

CONNECTION

MARCH/APRIL/MAY 2019 ISSUE

SHARING THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

MEET OUR NEW STAFF MARY



Our new Youth Services Assistant Mary will lead our toddler and preschool storytimes.

"At our storytimes, you can expect more than one story, songs and rhymes, and fun, themed activities. We may even learn sign language at toddler storytime. I can't wait to get to know our families here!"



ONE LIBRARY CARD, SHARING RESOURCES THROUGH THE NEW LCLC

The Parkland Community Library has partnered with 10 libraries in Lehigh and Carbon counties. We will all share one catalog and one library card. You will now have access to over 500,000 items that can be delivered to the library within two business days. Bring your current library card and your driver's license to the circulation desk and we will give you your new library card. Stop in today!

SIGN UP

March 7th from 7-9 PM

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

or March 8th from 8:30-11 AM

The Parkland Community Library is hosting two community meetings at the Troxell Building (2219 N Cedar Crest Blvd, Allentown, PA 18104) on Thursday, March 7, 2019 from 7-9pm and Friday, March 8, 2019 from 8:30-11am. All residents of the Parkland School District are invited and encouraged to attend one of these sessions.

The objectives of these meetings are to inform the Board of Directors about our changing community and its challenges, and to garner fresh ideas and perspectives.

Light refreshments will be served.

Pre-registration is required. Residents may register at parklandlibrary.org, by calling the library at 610-398-1361 x15, or by visiting the library in person.

THE LIBRARY IS LOCATED AT:

4422 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, PA (in the South Whitehall Township complex)



ADULT EVENTS

ONGOING

MODERN CLASSICS

1ST MONDAYS AT 1PM

MARCH 04

Bohemian Rhapsody

APRIL 01

Mary Queen of Scots

MAY 06

Green Book

Come enjoy some new-release and well-renowned movies. Soda and water available too. RSVP.



SENIOR BOOK CLUB

2ND TUESDAYS AT 3PM

MARCH 12

Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate

APRIL 09

Our Souls at Night by Kent Haruf

MAY 14

The Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly

At Luther Crest. Meet with friends and enjoy some lively book discussion. RSVP.

FRONTLINE CONVERSATIONS

2ND TUESDAYS AT 6:30PM MARCH 12

Separated: Children at Border

APRIL 09

Trafficked in America

MAY 14

The Gang Crackdown Join us for a film and a chat as we explore important and current issues brought to light by the PBS Frontline series, RSVP.

PLUG INTO TECH

2ND WEDNESDAYS AT 9AM REF DESK

MARCH 13

Google Suite

APRIL 10

Coding Basics

Discover basic introductory technology and computer workshops. RSVP.

MEDICARE ENROLLMENT **ASSISTANCE**

2ND WED STARTING 10AM

MARCH 13 APRIL 10 80 YAM

Confused about Medicare? Apprise Counseling will help you enroll. Book your appointment today. RSVP.

WHAT'S YOUR STORY

2ND WEDNESDAYS AT 3PM

MARCH 13 **APRIL 10 MAY 08**

Everybody's got a story to tell. Join us for some help and feedback as you write yours. A **Drop-In Event.**



SENIOR YOGA

2ND THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM

MARCH 14 **APRIL 11 MAY 09**

Reduce stress, fatigue and pain, and increase energy with our yoga series. Presented by certified yoga instructor Karen Klubertanz of Five Paths. A PA Forward **Health Literacy event. RSVP.**

TECH HELP AT THE

2ND FRIDAYS ALL DAY MARCH 08 **APRIL 12 MAY 10**

Stop by anytime for one-onone technology and device help. Available all day at the Reference Desk.

BROWN BAG CLASSICS

3RD MONDAYS AT 1PM

MARCH 18

A Hard Day's Night

APRIL 15

An American in Paris

MAY 20

On the Waterfront

Spend your lunchtime immersed in your favorite classic films. Beverages provided, bring your lunch if you like. RSVP.



BOOK QUEST

3RD TUESDAYS AT 7PM

MARCH 19

Remarkable Creatures by Tracy Chevalier

APRIL 16

Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens

MAY 21

Educated by Tara Westover

Enjoy some friendly debate

and conversation over these great reads. RSVP.

DIY FUN

3RD THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM

MARCH 21 APRIL 18 **MAY 16**

If you're interested in some fun and doable do-ityourself projects, join us for this monthly create time. All materials and supplies provided. RSVP.



GAMES WE LOVE

3RD FRIDAYS AT 1PM

MARCH 15 APRIL 26 **MAY 17**

Join us for some classic games and competition, or come to learn some new ones too. A Drop-In Event.

