

Great stories start here.

Sewickley Public Library of the Quaker Valley School District

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



42nd Annual Allegheny County Chess Tournament

Congratulations to our 42nd Annual Allegheny County Chess Tournament winners in the various divisions:

Senior Division—1st: **Bruce David** and 2nd: **Ben Black**;

Junior Division—1st: **Ritvik Mahapatra** and 2nd: **Angelina Chen**.

Congratulations to **Ritvik Mahapatra** for winning 5th Place at the Finals Tournament at CLP-East Liberty!

Spa Day with Mom on Sunday, May 3rd at 2PM

Your mom is special and she deserves to be pampered all year! Celebrate **Mother's Day** early and treat your mom to two hours of **spa** time at the library! **Beauty experts**, plus **DIY beauty recipes**, **chair massages**, **crafts**, **FOOD** and **MORE!** **Please register.** Cost is **\$5 per person** or **\$8 per pair.** Ages 8 and up with an Adult.



Inaugural FOSPL Donor Book Sale and Lecture

The Friends of the Sewickley Public Library would like to acknowledge all donors of the 2014-2015 annual appeals with an invitation to our inaugural thank-you book sale and lecture on **Tuesday, May 19th at 7PM.** Mark Helbling, General Manager and garden expert at Reilly's Summer Seat Farm, will present a talk and demonstration on **Herb & Vegetable Container Gardening.** Donors will receive an invitation in the mail and are encouraged to RSVP to save a spot for the lecture! Doors are open for book browsing from 5-9PM in the Community Room at the library and will feature gardening and Spring-time genres as well as a small selection of other popular choices. If you did not have the opportunity to contribute to this past year's Friend's or Library annual appeals but wish to attend the sale and lecture, donations in any amount will be accepted at the door during the sale or at the library circulation desk any time leading up to the event.

Spring Bound Art Show Fundraiser was a Huge Success!

The library wishes to extend a big thank you to the Friends of the Library and Jessie Britton for a successful Spring Bound Art Show fundraiser on behalf of the library. Jessie Britton, owner of Art Space 616, graciously donated the use of her new gallery and its first show to the Friends for the fundraising event. Ms. Britton and the Friends provided beverages and hors d'oeuvres, which contributed to the wonderful evening.

Save the Date for Summer Reading Starting June 8!

During this 8 week program participants are asked to record their reading progress, Prizes will be awarded for all age groups. Please see the Summer 2015 Newsletter for information on signing up.



Winter Reading Program for Adults

Thank you and congratulations to all of the participants in the Winter Reading Program for Adults. 43 people signed up and read for a total of 34,131 minutes. Stephanie C. won a Kindle Paperwhite and our own Sarah Davies won a 5th Generation Kindle. We also want to thank **Bill Gardner** for donating the staff prize.

I volunteer at SPL. How I got involved.

By Joyce D. Cortese, Secretary to the SPL Board of Trustees

My husband and I moved our family to Sewickley in 1974 because of the quality school system at QVSD. With five children, ranging from two to eight, a good education for them was foremost. The close proximity to the airport where my husband worked had a lot to do with it, also. Little did I know at the time that the Sewickley Public Library was going to be such a wonderful addition to their educational experiences here.

A few years after we arrived, I had the pleasure of learning about the library in this lovely small town through my involvement with the school district. I was appointed to the SPL Board of Trustees as a Director by the QV School District Board and thus began my sincere love for SPL. Since my first introduction to SPL, I have enjoyed every minute of time spent working for it. I love the library and am proud of all the wonderful programs and learning experiences that have been available there these many years. Immediately, I became aware of the library staff and how caring they are about their jobs. They work very hard to provide the best possible experiences for everyone.

I joined the Friends of SPL early on and was able to offer my services as much or as little as I had time for. Many skills are needed by the Friends group. For me, being on the Friends of the Library Board meant being able to help with many projects, including much needed fund raising, which is vital to SPL. Our library could not exist as it does without the Friends of SPL. I have been able to use my secretarial/office skills from doing annual mailings to being an officer and serving as its secretary and president. I am foremost a “behind-the-scenes type”, but appreciate being able to do many jobs to support the library in any way I can. For some years I was able to take care of updating the mailing list of Friends’ supporters, and because I love to bake, helping often meant baking cookies to serve at their events. I still do that upon request.

What continues to keep me working for SPL is: the pride I feel for how our library has progressed into the 21st century; the hard-working staff who give all they can each day for patrons’ positive experiences; the expertise they share with everyone; working together to help each other when needed; sharing and seeing to fruition new ideas/suggestions for improvements; treating everyone with respect; and being as helpful as possible to make the most of their work environment. These are all the reasons I want to continue to volunteer, for as long as they’ll have me.

10th Grade Projects from Quaker Valley High School

As part of the curriculum at QVHS each sophomore is required to complete the Personal Project, a free-form assignment based on the passions of each individual. Sewickley Public Library was able to help several students this school year with their final Personal Project.

