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May-June 2025

Hours

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thu: 10:00am to 8:00pm

Friday & Saturday: 10:00am to 5:00pm

> Closed: May 25 & 26 & Sundays

Park & Pickup Hours

(Come to the Pickup Window or delivery to your vehicle) Same hours as above

Meetings SNHL Board May 14, 7:00pm June 11, 7:00pm

SNHL Friends May 6, 6:30pm

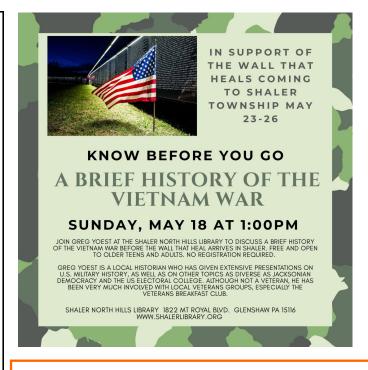


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Join the Friends of SNHL today! The Friends provide financial support and advocacy for the Library. You can find the form on our website or ask for one at the desk. Dues are only \$15/individual; \$25/household. We need you!

Annual Meeting for all: May 6, 6:30pm



Finding Family Heirlooms: SNHL's Appraisal Fair Returns! May 3, 10:00am to 2:00pm

Pull out those family treasures you've always wanted to know more about and have them looked at by expert appraisers! Experts on collectibles, glass, pottery, historic items and more will be on hand to help assess your treasured item and give advice on how to better care for and conduct research on your items.

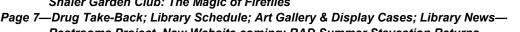
This is a fundraiser for the Library. There is a fee of \$6 for each item appraised or 3 items for \$15. No more than 3 items per person please! Cash encouraged!

This informative program is in partnership with the Heinz History Center via the History Center Affiliates Program (HCAP).

Please REGISTER ONLINE so we know how many to expect. Numbers will be given at the door as you arrive. Pay upon arrival.



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Monthly/Weekly Get Togethers

Join us monthly or weekly for any of the following activities! Always open to new members.

MONTHLY GET TOGETHERS



Monday Night Book Group

Second Monday of the month, 6:30pm

Reads a wide variety of material, from newer best sellers to classics. Contact Sharon at mcraes@shalerlibrary.org

May 12: The Glassmaker by Tracy Chevalier

June 9: The Guncle by Steven Rowley

Mystery Book Group

Third Thursday of the month, 2:30pm

Reads mysteries and thrillers.

Please contact Beth at lawryb2@shalerlibrary.org

May 15: Mother-Daughter Murder Night by Nina Simon

June 19: In a House of Lies by Ian Rankin

Seeking the Spiritual Book Group

Monthly on Wednesdays; dates vary, 6:30pm

Telling Tales: Storytelling for Adults

First Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm

Contact Miss Ing at kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org

Sense & Sound: A Fresh Perspective on Poetry

Last Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm

Please contact Ingrid at kalchthaleri@gmail.com

Register: tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry

May 27: Kathleen Trew Swazuk

June 24: Gertrude Stein

Food for Thought

Second Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm

Community-led. Drop-ins welcome.

May 14: Brunch

June 11: Things You Eat at a Barbecue

WEEKLY GET TOGETHERS



Exercise Class with John Uddstrom

Mondays & Fridays, 8:45am-9:45am

Requires Release Form at first session.

Drop-in. \$2.00 fee payable to instructor.

Please contact Adult Services with questions.

SNHL Card Playing Group

Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00pm

Community-led. Drop-in. 500 Bid.

New players always welcome.

Dancersize for Adults

Wednesdays, 8:30-9:15am

Drop-in.

Dance along to the oldies!

Contact Miss Ing at kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org

Needles & Hooks by the Books

Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00pm

Community-led. Drop-in.

This group meets to knit and crochet.

MONTHLY GET TOGETHERS CONTINUED...

Rummikub Game Night

First Thursday of the month at 6:00pm

Community-led. Drop-ins welcome. Come join in the

fun! Always seeking new players!

Movies on Your Mind

First Friday of the month at 6:00pm

Drop-in or register. Tinyurl.com/shalermovie

May 2: The Piano Lesson

June 6: A Real Pain

Let's Chat & Craft

First Friday of the month at 11:30am

Drop-ins welcome.