JOY OF COLORING & PUZZLES

4TH WEDNESDAYS AT 3PM

MARCH 27 APRIL 24 **MAY 22**

Increase your brain power with free puzzles. Or unwind with some coloring pages. All materials provided. A Drop -In Event.

KNITTING & **CROCHETING CIRCLE**

4TH THURSDAYS AT 2PM

MARCH 28 APRIL 25 **MAY 23**

Get inspired and unwind with your knitting and crocheting project at the library. A Drop-In Event.

ADULT EVENTS

FEATURED

MARCH

H.O.P.E. HEROIN AND OPIOID PREVENTION EDUCATION

MARCH 05 TUESDAY AT 6:30PM

In the midst of the worst drug crisis in the US, The Center for Humanistic Change addresses the growing concern around heroin and opioid use in the Lehigh Valley. You'll hear stories of local families coping with addiction, and you'll learn about the drugs, their use, and efforts to overcome the drug crisis. RSVP.

Health Literacy



WHEN YOUR KIDS DON'T WANT YOUR STUFF

MARCH 14 THURSDAY AT 1:30PM

Are you preparing to move or downsize? In this free session with expert Jill of Seniors Move By Design, we'll look at how clutter can affect your health, how to decide what to keep and let go, and who or where to give your unwanted stuff to. Let's work together to declutter for your health and happiness! RSVP.

DIY HOMEMADE CARD MAKING

MARCH 23
SATURDAY AT 11AM

Do you enjoy sending homemade cards with a personal touch? Join us for a workshop, all materials provided, to make your own birthday and thank you cards. Space is limited, RSVP.



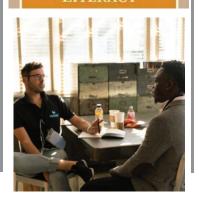
LET'S TALK INTERVIEWS (PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES)

MARCH 26

THURSDAY AT 7PM

Professional development at its very best!
Join us for some constructive conversation and growing together. This month we'll talk about how to have a successful job interview.
RSVP.

CIVIC AND SOCIAL



BASICS OF MEDICARE MARCH 29

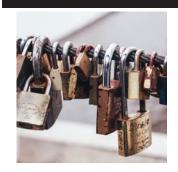
FRIDAY AT 10:30AM

Medicare insurance can be an intimidating and confusing topic, and it is definitely not "one size fits all". Please join Lisa of Silver Crest Insurance for an educational workshop designed for seniors and family members to explore the best options available under Medicare. RSVP.

FINANCIAL LITERACY

FEATURED

APRIL



THE VAULT ADULT ESCAPE ROOM

APRIL 02

TUESDAY WITH SLOTS FROM 3:30 TO 8:30PM

Can you and your team break free from the room? For adults looking for some adventure and challenge. Use elements of the space around you to solve a series of puzzles, clues and break codes to find the key to escape! Several time slots available. RSVP.



ONLINE SECURITY APRIL 06

SATURDAY AT 9:30AM

Want to make sure you're safe when shopping, banking, sharing information, or just surfing online? It's a huge concern, and we've got some helpful and practical tips to share. Space is limited, RSVP.

Information Literacy



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK!

ADULT DIGITAL SCAVENGER HUNT APRIL 08 TO 13

MONDAY THRU SATURDAY
ALL DAY

Celebrate National Library
Week with a fun technology
based scavenger hunt at the
library. Be entered for a
chance to win a new
tablet. A drop-in event,
available all week long!

ADULT EVENTS

UKULELE WORKSHOP (WITH SIMPLE GIFTS)

APRIL 22

MONDAY AT 1PM

See the back page for a detailed description and RSVP information.

SIMPLE GIFTS CONCERT

APRIL 22

MONDAY AT 2:30PM

See the back page for a detailed description and RSVP information.



LETS TALK ABOUT YOUR STRENGTHS (PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES)

APRIL 23

THURSDAY AT 7PM

Professional development at its very best! Join us for some constructive conversation and growing together. This month we'll learn about identifying and using your strengths in a professional setting, based off the VIA tool strengths test-https://www.viacharacter.org/survey/account/register

BASIC LITERACY



DRONE WORKSHOP AND DEMO

APRIL 30

TUESDAY AT 5PM

A chance to learn about the endless possibilities and huge array of uses of drones. Join Ace Drone Services for a look at the technology and history; and for an opportunity to see some drones displayed in action. RSVP.

FEATURED

MAY

THE POWER OF BREAKFAST

MAY 0 3

FRIDAY AT 11AM

Join Mary Ann, certified nutritionist at our local Giant Food Stores for a look at healthy living and eating options. RSVP.



