

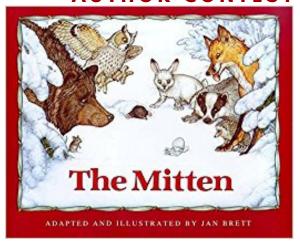
CONNECTION

MARCH/APRIL/MAY 2018 ISSUE

A GOLD STAR LIBRARY

Your Community Center of Opportunity

JAN BRETT AUTHOR CONTEST



ENTER ONLINE MARCH 1-APRIL 2

Want to meet The Mitten's illustrator Jan Brett? Help our library win a free author visit with her for our whole Parkland community by voting for our library. Enter the contest online on our website or our Facebook page and share our contest with your family and friends. The library with the most votes wins. Our address is 4422 Walbert Ave, Allentown, 18104.

THANK YOU, BB&T BANK



FROM OUR DIRECTOR DEBBIE JACK

A huge thank you to Ashley and Brandon from BB&T for their donation of \$1000 to help our library community discover, connect and grow.



OUR LIBRARY GAINS GOLD STARGROWING OUR COMMUNITY WITH FIVE LITERACIES

In 2017, as participants in the Pennsylvania Library Association's 21st Century Libraries Initiative, PA Forward, we completed all of the criteria to earn the status of Gold Star in the PA Forward Star Libraries Program.

With the right support, libraries are ideally positioned to become the community centers of information, technology, and learning that will fuel educational and economic opportunity for all of our citizens.

In the process of completing requirements for the prestigious title, we earned our Bronze Star and all five PA Forward Silver Stars — in five types of literacies: Basic, Information, Civic and Social, Health, and Financial. This initiative places the spotlight on Pennsylvania libraries and the important role libraries play in the lives of citizens. Parkland Community Library strives to raise awareness of its events and offerings that help you improve your command of these five types of literacy — literacies which are essential to greater success in all vital roles of life: as students, as parents, as employees, as consumers, as citizens.

YOUR LIBRARY WISH LIST

What new materials or events would you like to see at our library to help yourself, your family and your community? Tell us by entering our website survey from April 1st-30th for a chance to win a gift card!

Or participate in our live focus groups and tell us in person. Email our director at jackd@parklandlibrary.org to start the conversation!

We're looking for:

parents, millennials, senior citizens, baby boomers, teens, homeschoolers, teachers and business owners.



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ADULT EVENTS

ONGOING

MODERN CLASSICS

1ST MONDAY AT 1PM

MARCH 05

Darkest Hour

APRIL 02

Greatest Showman

MAY 07

The Post

Bring your bag lunch and join us to watch a screening of your favorite contemporary classic movie. RSVP.

TECHNICAL TUESDAY

1ST TUESDAY AT 3PM

MARCH 06 APRIL 03 MAY 01

At Luther Crest. Gadget advice and free download help. Event subject to change. RSVP.

TRAVEL WITH SAVVY

2ND MONDAY AT 7PM

MARCH 12 APRIL 09 MAY 14

NEW! Come share travel tips and insights, and make plans for a group trip. Hosted by experienced, travel enthusiast Ann. RSVP.

SENIOR BOOK CLUB

2ND TUESDAY AT 3PM

MARCH 13

Empty Arms including author visit with Erica Liodice

APRIL 10

The Storied Life of AJ Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin

MAY 08

The Kindness Diaries by Leon Logothetis

At Luther Crest. Come chat with us about our latest book picks. RSVP.



MEDICARE ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE

2ND WED 10:30AM-1:30PM MARCH 14

APRIL 11 MAY 09

Enrollment help by appointment presented by Apprise Counseling. A PA Forward Health Literacy event. RSVP.

TECHNOLOGY HELP DESK

3RD MON 1PM-3PM

MARCH 19

APRIL 16

MAY 21

Stop by with your device, and technology question for one-on-one help.

SENIOR YOGA

2ND THURS AT 10:30AM

MARCH 08

APRIL 12

MAY 10

Grow your flexibility, strength, and balance in a special senior series. Presented by certified yoga instructor Karen Klubertanz of Five Paths. A PA Forward Health Literacy event. RSVP.

> Health Literacy

BROWN BAG CLASSICS

3RD MONDAY AT 1PM

MARCH 19 North by Northwest

APRIL 16

Singin' In the Rain

MAY 21 Ben Hur

Bring your bag lunch and join us to watch a screening of your favorite classic movie. RSVP.



