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Oct-Nov 2025

## Hours

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

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

Closed:  
Sundays

Oct. 30—Close at  
5pm

## Park & Pickup Hours

(Come to the Pickup  
Window or delivery to  
your vehicle)

Same hours as above

## Meetings

### SNHL Board

November 12, 7:00pm

### SNHL Friends

Board Mtgs—

2nd Thursdays, 6pm  
November 13

Donate



Please follow us!



## The Friends of SNHL Fall Book Sale!

Join us October 31–November 2, 10am to 4pm  
Books, Books on CD, DVDs, CDs, Puzzles, Games

### Take note!

- ⇒ Adult and teen materials ONLY at this sale
- ⇒ Kids' sale held in the summer
- ⇒ Cash, Check or Charge accepted
- ⇒ Bake Sale on Saturday
- ⇒ Bag Sale on Sunday (\$5.00 per library bag of books, DVDs/CDs priced separately)

**We need volunteers!** Great for students and Scouts who need service hours! Visit [tinyurl.com/fallsale2025](https://tinyurl.com/fallsale2025)

Join the SNHL Friends of SNHL and receive a special invitation to the Preview Night on October 30! [tinyurl.com/snhlfriends](https://tinyurl.com/snhlfriends) or scan the QR code.



## Birds of Fall—From Owls to Song Birds

With the Allegheny County Park Rangers

October 17, 1:30pm

[PLEASE REGISTER](#)

The ever-popular Allegheny County Park Rangers are back to share their knowledge of the autumn birds! Have you heard an owl hooting at night?



Wondered about their habits? When do they fly? Why are they so silent? What other birds are around and which ones migrate? Join us for an informative talk on feathered friends found in our area.

## October Features

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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](mailto:mcraes@shalerlibrary.org)

**October 13:** *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave

**November 10:** *Evie Drake Starts Over* by Linda Holmes

### Mystery Book Group

*Third Thursday of the month, 2:30pm*

Reads mysteries and thrillers.

Please contact Beth at [lawryb2@shalerlibrary.org](mailto:lawryb2@shalerlibrary.org)

**October 16:** *The Quiet Librarian* by Allen Eskers

**November 20:** *Trouble Island* by Sharon Short

### Seeking the Spiritual Book Group

*Monthly dates vary, 6:30pm*

More info here: [tinyurl.com/shalerseekers](http://tinyurl.com/shalerseekers)

**October 16:** *Humbler Faith, Bigger God*

by the Reverend Dr. Samuel Wells

**November:** *Amen Effect: Ancient Wisdom to Mend Our Broken Hearts and World*, by Sharon Brous

### Ruckus Cafe Book Group

*Fourth Friday of the month at 12:30-2pm*

Have some lunch and then join in the discussion. Held at Ruckus Café. Please RSVP at [ruckuscafe.com](http://ruckuscafe.com)

**October 24 :** *This Motherless Land* by Nikki May

**November 28:** *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge

### Telling Tales: Storytelling for Adults

*First Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm*

Contact Miss Ing at [kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org](mailto:kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org)

### Sense & Sound: A Fresh Perspective on Poetry

*Last Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm*

Please contact Ingrid at [kalchthaleri@gmail.com](mailto:kalchthaleri@gmail.com)

Register: [tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry](http://tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry)

**October 28:** Jane Kenyon

**November 25:** William Blake

### Let's Podcast & Craft

*First Friday of the month at 11:30am*

Listen to a podcast or story and let's talk about it! Drop-ins welcome.

**November 7:** *American Veteran*

## 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, 8:15-9:15am*

Drop-in. Dance along to the oldies!

Contact Miss Ing at [kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org](mailto: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

*Held on the first weekend of the month at 6:00pm*

Drop-in or register. [Tinyurl.com/shalermovie](http://Tinyurl.com/shalermovie)

**November:** *Life of Chuck*

### Food for Thought

*Second Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm*

Community-led. Drop-ins welcome.

**November 10:** Updated Side Dishes

## Fall Fun Programs



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### Let's Talk Local History: A History of Shaler Township

October 16, 7:00pm  
at Elfinwild Presbyterian Church

Join local historian Jim Giel for a presentation of the history of Shaler Township. Bring your questions and your stories. The program is free but seating is limited so [please register](#).