May 2: War & Remembrance

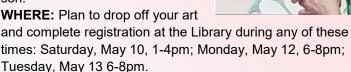
June 6: Color Our World

Seeking Art for a Community Art Showcase

As part of Shaler Township's 125th Anniversary Celebration

the Shaler North Hills Library will be hosting a Community Art Showcase in our Community Room! WHO: friends, neighbors, artists of all ages.

WHAT: Community-friendly art. Including, but not limited to, paint on canvas, drawings, sketches, photography. Please be sure art is able to be hung on the wall (wires/hangers are recommended). Artists may enter up to 2 pieces per person.



Opening Reception: May 16 5-8pm Show open May 16-July 25 during normal hours Closing Reception: July 25, 5-8pm





Join Dr. John C. Kearney for a brief overview of George Washington's mission, focusing on events that took place within 20 miles of the Shaler North Hills Library. This is when Washington's small group trav-

eled through present-day Pittsburgh on the way up and then back from Fort Le Boeuf near Erie, PA in November and December of 1753.



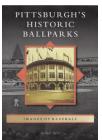


Pittsburgh's Historic Ballparks Images of Baseball Friday, June 13, 1:30pm



PLEASE REGISTER

Pittsburgh has an incredible baseball history with great



players, teams, and historic moments, but few realize that Pittsburgh has often been in the lead in ballpark design and development. Author Mark Fatla chronicles the nine ballparks that hosted major league baseball in Pittsburgh between 1876 and the present, including the Negro Leagues. Historic photographs illustrate design and

construction phases, the major changes as parks expanded and aged, and eventually their demolition.

About the presenter:

As a young attorney, Mark authored more than 200 Federal

Court opinions, including several in one of Pittsburgh's most important civil rights cases. He is a lifelong baseball fan and lives on the Northside in an 1870 house just a short walk from the site of 4 of the historic ballparks he'll discuss.





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FEATURED IN <u>PITTSBURGH MAGAZINE HERE!</u>
PLEASE REGISTER

Ongoing Programs

Caring for a Loved One with Cognitive Issues? Find some support...

Caring for Caregivers: A monthly series for those caring for loved ones.

Third Wednesday of the month at 1:30pm.

Registration is helpful but not required. Walk-ins always welcome. Visit our Event Calendar to register.

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PROMEDICA MEMORY CARE

Led by Erin McMaster, a Memory Care Advisor from ProMedica Memory Care.

Ask about our Caregiver Collection of materials too!

Kids or grandkids? Stay in the know for all our fabulous programs by visiting the website:

https://www.shalerlibrarykids.org/

Fun for all ages! From birth through teens.



Let's listen to and discuss a podcast episode, poem, or something interesting! You are welcome to bring along crafty projects to work on while we gather together, enjoy a cup of tea, and chat about War and Remembrance.

Bring a friend or two too! No registration needed.

Shaler Library Writers' Group

Mondays, 6:00pm (by Zoom and in-person)

Zoom sessions weekly and one in-person meeting on the 4th Monday of each month. Community-led by Jim Binz. If you are interested, please email Jim at if.binz@gmail.com.

Sense and Sound: Monthly Poetry Series

Last Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm

Think poetry isn't for you? You might be surprised! Join us on the last Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm to explore poets and poetry.

Register at: <u>Tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry</u>

ACT OUT: Reader's Theater for Adults/Teens

Third Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm

Are you interested in joining? Please contact us first for more information! Call or text David Jones at 412-606-6131 or email Miss Ing at rev.kalchthaler@gmail.com.

Learn more at: tinyurl.com/shalertheater

Telling Tales: Storytelling for Adults

First Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm

Are you interested in joining? Please contact us first for more information! Contact Miss Ing at kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org.

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Take a Basket-Making Class!

May 15 or 29, 6:00pm

Join basket weaver Amanda Savidge for an inspiring evening of creating your very own basket! Two sessions are offered, featuring slightly different baskets. Fee is \$35.00.

- TWO separate classes offered.
- Students must be at least 18 yrs of age. No prior art skill needed.
- Registration required. STRICT LIMIT of 12 students per class. DEADLINE TO REG-ISTER: MAY 9.

Pre-Payment of \$35.00 includes all materials and instruction. Various colors will be offered.

May 15: <u>REGISTER AND PAY HERE</u>
May 29: REGISTER AND PAY HERE

See Amanda's baskets in the library display case this May! Visit her website at <u>savidge.design</u>

Meet Amanda--My inspiration for weaving started after learning about my great-grandmother, Mary Mitchell Gabriel, who was a master of the craft, and awarded the National Heritage Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts for her incredible Passamaquoddy baskets. Never having the chance to meet her, I am inspired by her skill and that of the long line of Gabriel women basketmakers.

