



SEWICKLEY
PUBLIC
LIBRARY

April 2015

Great stories start here.

Monday-Thursday

9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Friday

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Take a Wise Walk at the Library

Begins **Thursday, April 9 at 9:30 AM**. Join us as we begin our fourteenth season of Wise Walks. If you are an active 50+ adult, this 10-week walking program might be just the thing to get you started on an exercise program. Each week we meet at 9:30 AM in the Colbert Room of the Library, walk between one and two miles and return to the Library for a healthy snack.



Call for OASIS Connections Instructor Volunteers



Do you want to volunteer and give back to the community? We are looking for volunteers to help instruct our series of basic level computer and technology classes through the OASIS Connections program for mature adults. Proper training will be provided for all volunteers. We will work with you to provide classes on a schedule convenient for the instructors. Contact Dustin at shillingd2@einetwork.net or 412-741-6920 ext 238.

Tell Your Library Story on Wednesday, April 29 from 3:30PM to 6:30PM

Over the last few months we've been asking for your best stories about the library. What great book did you check out from the Library that resonated with you? What program did you attend here that you enjoyed? How did a librarian help you? What connection did you make with help from the Library that made a difference?

Now we want to capture those stories through video! Whether you've already written your story or have something new to say we're giving you the spotlight to capture what you have to say. Stop in during the scheduled hours and you can be a part of it! No appointments necessary. For everyone that participates we will give you a \$5 gift certificate to waive library fines or to pay for prints and copies.

Friends of the Library Handbag Sale

Announcing the first ever Handbag Sale at Sewickley Public Library. Featuring a great selection of new or gently used handbags including designer labels at affordable prices. Beginning the second week in April. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*



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State of the Nation - 2015

As President of the Library Board, it would be easy for me to reel off an impressive list of statistics, numbers of programs, attendees, books checked out, computer usage, etc. Instead, I decided to use comments left by some of our patrons on our message board in the past month to show how our Library is faring.



- “Sewickley Public Library changed and blessed my life. The staff and patrons are a joy and really make this place the heart of the community.”
- “We are blessed to have such a great Library in Sewickley. It offers so much more than just reading. Special thanks to the Children’s and Teen’s Departments. WE LOVE THE LIBRARY!!!!”
- “Ever since I moved to Sewickley 5 years ago, the Library has been a home away from home-to learn, read, and relax.”
- “I visit the Library at least once a week. The facilities are both pleasant and convenient. The Library’s best resources, however, are the employees who are professional and generous.”
- “The Library is the best place EVER!!!”

We all need to thank the Community and Library leaders of the past generations who contributed to this wonderful resource that we have today.

It is our responsibility to ensure that we leave this Library a better place for future generations. As a non-profit, we will always need a little more support, another donation or extra volunteer hours. I hope you are as proud of our Sewickley Public Library as I am and that you will be dedicated to helping it to be a better Library tomorrow.

Thank You

Wayne Murphy

President, Sewickley Public Library Board of Directors

Many, Many Thanks



Thank you to **Barb Herman**, the **YMCA staff**, and **YMCA members** who contributed to the Library for the February Good Deed of the Month to help defray our programming costs. *We are most appreciative!*

HUGE Thanks to Reading Specialist **Jane White** from Ambridge Junior High, District Teen Coordinator **Kelly Rottmund**, **PGH Forever Young Adult Book Club**, **Lynne Hughes**, **Chris Burgh**, **Pat Drogowski**, and **Mary Walker** for assistance in promoting and obtaining books for the 2015 Make a Blind Date with a Book Program. We were able to match **298 readers** with free books this year!

The 6th Grade and 7th/8th Grade Battles were huge successes! 500 people attended the events including 30 6th Grade teams and 33 7th/8th Grade teams. We would like to thank **Sewickley Area Libraries**, **QVMS School Librarian Tom Forrest**, **QVMS Language Arts Team**, **SA Senior School Librarian Ruthie Neely**, and **Susan O'Connor from Penguin Book Shop**. Without your help, the Battles wouldn't be possible!

Children's Department - April 2015

Weekly Programs (No Registration)

Babies and Books - Tuesdays: 9:30AM, 10:15AM & 1PM - Nursery and action rhymes, books and songs for children up to 24 months, with caregiver. Please, no older children.

Evening Edition: Apr. 22 @ 6:30

2-Year-Old Storytime - Wednesdays: 9:30AM & 10:15AM - A half hour of fingerplays, songs, and stories for 2-year-olds with an adult. Please, no older children.

Pre-School Storytime - Thursdays: 9:30AM & 1:30PM - Ages 3-6 without a caregiver, meet for 45 minutes of stories, songs, and finger plays.

Dance Party - Thursdays: 6:45PM - Toddlers and Preschoolers with a caregiver come and dance the night away!

Please Register for the following programs unless otherwise noted.

