MEET LAUREN: PSD SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

What is your role at Parkland SD?
I'm the Secondary Library Department Head, and Instructional Technology Coach @ Parkland High School.

Why do you think it's important to partner with our library?
It is vital that school and public libraries within a district partner together to serve the students and teachers. Our libraries can collaborate on events, share print and electronic resources, and brainstorm ways to increase literacy for all grades. I am extremely proud of our partnership for the past several years, and look forward to continuing our positive relationship.

How will using our library benefit your students?
Students can obtain resources (print and non-print) for both academic and non-academic topics. Your library may have access to different sources that are not typically available in a school library. Also, students can access computers and the internet at your library, which would be beneficial after school library hours.

What do you like to sign out at the library?
I enjoy reading mystery fiction novels at your library, and enjoy visiting to see what's new, since things are always changing!
MARCH COMMUNITY EXHIBIT: FAIRY TALES

ADULT EVENTS

ONGOING

MODERN CLASSICS
1ST MONDAY AT 1PM

MARCH 06
The Martian

APRIL 03
45 Years

MAY 01
Florence Foster Jenkins
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 07
APRIL 04
MAY 02
At Luther Crest. Gadget advice and free download help. RSVP.

SENIOR BOOK CLUB
2ND TUESDAY AT 3PM

MARCH 14
The Forgotten Flapper: A Novel of Olive Thomas by Laini Giles

APRIL 11
A Man Called Ove by Frederick Backman

MAY 09
Japanese Lover by Isabel Allende
At Luther Crest. Come chat with us about our latest book picks. RSVP.

RSVP ONLINE OR 610.398.1361 X13

MEDICARE ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE
MARCH 08
APRIL 12
MAY 10
2ND WED 10:30AM-1:30PM
Enrollment help every 2nd Wednesday by Apprise Counseling. RSVP.

TECHNOLOGY HELP DESK
MARCH 08
APRIL 12
MAY 10
2ND WED 2:30PM-4:30PM
Stop by anytime with your device, and/or technology question for one-on-one help. No RSVP.

BROWN BAG CLASSICS
3RD MONDAY AT 1PM

MARCH 20
Sunset Boulevard

APRIL 17
The Lady Vanishes

MAY 15
Julius Caesar
Bring your bag lunch and join us to watch a screening of your favorite classic movie. RSVP.

COOL ONLINE TOOLS
3RD TUESDAY AT 5PM

MARCH 21
Law Depot

APRIL 18
Ancestry & Heritage Quest

MAY 16
Morningstar
Explore our free online resources and tools. Bring your tablets, smartphones, or device. RSVP.

BOOK QUEST
FACEBOOK GROUP
Join us on our Parkland Community Library Facebook page to chat about our in library Book Quest titles online. Look for the pinned post at the top of our Facebook page.

BOOK QUEST
3RD TUESDAY AT 7PM
AT THE LIBRARY

MARCH 21
The Story of Life by A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin*

APRIL 18

MAY 16
The Paris Architect by Charles Belfoure*
Our monthly discussion book group picks are available in print by request. *available as ebook through Freading at www.parklandlibrary.org. RSVP.

MONTHLY MAGAZINE EXCHANGE
MARCH 16
APRIL 20
MAY 18
3RD WEDNESDAY AT 2PM
Trade in your gently read magazines at our drop-in exchange.

GAMES WE LOVE
MARCH 17
APRIL 21
MAY 19
3RD FRIDAY AT 1PM
Come play Bridge, Pinochle, or Chess at our monthly game club. RSVP.

CRAFTY
MARCH 27
APRIL 24
MAY 22
4TH MONDAY AT 2PM
Looking for a craft/diy project idea? Join us for this new craft show n' tell time to build your crafting repertoire. Bring a sample or instructions of a project to share. No RSVP.

WHAT'S YOUR STORY
MARCH 28
APRIL 25
MAY 23
4TH TUESDAY AT 3PM
Write your memoir and get feedback in this workshop. RSVP.

JOY OF COLORING
MARCH 22
APRIL 26
MAY 24
4TH WEDNESDAY AT 3PM
Come join us for a relaxing afternoon of coloring to de-stress. Coloring pages and colored pencils provided. RSVP.

KNITTING CIRCLE
MARCH 23
APRIL 27
MAY 25
4TH THURSDAY AT 2PM
Spend a fun afternoon swapping knitting tips and tricks! RSVP.