FREE:

- Job Search
- Business/People Profiles
- Mailing Lists & Sales Lead:
 Email Service

COOL ONLINE TOOLS 3RD TUESDAY AT 6PM

MARCH 20 A to Z Databases

APRIL 17 Infobase Library

MAY 15

Salem Online

Explore our free online resources and tools. Bring your tablets, smartphones, or devices. RSVP.

BOOK QUEST

3RD TUESDAY AT 7PM

MARCH 20

The Rosie Project by Graham Simsion

APRIL 17

Mischling by Affinity Konar

MAY 15

A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline

Our monthly discussion book group picks are available in print by request. RSVP.

GAMES WE LOVE

3RD FRIDAY AT 1PM

MARCH 16 APRIL 20 MAY 18

Come play bridge, pinochle, canasta, and other favorites at our monthly game club. RSVP.

WHAT'S YOUR STORY 4TH TUESDAY AT 3PM

MARCH 27 APRIL 24

APRIL 24 MAY 22

Write your memoir and get feedback at this workshop. RSVP.

JOY OF COLORING 4TH WEDNESDAY AT 3PM

MARCH 28 APRIL 25

MAY 23

Relax and de-stress with an afternoon of coloring and puzzles. Coloring and puzzle pages, and colored pencils provided. Drop-in event.



KNITTING CIRCLE
4TH THURSDAY AT 2PM

MARCH 22 APRIL 26 MAY 24

Spend a fun afternoon swapping knitting tips and tricks! RSVP.

ADULT EVENTS

FEATURED

MARCH

HOMEMADE CARD MAKING MARCH 03

SATURDAY AT 11AM

Ready to be crafty and creative? Join us for a spring greeting card workshop to make your own personalized birthday and thank you card. All materials provided. RSVP.



ESSENTIAL OILS 101 MARCH 06

TUESDAY AT 7PM

Discover the health and wellness benefits of essential oils with our expert Katie. Create your own sample blend at our free demo. A PA Forward Health Literacy event. RSVP.

> HEALTH LITERACY



TRIVIA NIGHT MARCH 13

TUESDAY AT 6:30PM

Are you a trivia buff? Come for a night of friendly trivia competition, snacks and prizes. 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.



TRICIA TALKS: TRANSFORMATION TUESDAY

MARCH 27
TUESDAY AT 7PM

Want to make your team stronger? Grow your workplace with effective team building. Our expert Tricia will help you understand team stages. Enjoy your team experience more by improving your members' roles and responsibilities. RSVP. A PA Forward Information Literacy event.



FEATURED

APRIL



PLUG INTO TECH WORKSHOPS THURSDAYS AT 9AM

SOCIAL MEDIA APRIL 05

Discover how to use Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest in our social media workshop. A PA Forward Information Literacy event. RSVP.

APPS APRIL 12

Bring your phone or device for a basic look at apps what they are, how to download them, and how to use them. RSVP.

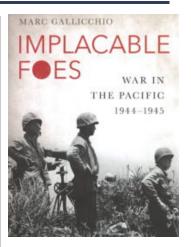
ONLINE SECURITY

APRIL 19

How do you know if you're safe when shopping, banking, sharing information, or just surfing online? Join us for the best security strategies. RSVP.

Information Literacy

We envision a Pennsylvania where citizens know how to use online resources and current technology to improve their education, to enhance their job skills and to fully participate in a digital society.



IMPLACABLE FOES: A WWII TALK APRIL 03

TUESDAY AT 6:30PM

Join award winning historian Dr. Marc Gallicchio as he brings to life the final year of World War Two in the Pacific and the debates, decisions, and monumental actions that characterized it. Don't miss your chance for a signed copy of his superbly detailed book, *Implacable Foes.* RSVP. A Civics and Social Literacy event.

Civic and Social Literacy

SPRING CRAFT DAY

APRIL 06 FRIDAY 10AM-4PM

If you love arts and crafts, stop by the library anytime to enjoy a spring time craft. All materials and instructions provided. A drop-in event.

MIXED MEDIA: CREATE TIME APRIL 07

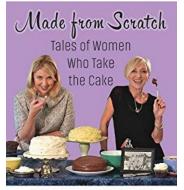
SATURDAY 10:30AM-12PM

Looking for more time to enjoy 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.