UNDERSTANDING FAKE NEWS

MAY 09

THURSDAY AT 7PM

From fabricated stories to propaganda, let's explore the definition of fake news and how to avoid believing it.

Presented by Dr. DiMaggio of Lehigh University. RSVP.

Civic and Social Literacy





MIXED MEDIA MOMENTS

MAY 11

SATURDAY AT 10:30 AM

Love the creativity, individuality, and self-discovery of Mixed Media art? A variety of materials, concepts, and ideas will abound at this create and share time with other artists. RSVP.

"I've made
GREAT use of the
free audio
books! There are
so many titles!
So many new
releases to
choose from
too! Loving it!"

Kathleen
(Adult Reading
Program
Participant)





The one-tap reading app from your local library.

KID EVENTS

STORYTIMES



BABYTIME

MONDAYS AT 10:30AM STARTING MARCH 18 ENDING APRIL 22

Stories, rhymes, and play time for ages birth - 18 months. Older siblings can attend. A drop in event.

TODDLER STORYTIME

TUESDAYS AT 10:30AM
WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30AM
STARTING MARCH 19
ENDING APRIL 24

Enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes at our storytime especially for children ages 18 months-3 years.
A drop in event.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

WEDNESDAYS AT 1PM
THURSDAYS AT 1PM
STARTING MARCH 20
ENDING APRIL 25

Meet new friends and enjoy stories, songs, and a craft each week! For ages 3 to 5 years old. A caregiver must remain in the library. RSVP.

ONGOING

MAKER MONDAYS
1ST MONDAYS AT 5PM

MARCH 04 APRIL 01 MAY 06



Are you a maker? Do you like to create, build, and learn new things? Each meeting will include a storytime and a MAKEtime. Explore a variety of art and STEM related activities. Ages 4 to 1st grade. RSVP.

TINKERLAB 1ST THURSDAYS AT 6:30PM

Work individually or in small groups on a variety of STEAM-based projects.
Grades 2-5. RSVP.

MARCH 07 Shrinky Dinks APRIL 04 Lego Challenge

MAY 02 Exciting Explosions

DISCOVERY ZONE 2ND TUESDAYS AT 1PM

MARCH 12 APRIL 09 MAY 14



Budding scientists will discover hands-on activity stations designed to promote curiosity, develop early literacy skills, and introduce STEAM concepts. Activities will rotate monthly. For ages 3-6 with a caregiver.

HOMESCHOOL CONNECTION

2ND FRIDAYS AT 1PM

Monthly program, geared for K-5th grade homeschool students. RSVP required.

MARCH 08 Chemistry Lab

What is a chemical reaction? Discover the answer to this question and see chemistry in action through messy and colorful hands-on activities.

APRIL 12 Poetry Picnic

Get a taste of our poetry collection and activities to explore different forms of poetry. We will also create our own poems.

MAY 10 Electric Exploration

Use snap circuits and conductive playdough to learn about electricity and safely experiment with building electrical circuits.

LIL BUILDERS

2ND FRIDAYS AT 11AM

MARCH 08 APRIL 12 MAY 10



Come play and build with our amazing block collection, magnatiles snd much, much more! Ages 2 and up with an adult. A drop in event.

YOUNG CRITICS BOOK CLUB

3RD THURSDAYS AT 6:30PM

Monthly book discussion for grades 3-6. We'll also share ideas for other great reads while enjoying fun activities and a snack. RSVP.

MARCH 21
From The Mixed Up Files of
Mrs Basil E Frankweiler
by E.L Konisburg

APRIL 18
The Losers Club
by Andrew Clements

MAY 16 Front Desk by Kelly Yang

FEATURED

MARCH

LUCKY DAY BOOK CONTEST MARCH 1-31

Get lucky and checkout a book with a green shamrock bookmark and be entered into a drawing for a gift card at the end of the month.

OREO TASTE TEST MARCH 06 WEDNESDAY AT 4:30PM

Observe National Oreo Day. Taste test a variety of Oreos and try to guess each flavor! 2nd grade & up. RSVP.

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION

MARCH 09 SATURDAY AT 10:30AM

All 1000BBK participants are invited to the library for a special storytime and cake. Ages 0-5. RSVP.



PI DAY FUN

MARCH 14 THURSDAY AT 4:30PM

Create a bracelet or keychain to represent the digits of pi, play pin the mustache on Einstein, and more. Grade K and up. Drop in.

KID EVENTS

FEATURED

MARCH

FREE DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS

MARCH 22 FRIDAY 10AM-4PM

Concerned about your child's development? We're partnering with Good Shepherd Pediatrics to offer free developmental screenings for children between birth to age five. Call the library to register for a 30 minute screening with a pediatric therapist.