### Celebrating 125th Anniversary of Shaler Township



Did you know the Library has digitized the Shaler Area Yearbooks? You can access them directly from the Library website!

## LIVE AT THE LIBRARY!

FAMILY FUN FEATURING ACT OUT:  
SNHL'S READERS THEATER TROUPE!!

**OCTOBER 21 @ 6:30 PM**



THE PUMPKIN WHO  
COULDN'T SMILE &  
MISS NELSON IS MISSING



Join the performers from the Act Out Shaler Library Readers Theater group for a free public performance event! Sure to be filled with fun and laughter, bring a friend and come on out for a night of live theater! The program is FREE. No registration required.

### We've Been Invited Back to Acrospire as Guest Beertenders!

Saturday, November 15  
from 6PM to 8PM

Drink beer and support  
your library!



Thank  
You

For loving your SNHL in September.  
And always. We are very grateful.

You generously donated \$71,000 to your library in (1) month. A 17% increase from 2024. Remarkable.



## Health & Healing Programs

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

Third Wednesday of the month at 1:30pm.

Gentle support, advice, and sharing in this safe space with others also experiencing the joys and struggles of caregiving. Led by Erin McMaster, a Memory Care Advisor from ProMedica Memory Care.



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

Ask about our Caregiver Collection of materials too!

### A Safe Space for Bereavement: A monthly series for those recently experiencing loss

**NEW!**

Second Wednesday of the month at 3:00pm.



Grief is a personal experience, but empathy from those around you can make a big difference. Come join others in support to help you in your healing journey. Led by Bereavement Counselor Merissa DeVries from Hope Hospice. No registration required. Walk-ins always welcome.

### Gentle Exercise Class with John Uddstrom

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

Come join others for some gentle stretching and exercise to stay limber and healthy.

Requires Release Form at first session.

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

### Dancersize with Miss Ing

Wednesdays 8:15am-9:15am

Want to jazz it up? Join Miss Ing and make new friends while dancing to all types of music!

Requires Release Form at first session.

Drop-in. No fee.

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.

**Please keep an eye out for changes as our Rest Room Project moves upstairs!**

**You will have access to the new ADA Rest Room on the first floor in the Large Print Room Area and the Port-a-John outside. Plan accordingly. Thanks for your patience.**

## Ongoing Programs

### 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. Writing prompts and silent writing time. Community-led by Jim Binz. If you are interested, please email Jim at [jf.binz@gmail.com](mailto:jf.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: [Tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry](https://tinyurl.com/shalerpoetry)

### 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 [rev.kalchthaler@gmail.com](mailto:rev.kalchthaler@gmail.com).

#### *Fall Performances!*

*October 21: Miss Nelson is Missing & The Pumpkin That Couldn't Smile*

*November 18: The Wizard of Oz*

Learn more at: [tinyurl.com/shalertexter](https://tinyurl.com/shalertexter)

### Telling Tales: Storytelling for Adults

First Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm

There are many ways to tell stories. Listen, learn and share at this evening for adults. Are you interested in joining? Please contact us first for more information! Contact Miss Ing at [kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org](mailto:kalchthaleri@shalerlibrary.org).

### Let's Get Social!

Are you aware of the fun and welcoming groups that meet here? Shaler Library hosts groups that come together on a regular basis. We have a

**Card Club** (500 bid), **Needles & Hooks by the Books** (Knitters & Crocheters), **Senior Exercise** (small fee), **Dancersize**, **Food For Thought Book Group** (make and share food), and **Rummikub Game Night**. These Community-led groups are always open to new folks and a great way to meet new friends. Check out the schedules on page two (2) and bring a friend to see what works for you!

# Programs

## Understanding Veterans and Military Culture Thursday, November 13 at 1:30pm



### *Meeting the human being behind the uniform*

Please join retired Army Colonel and mental health professional Thomas Stokes as he shares his story as a Mental Health Officer in Afghanistan and the lessons he learned about Veterans and members of the Military Community's challenges and needs. He will help us all learn how we can better relate to and connect with our Veterans and Military family members.



