



The Bookmark January 2010

500 Thorn Street, Sewickley, PA 15143

Monday-Thursday 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday Closed
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

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On Display

During the month of January we will display "Images of Sewickley", an exhibit featuring the works of several artists: Tripp Clarke, Susan Gaca, Claire Hardy, David Noble, Leroy Pitts and Jebby Potter. Stop it to see the artistic interpretations of our hometown.

News from the Board: The Library will be Closed on Fridays

State budget cuts to public libraries have forced the Library Board of Directors to make tough decisions. The Board of Directors voted on December 14 to close the library on Fridays, effective January 8, 2010.

The Sewickley Public Library will not receive this year's fourth quarter funding of \$20,000 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the 2009 budget year. In addition, the Sewickley Public Library is expected to lose an estimated \$52,000 in state funding in 2010. State funds account for approximately 9% of the Library's budget. In the coming year, the Library will also lose approximately \$23,000 of Regional Asset District (RAD) funds due to a change in the disbursement formula.

Stephanie Dangel, President of the Sewickley Library Board of Directors, reports that the board looked at every item in the 2010 budget where savings could be achieved. "We have renegotiated every vendor contract, made staffing adjustments, eliminated some programs, cut back on additions to the Library collection, and considered every other option open to us." Friday was chosen because, statistically, it would impact fewer library users than any other day of the week. Because the Library has not been open on Friday evenings, its closing on Fridays will not interfere with evening programs or use of the library by the numerous community organizations that meet there on a regular basis. Modest additional savings will be achieved by opening the Library at 10:00 AM, except Sundays, beginning January 2.

"While there is no talk of restoring state funding to libraries to previous levels, I would still urge all of us to remind our elected officials of the central role libraries play in our communities," said Joan Murdoch, Library Board Vice-president. "These are difficult economic times, and we will need to work harder to seek additional funding. The Quaker Valley School District, which provides approximately 46% of the Library's budget, cannot make up the difference. We are fortunate to have an active Friends of the Library organization and terrific community support."

A top priority of the Library Board will be to reopen the Library on Fridays as soon as it is economically feasible, said Wayne Murphy, Treasurer of the Board. The new hours are listed at the top of this page.

There is good news, however, on the library front. Sewickley Public Library was named a "Star Library" for the second year in a row by Library Journal, the premier publication of the library profession. Of more than 7,000 libraries analyzed, less than 300 were awarded this national distinction based on the number of visits to the library, circulation of materials, program attendance, and public Internet use. Six Pennsylvania libraries received this distinction in 2008 and only five in 2009.

Adult Services & Programs

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

Documentary Days: *Inside the Vatican* **Wednesday, January 13, 10:30 AM** *No registration is required*
Join us for some coffee, cookies, and this week's film, a National Geographic special that provides a behind-the-scenes look, with unprecedented access, into life inside the Vatican. With rare footage of secret archives, private chapels and papal quarters, the program explores the Vatican's long, powerful history, and the unique traditions and ceremonies that have survived for nearly 2000 years. 2002, Not Rated, 60 Min.

SeniorNet Computer Education **Tuesday, January 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.

The Brown Bag Book Group **Thursday, January 21, 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, *The Mysteries of Pittsburgh*, by Michael Chabon, can be ordered at the Reference Desk.

Spanish Conversation Group **Monday, January 25, 10:30 - 11:30 AM** *No registration is required*
Monday, January 25, 6:30 - 7:30 PM *No registration is required*

The Spanish Conversation Group is open to all with at least an intermediate speaking and listening ability in Spanish. Morning and evening sessions are available.

Wii Sports for Seniors **Mondays, January 25, 10:30 AM - Noon** *No registration is required*
Join us to 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 all of the various games. Just show up with a friend or two and play away! Light refreshments will be served.

The 4th Tuesday Book Group **Tuesday, January 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, *Dr. Zhivago* by Boris Pasternak, at the Reference Desk.

Documentary Days: *Inside Mecca* **Wednesday, January 27, 10:30 AM** *No registration is required*
Join us for some coffee, cookies, and this week's film, a National Geographic special that examines the Islamic world's annual pilgrimage to Mecca in Saudi Arabia. 2003, Not Rated, 60 Min.

Home Energy Audits **Thursday, January 28, 7:00 PM** *Please register*
Learn about home energy audits and how they can improve the comfort of your home, as well as save you money on your utility bills. Also hear the details about federal tax credits and other incentives to "energy improve" your home. Speakers are trained and certified Home Performance Professionals.
Register with Mary Beth by calling 412/344-4885.