PANCAKES AND PAJAMAS MARCH 25

MONDAY AT 6:30PM

Wear your PJs to the library for some pancakes, bedtime stories, and a sing-a-long. Ages 2+. Parent or caregiver must attend with child. RSVP.

THE MAGIC OF MONEY MARCH 30 SATURDAY AT 11AM

Kickoff National Money Smart Week! Join magician Craig Collis as he uses humor, magic and math to entertain and inspire. This program is especially for grades K-5 but all ages are welcome to attend.

> FINANCIAL LITERACY



FEATURED

APRIL

WELCOME BABY STORYTIME

APRIL 06 SATURDAY AT 10:30AM

Do you have a little one who is about to become a big brother or big sister? Join us for a special story time to celebrate their new role. Parent or caregiver must attend with child. RSVP.



BOOK LOVER BUTTON MAKER CRAFT APRIL 13

SATURDAY 10AM-4PM

Use the library's button maker to create a fun accessory to show off your love for books and libraries during National Library Week.



DIY SEED BOMBS APRIL 20

SATURDAY AT 11AM

Create your very own easy-touse seed bomb. Take them home to plant in your garden and help bring more beauty to the world! Grades K-5. Drop in.

UKULELE WORKSHOP WITH SIMPLE GIFTS

APRIL 22

MONDAY AT 1PM See the back page for description & RSVP. Grades 4+

VERY ERIC CARLE STORYTIME

APRIL 22
MONDAY AT 6:30PM
At this special evening
storytime, we'll share some
favorite Eric Carle books and
make some colorful art!
Ages 2 and up. RSVP.

CHIP ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE

TUESDAY APRIL 23 2PM-5PM

OR FRIDAY APRIL 26 10AM-1PM

Call our library to schedule an appointment with a trained representative to review eligibility and enroll in CHIP.

CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program) of Pennsylvania provides health insurance to uninsured children and teens.

HEALTH LITERACY

STORY & BOOK SIGNING WITH LOCAL AUTHOR PETE BARBOUR

APRIL 27 SATURDAY AT 10:30AM

Hear author and illustrator
Pete Barbour read his picture
book, Gus at Work.
Gus at Work is a story about
always trying to do your best
and persevere. Pete will
answer questions, discuss the
story, and draw Gus and the
sheep with children.
For grades K and up. RSVP.

FEATURED

MAY



SUPERHERO STORYTIME

MAY 04

SATURDAY AT 10:30AM

Celebrate your favorite superheros and villains with stories, games, and crafts. Ages 3 and up. RSVP. Held in South Whitehall Township meeting room. Part of Free Comic Book Day.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

CARTOONING WORKSHOP

MAY 04 SATURDAY 1PM-3PM

Make your own comic with award-winning cartoonist Travis J. Hill. Travis has drawn for Marvel Comics, Pixar's Cars and Toy Story Comics, Cartoon Network's Adventure Time and more! For grades 4-7. RSVP. Held in South Whitehall Township meeting room. Part of Free Comic Book Day.

TILE ART CRAFTERNOON

MAY 23 THURSDAY AT 4:30PM

Decorate your own ceramic tiles in any design. Add a little magic and watch your design turn into a beautiful abstract pattern! For grades K and up.

TEEN EVENTS

ONGOING

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS NIGHT

2ND MONDAYS 6PM-8PM MARCH 11 APRIL 15 MAY 13

Bring your friends and brave the dungeons! Feel free to bring your existing D & D character or make a new one! All levels of players welcome. For Grades 8-12. Drop in.



ANIME CLUB

3RD WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30PM

MARCH 20 APRIL 17 MAY 15

Come watch anime and meet with your fellow Otaku's!
There will be Japanese snacks and refreshments.
For Grades 7-12. Drop in.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

4TH TUESDAYS AT 5:30PM

MARCH 26 APRIL 23 MAY 21

Make a difference in your library and receive community service hours by applying to be a Teen Advisory Board member! Munch on snacks while you create displays & events for teens.

MARCH



TEEN GAME DESIGN MARCH 07 THURSDAY AT 5:30PM

Learn how to apply basic geometry, physics, and computer science concepts to create your own video game. Grades 7-12. RSVP.

A Teen Tech Week event.

MARIO KART TOURNAMENT MARCH 09 SATURDAY AT 1PM

Come mingle, snack, and challenge your peers to Mario Kart! Games will be available on multiple systems: Wii, Super Nintendo Classic, and Nintendo Switch.
For the main event, teens will battle it out in Mario Kart.

