

GROWING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

Lehigh Carbon Library Cooperative

OUR LIBRARY IS RENOVATING



Can you believe it's been three years since our library's renovation? These transformative changes have connected our community with a new Tech Room, new seating, and redesigned Community Room. This year we are thrilled to announce our staff room expansion. Our expansion will grow the front of our building and move our sidewalk. Our increased work space will help our dedicated staff process your materials faster and more efficiently.

When you visit us next, you may see construction work has already started. What can you expect over the next few months? We will have free ear plugs at our Circulation Desk to cancel out construction noise. We will strive to keep our library open as much as possible during our renovation to better serve you. Thank you for understanding should we need to close on occasion due to electrical or mechanical work. Your safety is important to us.

How can you find out about potential closings? You can get updated information on our website at www.parklandlibrary.org or at 610.398.1361. Please also sign up for our enewsletter and follow us on Facebook. We are excited about growing our behind the scenes to help you discover your next favorite book more quickly. We can't wait to give you a virtual tour of our new, improved staff room soon!



A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DEBBIE JACK

Hello, and Happy New Year from Parkland Community Library! We are so grateful to have a community who believes in the value of a strong library. For the New Year, we are happy to announce our partnership with 10 other strong libraries in our Lehigh and Carbon counties. We will share one catalog in January and one library card in February as the Lehigh Carbon Library Cooperative (LCLC).

What does this mean for you? You will have one library card and can use it at any of our 10 partnering libraries. Want to borrow or return your materials? Choose any of the 11 libraries to drop off or pick up. See a book that you want at a partnering library? Place a hold and have it delivered to your desired partner library in 24 business hours.

Meet our 10 partnering libraries: Dimmick Memorial Library, Catasqua Public Library, Coplay Public Library, Emmaus Public Library, Lehigh Area Memorial Library, Lower Macungie Library, Palmerton Library, Slatington Library, Southern Lehigh Public Library, and Whitehall Township Public Library.

We are proud of our new cooperative's mission of sharing free resources between our community libraries. We look forward to helping you and your family grow.



ADULT EVENTS

ONGOING



MODERN CLASSICS

1ST MONDAYS AT 1PM

DECEMBER 03

I Can Only Imagine

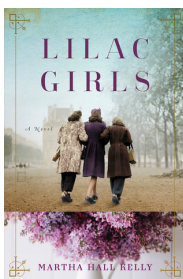
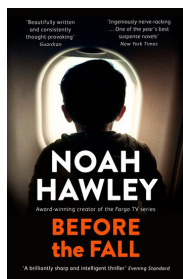
JANUARY 07

First Man

FEBRUARY 04

Life Itself

Munch on your bagged lunch while watching the latest acclaimed movies on our big screen. RSVP.



SENIOR BOOK CLUB

2ND TUESDAYS AT 3PM

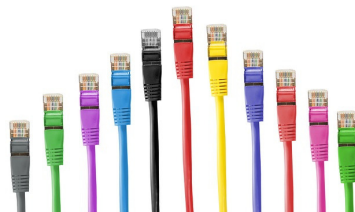
JANUARY 08

Before the Fall
by Noah Hawley

FEBRUARY 12

Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly

At Luther Crest. Meet with friends and connect with your next favorite book. RSVP.



PLUG INTO TECH

2ND WEDNESDAYS AT 9AM

JANUARY 09

Online Security



FEBRUARY 13

Google Suite



We'll help you stay safe while shopping online and increase your productivity using Google Suite with our PA Forward Information Literacy Workshop series. RSVP.

INFORMATION LITERACY



MEDICARE ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE

2ND WED 10:30AM-1:30PM

DECEMBER 05 & 12

JANUARY 09

FEBRUARY 13

Confused about Medicare? Apprise Counseling will help you enroll. Book your appointment today. A PA Forward Health Literacy event. RSVP.

HEALTH LITERACY



WHAT'S YOUR STORY

2ND WEDNESDAYS AT 3PM

JANUARY 09

FEBRUARY 13



Collaborate with and get critiques from fellow writers as you write your own story. RSVP.

HEALTH LITERACY

SENIOR YOGA

2ND THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM

DECEMBER 13

JANUARY 10

FEBRUARY 14



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.



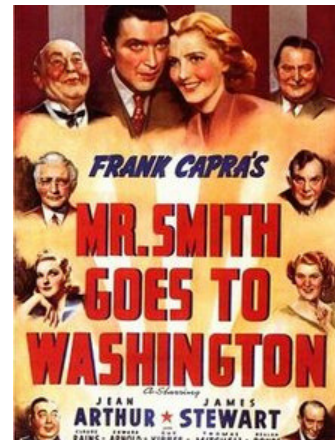
TECH HELP @ THE REF DESK

2ND FRIDAYS 9AM-6PM

JANUARY 11

FEBRUARY 08

Got questions about tech? Drop by for expert advice and support for your device.



