

# Sewickley

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## The Bookmark May 2009

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## Sewickley Public Library wins Best Practices in Early Learning Award

The Pennsylvania Library Association has honored the Sewickley Public Library with its Best Practices in Early Learning Award for its innovative program, ¡Hola Amigos! The Best Practices Award celebrates public library programs that are especially creative, innovative, and effective in serving young children, their families and caregivers.

Madonna Hunt, children's librarian at Sewickley Public Library, leads this program full of Spanish fun for little ones and their caregivers. ¡Hola Amigos! is a half-hour program held once a week for three months. Every session opens with the Hola Amigos song, followed by books, songs, fingerplays, games, and activities. One favorite is the "Caramelos song" about jelly beans and all of their different colores. During the song, they learn the phrase me gusta for "I like," and at the end, if they can say "me gusta" a color, they get a jelly bean of that color. Another favorite is Itsy-Bitsy Spider in Spanish, "because they know the hand movements already," said Hunt. Then the session ends with another song, Adios Amigo.

The program is taking a break in May, but will return for the summer months. We congratulate Madonna and all the staff in our Children's Department for their dedication to providing the best in programming for children and families.

## May's Display Cases

Bird carvings will fill the display cases during the month of May. A retired dentist, Dr. Walt Gorr, has been carving birds for the past 20 years. The display will be up through the end of month. Stop in and see these beautiful, lifelike creatures.

## Summer Reading is Right Around the Corner!

This year's Children's Summer Reading Program is entitled **Be Creative** and runs for nine weeks from June 8th to August 8th. The Summer Reading Program encourages children to be good listeners and good readers as well as good library users. Registration begins June 8th and continue through mid July.

The Teen Summer Reading Program is entitled **Express Yourself @ Your Library** and runs from June 8th to August 8th. Teens are encouraged to read whatever they want, for as long as they want. This year, they'll be keeping track of minutes instead of books.

The Adult Summer Reading Program is all about relaxing during the summer and enjoying some great books or audio books. The program runs for nine weeks from June 8th to August 8th. No registration is required. Please stop at the Adult Reference Desk in June for more information.

## Needed in the Children's Department:

### Red Rose Tea Figurines

Attention tea drinkers! The Children's Department is collecting Red Rose Tea figurines for Summer Reading Prizes. Please visit the Children's Department for details.

### Teen Volunteers

This summer, the Children's Department is looking for Teen volunteers to help with the Summer Reading Program. Volunteers can be students entering 8th grade up through seniors in High School. Please see Rita Crawford in the Children's Department for information on volunteering this summer.

# Adult Services & Programs

All programs are free, unless otherwise stated.  
For information call 412-741-6920.

**Spring Into Classic Movies** *No registration is required.*  
Throughout this spring, the Library is screening classics from the American Film Institute's 100 in 100 years list.

Bring a friend and enjoy the popcorn! **May's Movies:**

**Friday, May 1, 2:00 PM - Ball of Fire (1941)**

**Friday, May 8, 2:00 PM - Singin' in the Rain (1952)**

**Friday, May 15, 2:00 PM - The African Queen (1951)**

**Friday, May 22, 2:00 PM - Casablanca (1942)**

**Friday, May 29, 2:00 PM - Citizen Kane (1941)**

**Wii Sports for Seniors** *No registration is required.*

**2 Mondays, May 4 & 18, 10:30 AM - Noon**

Bring along a friend as we bowl, golf, play tennis, box, and play baseball on the Library's Nintendo Wii system.

A librarian will be on hand to show you how to play.

**Spanish Conversation Group** *No registration is required.*

**2 Mondays, May 4 and 18, 10:30 - 11:30 AM**

**2 Wednesdays, May 6 and 20, 6:00 - 7:00 PM**

Our Spanish Conversation Group is open to everyone with at least an intermediate speaking and listening ability in Spanish.

**Fans of Natalie Goldberg: Let's Write Together**

**Monday, May 4, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM** *Please register*

Author Natalie Goldberg has been issuing strong invitations to write from her first book *Writing Down the Bones* to her current gem *Old Friend from Far Away: the Practice of Writing Memoir*. Whatever your writing goals, heed that urge and join us in putting pen to paper. Presented by Jeanne Zell, English teacher and family therapist, who has led Personal Journal Writing groups in our area since 2003.