ADULT EVENTS

FEATURED

APRIL



Gretchen Klinedinst Furst and Sharon Lee Glassman

WRITING WORKSHOP & BOOK SIGNING **APRIL 10**

TUESDAY AT 6:30PM Join Made from Scratch: Tales

of Women Who Take the Cake authors Gretchen Klinedinst Furst and Sharon Lee Glassman as they share their writing experiences, and provide a workshop where you'll get to craft your own story of an influential woman in your life. Copies of their book available for purchase and signing. RSVP. A Civic and Social Literacy event.

TRICIA TALKS: **TRANSFORMATION TUESDAYS**

APRIL 24 TUESDAY AT 7PM

How can you recognize your preferred approach to dealing with conflict? Explore strategies to deal with conflict with our expert Tricia Shimkus. RSVP. A PA Forward Information Literacy event.

FEATURED

MAY



A LIFE OF MY OWN: **MEETING ELEANOR** ROOSEVELT

MAY 01 TUESDAY AT 7PM

She became an inspiration to people of good will all around the world. Her life and work has made our country and our world a better place to live. The one woman show returns as actress Linda Kenyon becomes Eleanor Roosevelt in a performance that's "Brilliant, absolutely brilliant." RSVP. A Civic and **Social Literacy event.**



WHAT'S IT WORTH?

MAY 08 TUESDAY AT 7PM

Got antiques or interesting items in your home? Want to know what they're worth? Bring in your collectible to be appraised by the experts of Victorian Vanities, Inc.

Free appraisals with a donation of a nonperishable food item for the Jordan **Lutheran Food Pantry.**

Sign up to have your item valued (limited amount of spots available), or just to come and watch the show. (Please arrive 1/2 hr early with items for appraisal. Please no gold, guns, jewelry, or Nazi paraphernalia). RSVP. A PA **Forward Information** Literacy event.

Information LITERACY

TRICIA TALKS: **TRANSFORMATION TUESDAYS**

MAY 22 TUESDAY AT 7PM

Do you struggle with finding solutions to difficult decisions? Our session provides you with guidance in applying decision-making models to focus your efforts and improve the process, RSVP, APA **Information Literacy event.**



LANDING ON THE MOON TECHNOLOGY **MAY 30**

WEDNESDAY AT 6:30PM

Meet Jim Kane, a contracted program engineer for the early moon landing program. Discover the coding, programming, and technology used to orchestrate spacecraft landing on the moon. Ask your questions at this behind-the-scenes look of science and history in the making! RSVP.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

MEET MARVEL & DC COMICS ILLUSTRATOR **SCOTT HANNA**



MAY 05 AT 12:30PM

Hear about Hanna's career as a comic book illustrator, participate in a Q&A session, and watch his artistic process. RSVP. At the South Whitehall Township Building meeting room.



KID EVENTS

STORYTIMES

BABY PLAYGROUP STARTING MARCH 05 THROUGH MARCH 26

EVERY MONDAY AT 10:30AM

Babies up to 18 months and their grown-ups are welcome to gather and play with toys and explore board books while Babytime is on spring break. Drop in. No storytime.

BABY STORYTIME

STARTING APR 02

THROUGH MAY 07

EVERY MONDAY AT 10:30AM Story and play time for ages birth - 2 years. Older siblings

birth - 2 years. Older siblings can attend. Drop in event.

TODDLER STORYTIME

STARTING APR 03 ENDING MAY 09

EVERY TUESDAY 10:30AM EVERY WEDNESDAY 10:30AM

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

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

STARTING APRIL 04 THROUGH MAY 10

EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 1PM EVERY THURSDAY AT 1PM

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

Basic Literacy



ONGOING



BUCKETS FULL OF NATURE

TUESDAYS AT 1PM

MARCH 06

Each session, your budding conservationist will experience a combination of reading, art, experiments and hands-on activities.

Ages 3-5 with an adult.

Presented by a Lehigh
County Conservation
District educator. RSVP.

A PA Forward Civic & Social
Literacy event.

MAKER MONDAYS

1ST MONDAYS AT 5PM

MARCH 05
Fairy Tales

APRIL 02

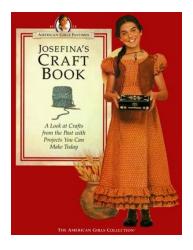
Pirates

MAY 07

Star Wars

Are you a maker? Do you like to build, and learn new things? Come hear stories and create! Ages 4-7. A STEM event. RSVP.





AMERICAN GIRL CLUB 2ND THURSDAYS AT 6PM

MARCH 08

Join us for a night of pajama party fun with your favorite American Girl doll (other dolls welcome, too!).