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Library Closed for GOOD FRIDAY: Fri., Apr. 14th
Library Closed for MEMORIAL DAY: Mon., May 29th
ADULT EVENTS

FEATURED

MARCH

EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT FAIRY TALES IS WRONG
MARCH 07
TUESDAY AT 7PM
A fun look at our favorite, classic fairy tale characters. From the damsel in distress, to the knight in shining armor, we’ll look at the origins, meanings and evolution of fairy tale icons. Then compare them against their curious, funny and often grisly counterparts throughout history, smashing several childhood icons along the way. RSVP.

TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR HEALTH
MARCH 09
THURSDAY AT 2PM
Want advice on communicating with your doctor? Discover how to better understand what your doctor is saying, and get the most out of your medical visit. Presented in partnership with Gateway Health. A PA Forward Health Literacy event. RSVP.

FEATURED

MARCH 18
SATURDAY AT 10:30AM
MIXED MEDIA: SPRAY INK WORKSHOP
Love the creativity, individuality, and self-discovery of mixed media art? Interested in learning the spray ink technique for journaling your thoughts and ideas? Come explore the possibilities with us at this workshop, and create a journal page of your own. All materials provided. RSVP.

APRIL

HOW TO CONSTRUCT A RESUME
APRIL 10
MONDAY AT 7PM
A workshop for the job seeker. Join our career and leadership expert Scott Hanton for resume tips and a look at the elements needed for an effective and impressive resume. RSVP.

A NIGHT OF SHERLOCK
MARCH 28
TUESDAY AT 6:30PM
Are you a fan of the men of 221B Baker Street? Come out for an evening of enjoying all things Sherlock, including solving some Sherlockian clues and creating a Sherlock themed memento. No RSVP.

A DIY BIRTHDAY CARD MAKING
APRIL 22
SATURDAY AT 11AM
Do you like that personal, homemade touch for your greeting cards? Join our workshop with an experienced card maker where you’ll make 2 homemade birthday cards. RSVP.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK CONTEST: LIBRARIES TRANSFORM
APRIL 10 - 15
Celebrate National Library Week! Tell us how our library has transformed your life and get a chance to win an Amazon Echo Dot. Visit our contest display by our magazines or enter for a chance to win on our website.

BOOK A LIBRARIAN
Have a tech question? Get personalized help. Email wananakerb@parklandlibrary.org
ADULT EVENTS

FEATURING:

APRIL

JULIA SAYS: BON APPETIT
MAY 25
TUESDAY AT 7PM
A one-woman play production of the life of Julia Child! Join us as performer Linda Kenyon depicts the story of this American cook, author and television personality who introduced French cuisine and cooking techniques to America. Most of all, the play is a love story, focusing on the private life and Julia’s relationship with her husband Paul. RSVP.

MAY

THE VALUE OF LIFE INSURANCE
MAY 02
TUESDAY AT 6:30PM
Discover how starting life insurance early in your professional career can benefit your retirement. Presented by Paul Stocker. A PA Forward Financial Literacy and Money Smart Week event. RSVP.

HEALTH CARE PLANNING DOCUMENTS
MAY 11
THURSDAY AT 2:30PM
Join us for an educational program offering an in-depth look at the various planning documents you can use to ensure your health care wishes are carried out. Presented in partnership with Gross McGinley Law Associates.

WHAT'S IT WORTH?
MAY 23
TUESDAY AT 7PM
Bring in your collectible to be appraised by the experts of Victorian Vanities, Inc. Free appraisals with a donation of a non-perishable food item for the Jordan Lutheran Food Pantry. Sign up to have your item valued. Space is limited.

Event held at South Whitehall Township Building. RSVP.

FINANCIAL LITERACY

FINANCIAL RETIREMENT PLANNING WORKSHOP
MAY 28
FRIDAY AT 10:30AM
Got financial questions on Retirement Planning or Estate Planning? Our experts from Crest Financial can help at this informational workshop. A PA Forward Financial Literacy and Money Smart Week event. RSVP.

SOCIAL MEDIA
MAY 04
THURSDAY AT 9AM
Discover how to use Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest in our social media workshop. A PA Forward Information Literacy event. RSVP.

EXCEL
MAY 11
THURSDAY AT 9AM
Spreadsheet, all of the amazing things we can do with them. Join us for this hands-on, basic tutorial of Microsoft Excel. A PA Forward Information Literacy event.