**Knitting Circle**

**Monday, May 4, 7:00 PM** *No registration is required.*

Our knitting group meets on the first Monday of each month. All ages and skill levels are welcomed.

**Introduction to Bike Touring**

**Wednesday, May 6, 7:00 PM** *Please register*

William J. Gompers of the Adventure Cycling Association presents an overview of cycling and touring. In addition to a brief history of cycling, he will cover the necessary equipment and the health benefits of the sport. He will also explore the options for bicycle touring in our region, either independently or as a part of a group, that can last a few hours, a full day or a weekend.

**Thursday Matinee: Marley and Me**

**Thursday, May 7, 2:00 PM** *No registration is required.*

A family learns important life lessons from their adorable, but naughty and neurotic dog. Based on the memoir by John Grogan. Runtime: 115 minutes. Rated PG.

**Fangs and Fluoride: Your Pet's Dental Health**

**Thursday, May 7, 7:00 PM** *Please register*

Dr. Brett Begley of the Sewickley Veterinary Hospital will discuss good dental care for cats and dogs. He will cover home cleaning and vet cleaning, as well as prevention of and symptoms of dental diseases.

**Mystery Book Group: A Superior Death**

**Tuesday, May 12, 7:00 PM** *No registration is required.*

Our mystery book group meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Stop at the Reference Desk to request a copy of this month's selection by Nevada Barr.

**Conversation Salon** *No registration is required.*

**Wednesday, May 13, 10:00 AM to Noon**

Come prepared to share ideas and opinions with this lively group of adults who meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. New participants are always welcome.

**AARP Safe Driver 4-hour Refresher Course**

**Tuesday, May 19, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM** *Please register*

This 4-hour refresher course is designed to help you tune up your driving skills and update your knowledge of the rules of the road. Participants age 50+ can qualify for an auto insurance premium reduction or discount. This course is available *only* to those who have taken the AARP 8-Hour Driver Safety Course within the past 35 months. Cost is \$14, \$12 for AARP members. Space is limited, payment is due upon registration. Make checks payable to AARP. For more information, call the instructor, William Pearson, at 412-427-3084. This class will include brief breaks; please bring a snack, coffee and bottled water will be available.

**SeniorNet Computer Education Program**

**Tuesday, May 19, 1:00 or 2:00 PM** *Please register*

These computer sessions are tailored for new computer users and are hosted by Barry J. Lipson of SeniorNet.

**Science Café: Science Book Club & Discussion Group**

**Wednesday, May 20, 7:00 PM** *No registration is required.*

Science Café is a monthly meeting of inquiring minds interested in current scientific topics and popular science books. Led by Sewickley resident, Bill Drake.

**The Global Financial Outlook & Investment Opportunities**

**Thursday, May 21, 7:00 PM** *Please register*

Ryan Thompson, of Edward Jones Investments, presents a brief look at our current financial times, suggestions of how to weather the storm and move forward.

**Basic Computers 1 & 2 -Cost \$25.00** *Please register*

**2 Tuesdays, May 26 & June 2, 1:30 to 3:30 PM**

Silver Scholars teaches these hands-on computer classes designed for individuals over the age of 50, but all are invited. The two 2-hour classes are fun, interactive, and begin with the basics. No previous computer knowledge is required. The first class will explain the basic functions of the mouse and keyboard, how to use windows, search menus and more. The second class will provide time for review and cover understanding scroll bars, using drop down menus and other ways to interact with your computer. To enhance learning, all classes are limited to 10 students. The \$25 fee is due upon registration.

**The 4th Tuesday Book Group:**

**The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society**

**Tuesday, May 26, 7:00 PM** *No registration is required.*

Join us for lively discussions and interesting insights into a wide variety of books. Request a copy of this month's selection by Mary Ann Shaffer at the Reference Desk.

**The Brown Bag Book Group: Out of This Furnace**

**Thursday, May 28, 11:30 AM** *No registration is required.*

Bring your lunch and join the discussion led by Rosa Lamour Dorman and Librarian Mary Jean Voigt. This month's book by Thomas Bell can be ordered at the Reference Desk.