I am a self-taught weaver who builds free-shaped baskets from rattan (reed) from my basement studio in Pittsburgh, PA.

Protecting Yourself from Frauds & Scams May 9, 1:30 pm PLEASE REGISTER

In 2023, 536 people filed complaints with the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging Fraud Hotline. That brings the total number of registered complaints to nearly 12,300 since 2013. —NCOA

Please join retired U.S. Attorney Robert Cessar and Shaler Township Chief of Police Sean Frank for an informative session on protecting yourself from frauds & scams. Whether it's on the Internet, through your computer or phone, learn what you can do to protect yourself and stay informed.

Brought to you by:
the Shaler Township Police Department
the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office
the PA Attorney General's Office
US Attorney's Office, Western District of PA

Navigating Your Path: Making Informed Social Security and Medicare Decisions at Age 65



WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1:30-

2:30PM

PLEASE REGISTER

Approaching age 65 brings crucial decisions that can significantly impact your financial future. This seminar is designed to help retirees understand their Social Security and Medicare options with clarity and confidence. Our expert-led session will also touch on essential financial and estate planning strategies to ensure peace of mind for you and your loved ones. Join us to gain the knowledge and tools needed to make informed, empowered choices for the years ahead.

With guest presenter Tim O'Brien, CIMA®.

Presented by Rebecca A. Olds, Nora Curley Peace, and Jeanne Marie Marquette, Attorneys at Law with Pittsburgh Estate Law.



Nature "Snippets" for Adults—It's cool science for adults!

Wild Edibles! Let's Eat!
May 1, 1:30pm
REGISTER HERE

In this workshop we will examine plants growing in and around our yards, both native and invasive. We will look at which parts are edible and (depending upon their availability) we will have some samples to taste!

Don't miss our popular nature series with educators and Master Naturalists Pat Milliken and Gil Pielin! Pat & Gil have created a series of programs designed to put people in tune with nature. Participants will learn from this duo of retired high school teachers about all things nature in hands-on workshops. This is an adult-focused program series, for ages 16 and up. Please register. Space is limited.









Ten Minute Plays: Part 2: The Fab Five **Act Out Readers' Theater Spring Performance**

May 20, 6:30pm

Please join the members of our Readers' Theater group for their spring show. Sure to make you smile, laugh, and destress. No

registration required. Bring a friend!



Experience Kits Return this June!

We're excited to once again participate in the Experience Kits program with the Heinz History Center. This year will feature EIGHT different museums that you can borrow a kit with free passes. (2 adults, 6 children under 18).

Sites include: Bushy Run Battlefield, Depreciation Lands Museum, Gibson House Manor, Historic Ft. Steuben, William Vicary Mansion, Duncan & Miller Glass Museum & Historic Harmony, the Heinz History Center (includes Meadowcroft and Ft. Pitt).

Schedule will open in May.

Book your week at the Adult Services Reference Desk.

The Magic of Fireflies June 18, 6:30 PM

We love to see fireflies on a warm, humid night. They raise our spirits



and bring smiles to our faces. But fireflies are disappearing! As part of National Pollinator Week, Nelson Milano, with the Audubon Society of Western PA, will captivate us with fun facts about these amazing insects, along with ways to help them make a comeback.

This program is free and open to the public. No registration required.

Hosted by the Shaler Garden Club Pollinator Advocacy Committee.

Navigating Dementia: Insight for Caregivers June 11, 1:30pm - 3:30pm

PLEASE REGISTER

Join us for an informative and compassionate discussion on caring for individuals with Dementia. Presenter Rachael Wonderlin will provide valuable insights, practical strategies, and resources to help caregivers navigate the challenges of supporting their loved ones.

About the presenter:

Rachael Wonderlin is an internationally recognized dementia care expert and educator. She has a

Master's Degree in Gerontology and founded her consultancy, Dementia By Day, in 2014. She is the author of three books.

Light refreshments will be provided.



Watch for more fun with us this summer!

Summer Reading for ALL Ages!

"Color Our World"—begins June 1 Read what you love, enter to win fun prizes!

Star Party at Denny Park!—July 11

Join the Amateur Astronomers of Pittsburgh for a night out under the stars. Bring a lawn chair, snacks and get a chance to look through the members' telescopes and ask questions. Fun for the whole family!