APPS
MAY 18
THURSDAY AT 9AM
Bring your phone or device for a basic look at apps - what they are, how to download them, and how to use them.

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DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE VIDEO GAMES AT OUR LIBRARY? 
EXPLORE OUR SELECTION OF WII, XBOX AND PS4

KID EVENTS

**STORYTIMES**

**BABYTIME**
STARTING MARCH 06
THROUGH APRIL 24
EVERY MONDAY AT 10:30AM
Story and play time for ages birth - 2 years. Older siblings can attend. No RSVP.

**TODDLER STORYTIME**
STARTING MARCH 15
ENDING APRIL 27
EVERY WEDNESDAY 10:30AM
EVERY THURSDAY 10:30AM
Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and fun! All children must be accompanied by an adult. Ages 18 months-3 years. No RSVP.

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**
STARTING MARCH 15
ENDING APRIL 27
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.

**ONGOING**

**BIG KIDS BOOK CLUB**
MARCH 06
APRIL 03
MAY 01
1ST MONDAY AT 5PM
Stories, games, and crafts for grades K-2. RSVP.

**BLOCK PARTY**
MARCH 11
APRIL 08
MAY 13
2ND SATURDAYS AT 11AM
Come play and build with our new block collection! Blocks offer children an almost infinite variety of opportunities to express themselves, learn about math and science, and develop motor skills. No registration required. For children ages 2 and up with an adult.

**AMERICAN GIRL CLUB**
MARCH 14
APRIL 11
MAY 09
2ND TUESDAYS AT 6PM
Do you love the American Girl series? Come learn more about their historical time periods. We'll do activities and crafts. For grades 2-6. RSVP.

**RSVP ONLINE OR 610.398.1361 X19**

**LEAP INTO SCIENCE**
STARTING MARCH 27
ENDING MAY 08
EVERY OTHER MONDAY AT 5PM
Join us for fun science activities! Parents and children can try cool experiments together and investigate science hands-on in this engaging hour workshop. Each week will explore a different topic. No registration required.

This project is made possible by a grant from the Institute for Museum and Library Services as administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Education through the Office of Commonwealth Libraries.

Civic and Social Literacy

**BUCKETS FULL OF NATURE**
STARTING MARCH 21
ENDING MAY 16
3RD TUESDAY AT 1PM
Each session, your budding conservationist will experience a combination of reading, art, experiments and hands-on activities. For 3, 4, and 5-year-olds with an adult. Presented by a Lehigh County Conservation District educator.

This a PA Forward Civic and Social Literacy event. Libraries can give citizens of all ages the knowledge and skills they need to improve their lives, to contribute effectively in their communities, and to participate in civil discourse.
KID EVENTS

TEEN

PCL TEENS
3RD THURSDAY AT 6:30PM
MARCH 16
Whovian Crafts
Grab your sonic screwdriver
and your best companion
and join us for Doctor Who
themed crafts at the library!
Snacks provided. Grades 6 and up.

APRIL 20
Blackout Poetry
Use markers and your
imagination to transform old
book pages and newspapers
into a poetic work of art.
Snacks provided. Grades 6 and up.

MAY 18
Candy Sushi
Create and eat your own
sweet candy sushi! Grades 6-12.

TEEN VOLUNTEER INFO SESSION
APRIL 01 SATURDAY AT 11AM
Are you in grades 7 to 12? Get
the inside scoop on how to
become a teen volunteer.
Discover how you can get
involved with library activities,
crafts, programs, and other
work while earning volunteer
hours. RSVP. Download your
application in mid-April on our
website.

TEEN TECH WEEK
STARTING MARCH 06 ENDING MARCH 11
Stop by our library for a Teen
Tech BINGO gameboard or
print it out on our website for a
chance to win a prize!

FEATURED

MARCH

QUALITY CHILDCARE INFO SESSION
MARCH 01 WEDNESDAY AT 1PM
Feeling overwhelmed
with finding quality childcare?
Join Beth Gambone of
Community Services for
Children for a talk about
the importance of Keystone
STARS in childcare and tips
on getting your child
kindergarten ready.

SCATCH 101
MARCH 08 WEDNESDAY AT 6PM
This STEM event gives an
intro look at the science of
coding. With Scratch, you
can program your own
interactive stories, games,
and animations.