BROWN BAG CLASSICS

3RD MONDAYS AT 1PM

DECEMBER 17

The Bishop's Wife

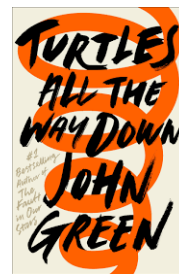
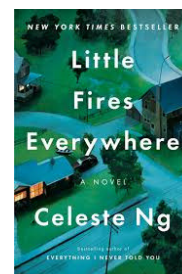
JANUARY 21

Mr. Smith Goes to Washington

FEBRUARY 18

Best Year of Our Lives

Spend your lunchtime immersed in your favorite classic films. You bring your lunch. We bring the beverages. RSVP.



BOOK QUEST

3RD TUESDAYS AT 7PM

DECEMBER 18

Turtles All the Way Down
by John Green

JANUARY 15

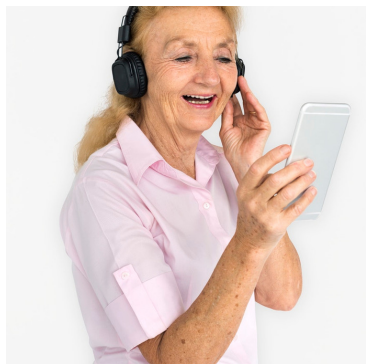
Little Fires Everywhere
by Celeste Ng

FEBRUARY 19

Us Against You
by Fredrick Backman

Grow your reading list with hand picked titles at our close knit reading group. RSVP.

ADULT EVENTS



TECH HINTS & TRICKS

3RD WEDNESDAYS AT 3PM

DECEMBER 19
JANUARY 16
FEBRUARY 20

At Luther Crest. Explore our digital resources and discover the best device advice. RSVP

DIY FUN

3RD THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM

DECEMBER 20
JANUARY 17
FEBRUARY 21



Create your own projects. All materials provided. RSVP.

GAMES WE LOVE

3RD FRIDAYS AT 1PM

DECEMBER 21
JANUARY 18
FEBRUARY 15

Looking for new board games to try? Check out your next favorite game at our library. RSVP.



TRANSFORMATION TUESDAYS: TRICIA TALKS

4TH TUESDAY AT 7PM

JANUARY 22
FEBRUARY 26

A workshop series to help you become a better you - at work, in relationships, and at home! Join us for constructive conversation with life coach Tricia. RSVP.



JOY OF COLORING & PUZZLES

4TH WEDNESDAYS AT 3PM

DECEMBER 26
JANUARY 23
FEBRUARY 27

Increase your brain power with our free puzzles. Create your next coloring book masterpiece. All materials provided. Drop in event.



KNITTING & CROCHETING CIRCLE

4TH THURSDAYS AT 2PM

DECEMBER 27
JANUARY 24
FEBRUARY 28

Get inspired and unwind with your knitting and crocheting project at our library. RSVP.

FEATURED

JANUARY



ADULT WINTER PROGRAM

JAN 21 - FEB 22

Fill in your entry once a week by Thursday at 4pm. Share what you're checking out at our library (books, movies, digital resources, music, events), and get a chance to win prizes. At our program's end, answer a trivia question for a gift. Questions? Contact Becky at 610.398.1361x13. Entries available online.

SPOONS INSTRUMENT PROJECT

JANUARY 09-16

Event description on page 8. A drop in event.

UKULELE WORKSHOP

MONDAY AT 1PM
JANUARY 21

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SIMPLE GIFTS CONCERT

MONDAY AT 2:30PM

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WINTER ESCAPE ROOM

TUESDAY 4:30PM-8:30PM
JANUARY 29

Can you and your team break free from the room? Use elements of the space around you to solve a series of puzzles, find clues, and break codes to find the key to escape! Sign up for time slots starting at 4:30pm, 5:30pm, 6:30pm or 7:30pm. Space is limited. RSVP.



LIVING BALANCE WEALTH STEPS WORKSHOP

THURSDAY AT 6:30PM
JANUARY 31

Explore an uncommon approach to financial decision making. In this workshop, we'll look at understanding your financial balance of income, protection, and net worth. Create a plan for cash flow that fits with your present and future lifestyle. Presented by Independence Planning Group. A PA Forward Financial Literacy event. RSVP.