# Sewickley Public Library Children's Department

# May 2009

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Monday -Thursday 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM  
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## Weekly Storytimes for Preschoolers No Registration Required

### Babies & Books

Tuesdays at 9:45 & 10:30 AM

Nursery and action rhymes, books and songs for children up to 24 months, with a caregiver. *Please, no older children.*

### Two-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays at 9:45 & 10:30 AM

A half hour of fingerplays, songs, and stories for 2-year-olds with a care provider. *Please, no older children.*

### Preschool Storytime

Thursdays at 10:00 AM & 1:30 PM  
Children ages 3-5 meet in the Storytime Room for 45 minutes of

## Programs for Children and Families Please Register

### Breakfast Buffet ala Library

Saturday, May 2, 10:30 - 11:30 AM

In honor of Mother's Day, we are inviting children to bring their favorite adult female and come enjoy breakfast together! Hear a tale, peruse the latest books, and listen to some new music while you dine, plus make a special craft! (Gentlemen - we didn't forget you!)

### Family Program



### Lunching at the Library

Saturday, May 16, Noon - 1:00 PM

Though Father's Day is a month away, we're inviting children to bring their favorite adult male and come enjoy lunch together! Hear a tale, peruse the latest books, and listen to some tunes while you munch, plus make a treat to take home! (Ladies - we didn't forget you!)

### Family Program

### Afterschool Wii

Tuesday, May 5 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Battle it out one more time with your peers as we see who is the unofficial Mario Kart champ. More games and Guitar Hero, too! Two Wiis, twice the fun!

### Grades 4 - 6

### Magic Tree House Gang

Monday, May 18, 7:00 PM

More fun with Jack and Annie.

### Grades K - 2



### Kids Can Cook

Tuesday, May 19, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Bon appétit! Join us as we create then dine on famous French culinary delights, from bread to chocolate and in between! A \$1 material fee will be charged.

### Grades 3 - 5



### Fancy Nancy Soiree

Saturday, May 9, 11:00 AM

Please join us for a fancy soiree, (that's French for party) with delectable treats & creative crafts. Remember to dress in your fanciest clothes. Tiaras & friends welcome!

### Grades K - 2

### Family Bingo

Monday, May 11, 7:00 PM

Prizes and fun for the whole family!

### Family Program

### PJ Storytime: Butterfly Garden

### Family Program

Wednesday, May 20, 6:30 - 7:15 PM

It's time to come out of your cocoon and soar like a beautiful butterfly! We will read stories, sing songs, and create our very own gorgeous butterflies to take home! Wear your jammies and bring a stuffed friend to join in the fun!



### Reader's Theater

2 Thursdays: May 14 and 21, 7:00 PM

Join our group of drama seekers! Practice and perform in one night!

### Grades 3 - 5



### Science Sense: Water, Water, Everywhere!

Saturday, May 23, 2:00 - 2:45 PM

Enjoy a good splash? If so, then join us as we get a little wet while exploring the many qualities of water with hands-on experiments and observations!

### K - 4th Grade



### Check out our new Children's Playaways!

The Children's Department is proud to introduce our new collection of juvenile fiction Playaways! All you need to enjoy our new Playaways are headphones and an AAA battery! Come visit the Children's Department to learn more and check one out today!

### The Dinosaur's Delight!

Many children feed coins to our hungry dinosaur in the Children's Department. Since January the dinosaur has gobbled up over \$41.00 in change. Thanks so much and please keep feeding!



# MAY TEEN PROGRAMS

at Sewickley Public Library

## Skateboard Art

SATURDAY, MAY 16 1-2PM

Do you nose grind and kickflip around town? Skate over to the library this Saturday—we'll talk about skateboard design and watch a video of Tony Hawk when he was a young skater. Like you!

## Wii Events

5TH-12TH GRADE  
Wednesday  
APRIL 6  
3:30PM

3:30PM

4TH-5TH GRADERS  
Tuesday  
APRIL 5  
3:30-4:30PM

3:30-4:30PM

## Anime Club

TUESDAYS! 5 - 6 PM  
April 5 April 12 April 19

Watch new anime and eat Asian snacks with us!

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Physical Activity

Egg

Bike

Better Sleep

Hamburger

Month

## Teen Movies

THURSDAYS!

