all the details
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# You know who makes our Book Sales happen? The Friends of SNHL!!!

Friends of SNHL actively work to make SNHL a better place. They run our Book Sales, Mini-Golf Event, fundraisers, and more! 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 <u>Library website</u>.

Show your support for libraries by joining today. New Members Always Welcome!

~National Library Week is April 7-13~

Love Murder Mysteries?
Don't miss this talk by local author Mark Macedonia with his new thriller....



Beware The
Shifting Sands —
chasing a killer
through the
Black Hills of
South Dakota

Read more on p. 3.

# Earth Day is April 22

Celebrate Earth Day with us!

**April 11:** Nature Snippets

(ages 16 and up)

April 22: Make a Garden Post

(all ages)

April 26: The History of North

Park (all ages)

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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. Contact Sharon at mcraes@shalerlibrary.org

April 8: Someone Else's Shoes by Jojo Moyes

May 13: The Holdout by Graham Moore

## **Mystery Book Group**

Third Thursday of the month, 2:30pm

Reads mysteries and thrillers.

Please contact Beth at lawryb2@shalerlibrary.org

April 25 (DATE CHANGE!): The Guide by Peter Heller

**May 16:** TBA

# **Seeking the Spiritual Book Group**

Monthly on Wednesdays; dates vary, 6:30pm

**April 10:** The Light We Give by Simran Jeet Singh **May 22:** Somehow: Thoughts on Love by Anne Lamott

More info at tinyurl.com/shalerseekers

## 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

April 30: John Milton
May 28: Emily Dickinson

## **Food for Thought**

Second Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm

Community-led. Drop-ins welcome.

April 10: Ethnic Foods May 8: Tea Party

#### **Rummikub Game Night**

First Thursday of the month at 6:00pm
Community-led. Drop-ins welcome. Come join in the fun!
Open to all. Seeking more players!

#### **Movies on Your Mind**

First Friday of the month at 6:00pm

Come view and discuss. Registration helpful but drop-ins

welcome.

#### **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 with questions.

## SNHL Card Playing Group

Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00pm Community-led. Drop-in. 500 Bid. 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/Art 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—April/May
Shelby Jane
Pat Milliken—Nature Photography

Display Cases

(Ask about displaying in our cases!)

# Beware The Shifting Sands —chasing a killer through the Black Hills of South Dakota

## Tuesday, April 16, 6:30pm

Join local author Mark Macedonia for a murder mystery along a blood-soaked trail confronting extortion, nativism, prejudice, and racism...



In the summer of 1928, a strange twist of fate finds Parker Simms, reluctantly back in western South Dakota—the area of his roots—as a result of a voluntary leave of absence from work. Employed as a private detective within

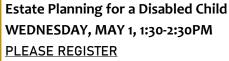
the William J. Burns Detective Agency, his previous assignment for the firm had linked him to the federal government's Teapot Dome Scandal, bringing unwanted national attention to the agency. Simms is even more baffled by how the killer links the murders to the popular children's book,

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz,

# PLEASE REGISTER

Mark's book will be for sale.







If you have a child or loved one with a

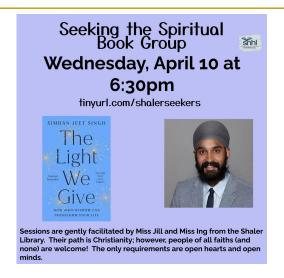
disability or that might need long-term care, find out the best way to plan for your future as well as theirs.

# Will vs. Trusts—Do You Really Want to Avoid Probate? WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 1:30-2:30PM PLEASE REGISTER

What is a Will? What is a Trust? How do they differ and what are the pros and cons of each one. What is Probate and can you really avoid it? Or need to? Find out at this information session.

Presented by Rebecca A. Olds, Nora Curley Peace, and Jeanne Marie Marquette, Attorneys at Law PITTSBURGH with Pittsburgh Estate Law.





# The History of North Park Friday, April 26, 1:30pm

## PLEASE REGISTER

From bison watched over by a family from Blackfeet Nation, to hosting a Civilian Conservation Corps camp, to the 3,094 acre forested oasis we all love today, North Park has a long and interesting history.





Allegheny County Park Ranger Deaglan McManus will share photographs and stories of this jewel of the North Hills.

#### Presenter:

Deaglan McManus has been a Park Ranger for Allegheny County since 2017, and specializes in the educational programs offered to schools, libraries, and community groups. Deaglan has a bachelor's degree in Community Organizing and a master's degree in Public History.







# Nature "Snippets" (For Adults)

Harmony in the Wild: Peacefully Co-existing with Local Wildlife

APRIL 11, 1:30pm REGISTER HERE GUEST MASTER NATURALIST CHAR ROSS!

Don't miss our popular nature series with educators and Master Naturalists. Participants will learn about all things nature in these hands-on workshops. This is an adult -focused program series, ages 16 and up.

This event and lively discussion will include info and tips for discouraging "nuisance" wildlife behavior in your garden/backyard/around the home, with an emphasis on prevention being our best course of action. We will explore ways in which common local species are beneficial, and how respect for nature can improve our own enjoyment of green spaces. This program will appeal to: birdwatchers, gardeners, pet owners, wildlife enthusiast, people looking to make their own neighborhood more eco friendly... basically anyone who appreciates nature!

Presenter Char Ross is a PA Master Naturalist, member of the PA State Taxidermy Association, board member of the Churchill Area Environmental Council, and new member of the PA Environmental Educators Council.

