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Nov-Dec 2025

Hours

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

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

Closed:
Sundays

Nov 22 (Lite Up Night)
Nov 27 & 28
Dec 24 & 25

Park & Pickup Hours

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

Meetings

SNHL Board

November 12, 7:00pm
December 10, 7:00pm

SNHL Friends

Board Mtgs—
2nd Thursdays, 6pm
November 13
December 11

Donate



Please follow us!



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
operationstrongmind.org



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



**Saturday, November 15
from 6:00 to 8:00pm**



**Bring friends! Come visit
Jan & Nicole. Drink beer
and support your library!**

Bettis Field and the ABC's of Pittsburgh Aviation

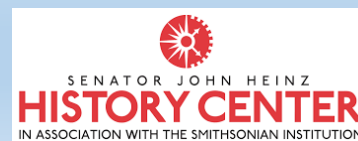
Friday, November 14 @1:30pm

American aviation took wing in the 1920s in fabric-covered biplanes from local airports that were little more than re-claimed 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](#)



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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

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

December 8: Holiday Party! Share a favorite holiday song, poem, book, or tradition.

Mystery Book Group

Third Thursday of the month, 2:30pm

Reads mysteries and thrillers.

Please contact Beth at lawryb2@shalerlibrary.org

November 20: *Trouble Island* by Sharon Short

December 18: *Everyone This Christmas has a Secret* by Benjamin Stevenson

Seeking the Spiritual Book Group

Monthly dates vary, 6:30pm

More info here: tinyurl.com/shalerseekers

November 19: *Amen Effect: Ancient Wisdom to Mend Our Broken Hearts and World*, by Sharon Brous

December: TBA

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

November 28: *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge

December 26: *Bright Lights, Big Christmas* by Mary Alice Monroe

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

November 25: William Blake

December 30: TBA

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*

December 5: *Tolkien's Letters from Father Christmas*

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

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

November: *Life of Chuck*

December: TBA

Food for Thought

Second Wednesday of the month at 1:00pm

Community-led. Drop-ins welcome.

November 12: Updated Side Dishes

December 10: Appetizers and Cookie Exchange

Telling Tales: Storytelling for Adults

First Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm

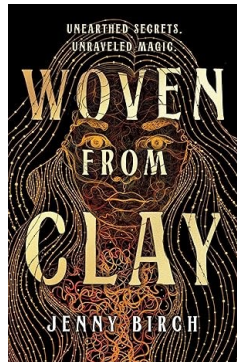
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Programs

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

Explore the Nationality Rooms of the University of Pittsburgh

December 10, 6:30pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Join Michael Walter, the Manager of Education Programs, Nationality Rooms and Intercultural Exchange Program at the University of Pittsburgh, for this amazing visual tour of some of the Nationality Rooms.



"Fear not November's challenge bold. We've books and friends, and hearths that never can grow cold. These make amends." —Alexander L. Fraser



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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!

LIVE AT THE LIBRARY!

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

TUESDAY, NOV. 18

@ 6:30 PM

The
WIZARD of OZ



Shaler North Hills Library

1822 Mt. Royal Blvd. Glenshaw, PA 15116

412-486-0211 www.shalerlibrary.org

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED!

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.

Gingerbread Houses—Ho, Ho, Ho!

Saturday, December 6—

11:30am OR 1:00pm

Space is limited. Please register.

Tinyurl.com/shalerhouses



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 has moved 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.

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.

Performance:
November 18: The Wizard of Oz

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.

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!

Holiday Fun!

Join us this holiday season for some fun, creative and relaxing events. These programs are for adults (21+). Bring your friends and some snacks.

Holiday Karaoke Night!

December 9, 6:30pm

A silly, musical, fun night out for adults! Brush up on your holiday songs and prepare to wow us with your singing. Fun for all--bring snacks. No registration required.

Get Crafty!

Set aside some time to relax and use your creativity with community friends. Share your stories as you get ready for the holidays or relax afterwards.

December 3, 6:30pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)

January 7, 6:30pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Spend Your Winter With Us!

January: Our Winter Reading Program will be coming in January. We're happy to make some book recommendations for your cozy winter reading—just ask!

January 2-6: Another fun 'Rummage in the Books' Sale!

January: Watch for our annual Hygge relaxation events.

January 10-11: **NEW EXCITING ROAD RALLY!!** Fun for the whole family. Visit 'Tape Town'.