5 - 7pm

May 7:

Marley & me (PG)

May 14:

Lords of Dogtown (PG-13)

May 21:

Secret Life of Bees (PG-13)

Sturdy Break!

Drop by the last week of May for special bus activities!

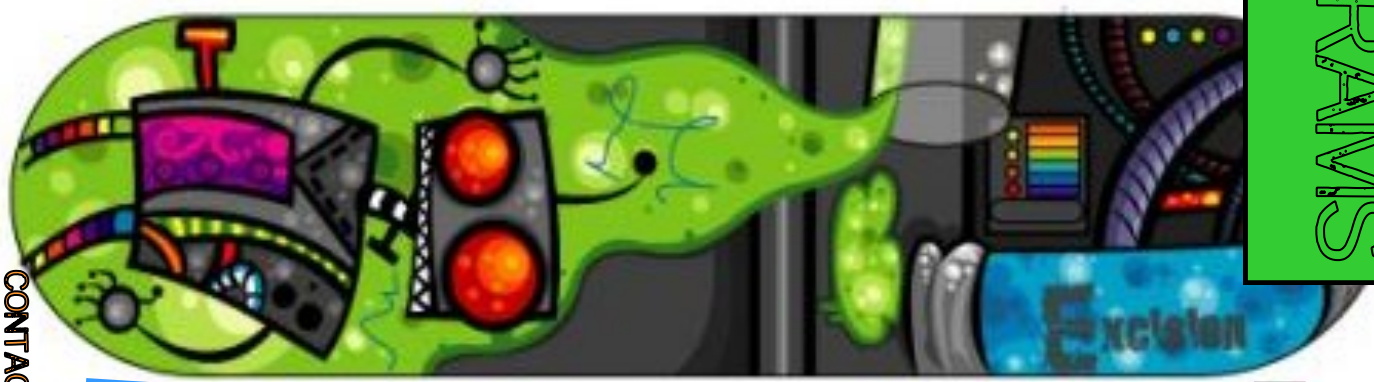
Summer Reading is coming!

See when the program starts!

Other movies will be available!

Featuring local artists!

QUESTIONS CONTACT KELLY AT 412-741-6920



# May 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Friday Movie 2:00 <i>Ball of Fire</i>	2 Mother's Day Breakfast Family Program 10:30
3	4 Spanish Conversation 10:30 Wii Sports for Seniors 10:30 Let's Write Together 7:00 Knitting Circle 7:00	5 Babies & Books 9:45 & 10:30 Afterschool Wii for Tweens 4:00 Anime Club for Teens 5:00	6 Storytime for 2's 9:45 & 10:30 Afterschool Wii for Teens 3:30 Spanish Conversation 6:00 Intro to Bike Touring 7:00	7 Preschool Storytime 10:00 & 1:30 Thursday Matinee 2:00 Thursday Movies for Teens 5:00 Fangs & Fluoride 7:00	8 Friday Movie 2:00 <i>Singin' in the Rain</i>	9 Fancy Nancy Soiree 11:00
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**Mission Statement**

The mission of Sewickley Public Library is to serve as a center for lifelong learning by providing free access to informational, educational, cultural and recreational library resources that address the interests and needs of the children and adults in the Quaker Valley region.

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## Memorial Books & Gift Books

- Terri and Steve Tunick, in memory of **Barb Thaw's Father**
- William Wytiaz, in memory of **Rudolf Boletic**
- Madeline and Campbell MacLellan, in memory of **Lucille P. Campbell**
- Terri and Steve Tunick, in memory of **Mary Ann Richert's Father**
- The Muse Family, in memory of **Dr. William Wurzer**

- Mary Kay and Oliver Poppenberg, in honor of the **Blind Date Cooking Club**
- Helen and Don Berman, in honor of **Richard C. Smith on his 70th Birthday**

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## Destination Italy! September 2009

Our committee has begun brainstorming ideas for our annual Destination Celebration. If you have a special connection to Italy, have a suggestion, or would like to be involved in the planning process, email Meghann Gardner at [gardnerm@einetwork.net](mailto:gardnerm@einetwork.net) or stop by the Reference Desk and speak with a Librarian. We welcome your suggestions and input.