APRIL 12

Travel back to 1812 to meet Caroline, have a boat race, and learn how to make a knot bracelet.

MAY 12

Discover Josefina and her Mexican heritage. Create your own instruments and make paper flowers.

For grades 2-6. RSVP.



LIL BUILDERS

2ND FRIDAYS AT 11AM

MARCH 09 APRIL 13 MAY 11

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

CRAFTERNOON

3RD FRIDAYS 3:30PM-4:30PM

MARCH 16
Rainbow Slime

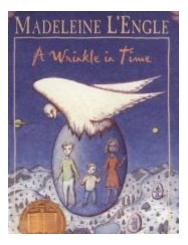
APRIL 20

Recycled Flower Art

MAY 18

Patriotic Star Wreath

Drop by the library after school to create a fun and easy craft to take home and display! Ages 5-12.



YOUNG CRITICS' BOOK CLUB

3RD THURSDAYS AT 6:30PM

MARCH 15

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle

APRIL 19

The Chocopocalypse by Chris Callaghan

MAY 17

Flora & Ulysses by Kate DiCamillo

NEW! Chat about our monthly read while munching on special treats and playing fun games. Get a chance to vote for future book titles. Ages 8-12. RSVP.

KID EVENTS

FEATURED

MARCH



1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION MARCH 10

SATURDAY 10:30AM-12PM

All 1,000 BBK participants are invited to the library for a storytime. Come celebrate our readers and families who have completed the 1000 Books program with a special cake! For birth to 5 years with a parent or caregiver. New participants welcome. RSVP.





HEALTH LITERACY



HEALTHY SNACKS STORYTIME MARCH 15

THURSDAY AT 1PM

March is National Nutrition Month! Enjoy a story and games about healthy eating habits. Create your own treat and discover yummy snack ideas from a registered dietitian. Presented by Weis Market. For ages 3 and up with an adult. A PA Forward Health Literacy event. RSVP.

FEATURED

APRIL

UNICORN STORYTIME

APRIL 14

SATURDAY AT 11AM

We're dreaming up something magical so trot on over for a unicorn themed storytime and craft. Ages 3 and up. RSVP.



AT 5PM STARTING APRIL <mark>16</mark>

ENDING MAY 14

Join us for a series of fun science workshops exploring chemistry, physics, and biology with hands-on activities. For first grade and up. RSVP.

SMART MONEY STORYTIME

APRIL 23 MONDAY AT 5:30PM

Get an early start on financial literacy with a special program presented by BB&T. Come hear a story, discuss spending and saving, and decorate a ceramic piggy bank! Ages 5 and up. RSVP.



"CHICK-IT-OUT" HATCHING PROGRAM APRIL 04-27

We're getting an "egg"citing delivery of a dozen eggs from Quiver Farm at our library. Watch the amazing process of eggs hatching into chicks in our library and live from a webcam on our library's website. Help us name our chicks and guess which egg will hatch first!

FEATURED

MAY



SUPERHERO STORYTIME

MAY 05 SATURDAY AT 10:30AM

Celebrate your favorite superheroes and fandoms with a storytime, games, and crafts. Costumes encouraged but not required. Ages 3 and up. RSVP. Held in South Whitehall Township meeting room. Part of Free Comic Book Day.



MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT MAY 12

SATURDAY AT 10:30AM Create tissue paper flowers and decorate a jar for a special Mother's Day gift. All ages. Children under age 5 may need adult help. RSVP.

TEEN EVENTS

ONGOING



ANIME CLUB

3RD WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30PM

MARCH 21 APRIL 18 MAY 16

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

MARCH 28 APRIL 25 MAY 23

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

MARCH

TEEN TECH WEEK TRIVIA CONTEST

ENTER MARCH 05-10

Do you know what digital resources we offer for teens? Complete a Teen Tech Trivia contest entry online or in our library for a chance to win a \$10 iTunes gift card! Turn in by Saturday 3/10. Ages 13-18. One entry per person.





TEEN TECH WEEK GAME DESIGN

TUESDAYS AT 5PM STARTING MARCH 06

ENDING MARCH 20

Explore game design theory and gain computer programming skills used by software developers. Problem solve through a series of different challenges as you create a game of your own. Presented by Da Vinci Science Center. RSVP. A PA Forward Information Literacy event.

TEEN TECH WEEK OZOBOTS MARCH 07

WEDNESDAY AT 6PM

Come in and use our
Ozobots as an intro to
programming! Ozobots can
identify lines, colors, and
codes on both digital
surfaces, such as an iPad,
and physical surfaces, such
as paper. RSVP. A PA
Forward Information
Literacy event.