ADULT EVENTS

FEATURED

FEBRUARY



PLUG INTO TECH: SOCIAL MEDIA

SATURDAY AT 9:30AM
FEBRUARY 02

Get connected with your friends and family with our intro to social media. Explore apps like Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest. Space is limited. RSVP. A PA Forward Information Literacy event.

INFORMATION
LITERACY

A to Z
databases

FREE:

- Job Search
- Business/People Profiles
- Mailing Lists & Sales Leads
- Email Service
- Background Search



Universal
CLASS

OVER 500
ONLINE CONTINUING
EDUCATION COURSES
ARE NOW AVAILABLE THROUGH
THE LIBRARY'S WEBSITE!

- Video-based courses for patrons interested in professional or personal growth
- Learn on your own time at your own pace
- Wide range of subjects from personal finance to yoga 101
- Expert instructors giving continual feedback



A BOOK SIGNING WITH NICHOLA GUTGOLD

TUESDAY AT 7PM
FEBRUARY 05

Come hear internationally recognized scholar Nichola D. Gutgold speak about her new novel, *Just Like You*. A Penn State Lehigh Valley communications professor, she is inspired by people who overcome obstacles to be successful like her novel's main character. Buy a signed copy of her new romance and suspense novel! RSVP.

Digital Magazines from Your Library



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MIXED MEDIA MOMENTS

SATURDAY AT 10:30AM
FEBRUARY 16

Let your inner creative child discover all of the fun possibilities of mixed media! Explore a variety of materials, concepts, and ideas at this create and share time with other artists. Please feel free to share your own artwork stencils or stampers. Space is limited. RSVP.



SOUP TO NUTS TRIVIA NIGHT

THURSDAY AT 5PM

FEBRUARY 21

Come for a night of friendly trivia competition, prizes and a light meal. Can your team tackle entertainment, history, and general interest trivia? Bring your own team or we will build one for you. A drop in event.

CHECK OUT & GO

MUSEUM PASSES

Looking for something to do over your holiday break? Connect with your family over a free museum trip with our library card. First come; first served. Stop by our library or visit our website to borrow a museum pass to:

- Da Vinci Science Center
- America on Wheels
- Liberty Bell Museum
- Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum
- Historic Bethlehem Museum & Sites
- Intrepid Museum
- National Constitution Center
- Independence Seaport Museum
- Children's Museum of Manhattan

BE AN ANGEL

Want to make a difference in our community? Donate to our library and be part of the Morning Call's Be An Angel campaign this holiday season. Contact our Executive Director Debbie Jack at 610.398.1361 or jackd@parklandlibrary.org.

Help us purchase library supplies with a donation of Staples or Amazon gift cards. Support our events with a donation of Wegmans, Giant, Target or Dollar General Gift cards for refreshments and supplies. Sponsor the arts with a donation of Hobby Lobby or Michaels gift cards for craft supplies.

KID EVENTS

ONGOING

MAKER MONDAYS 1ST MONDAYS AT 5PM

DECEMBER 03
JANUARY 07
FEBRUARY 04



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

DECEMBER 06

MARBLE MACHINES

Use cardboard tubes, funnels, ramps and more to design your own marble run For grades 2-5. RSVP.

JANUARY 03

TECH TAKE APART

Take apart devices to see what's inside and how it all works. All tools and safety equipment will be provided. RSVP. Grades 2-5.

FEBRUARY 07

PAPER CIRCUITS

Combine creativity and circuitry to make your own greeting card that lights up. RSVP. Grades 2-5.



HOMESCHOOL CONNECTION

2ND MONDAYS AT 1PM

Join us for a monthly series just for homeschoolers! Each month explore a different theme and activities to do or share! For K-5th grade. RSVP.

DECEMBER 10

COMPUTER SCIENCE

All about computer programming in honor of the Hour of Code and the Computer Science Education Week, which is December 3-9.

JANUARY 14

CHEMICAL REACTIONS

What is a chemical reaction? See chemistry in action through messy and colorful hands-on activities.

FEBRUARY 11

VALENTINE EXCHANGE

Decorate a Valentine's Day box, exchange valentines, enjoy hot cocoa, and make some sweet memories. Please come prepared with valentines to exchange. All materials will be provided.

LIL BUILDERS

2ND FRIDAYS AT 11AM

DECEMBER 14

JANUARY 11

FEBRUARY 08



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



BUCKETS FULL OF NATURE

3RD TUESDAYS AT 1PM

DECEMBER 18

JANUARY 15

FEBRUARY 19

Your future naturalist will experiment with reading, art, and hands-on activities. Ages 3-5 with an adult. Presented by Lehigh County Conservation District educator. RSVP.