Emma Szuba chose to recreate historical costumes based on some of her favorite literary heroines. She researched, designed, and sewed dresses that were inspired by Scarlet O’Hara from *Gone with the Wind*, Daisy Buchanan from *The Great Gatsby*, Catherine Earnshaw from *Wuthering Heights*, and Elizabeth Bennet from *Pride and Prejudice*. The Costumes are currently on display in the Colbert Room.



Kamya Menon did her 10th grade project on volunteer opportunities in our children's department. Kamya had been a Summer Reading Club volunteer and wanted to encourage others to volunteer. She attended various programs throughout the year and filmed them. Kamya then put together a video to persuade others to consider helping at the library.

Maggie Dobbins presented a Dog Tales program to Avalon Public Library based on the program she has been doing monthly here. Maggie did the publicity, gathered the dogs and their owners, gave the program, and provided them with the information that they would need to continue that program at their library.



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Children's Department - May 2015

Children's Department News

Save the Date! Summer Reading 2015 Starts Monday, June 8th! Every Hero Has a Story (Birth to Grade 5.)

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

Teen Volunteers 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.

Thank You Thank you to Friends of Sewickley Public Library,



Penguin Book Shop, and Ultimate Pastry for their generous contributions for prizes for the Elementary Battle of the Books. Over 150 fourth and fifth grade students participated.

A special thanks to Eric Berthoud for assisting us with our 42nd

Annual Allegheny County Chess Tournament in February.

Photos Needed If you captured any photos during any of our Children's programs/storytimes since January 2014, we would love to have a copy. Drop off a copy of your photo(s) at the Children's Desk or email them to:

sewickley@einetwerk.net with subject – Children's Photos. Pictures may be used for board reports and a lovely picture display in the library.



Magic Tree House Club – Saturday, May 2, 2:30 - 3:30PM - Jack and Annie visit ancient Greece to help save the last of the lost stories. We'll read *Hour of the Olympics*, make a craft, and enjoy a light snack. **Grades K – 3.**

Spa Day with Mom - Sunday, May 3, 2 - 4PM - See the front page for more information.

SpyMasters – Tuesday, May 5, 7 - 8PM – This month we will investigate intruder detection devices. Learn how to safeguard the security of your operations! **Grades 3– 5**

Chess Night – Wednesday, May 6, 7 - 8PM -

LAST TIL FALL! 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**

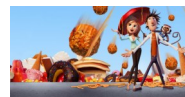


Building Together - Friday, May 8, 1 – 2PM - Using various types of blocks, parents and children may explore building together. **Ages 2-5, with a caregiver**

Toddler & Pre-K Fitness – Saturdays, May 9 & 23, 10 – 10:30AM - 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 Care Provider**

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs Movie & Craft –

Saturday, May 9, 2 – 4PM - "You have never seen a shower 'meatier'" than here in the library. Join us for the movie, popcorn, and craft. **All Ages**



PJ Story Time: Curious George – Wednesday, May 13, 6:30 - 7:15PM - Meet some new friends and have a big adventure with Curious George during shared stories, songs, craft time, and enjoy a yummy snack. Bring in your favorite monkey and don't forget to wear your pajamas.

Family Program

Pokemon League - Two Thursdays: May 14 & 28, 4 - 5:30 PM - Trade, Battle, Win! Join us twice a month. Fun By the Pound will be selling cards. No Registration. **All-Ages, Ages 5 and under, with Adult.**

American Girl – Saturday, May 16, 1 - 2:30PM - Bring your doll and a special grownup for a (M)others Day tea. We'll enjoy light refreshments, play some games and make a colorful keepsake to remember your day together. **Grades K – 5**

Family Bingo - Monday, May 18, 7 - 7:45PM - Come one, come all for Family Bingo! Prizes! Fun! **Family Program**

Young Scientists – Tuesday, May 19, 7 - 8PM – Come prepared to get messy as we explore slippery science. **Grades 3– 5**

Fabulous Fridays! – Friday, May 29, 4 - 5:30PM - Stop in the Children's Department to create a make & take craft. No need to register! **All Ages**

Children's Department Programs

Please Register for the following programs unless otherwise noted.

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: May 20 @ 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!

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

SAT PRACTICE TEST

SATURDAY, MAY 2ND - 10 AM - 2 PM

Sponsored by McCaffrey Test Prep. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Spa Day with Mom

SUNDAY, MAY 3RD - 2-4 PM

Celebrate Mother's Day early and treat your mom to two hours of spa time at the library! Beauty experts, plus DIY beauty recipes, crafts, FOOD and MORE!

Registration required! Cost is \$5 per person or \$8 per pair. Call 412.741.6920 for more info!



Vegan Cooking for Teens!

THURSDAY, MAY 21 - 7-8 PM

Interested in going **vegan**? It's easier than you think! Join us for an hour of cooking and eating some simple and delicious **vegan recipes**! Registration required!

