



# NEWSLETTER, FALL 2014

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CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE  
INFORMATION AND MORE EVENTS!

## What's your passion? What do you "Geek?"

What  
do you  
geek?

Geek the Library introduces "geek" as a verb and encourages the public to talk about what they geek, whether it's engineering, superheroes, music, zombies, or cooking. Everyone is passionate about something—everyone geeks something—and the library supports them all.

**Kickoff celebration October 25th from 1-3 p.m.**



**1000  
BOOKS**  
BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Kids (birth – PreK) and parents can stop into the children's area after any regularly scheduled program, e-mail or pick up a brochure for more information on this new program!

## November is National Novel Writing Month!

Check out our website in November for more information! Kids, teens and adults are encouraged to use the library to write their novel.



## STAR WARS READS DAY



**Saturday, October 11 from 10am—noon**

Did you love Jedi Training camp? Come for more Star Wars fun as we celebrate a Galaxy Far Far away with games and activities!

For kids grades K-5.

## Interested in computer classes?



Stop by the research desk or call the library at 610-398-1361 x16 for more information and dates. Or check our events calendar online by clicking "Library Events" when you go to [www.parklandlibrary.org](http://www.parklandlibrary.org).

# Youth Services Department Events

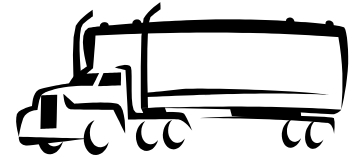
Call 610-398-1361 x 19 to register  
or for more information

## Daddy and Me Saturday, November 8 10:30 a.m. @ Library

Come with a male caregiver and enjoy some special time together with stories, games and laughter.



## Touch a Truck Saturday, October 4



10:00 a.m. to Noon

Third year and counting! Bring the whole family to the circle in front of the library to check out some of the coolest trucks around. We'll have diggers, police cars, an ambulance, and more for you to explore.

## Catch the Crook!

Tuesday, November 11th @  
7p.m.

Calling all kids grades 3-6! Someone stole a valuable book-plate from the library! Come use your detective skills to help us find the thief!



Registration is required.

## Mini Geocaching at the Library Starts October 6th

A box is hidden in the library and it's up to you to find it! Check out a clue at the front desk and find the box. Put your name inside it and come back throughout October and November to get new clues and new boxes!



## Fall Storytimes October 15 to November 21

Registration begins September 29 at 10:00 a.m. Please call the library.

**Family Storytimes**  
Wednesday and Thursdays  
10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

For children from 18 months to 3 years, but younger and older siblings may attend. An adult must stay with each child. Stories, songs, and games are shared with the whole family! Registration is required.



**Preschool Storytimes**  
Wednesday and Thursdays  
1:00 to 1:30 p.m.

For children between 3 and 5 years. Parents must stay in the library but do not have to attend storytime with the children. Stories, songs, games and crafts are all parts of preschool storytime. Registration is required.

**Drop-In Storytimes**  
Fridays  
10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

For families with young children and children of all different ages. No registration required.

**Parent/Child Workshops**  
10:30 a.m. @ the Library  
and

**Baby Bubbles Storytime**  
11:00 a.m. @ the Library  
Mondays September 15 to October 6

This five week program involves children ages 0 and up with their parents and caregivers in play. Local professionals will be featured and will serve as resources for parents. After the workshop, enjoy a storytime for young children!



Registration is required.

— All Youth Services Events are held in the library unless otherwise noted. —

Call 610-398-1361 x 13 to register  
or for more information

# Adult Services Department Events

## Book Quest

The Parkland Library's book group for adults meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

**7:00 p.m.**

**September 17:**

*The Tennis Partner* by Abraham Verghese

**October 15:**

*The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

**November 19:**

*Laughing Boy* by Oliver LaFarge

## Conversation Café: Italian

**7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

Wednesday, September 4 and 11

Would you like to refresh or practice your Italian? Chat with native speaker Rita!

**Please RSVP a week in advance.**



## Literary Trivia Night

**7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, September 24

Are you a book nerd? Join us for a fun night of literary trivia to celebrate National Library Card Month! Bring your fellow book worms for trivia and light refreshments!