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.

DECEMBER 20

PIZZA PARTY & BOOK SWAP

Bring a gently used chapter book you have already read to exchange for a new book. We'll swap books, eat pizza, and play games.

JANUARY 17

Restart by Gordan Korman

FEBRUARY 21

Bob by Wendy Mass

STORYTIMES



BABYTIME

MONDAYS AT 10:30AM

STARTING JAN 21
ENDING FEB 25

Story and play time for ages birth - 18 mos. Older siblings can attend. A drop in event.

TODDLER STORYTIME

TUESDAYS AT 10:30AM
WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30AM
STARTING JAN 22
ENDING FEB 27

Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and fun! All children must be accompanied by an adult. Ages 18 months-3 years. A drop in event.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

WEDNESDAYS AT 1PM
THURSDAYS AT 1PM

STARTING JAN 23
ENDING FEB 28

Stories, songs, and silliness for ages 3 to 5 years old. A caregiver must remain in the library. RSVP.

KID EVENTS

FEATURED

DECEMBER

WILD ABOUT TRAINS

SATURDAY AT 10:30AM
SATURDAY AT 1PM
DECEMBER 08

All aboard our train storytime! Listen to your favorite train stories. Then decorate and step inside your very own train car! Ages 3-5. RSVP.

FREE DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS

WEDNESDAY 10AM-4PM
DECEMBER 12

We're partnering with Good Shepherd Pediatrics to offer free developmental screenings for children between birth to age five. Call our library to RSVP for a 30 minute screening with a pediatric therapist.



STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

THURSDAY AT 6:30PM
DECEMBER 27

You and your favorite stuffie are invited to our stuffed animal sleepover. Join us for a special storytime, then tuck your stuffie in and head home. Come back the next day to find out what mischief they got into overnight at our library. RSVP.

Pick up your stuffie on Friday, December 28 between 12pm-5pm.



TEEN TITANS GO! MOVIE & POPCORN BAR

FRIDAY AT 1PM
DECEMBER 28

Chill out during winter break and watch Teen Titans Go! Create your own yummy snacks at our popcorn bar. Grades 1-5. Rated PG. Drop in. Seating is limited.

FEATURED

JANUARY

WINTER DANCE PARTY

MONDAY AT 10:30AM
JANUARY 08

Come and shake your sillies out and warm up with a winter dance party! Ages up to age five with a caregiver. RSVP. A PA Forward Health Literacy event.

HEALTH
LITERACY



CODE YOUR OWN GOOGLE DOODLE
SATURDAY 10AM-1PM
JANUARY 12

Create your own version of the Google logo using code. Make the letters dance, tell a story or create a game. RSVP for a 1 hr time slot. Space is limited.



DRAGON TALES STORYTIME

WEDNESDAY AT 5PM
JANUARY 16

In honor of Appreciate A Dragon Day, we will read dragon tales and take part in dragon activities. Create a special dragon craft. Ages 3 and up. RSVP.

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SIMPLE GIFTS CONCERT

MONDAY AT 2:30PM

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FEATURED

FEBRUARY

BAD KITTY STORYTIME

SATURDAY AT 10:30AM
FEBRUARY 09

Come laugh at Bad Kitty's antics at our cat-tastic storytime. Ages 3-7. RSVP.



MEET BAD KITTY

SATURDAY AT 11AM
FEBRUARY 09

Meet and take a photo with popular picture book character Bad Kitty. All ages. A drop in event.

FAMILY BOARD GAMES

FEBRUARY 09

SATURDAY 1PM-3:30PM

Come play games like Pandemic, Hi Ho Cherry-O, Blockus, Chess, and more! All ages. A drop in event.



VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFTERNOON

THURSDAY 4:30PM-6PM
FEBRUARY 14

Design your own sweet craft for a friend or loved one. Grades K-5. A drop in event.

SAVE THE DATE



CELEBRATION

SATURDAY AT 10:30AM
MARCH 09

Enjoy a special storytime and cake for all of our 1000BBK participants. RSVP. Ages 0-5.

TEEN EVENTS

ONGOING



VIDEO GAME NIGHT THURSDAYS AT 6:30PM DECEMBER 04 JANUARY 14

Get your game on with a night of Nintendo classic games to choose from. A drop in event.



ANIME CLUB 3RD WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30PM DECEMBER 19 JANUARY 16 FEBRUARY 13

Come watch your favorite anime and munch on pocky and Japanese snacks. We'll chat about the latest manga series. Drop in.