# Friends of SNHL SPRING BOOK SALE!!!

April 20 & 21, 10am-4pm

#### Take note!

- ⇒ Adult and teen materials ONLY at this sale
- ⇒ Save the date for the kids sale—June 8&9
- ⇒ Cash, Check or Charge
- ⇒ Bake Sale on Saturday
- Used Books—Hardcovers, Softcovers, Best Sellers, Paperbacks
- Audio Books (Books on CD)
- **DVDs & Music CDs**
- Puzzles & Games

Friday, 6:30-8:30pm: Join our Friends Group (\$15 membership) and be invited to the opening preview!

Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm: All day sale and Bake Sale too! Sunday, 10:00-4:00pm: Bag Sale for Books only; other materials as priced.



# Want to help?

You can also volunteer to work at the Book Sale or to bake goodies for our Bake Sale.

Interested? Please complete a form online or email to mcraes@shalerlibrary.org

Indicate if you are interested in the Book Sale or Bake Sale.

THANKS!

Our spring has come at last with the soft laughter of April suns and shadow of April showers. – Byron Caldwell Smith

# **National Prescription Drug Take Back Day**

"Remembering David"

Saturday, April 27, 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.
- Vaping materials accepted.
- 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 buildina.





## Help fill our shelves with more Wonder!

Wonderbooks combine print and audio for a fun learning and listening experience



Make a donation to SNHL on April 3rd and we'll purchase more Wonderbooks for kids!

tinyurl.com/snhlgivingday

# License Plate Replacement Form

If you drop by the Drug Take-Back Event, you can also request a form to have a worn license plate replaced. Please ask the police officer for more information.

# **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 Writers' Group could be a great free resource for you. Zoom sessions weekly 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 at: <u>Tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry</u>

# ACT OUT: Reader's Theater for Adults/Teens Third Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm

Our Troupe has been practicing and performing for a

year now! Many libraries across the country have their own troupes and we at SNHL KNOW that more than a few of you are out there with talent just waiting to be unleashed.



No memorization is required! We meet monthly on the third Tuesday of the month and occasionally schedule extra practices for our library performances. Occasionally, we will video our performances and upload them to the Library's channel- great fun to be had by all!

Are you interested in joining? Please contact us first for more information! Call or text David Jones at 412-606-6131 or email Miss Ing at

rev.kalchthaler@gmail.com.

Register at: tinyurl.com/shalertheater

Kids or grandkids? Stay in the know for all our fabulous programs by visiting the website:

<a href="https://www.shalerlibrarykids.org/">https://www.shalerlibrarykids.org/</a>
Fun for all ages! From birth through teens.

# 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: <u>tinyurl.com/shalerfriends</u> 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.

ARDEN COURTS
PROMEDICA MEMORY CARE

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

Seeking New Members!

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!

APRIL 10: Ethnic Foods MAY 8: Tea Party



# Sneak Peek for May & June

Experience Kits Return with New Sites!

May 17: Shaler/Hampton EMS—learn how to handle an emergency

May 22: Library for Accessible Media for Pennsylvanians (LAMP)—learn what they offer

May 30: Screen *Playing for Keeps*—learn about the importance of play in our lives and addressing trauma

June 8 & 9: Children's Materials Book Sale Summer Reading!

#### **Donations**

Yes! We take them all year long. (Books, DVDS, CDs, Puzzles, Magazines—within 2 years). Place in the OUTSIDE closet—white door by our Book Drop.



## Want deals on Regional Assets?

Visit <u>radpass.org</u> for how your library card can get you one!

# **News & Notes**

# **April is National Poetry Month**

- We're celebrating by featuring a local poet each day in April on our Facebook page.
   Check out the new poems each morning at 9:00am!
- Have you ever made a 'spine' poem? Try stacking books so that their titles on the spine make a poem. Take a picture and email us at shalerref@shalerlibrary.org
- Not sure that you like poetry? Try reading a poet that is considered 'accessible'—Mary Oliver, Ted Kooser, Billy Collins, Sharon Olds. Give it a try!

## TAX NEWS—FORMS & SENIOR HELP

Tax forms as they arrive are placed in the bins OUTSIDE of our entrance (by the handicapped door) for 24/7 access. Watch our website or social media for any updates.

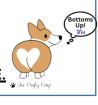
Visit this website for information on the AARP Tax-Aide Program sites and times.

website: taxaide-pittsburgh.com

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

Please use this link to donate <u>tinyurl.com/shalerlyl</u>

Read about this important project on our website HERE.





# **Community News**





## **OLDIES DANCE**

Sponsored by Elfinwild Lions Club April 13, 7:30-11:30pm

> St. Ursula's Church Hall Duncan Ave

\$20/person \$35/couple

Refreshments include hot sausage, hot dogs, macaroni salad, snacks Pop, Beer, BYOB

For tickets: call 412-487-1888 or purchase at Shaler Library



- Crawford Pool Passes now on sale!
- Children's Fishing at Fawcett Fields: April 6 at 8:00am (ages 12 and under)
- Earth Day clean-up during April
- Polar Plunge: Saturday, April 27
- Bike Rodeo: Saturday, May 18
- Crawford Pool opens: Saturday, May 25
   Visit the township website for details

https://www.shaler.org/

We have display cases available for the Community! Share a hobby, an interest, promote your Community Group or Nonprofit, or your crafts. Contact the Adult Services staff or check our website for the guidelines and form.



# GLENSHAW CENTURY CLUB SPRING CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH 10AM-3PM

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
1719 MOUNT ROYAL BOULEVARD, 15116

\* FREE ADMISSION \* RAFFLES \*

\* GOURMET BAKE SALE \* FOOD TO GO \*

\* 60+ CRAFTERS & VENDORS \*







Saturday, March 23 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Ross Township DPW 225 Cemetery Lane Pittsburgh, PA 15237 With Rep. Lindsay Powell



Kiwanis Park 399 Wetzel Road Glenshaw, PA 15116

Shredding Limit: 2 boxes per car Paper only!

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