Touch-a-Truck Returns! 125th Anniversary Style—Sunday, July 27 at 11:00am

Car Cruise Fun—Sunday, August 3 at 5:00pm

Adult Battle of the Books Returns—Sept. 11

Brought to you by the north region public libraries! Watch for an announcement of the books selected and how to form your teams and register.

News & Notes

Drug Take Back Day & License Plate Replacement Help

Partnering with the Shaler Township Police

"Remembering David"

Saturday, April 26, 10am to 2pm Rear Parking Lot of the Library

In conjunction with the Shaler Township Police Department, SNHL will serve as a collection site for any unused, unwanted, or expired medications. This is an environmentally safe way to dispose of medications.



- Medications from households and residences are accepted, whether prescription or over-the-counter.
- Medications may be disposed of in the original container or in a sealed plastic bag.
- Vaping materials accepted.
- Liquids must remain in the original container.
- No needles, syringes or lancets.

Please DO NOT bring medications earlier. Library staff are NOT permitted to accept any medications. If you are unable to make it on this Saturday, ask for a flier about dropping off at the Shaler Police Department building.

Concerned that your license plate is illegible? The Shaler Township Police can verify and assist you with the form to get a FREE replacement from PennDOT.

Restroom Project Update! We are in Phase 1

Remodel Smart, our project contractor, has been busily gutting the downstairs storage room and installing plumbing for our new first-floor restroom. Our front parking lot will be closed for a few weeks while the garden-side of the building and upper lot will be excavated for this project. We apologize for the mess, dust, noise and parking impact!

New Website to Launch Soon!

SNHL is very fortunate to have been included in a pilot project sponsored by the Carnegie Library and funded through the Regional Asset District and Hillman Foundation. Through this project, the SNHL website will be rebuilt for mobility, ADA requirements, better security and ease of use.

Art Gallery May: Nancy Smith

Display Cases

May:

- Baskets by Amanda Savidge
- Western PA Watch & Clockmakers Assoc.
- Shaler/Hampton EMS (celebrating National EMS Week!)

June

- Summer Reading for All Ages!
- Annual Garden Tour/Contest

Library Scheduling Notes

The Library's schedule will be adjusted as follows: CLOSED May 24, 25 & 26

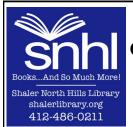


RAD Pass

RAD Summer Staycation is BACK!

Now through August 31, some of Pittsburgh's favorite attractions are offering tens of thousands of free admissions. All you need is an Allegheny County library card and a RAD Pass reservation.

Visit RADpass.org to book your spot.
Organizations participating in RAD Summer
Staycation replenish offers regularly, particularly on Mondays and Tuesdays. Please continue to check RADPass.org frequently.



Shaler North Hills Library Joins in Celebrating Shaler Township's 125 Year Anniversary! Don't miss the special events all year long.





The Wall That Heals is a 3/4 size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. that travels throughout the country along with a mobile Education Center.

More information and to volunteer HERE.

READ & DISCUSS

In Support of The Wall That Heals Coming to Shaler Township May 23 to May 26

www.shaler.org/506/The-Wall-That-Heals

Books are available to borrow or request at Shaler North Hills Library.

The Women is available on Hoopla, too!

Monday, May 5, 6:30pm

Join Sharon at the Library to discuss The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien

Thursday, May 8, 6:30pm

Join Marina at the Library to discuss *The Women* by Kristin Hannah

Friday, May 16, 10:30am

Join Sharon at Ruckus Cafe to discuss *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien

Shaler Township is celebrating 125 years as a First-Class Township!

Enjoy a wonderful year full of interesting events and programs! For more information visit www.shaler.org

May 23-May 26: "The Wall That Heals"

Raffle Drawings Every month!

Pool Passes Now on Sale!

Shaler Township Trivia Night
With Acrospire Brewery
At the Crawford Pool
May 22, 7:00pm

Bring your friends and come on out to see how much you know about your township! It will be fun night of Shaler Trivia.

125th Community Scavenger Hunt

Friday, June 20 at 3PM until Sunday, June 22 at 6PM. Prizes and fun!

Shaler Garden Club's Annual Plant Sale Monday, May 3 9:00am-12:00 noon Kiwanis Park (Wetzel Rd)

Held rain or shine! Plants, Tool Sharpening, Mother's Day arrangements, Auction Baskets.



Powell to the People: Mobile Office Hours June 16, 12:30-3:00pm

A member of Representative

Powell's office is onsite to meet with you.