The prize will be an AMC movie ticket. No RSVP.



FINANCIAL AID SEMINAR MARCH 18

MONDAY AT 6:30PM

Learn more about the basics of financial aid. A presenter from LCCC will come to discuss, and teach teens how to file for financial aid. There will also be a Q+A afterwards. Held at the South Whitehall Township building For Grades 8-12, RSVP.



TOASTER OVEN MINI PIZZAS

MARCH 23
SATURDAY AT 1PM

Make delicious mini toaster oven creations, with many different cheeses and toppings to pick from. Mini pizzas are simple to make and don't take long to cook! For Grades 6-12. RSVP.

APRIL

BOOK SPINE POETRY CONTEST

Use 4-7 YA books to complete your poem and email it to evansa@parklandlibrary.org for a chance to win a \$15 Chipotle gift card. This event can be done at home, or in the library.

Entries will be accepted from April 1st to April 30th. Winner will be notified May 1st. Must be in grades 6-12 to enter.

EARTH DAY SEED BOMBS

APRIL 20 SATURDAY 12-1PM

Do something that is better for the environment and fun! Use old paper to create seed bombs. Make different shapes and colors while using different types of seeds. Grades 6-12. RSVP.

MAY

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

MAY 4 SATURDAY 9AM-4PM

Visit the library and choose from more than 20 free comics at Free Comic Book Day. Just bring your library card! While supplies last.

RUBE GOLDBERG MACHINE CHALLENGE MAY 11

SATURDAY 1PM

Use simple everyday items to create a Rube Goldberg Machine. These contraptions can be silly or complex and allow you to be creative while using problem solving skills.

The challenge is to create a machine within the time limit and using only the provided supplies to ring the bell. For Grades 6-12. RSVP.



Health Literacy

TEEN MENTAL HEALTH TALK MAY 20

MONDAY AT 6:30PM

Local psychology professor Jonathan Lassiter will give a presentation about teen mental health including the effects that it can have on one's body and how to get help. This event will be held in the South Whitehall Township building. Grades 6-12. RSVP.

COMING SOON AT THE LIBRARY

SATURDAY, MAY 4 ALL DAY FREE COMICS

We are one of thousands of locations participating in 2019 Free Comic Book Day. Choose from more than 20 comic titles for all ages free with your library card, but supplies are limited!



DATES YOU NEED TO KNOW

- The library is closed on the following dates:
 - 4/19 for Good Friday

Parkland

Community Library

4422 Walbert Avenue

Allentown, PA 18104

- 5/25 &5/27 for Memorial Day weekend
- Summer Reading Club registration begins June 17





APRIL 22 @ 1PM UKULELE WORKSHOP WITH SIMPLE GIFTS

Discover the basics of playing the ukulele. Instruments provided. For adults, teens, and kids (4th grade and up). RSVP. 610-398-1361 x13 or wanamakerb@parklandlibrary.org

APRIL 22 @ 2:30PM

FREE CONCERT WITH SIMPLE GIFTS

Experience Simple Gifts' folk and world music played with a dozen different instruments. For kids, teens and adults. RSVP. 610-398-1361 x13 or wanamakerb@parklandlibrary.org



Simple Gifts events held at Independent Park (Breinigsville PA). Events provided in part by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and by the federal agency National Endowment for the Arts. Thank you to the LV Arts Council and Pennsylvania Council on the Arts for our Project Stream grant of \$1,081.



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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

FRIENDS ANNUAL LUNCHEON

Join us for our annual luncheon meeting including election of officers on Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 1 pm at Morgan's Restaurant, 3079 Willow Street, Allentown. Find information on the website or at the library Circulation desk.



FLOWER SALE

April 15-May 15, 2019

Get the gift of flowers including hanging baskets, flats of annuals and vegetables to benefit the library.

More information coming soon at the circulation desk!

FRIENDS SCHOLARSHIP

Are you a teen volunteer or a former teen volunteer? Enter our new FPCL Alice Madden and Norman Dietrich Memorial Scholarship contest. Apply at our circulation desk or find the form online.

Deadline for submission is June 30, 2019. Questions: Contact gil.elliott@rcn.com or 610-395-8034.

FRIENDS PORCH SALE

May 6th (rain date May 7): 10:00 a.m.-6:00 PM

2019 ANNUAL BOOK SALE

WHERE: St. Joseph the Worker's Parish 1879 Applewood Drive, Orefield, PA

WHEN: Book donation Dropoff: 7/22/19 - 7/25/19 Book Sale: 7/26/19 - 7/28/19. Preview Night: 7/26, \$15

Want to volunteer? Email lharakal12@gmail.com