Memorial Books

Mr. and Mrs. Michael R. McCormack, in memory of **Margaret M. McCormack**

Robin A. Hummel-Johnson, in memory of **Bram B. Johnson**

The Eles Family, in memory of **Colin Wise**

Ann and Justin Pippy, in memory of **Gavin Thomas**

Donations

Landau Building Co. made a donation toward the Tenth Anniversary Celebration

Children's Department 412-741-0937
Dial-a-Story 412-741-2667
Main Circulation Desk 412-741-6920

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Nursery School Open House Wednesday, January 13, 7:00 PM

Parents interested in learning more about preschools and day care centers in the Quaker Valley area are invited to attend our annual Nursery School Open House. Representatives from these facilities will be available to answer questions about their programs. This is a unique opportunity for area parents investigating educational opportunities for their children. Fall registration for many of these schools begins in February. Stop in to meet the teachers and learn about your options. No registration is required.



For Parents of Preschoolers



Gather your team and prepare for great books! The Battle of the Books is back!
4th Grade Informational Meeting

Tuesday, January 26, 7:00 PM

5th Grade Informational Meeting

Wednesday, January 27, 7:00 PM

This exciting annual program has battles for students in 4th and 5th grades, each with its own reading list. Each team must have five members and a team manager who is over 18 years of age. Registration forms will be available in the Children's Department and at local school libraries starting January 5th. Completed forms should be returned to the Sewickley Public Library Children's Department as soon as possible. As space is limited, teams will be taken on a first received basis. Teams and managers should attend the appropriate informational meeting, where the book lists will be distributed. **Students must have a library card and need to bring it with them to the first meeting.** The 4th Grade Battle is Wednesday, April 7th and the 5th Grade Battle is Thursday, April 8th.

Reading with Rover is coming to the Sewickley Public Library!

Sewickley Public Library is partnering with Animal Friends and Osborne Elementary to bring Reading with Rover to our community! Reading with Rover is a renowned reading program in which children practice reading by reading aloud to trained dogs. These "canine reading specialists" and their handlers provide children with a non-judgmental and supportive environment that makes reading a more fun

Weekly Storytimes for Preschoolers No Registration Required

Please Note: the changes in times effective January 2010



Babies & Books

Tuesdays at 10:15, 11:00 and 1:00

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 10:15 and 11:00 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 10:15 AM & 1:30 PM

Children ages 3-5 meet in the Storytime Room for 45 minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays.



See the next page for Programs for Children and Families



Programs for Children and Families

Please Register Children's Department Direct Dial Number 412-741-0937

Magic Tree House Adventures 3 Mondays: January 4, 11 & 25, 7:00 - 7:45 PM Grades K-3
Fun with Jack and Annie in Frog Creek and beyond!



American Girl: Meet Rebecca Wednesday, January 6, 6:30 - 7:15 PM Grades K-5
Get acquainted with the newest American Girl, Rebecca! Enjoy games, a craft, and a timely snack! Bring your doll and a friend!

Beads, Beads & More Beads... Saturday, January 9, 1:00 - 2:30 PM Grades 3-5
Create your own fantastic jewelry, backpack tags, or key chains. Bring a friend. Bring any extra beads if you would like to share!!!

Duct Tape Workshop Sunday, January 10, 2:00 - 3:00 PM Grade 3-5
Learn how to create your very own duct tape handbags and pencil cases. Bring a roll of duct tape to the class.



Family Bingo Thursday, January 14, 7:00 - 8:00 PM Family Program
Prizes and fun for the whole family!

Star Wars Extravaganza Saturday, January 16, 1:00 - 2:00 PM Family Program
Join us as we transport you to a galaxy far, far away through games, crafts, and more fun!

Kids Can Cook Tuesday, January 19, 5:30 - 7:00 PM Grades 3-5
Warm up in the kitchen with hearty winter dishes as we make and eat dinner then, of course, dessert. A \$2 material fee is required.



PJ Storytime: Teddy Bear Party Wednesday, January 20, 6:30 - 7:15 PM Family Storytime
While the real bears are hibernating, your teddy bear wants to party! So let's have some fun sharing stories, singing songs, making a craft, and enjoying a beary good snack. Wear your jammies and bring a friend to join in on the fun!