TEEN TECH WEEK 8 BIT CHARACTERS

MARCH 08 THURSDAY AT 5PM

Choose your favorite superhero, anime toon, video game character, and make them out of perler beads! RSVP. A PA Forward Information Literacy event.

APRIL

TEEN VOLUNTEER APPLICATIONS

STARTING APRIL 02 ENDING MAY 01

Are you in grades 7 to 12?
Want to apply to become a summer teen volunteer?
Visit our library to pick up a volunteer application.
Applications due May 1st.
Questions? Contact Miss
Jackie at 610.398.1361x19.

BLACKOUT POETRY

APRIL 10
TUESDAY AT 6PM

Celebrate National Poetry Month with us by creating your own piece of blackout poetry. Drop in.



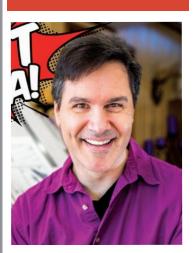
EARTH DAY TERRARIUMS

APRIL 21

SATURDAY AT 10:30AM

Commemorate Earth Day by making miniature moss terrariums. Take a break from the stresses of the day to dig around in the dirt and create a small garden. RSVP.

MAY



MEET MARVEL & DC COMICS ILLUSTRATOR SCOTT HANNA

MAY 05 SATURDAY FROM 12:30PM-2:30PM

Local Marvel & DC Comic book inker Scott Hanna is making a special appearance for Free Comic Book Day.

During this free event, Scott will discuss his career as one of the top comic book illustrators, participate in a Q&A session with attendees, and demonstrate his artistic process. Samples of Hanna's work will also be on display. RSVP. Held in the South Whitehall Township Building meeting room.



BOOK CLUB MAY 29

TUESDAY AT 6:30PM Choose your favorite book title and chat about your thoughts and ideas at our new book group!



FREE COMIC BOOK DAY AT OUR LIBRARY

SATURDAY, MAY 5 ALL DAY FREE COMIC BOOKS

We are one of thousands of locations participating in the 2018 Free Comic Book Day. Choose from more than 20 comic titles for all ages free with your PCL library card, but supplies are limited!



MEET ARTIST SCOTT HANNA FREE EVENTS

Show off your favorite costume at our May 5 @ 10:30am storytime. Get an inside look at **Marvel & DC Comics' Scott Hanna's** illustration process at 12:30pm. All events are RSVP. Look in our event pages for more details about our Free Comic Book Day.



LIBRARIES LEAD









DIORAMA CONTEST: LITERARY "PEEPS"

Celebrate National Library Week with our Literary "Peeps" Diorama Contest. Use Peeps candy to create a book themed diorama for a chance to win a prize. Entry forms for kids, teens & adults available online & at our library. Photo entries are accepted March 1st-April 4th. Vote for your favorite entry on our **Literary Peeps Contest Facebook** photo albums April 8th-14th.



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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

FPCL ANNUAL MEETING & LUNCHEON

Join us for our annual luncheon on Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 1pm at Morgan's Restaurant, 3079 Willow Street, Allentown. Find out more info on our website or at our circulation desk.

FPCL SCHOLARSHIP

Are you a teen volunteer? Enter our new FPCL Alice Madden and Norman Dietrich Memorial Scholarship contest. Apply at our circulation desk. Deadline for submission is June 30, 2018. Questions? Contact: gil.elliott@rcn.com or 610-395-8034.

2018 ANNUAL BOOK SALE

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

WHEN: Book Donation Dropoff: 7/23/18-7/25/18

Book Sale: 7/27/18-7/29/18

Want to volunteer?

Email lharakal12@gmail.com.

FRIENDS' NEWS

WHAT DO WE DO?

We support our library by raising funds to benefit our library and its events. We have donated:

- -\$25,000 towards the new Tech Room
- -the front porch benches and picnic table
- -the community copier
- -the monthly Book Page magazine
- -museum passes

Each year we donate \$20,000+ to our library.

HOW DO WE FUNDRAISE?

Our most visible project is the annual used book sale, but we also have bus trips, lobby and porch book sales, plant sales, Enjoy the City books, tote bags, membership dues, and many other projects.

We are always looking for new "Friends" to join us in our efforts. Our meetings are open to all and we encourage you to join us. Our meeting dates and times are listed on our library website under the Friends tab.