ADVISORY BOARD MEETING 4TH WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30PM DECEMBER 26 JANUARY 23 FEBRUARY 20

Make a difference in our library by applying to be a Teen Advisory Board member! Munch on free snacks and help with displays and events. RSVP.

DECEMBER



HOLIDAY COOKIE CHALLENGE SATURDAY AT NOON DECEMBER 15

Get in the holiday spirit with our cookie decorating contest! Compete against one another with a specific ingredient to use in your holiday creation. Get graded on your creativity, taste and presentation. Winner gets a free AMC movie ticket! Food allergies? Call Amanda at 610.398.1361x17. RSVP.



HOT CHOCOLATE BAR SATURDAY 12:30PM-2:30PM JANUARY 12

Come in and relax while creating your own mug of hot chocolate in this cafe style environment. Indulge in multiple toppings and candies to add to your cups! A drop in event.

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STRANGER THINGS ESCAPE ROOM JANUARY 26

SATURDAY NOON-3PM

Our library's community room has transformed into the Upside Down. Can you help Eleven and the gang stop the Demigorgon before time runs out? Sign up for your time slot online at www.parklandlibrary.org.

STRANGER THINGS

FEBRUARY

LIBRARY LOVERS' MONTH PICK UP LINE CONTEST FEBRUARY 01-28

Stop by our library to fill out a heart with your best library related pick up line. Post it on our Teen endcap for a chance to win a prize. Our Teen Library Assistant Amanda will choose the best library related pick up line for a \$15 Target gift card.

You must be in grades 6-12 to enter the contest. Keep your entry anonymous by filling out your contact info at our circulation desk next to the number of your heart.

Winner will be notified beginning of March.



ANTI VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

SATURDAY AT 1PM
FEBRUARY 16

Think Cupid is stupid? Hate flowers and candy? An Anti Valentine's Day party might be for you!

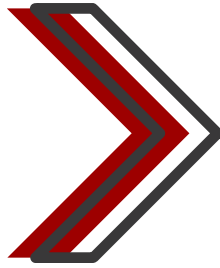
Create a rude conversation heart craft and eat plenty of snacks to make your breath stink. And top it off with a swing at our Anti Valentines Day pinata! RSVP.



WHAT'S NEW AT OUR LIBRARY THIS WINTER

TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT'S INSIDE

- Simple Gifts Folk Music Concert
- Meet Favorite Character Bad Kitty
- Winter Storytimes Start in January
- Stranger Things Escape Room
- Book Signing with Nichola Gutgold
- Stuffed Animal Sleepover
- Teen Holiday Cookie Challenge
- Free Local Museum Passes



DATES YOU NEED TO KNOW

LIBRARY CLOSED

Christmas Eve & Day December 24 - December 25

New Year's Eve December 31

New Year's Day January 1

LIBRARY OPEN

Martin Luther King Day January 21

President's Day February 18



UKULELE WORKSHOP WITH SIMPLE GIFTS

Discover the basics of playing the ukelele including how to strum and fingerpick. 4th grade & up. For kids, teens and adults. RSVP for this Monday, January 21 at 1pm event at 610.398.1361x13 or at wanamakerb@parklandlibrary.org



FREE CONCERT WITH SIMPLE GIFTS

Experience Simple Gifts' folk and world music played with a dozen different instruments. For kids, teens & adults. RSVP for this Monday, January 21 at 2:30pm event at 610.398.1361x13 or at wanamakerb@parklandlibrary.org

DIY SPOONS INSTRUMENT PROJECT



Create your own spoons instrument. All materials provided. Then take your new instrument to our Simple Gifts Concert on January 21 to experiment with playing them. A drop in event: January 9-16.

This performance was supported in part by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.



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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

2019 BOOK SALE

Save the date for our 2019 Friends of the Library Annual Book Sale! Join us from July 22-29 at St. Joseph the Worker Church in Orefield to browse tables of books, games, DVDs, and CDs.



SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to Habeeb and Tiffany for winning the \$500 Friends of the Library First Annual Scholarships in Honor of Norm Dietrich and Alice Madden. Our Friends Board members Lorna, Ila, Judy and Pat came out to congratulate our recipients on August 14.



HOLIDAY COUPON BOOK

Give the gift of the Enjoy the City coupon books this holiday. Enjoy savings from your favorite restaurants and stores for only \$25 a book and benefit our library at the same time. Buy a copy until mid-January at our circulation desk.



FRIENDS MEETINGS

Come to our next Friends meetings held at 2pm in our library's community room: January 3, March 7, and June 6, 2019. Become our next treasurer. Email President Ila Dietrich at ndietrich@ptd.net.