**Please RSVP**

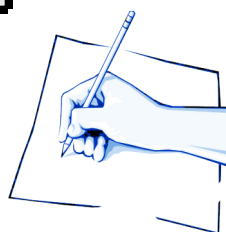
## Writers Unite!

**7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, September 18

Thursday, October 16

Thursday, November 13



Join the library's new group for aspiring authors. Drop in to talk and critique with other writers.

## Knitting Circle

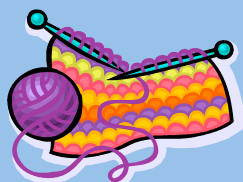
Thursday, September 25

Thursday, October 23

Thursday, November 20

**1:30 to 4:00 p.m.**

Spend a fun afternoon swapping knitting tips and tricks! Just bring your knitting materials and enthusiasm. For knitters of all ages and skill levels.



## PCL Events for all at Luther Crest Retirement Community

800 Hausman Road, Allentown • In Bistro

### Technical Tuesday

**3:00 p.m.**

Tuesday, September 2

Tuesday, October 7

Tuesday, November 4

Bring your gadget and share, learn, and talk about the latest technology and what's available to download from the library. Open to all seniors. **Please RSVP**



## Family Movie Nights

The second Wednesday of each month, the Parkland Library screens films for families. Call for titles.

**Wednesday, September 10**

**at 6:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, October 8**

**at 6:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, November 12**

**at 6:30 p.m.**



### Book Club for Seniors 3:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, September 16:** *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline

**Tuesday, October 14:** *State of Wonder* by Ann Patchett

**Tuesday, November 11:** *Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver

Call 610-398-1361 x 13 to register or for more information

# Adult Services Department Events

## Author Talks and Book Signings

Please RSVP for all author events.

### Haunted Crime Scenes

Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm  
Join local author Dr. Katherine Ramsland to enjoy the second book in her *Haunted Crime Scenes* series.

### Ghost Stories of the Lehigh Valley

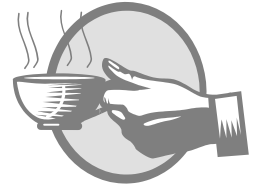
Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:13 pm  
Join local author Charles J. Adams III presents his book, *Ghost Stories of the Lehigh Valley*, which details true tales of ghosts, haunted houses and the unexplained in Lehigh, Carbon, and Northampton counties.

### The Art of Falling

Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm  
Join local author Kathryn Craft for a talk and book signing of *The Art of Falling*.

*Books will be available for purchase after all events.*

## Dear Abbey



Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm

Join us for an evening excursion to Downton Abbey, featuring lively discussions, short video clips, and behind-the-scenes insights into our favorite series. This session will be led by Barb Cole, armchair traveler and aficionado of all things Downton Abbey.

The evening will include tea and scones.

## Medicare 101

Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>

@ 6:30pm

Join Liz McClellan from Conventry Health Care for an informational presentation on Medicare.



## Teen Events (7th-12th grades)

Call 610-398-1361 x 19 to register or for more information

### Teen Book Club

#### Banned Books:

Tuesday September 23 @ 7:30 p.m.

Having the freedom to read rocks! Come and tell us which banned books you love.

### Celebrate Teen Read

#### Week:

October 13 - October 18

Submit trivia, fan art and cover redesigns for your favorite books this week. Then come to the book party to vote on your favorites.

### Book Fan Party

Friday, October 24 @ 6:30 p.m.

Come celebrate the awesomeness that is books. Answer trivia, eat food. Costumes encouraged.

**Registration Required**

## PCL Teens

Come discuss what you've been reading, give suggestions on books the library should buy for teens, help prepare for activities and programs and have snacks.

**Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.**

September 9: **Food and Games**

Come play some fun games with us and snack on delicious treats!

October 7: **Youtube Fan Fest**

Do you love the Lizzie Bennet Diaries? Can't get enough of silly Youtube videos?

Want some suggestions for series to watch? Come for snacks and laughter.

November 4: **Teen Book Club**

Get a free book from the library, read it and then come tell us what you thought!

**Registration begins in September.**

December 2: **Event Construction**

What's going to happen next year?

YOU come decide!



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#### Library Hours

Monday through Thursday

10am to 9pm

Friday and Saturday

10am to 5pm