### PLEASE REGISTER

You can learn more at  
[operationstrong-mind.org](http://operationstrong-mind.org)



## Bettis Field and the ABC's of Pittsburgh Aviation Friday, November 14 @1:30pm

American aviation took wing in the 1920s in fabric-covered biplanes from local airports that were little more than reclaimed cow pastures.



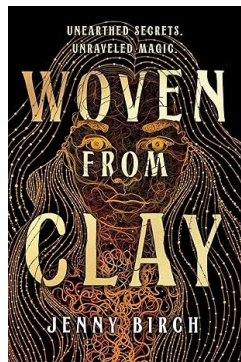
Join Heinz History Center's Director of Publications Brian Butko and regional historian Sue Morris as they share stories from their new book about the men & women pilots who lifted off from Bettis Field in West Mifflin to touch the skies above Pittsburgh (and beyond).

### Please Register



Meet the Author; Jenny Birch  
November 13, 6:30pm  
For adults and teens 16+.

Ms. Birch is a Shaler Area Middle School teacher, and her YA fantasy book is *Woven from Clay*.



"In this fresh and imaginative contemporary fantasy, a golem must master the magic that binds her together and finds an unexpected ally in the mysterious boy sent to ensure her demise."

Visit [www.jennybirch.com](http://www.jennybirch.com)

**THE MISSION MAHI TRUCK RETURNS!**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 FROM 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM**

**SHALER NORTH HILLS LIBRARY**

**1822 MT ROYAL BLVD, GLENSHAW 15116**



**ENJOY THE DELICIOUSNESS OF FRESH SEAFOOD  
& CHICKEN TACOS OR VEGGIE WRAPS!**

**GRAB LUNCH OR PLAN FOR DINNER**



[www.shalerlibrary.org](http://www.shalerlibrary.org)

## Partner Program

### **The Pittsburgh Rug Hooking Guild presents** **Woolworks 2025**

**a rug show featuring recent work by members**

**Thursday, November 6, 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.**  
**Friday, November 7, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**  
**Saturday, November 8, 10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Where: Shaler North Hills Library, 1822 Mt. Royal Boulevard**



#### **Win This Rug!**

Raffle tickets will be sold for this rug (16 x 50 in.) hooked by guild members!

#### **Featured Fiber Artist: Kathleen Sherwood**

Kathleen Sherwood learned to hook rugs alongside her mom, Lois, in 2000. Lois was a very talented and respected rug hooker, and their shared love of the craft was a bond that continued as Kathleen developed her own style and dyed wool with her mom for their creations. A true fiber artist, Kathleen continues to explore new techniques and materials to incorporate into her rugs. She has been an active member of the Pittsburgh Rug Hooking Guild for many years, serving on the board as president and as program chair. Like many children of creative parents, Kathleen feels that her craft is a way to stay connected to her past and an enjoyable way to honor the memory of her mom.

#### **Also meet!**

Christine Manges who will be displaying some of her magnificent braided rugs and demonstrating. She is a widely recognized high-level braider.

**Sponsored by the National Guild of Pearl K. McGown Rug Hookcrafters**



**will be in the Library's Front Parking Lot on:**  
**Mondays, 12:00-6:00pm**  
**December 1, 8, 15, 22**  
**Pierogi, Stuffed Cabbage, Haluski**  
**Hot and ready to eat!**  
**(A portion of sales benefits SNHL)**

#### **JUST ADDED!**

##### **FREE Rug Hooking Classes during the Exhibit!**

Join the talented rug hookers for a free class and create an adorable snowman. Classes are limited so you must register. Offered for ages 16 and up.

**Thursday, 11/6: 6:00-8:00pm** [REGISTER HERE](#)  
**Friday, 11/7: 10:00am-12:00pm** [REGISTER HERE](#)



# News & Notes



## National Drug Take-Back Day

Do you have unused or expired medications you need to dispose of? Now there's an easy way to get them out of the house safely and responsibly!

Drop off to the Shaler Township Police at:

**Shaler North Hills Library  
Rear Parking Lot Drop Off**

**Saturday, October 25  
10:00am to 2:00pm**

### Important! Please read!

- 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.
- Liquids must remain in the original container.
- Vaping materials accepted.
- No needles, syringes or lancets are accepted.
- DO NOT BRING EARLY! The Library Staff cannot accept the medications.