January 16: We'll be kicking off an amazing "History Matters" series with the first program on the Freedom House Ambulance Service.

February 7: CandyLand Alive!

February 14-16: Our Annual Mini-Golf FUNdraiser for all ages. It's a real 'hole-in-one' FUN!

February: Watch for news on a Turkish Coffee & Culture Event!

News & Notes

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Pittsburgh Magazine's

givebig
PITTSBURGH

presented by

GBU Life



After Black Friday & Cyber Monday, consider Giving Tuesday. Donate to your Shaler North Hills Library! A day to give back to your library to purchase large print books.

Give big for big print! Thank you!



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www.givebigpittsburgh.com

Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness. Kindness in giving creates love.—Lao Tzu



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)

Donate in Memory or Honor of a Loved One

We can always use help in buying books and other materials. You can do it while also honoring a loved one with a Memorial donation or celebrating an occasion or person with an Honor donation. We'll select a lovely new book in an area that was of interest to them—or let us pick something we need.

Ask any staff about the Memorial/Honor Form.

News & Notes

Friends' Book Sale Raises over \$8,400!!

Thank you to our amazing, hardworking Friends of the SNHL and to all who supported our fall book sale! The Friends raised \$8432.57 for library programs and services. We are so grateful to the following folks:

- ◆ All the bakers who donated!
- ◆ The volunteers and Friends who sorted, stacked, set up and cleaned up after the sale.
- ◆ Mary and Chuck for their leadership in preparing for each sale.

And all our wonderful 'shoppers' who help get the books into the hands of our community members!

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](#).

***New Members
Always Welcome!***



Library Scheduling Notes

Saturday, November 22

Closed for Shaler Township "Lite" Up Night

Thursday & Friday, November 27 & 28

Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Wednesday & Thursday, December 24 & 25

Closed for the Christmas Holiday

Wednesday & Thursday, December 31 & January 1

Closed for the New Year Holiday



Art Gallery

November Artist

- ◆ Coleen Rush

December Artist

- ◆ Year-End Artists Exhibit

Display Cases

November/December

- ◆ Stonehouse Felting
- ◆ Mosaics by Sandina
- ◆ North Pittsburgh Past Finders (Metal Detecting Club)
- ◆ Harry Potter Raffle
- ◆ Pgh Youth Philharmonic Orchestra

Looking to Visit Pittsburgh Attractions?

There's still plenty of opportunities to visit area attractions for free. 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

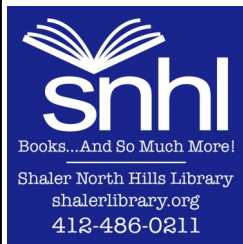
Visit [RADpass.org](https://radpass.org) to check out the offers and book your tickets! Check back often as offers change regularly.

Native American Indian Heritage Month

Since 1990, Congress has authorized an annual presidential proclamation that designates November as National American Indian Heritage Month to encourage all people to learn about the contributions and cultures of the Indigenous peoples of the North American continent. —neh.gov



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



Shaler Township's "Lite" Up Night

Saturday, November 22 4:00-8:00pm
Shaler North Hills Library
and Shaler Area Middle School

Parade on Mt. Royal Blvd followed
by the Tree Lighting at 4:45pm
Visit and Photos with Santa
Firepits with S'mores
Cookie Decorating at 5:30pm (while supplies last)
Ice Skating (skates available at no charge)
Horse Drawn Carriage Rides
Photo Booth
DJ Rick Wirth
Face Painting
Balloon Artist
Hair Tinsel
Food Vendors
Magician
Caricature Artist
Ice Carver
Vendor Tables
Dance Party with Miss Ing
SASD Choir
Library Activities

Please consider parking at Kiwanis Park for this event.
ABC Transit will be providing a shuttle to the library.

Feeling nostalgic? Remember that
the Shaler High School Year Books
have been digitized and are availa-
ble on our website!



Looking for new ideas for that holiday dessert? We
have plenty of baking books to borrow. Or maybe
you need a fancy cake pan. We have those too!
We're here for all your holiday baking needs.

Community News

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!



Veteran's Day is November 11, 2025

We thank all who serve.

Wishing all a Wonderful Holiday Season

Happy Thanksgiving! Nov. 27

Happy Hanukkah! December 14-22.

Merry Christmas! December 25

Happy Kwanzaa! December 26-Jan 1

Happy New Year! Jan. 1



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
 Serving Our Community

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!