Preschool Imagination Play 2 Thursdays: January 21 & 28, 6:30 - 7:15 PM
Come and let your imagination go wild in these mini-drama class sessions designed to stimulate creative and dramatic play, and geared especially for those ages four and five. Older and younger siblings are welcome. One parent or caregiver must attend as well. Ages 4-5 w/ a caregiver



Chess Practice Sunday, January 24, 2:00-3:00 PM Grades 1-5
Pawns, knights, kings and queens! Learn how to play chess or practice your moves on the chessboard. Bring a chess set if you can. Novices and experts are welcomed to join in the fun!

Percy Jackson and the Olympians Saturday, January 30, 1:00 - 2:00 PM Grades 4-7
Join us for Olympic-size fun, games and food as we celebrate the Percy books and the new movie!

**Need a quick bedtime story? Call Dial-a-Story 412-741-2667
Anytime day or night!**

JANUARY TEEN PROGRAMS


@ SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

WII / XBOX GAMING
Wed. Jan. 6
3:30-5:30PM
PLAY NEW XBOX AND WII
GAMES AT OUR MONTHLY
OPEN GAMING SESSION

ANIME CLUB
EVERY THURSDAY
5-6PM

TEEN MOVIES
TUESDAYS, 4-6PM
CONTACT THE LIBRARY AT
412-741-6920 OR STOP
BY TO LEARN WHICH
MOVIE IS BEING SHOWN
EACH WEEK.

INSPIRE YOUR HEART
WITH ART DAY
 Check the book display
 outside the Teen Room
 for art-inspired reads.
JANUARY THIRTY-FIRST



NEW COOK THE BOOKS!
Three-Course Dinner Chewing Gum
 This month you'll learn how to make
 a special treat from *Charlie and the*
Chocolate Factory!: Three-Course
 Dinner Chewing Gum!
 Ours will just be dessert
 flavored, blueberry!
BRING YOUR FRIENDS!
SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 1-2:30




Percy Jackson:
The Lightning Thief



Join us for Olympic-
 sized fun, games, and
 food as we celebrate
 the Percy Jackson books and
 new movie.
Saturday, January 30 1-2pm

Dark Side of the Rainbow
Monday, January 25 4pm



Join us for the pairing of the 1973
 Pink Floyd classic *Dark Side of the Moon* and
 the 1939 film *Wizard of Oz*.

QUESTIONS?
 CONTACT KELLY AT 412-741-6920
 ROTTMUNDK@EINETWORK.NET
 FACEBOOK: SEMWICKLEY TEENS
 MYSPACE: SEMWICKLEYLIBRARYTEENS
 TWITTER: SEMWICKLEYALIB

REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM!
 GO TO
[HTTP://TINYURL.COM/SPLTEENS](http://tinyurl.com/splteens)
 TO SIGN UP FOR LIBRARY PROGRAMS

NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS?

The Teen Department is
 starting a new
 Teen Advisory Group
 (TAG).

The TAG's role is to
 suggest music, books,
 DVDS, video games,
 program ideas, and more
 to the Teen Librarian.

The TAG will meet & eat
 snacks once a month be-
 ginning in February.

You will receive 1 volun-
teer hour for each
meeting!

Interested in helping?
 Contact Kelly at
 rottmundk@einetwork.net
 or pick up a sign up sheet
 at the library's Teen
 Desk by January 29.

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BATTLE OF THE
BOOKS TEAM
SIGN UP SHEETS
ARE DUE BY 8PM
ON
MONDAY, JAN. 25

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	Magic Tree House 7:00 Knitting Circle 7:00	Babies & Books 10:15 & 11:00 Babies & Books 1:00 Movie: Babes on Broadway 2:00 Teen Movies 4:00	Storytime for 2's 10:15 & 11:00 Little Linguists 1:00 XBox & Wii for Teens 3:30 American Gift Meet Rebecca 6:30	Preschool Storytime 10:15 & 1:30 Anime Club for Teens 5:00 Happiness Workshop 6:30	<i>Library Closed</i>	Beads, Beads & More 1:00
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	<i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day Library Closed</i>	Babies & Books 10:15 & 11:00 Babies & Books 1:00 Seniomet Class 1:00 & 2:00 Movie: Presenting Lily Mars 2:00 Teen Movies 4:00 Kids Can Cook 5:30	Storytime for 2's 10:15 & 11:00 PJ Storytime 6:30	Preschool Storytime 10:00 & 1:30 Anime Club for Teens 5:00 Preschool Imagination Play 6:30	<i>Library Closed</i>	Cook the Books for Teens 1:00
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