Chess Night – Wednesday, April 1, 7 – 8 PM - Kings, Queens, Rooks, Knights, Bishops, and Pawns everywhere for everyone to play! All skill levels welcome! Bring a chess set if you're able. **Grades K-8.**

Easter Egg-stra – Saturday, April 4, 11 AM – 12 PM – We'll read a story, enjoy crafts & games AND hunt for eggs. Bring your "good-looking" eyes to seek eggs, and your camera to capture the photo opportunities! **Family Program.**



Magic Tree House Club – Saturday April 4, 2:30 - 3:30 PM – Jack and Annie visit a monastery in Ireland during the Dark Ages to help save an ancient manuscript. We'll read Viking Ships At Sunrise, make a craft, and enjoy a light snack **Grades K – 3.**

SpyMasters – Tuesday, April 7, 7 - 8 PM – Use common everyday objects as we create Dead Drop Devices for your message transfers. This new program is for you! **Grades 3 – 5.**

4th Gr Battle of the Books -Wednesday, April 8, 7 PM - This is the 21st year for the Elementary Battle of the Books. Join us at Edgeworth Elementary Gymnasium to learn why this program is so successful, and cheer on your favorite team.

5th Gr Battle of the Books -Thursday, April 9, 7:15 PM - See description for 4th grade battle.

Math and Science Fun: Think Spring - Friday, April 10, 1 - 1:45 PM - We will talk about signs of spring and plant some seeds for the garden. **Ages 2-5, with a caregiver.**

Toddler & Pre-K Fitness – Saturday, April 11 & 25, 10 – 10:30 AM - GET MOVING in the library. We will stretch, move around, groove to some games, and have fun together. No need to register! **Ages 2 – Pre-K, with a caregiver.**

Tinker Bell Movie & Craft – Saturday, April 11, 2 – 4 PM - "Who says there is no such thing as fairies?" They will be in the library with some popcorn and a movie. Following the movie will be a movie-themed craft. **All Ages.**

Dog Tales: LAST ONE TILL FALL! – Sunday, April 12, 3 – 4 PM - Certified Therapy Dogs LOVE to be read to but we need children to read to them! Please register for a 15 minute time slot to read to a dog. **Ages 4-10, with a caregiver.**

PJ Story Time: Rain, Rain, Go Away! – Wednesday, April 15, 6:30 - 7:15 PM - April showers are finally here, but it will be dry for our shared stories, songs, craft time, and yummy snack. Don't forget to wear your pajamas, and maybe your rain boots. **Family Program.**



Pokemon League - Two Thursdays: April 16 & 30, 4 - 5:30 PM - Trade, Battle, Win! Join us twice a month for the new Pokemon League. Fun By the Pound will be selling cards. No Registration. **All-Ages, Ages 5 and under, with Adult.**

American Girl – Saturday, April 18, 2:30 - 3:30 PM - Do you know the Language of Flowers? Learn how to express yourself as we make "talking bouquets" called tussie-mussies from Samantha Saves the Wedding. **Grades K – 5.**

Meet Hello Kitty! - Sunday, April 19, 2 – 3 PM - Pete the Cat stopped by Sewickley Public Library in March and he had such a good time, he told his friend, Hello Kitty! Meet Hello Kitty, enjoy some stories and crafts! **Family Program.**



Family Bingo - Monday, April 20, 7 - 7:45 PM - Come one, come all for Bingo! Prizes! Fun! **Family Program.**

Young Scientists – Tuesday, April 21, 7 - 8 PM – Be prepared to make some noise in the library as we explore the Sounds of Science. **Grades 3– 5.**

Fabulous Fridays! – Friday, April 24, 4 - 5:30 PM - Stop in anytime to the Children's Department to create a make & take craft. No need to register! **All Ages.**

APRIL

Programs are for teens in grades 6 through 12, unless otherwise noted

Screenwriting 101

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH - 2-3:30 PM

Love to **WRITE**? Love **MOVIES**? Why don't you try **writing** a movie? We'll teach you how! We'll explore the **American Standard** format, talk **plot** and **characters**, and get you on your way to writing your first brilliant screenplay!

PLUS: 9th-12th Graders can submit finished screenplays (15 pages or less) to the **Ralph Munn Creative Writing Contest!** Top winners receive monetary prizes and publication!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

FANDOMFEST



SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH - 7-9 PM

Calling all **FANGIRLS & FANBOYS:**



Come geek out in your very own teens' only CON! We'll have stuff to do for many of the top fandoms: **Harry Potter**, **Walking Dead**, **Doctor WHO**, **ANIME**, **Star Wars**, **Supernatural**, **My Little Pony**, **Hunger Games**, **Nerdfighters**, **Game of Thrones** and way **MORE!**

COSPLAY ENCOURAGED! Food, drinks, and prizes included!

Writers' Group

FRI., APRIL 10TH - 4:30 - 5:30 PM

MONDAY, APRIL 27TH - 6-7 PM

RECURRING PROGRAMS

MAKE'N'MORE

Every Tuesday, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

ANIME CLUB

Wednesday, April 1 & 15 - 3:30 - 5 pm

WHO CLUB

Wednesday, April 8,
from 7-8 pm



TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Make SPL Teen your own. Monday, April 20, 6:00 to 7:00 pm

JAM SESSION

Sunday, April 26, 1:00-3:00 pm

GAY-STRAIGHT ALLIANCE

Every Wednesday, 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Writers in Grades 9-12! Don't miss your chance to submit to the Ralph Munn Creative Writing Contest! Deadline is April 25th!