Summer SWAG Fest 2015

CELEBRATE SUMMER - SATURDAY, MAY 30TH - 8-10 PM

Writers' Group

FRI., MAY 8TH - 4:30 - 5:30 PM

MONDAY, JUNE 1ST - 6-7 PM

RECURRING PROGRAMS

MAKE'N'MORE

Every Tuesday, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

ANIME CLUB

Wednesday, May 6 & 20 - 3:30 - 5 pm

WHO CLUB

Wednesday, May 6,
from 7-8 pm



TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Make SPL Teen your own. Monday, May 18, 6:00 to 7:00 pm

JAM SESSION

Sunday, May 17 - 1:00-3:00 pm

GAY-STRAIGHT ALLIANCE

Every Wednesday, 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Read and win fabulous prizes all summer long!

TEEN SUMMER READING 2015 begins June 8th!

Adult Programs - May 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

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.

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.

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

Signatures and Scribbles with Val Weil - Saturday, May 2, 1 - 3PM - We will go over the importance of signatures for identity and personal representation. Val will demonstrate that knowing how "to create your signature" makes a big difference in fraud detection. Discuss and "practice" forgery in a hands-on exploration and much more. **Please Register. Ages 13 and Up**



Puzzle Sundays - Two Sundays, May 3 & 17, 1 PM - Help us finish the puzzle in the Reference Area.

Spa Day with Mom - Sunday, May 3, 2 - 4PM - See the front page for more information.

May the Fourth Be With You - Monday, May 4, 9 - 9PM - Join us for an all-day *Star Wars* Marathon. We'll start with Episode 2 (sorry Jar Jar) and watch continuously until we visit the forest moon of Endor. Come for all 5 or just your favorite. Pizza will be provided at 6:20PM. You may want to bring a VERY comfortable seat, bean bag, or camping chair. You'll be here a while.

9:00AM-Attack of the Clones

11:30AM-Revenge of the Sith

2:00PM-A New Hope

4:15PM-The Empire Strikes Back

6:30PM-Return of the Jedi

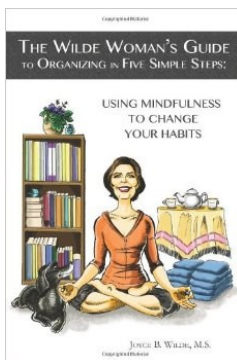


Take a Wise Walk at the Library - Every Thursday, 9:30AM - Each week we meet at 9:30 AM in the Colbert Room of the Library, walk between one and two miles and return to the Library for a healthy snack.

Conversation Salon - Wednesday, May 13, 10AM - This interesting group of adults meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Coffee and great discussions!

Using Mindfulness to Change Your Organizing Habits -

Monday, May 18, 7PM - Joyce Wilde, author of *The Wilde*



Woman's Guide to Organizing in Five Simple Steps: Using Mindfulness to Change Your Habits, will present a workshop to assist people who would like to be organized as a way of living, rather than get temporarily organized. Learn to physically organize yourself and understand the emotional and mental roots that cause disorganization. Joyce

will be signing and selling copies of her book. **Please register.**

Learn AtoZ Databases - Wednesday, May 20, 2 - 3PM - Learn how you can use AtoZ Databases for targeted sales leads, mailing lists, market research, employment opportunities, and finding friends and relatives. This library funded database includes 2.3 million job listings, 30 million business & executive profiles, 1.1 million healthcare professionals, and residential listings.



Reiki Healing Exchange - Wednesday, May 20, 6:30PM -

Learn more about Therapeutic Touch and experience a relaxing, peaceful evening. A \$5.00 donation for the library is requested.

May Book Groups

Mystery Book Group - Tuesday, May 12, 7PM

One Corpse Too Many by Ellis Peters

Teen Reads for Everyone - Monday, May 18, 7PM

Chopsticks by Jessica Anthony and Rodrigo Corral

Brown Bag Book Group - Thursday, May 21, 11:30AM

The Whole Golden World by Kristina Riggie.

Fourth Tuesday Book Group - Tuesday, May 26, 7PM

Wonder by R.J. Palacio.



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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/

BAGELS SOUPS SALADS DESSERTS COFFEE SANDWICHES

We're baking up some dough.

When you dine at Bruegger's during our fundraising event
15% of your purchase will be donated to our group!
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EVENT DATE AND TIME	FUNDRAISING GROUP
Saturday, May 2, 2015 6a - 6p	Friends of Sewickley Public Library
BAKERY ADDRESS Sewickley Bruegger's 422 Beaver Street ~ (412) 741-3069	

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Help the Library by designating us for your United Way Contributions.

Use **Contributor #887032** when making your donation.

Memorial Donations

Edgeworth Garden Club,
in memory of **Evelyn Feduska.**

Domestic Outreach Center,
in memory of **Richard D. Manning.**

Martini Book Club, in memory of **Glenna McFadden.**

Richard and Karen Parker and Family,
in memory of **Elizabeth Presto.**

David and Joan Murdoch,
in memory of The Honorable **William Standish.**

P.E.O. Sisterhood Chapter B.N.,
in memory of **Dorothy Wedeen.**

Edgeworth Garden Club,
in memory of **Jane Werner.**

General Donations

BNY Mellon Community Partnership

Edith Davidson

John Orndorff

Gene Polusy and Donna Gertz donated a Framed
photograph of tree frogs to the Children's
Department

Mark and Nancy Wolfe donated a painting *Play with
Me*, in honor of our Dog Tales Program