Scratch helps young people
learn to think creatively,
reason systematically, and
work collaboratively —
essential skills for life in the
21st century.

Scratch is a project of the
Lifelong Kindergarten Group
at the MIT Media Lab. It is
provided free of charge. For
kids ages 8 and older. A PA
Forward Information Literacy event.

RSVP ONLINE OR
610.398.1361 X19

APRIL

LEGO CHALLENGE
APRIL 17 MONDAY AT 6PM
Get creative with Legos!
Form teams or work
individually to complete
several different building
challenges. RSVP. Limit to
15 children ages 7-12.

Smart Money Storytime
APRIL 26 WEDNESDAY AT 5PM
Join Kayla Howells of Neffs
National Bank for a special
storytime about saving
featuring the book "Three
Cups" by Mark St. Germain.
Don't miss a Q & A about
money and a free goodie
bag! RSVP. For kids ages 6-
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Financial Literacy

Happy Birthday,
Dr. Seuss!
MARCH 02 THURSDAY AT 1PM
Celebrate Dr. Seuss’s
birthday and National Read
Across America Day with
crafts, cake, and Dr. Seuss
stories. APA Forward Basic
Literacy event.

PowerKids

Basic Literacy

www.nea.org/readacross

GOING ON DAY TRIPS THIS SPRING?
CHECK OUT OUR BOOKS ON CDS FOR KIDS AND TEENS!
**STAR WARS TRIVIA**  
MAY 04  
THURSDAY AT 6:30PM

Love Star Wars, do you? Trivia you must know! Come test your Star Wars movie knowledge, enjoy snacks, and win prizes. May the force be with you! For children ages 8 and up.

**SUMMER READING**  
Coming Soon in Mid June  
Build a Better World  
Kid & Teen Summer Reading

**MEET VIRGINIA: STORYTIME PARENT**

Virginia just renewed her library card in September and enjoys BabyTime with her son whose favorite book is Pete the Cat: "As an only child, storytime is important for his socialization. I like how casual storytime is with having an unpredictable toddler. Everyone is so welcoming. I want him to grow up to be a reader."
TAKE OUR WEBSITE SURVEY
MARCH 5TH - MARCH 25TH

Want to see new events at our library for yourself and your family at days and times that are convenient for you? Take our Adult, Parent or Teen Survey by clicking on our website's sidebar tiles at www.parklandlibrary.org. Get a chance to win a gift card prize for entering our survey!

WE'RE PARTNERING WITH PARKLAND SD

"The Parkland Library has agreed to support the Parkland School District with our goal of all students reading on grade level by grade 3. This partnership helps support our literacy goals by providing additional opportunities for our students to read and engage in literacy activities. Summer slide is a concern of the district, but between the district camps and summer library and the Parkland Library supporting our initiatives over the summer and beyond, PSD feels this can have a great impact on early literacy growth and students’ academic success."

--PSD Director of Curriculum Instruction and Professional Development Kelly Rosario

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

MEET AUTHOR & POET BARBARA CROOKER

In honor of National Poetry Month, we chatted with Friends of the Library member and poet Barbara Crooker whose new book, Les Fauves, was just released.

"My favorite library memory would be my poetry readings with my different books. The library is a less threatening place for people to try poetry, and I love to encourage young writers. Our library has transformed me because part of the job as a writer is that you have to be a reader. You really need to be informed with not all poetry and literary criticism, but nonfiction is a tremendous source material as well."

Read one of Barbara's poems every week on our Facebook page for National Poetry Month.

SAVE THE DATE: BOOK SALE

Our FPCL Annual Book Sale is back for 2017 and bigger than ever! Save the dates for July 24-31 for setup, sale, and cleanup at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Center in Orefield, PA.

Can't wait for our Annual Book Sale for bargains? Check out our weather permitting Porch Sales held outside of the library on March 20th and May 22nd from 10am - 5pm.

ANNUAL LUNCHEON & MEETINGS

Join us for our Annual Luncheon on Thursday, May 4th at Morgans at 1:00 pm. Cost is $26 which includes a choice of Grilled Chicken Salad, Monte Cristo sandwich or a tuna salad wrap as the entree, a side and a non alcoholic beverage and dessert. Check our website for more info. Next meetings: Thursdays, March 2nd and June 1st at 2pm at our library. Have questions? Email our President at ndietrich@ptd.net.