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

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)
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
MARCH 13
Google Suite
APRIL 10
Coding Basics
Discover basic introductory technology and computer workshops. RSVP.

MEDI CARE ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE
2ND WED STARTING 10AM
MARCH 13
APRIL 10
MAY 08
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.

TECH HELP AT THE REF DESK
2ND FRIDAYS ALL DAY
MARCH 08
APRIL 12
MAY 10
Stop by anytime for one-on-one 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 DIY 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.
FEATURED

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.

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.

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.

FEATURED

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.

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.

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.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK!

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!
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.

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.

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.

LET'S 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

THE POWER OF BREAKFAST
MAY 03
FRIDAY AT 11AM
Join Mary Ann, certified nutritionist at our local Giant Food Stores for a look at healthy living and eating options. RSVP.

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.
**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.

### 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 MAKEdime. 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 safety experiment with building electrical circuits.

### FEATURED

**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.

### FUTURE EVENTS

**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 ake. 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.

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

FEATURED MAY
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.

SUPERHERO STORYTIME
MAY 04 SATURDAY AT 10:30AM
Celebrate your favorite superheroes 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.

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.

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.

MONEY SMART WEEK
@YOUR LIBRARY MARCH 30 - APRIL 6, 2019

UKULELE WORKSHOP WITH SIMPLE GIFTS
APRIL 22 MONDAY AT 1PM
See the back page for description & RSVP. Grades 4+

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.

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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.

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.

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.

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.

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!

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.

DATES YOU NEED TO KNOW

- The library is closed on the following dates:
  - 4/19 for Good Friday
  - 5/25 & 5/27 for Memorial Day weekend
- Summer Reading Club registration begins June 17

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 16, 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
Want to volunteer? Email lharakal12@gmail.com