Questions: Contact Emily @ 412-741-6920
or feare@einetnetwork.net
<http://sewickleylibrary.org/teens/>

Adult Programs - April 2015

OASIS Computer Classes - These classes are currently being scheduled. Please call for information about which class is right for you and how you can sign up.

Tech Café Appointments - Have a feisty phone? Has your eReader gone eRidiculous? Schedule one-on-one help with a librarian at the Reference Desk.

Need Resume Help? Call the Reference Desk to make an Appointment with local resume expert Bob Ryan.

This Month's Programs

Sahaja Meditation - Every Saturday, 11AM – 12:30PM - Enjoy the silence, peace, and stress release that is always free.

Conversation Salon - Wednesday, April 8, 10AM - This interesting group of adults meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Coffee and great discussions!

Take a Wise Walk at the Library - Begins Thursday, April 9, 9:30AM - Please see page 1 for more information.

Write Now! - Every Friday, 10:30AM - 12PM - Have you ever resolved to write in a daily journal, or record your family's story, yet found the good intentions slipping away? Achieve your writing goals. No Meeting on 4/3.

Friday Afternoon Movies - Every Friday, 3 - 5PM - Join us every Friday for an old classic or a new flick. Check our website the Wednesday before the movie for the title. No Movie on 4/3.

Puzzle Sundays - Two Sundays, April 12 & 26, 1 PM - We'll have a puzzle set up in the Reference Area two Sundays a month. Come see how much of it you can get done. At the end of the day, the puzzle will be stored for next time.

Mystery Book Group - Tuesday, April 14, 7PM - Please stop at the Reference Desk to order a copy of this month's selection, *Cater Street Hangman* by Anne Perry.

Tai Chi for Health –
Wednesdays, Starting April 15,
10AM - Join Instructor Linda



Fetzer, Wednesdays, 10:00 TO 11:00 AM ---April 15, 22 and 29, May 6, 13, 20 and 27 and June 3. Previous experience is not necessary, but registration is required. The cost is \$35.00

Brown Bag Book Group – Thursday, April 16, 11:30AM - Bring your lunch and join the discussion. This month's book is *Faith* by Jennifer Haigh and can be ordered at the Reference Desk.

Make Your Own Magnetic Poetry – Sunday, April 19, 2PM – April is National Poetry Month. Come learn how to make your own magnetic poetry. All-Ages. No Registration.



Teen Reads for Everyone – Monday, April 20, 7PM - Please stop by the Reference Desk to pick up a copy of this month's selection, *The Art of Fielding* by Chad Harbach. This program is for Teens AND Adults.

eResources for Everyone - Wednesday, April 22, 1PM - Your Sewickley Library card gives you access to more than just books. Learn about all of our eResources that you can't find for free online. These include eBooks, eMagazines, eMusic, eAudiobooks, eVideo,



and other interactive resources. Learn about what we offer and how you use them. Bring your specific questions about how they might work on your device and we will answer them. Please Register.

Fourth Tuesday Book Group - Tuesday, April 28, 7PM - Stop at the Reference Desk to request a copy of this month's selection, *Things That Matter: Three Decades of Passions, Pastimes and Politics* by Charles Krauthammer.

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When you dine at Bruegger's during our fundraising event
15% of your purchase will be donated to our group!
(You must present this flyer with your purchase to count towards our goal!)

EVENT DATE AND TIME	FUNDRAISING GROUP
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Messages from the Heart

In February we asked you to write us messages about why you Love Your Library. We displayed the hearts for all to see but in case you missed them, here are some of our favorites:

I Love My Library Because...

- It gives me a place to have fun and feel cool even though I'm not. Emily puts on sweet programs.
- It's the pulse and heartbeat of the community.
- It's open late and a beacon in the night!
- The staff and volunteers are FABULOUS and always willing to help!
- It takes me away from my day-to-day chores. I can "travel" into a good story or get inspired by an image or a good article. And it opens my mind.
- The atmosphere is welcoming, I love taking my grandson to Babies & Books.
- There is no friendlier group of people anywhere.
- All the books, all the education, all the fun, all the smiles.

Want to make a donation? There are many ways to help!

If you are interested in making a tax-deductible donation to the library, you should know that there are many ways to do so. You can donate via PayPal, donate materials, designate a Gift Book as a memorial or honor book, or donate to the Endowment Fund. For more information, visit our donation page at www.sewickleylibrary.org/donate/

Memorial Donations

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Waters,
in memory of **Joseph Vito Barravecchio**.

Jean P. Sebolt, in memory of **Maxine Budkey**.

Wayne and Mary Murphy, in memory of **Brandi Coburn**.

Jean P. Sebolt, in memory of **Edward Murphy**.

Wayne and Mary Murphy, in memory of **Irving Shapiro**.

Jean P. Sebolt, in memory of **Irving and Doris Shapiro**.

Elizabeth Allyn, in memory of **Dot Wedeen**.

We would also like to thank those who gave to our Annual Campaign in February:

Allison Luptak

Russell and Susan Ulmer