For more information visit: [www.dea.gov](http://www.dea.gov)

### Hard to Read License Plate PennDOT Replacement Form Completion

Concerned that your license plate is illegible? The Shaler Township Police can help you get a replacement!



### Looking for a Fall Adventure?

There's still plenty of opportunities to visit area attractions for free this fall! If you have an Allegheny County Library Card you are all set!

Ask about the Experience Kit program (visiting historic sites and museums) and the RADPass which gets you admission deals to many of Pittsburgh's favorite attractions

**Visit [RADpass.org](http://RADpass.org) to check out the offers and book your tickets! Check back often as offers change regularly.**

## Library Scheduling Notes!

**Thursday, October 30:**

**Closing Early at 5:00pm for the Friends of SNHL Preview Night**



**Wednesday, November 5**

**Open at Noon to honor Veterans' Breakfast at SAMS**



**Saturday, November 22**

**Closed for Shaler Township Lite-Up Night**

**Thursday & Friday, November 27 & 28**

**Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday**



## Art Gallery

### October Artist

- ♦ Maggie O'Lear

### Display Cases

#### October

- ♦ Shalercresc Housing Association
- ♦ Polish Heritage Month
- ♦ Pittsburgh Rughooking Guild Woolworks Exhibit
- ♦ Shaler Area Student Jewelry Art

## New Members

### Always Welcome!



*Love Your Library? Want to help out? Join as a new member of the Friends of the Shaler North Hills Library!*

Friends of SNHL actively work to make SNHL a better place. Membership is only \$15.00, \$25.00 for household.

To join, scan the QR code or download the membership form from [the Library website](http://theLibrarywebsite).



For more information email to: [friendsofthesnhl@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofthesnhl@gmail.com).



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



**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](http://www.shaler.org)

Trunk or Treat: October 11, 5:00pm

Lite Up Night: November 22

4:00-8:00pm

**We are HAPPY to Accept Donations!**

Shaler North Hills Library gratefully accepts donations of gently used books, DVDs, and jigsaw puzzles any time you are willing to part with them. We'll take your donations, use what we can (we especially appreciate recent books to possibly add to our collection), and put the rest in our bi-annual Book Sales.

Please put the items in our donation closet next to the OUTSIDE book drop. Look for the WHITE Door. (For large donations please call us at 412-486-0211.)

Thanks so much for thinking of us!

**Glenshaw Century Club**

**HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR & CRAFT FAIR**  
NOVEMBER 15, 2025  
10:00 - 3:00

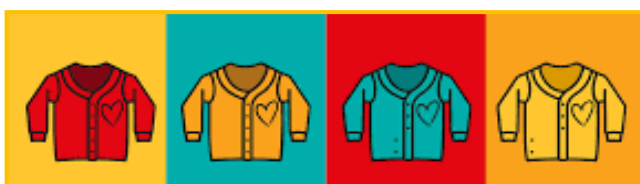
**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**  
1719 Mount Royal Boulevard

House Tour Tickets \$25 in advance  
(available online, at SNHL, or from any Club member)  
or \$30 day of event at the church

\* FREE Admission to Craft Fair \* Gourmet Bake Sale \*  
\* Raffles \* Food To Go \* 60+ Crafters & Vendors \*

**FIND OUT MORE AT**  
[GlenshawCenturyClub.org](http://GlenshawCenturyClub.org)  
Serving Our Community

**Give Big Pittsburgh! Tuesday, December 2, 2025. A day of giving on the Tuesday after Black Friday. Your SNHL continues to need support for the purchase of large print books. Thank you!** [www.givebigpittsburgh.com/](http://www.givebigpittsburgh.com/)



QWQED  
**CARDIGAN DAY**  
NOVEMBER 13  
#cardiganday

Wear your favorite sweater in honor of World Kindness Day and Mr. Rogers. Stop in, we will be celebrating. All ages! Fun and kindness!

**Santa Tour '25!**

Santa will be at the **Glenshaw Public Library** on **Saturday, December 13**, from 10:30 am until 1:30 pm.

Join us for crafts, cookies & cocoa! Moms and Dads, bring your camera! Take as many photos as you'd like. Family photos taken too! Kiddies, write a letter to Santa or draw a picture!!

We do not take reservations. Just show up and spend some time with us!

