



SEWICKLEY  
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LIBRARY

December 2015

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*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

**The Library will be closed Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25 and will close at 5PM on Thursday, December 31.**



### Light Up Night 2015 is Friday, December 4

Visit the Library from 6PM to 9PM to warm up, enjoy refreshments, and make a take-home craft during Light Up Night. In the Children's Department we will celebrate our annual Trim-a-Tree Party. There will also be a holiday movie and a paper craft table for teens and grown-ups near the Reference Desk. Enjoy music ensembles from Chris Burgh's QVSD Youth Ensemble and the Three Rivers Young Peoples Orchestra String Quartet.

### Village Garden Club Christmas Trees and Greens Sale Continues

Looking for a tabletop artificial tree or a fresh greens arrangement for your holiday table? Look no further. The Village Garden Club of Sewickley "Christmas Tree and Greens Sale," at the Sewickley Public Library, will offer a unique selection of decorated Christmas trees and fresh greens arrangements at an affordable price.

**Traditional & Themed Artificial Tabletop Christmas Trees—11/16-12/23**

**Christmas Fresh Greens Arrangements—12/12-12/14**



### Traveling made easy with Overdrive Audiobooks

**By Patron Barbara Cooley Thaw**

Covering numerous miles in the car is that much smoother when you listen to audio books. My husband Robert and I found a common like for David Baldacci's thrillers and eagerly pop them into our CD player while we travel. Of course when we return home and the book is not yet complete, we must decide who gets to finish it out to the end!! We are excited to begin downloading the books (thanks, Meghan!!), opening up the options. The Sewickley Public Library is a wonderful neighborhood resource, offering up-to-date technology in an old-fashioned friendly manner.



### eiNetwork: Supporting Libraries in Allegheny County since 1996

**By Board Member Joseph Marrone**

Libraries have certainly changed during the past twenty years! One such area of rapid change has been so many technological advances. Libraries, including Sewickley Public Library, have been at the forefront of improving computer literacy and in providing a wide range of digital services, such as eBooks and other digital formats, along with important databases.

# Children's Department - December 2015

## Children's Department News

### Holiday Book Donation

Stop by the children's department to view new holiday books. Choose one to donate to the library in memory/honor of someone special. We will place a bookplate in the book and will add your purchase to the children's collection.

### Holiday Travel Kits

Don't forget to order your holiday travel kits, grandparent kits or boredom buster kits to enhance your holiday season with materials to keep the family happy.

### Save the Date for These 2016 Programs!

**Pre-School Open House** - Wednesday, January 13, at 7PM.

**4th Gr Battle of Books Info Meeting** - Wednesday, Jan. 27, 7PM.

**5th Gr Battle of the Books Info Meeting** - Thursday, Jan. 28, 7PM.

### Weekly Programs (No Registration)

Please note: There are no story time sessions during the weeks of December 20 and December 27.

**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:** Dec. 16 @ 6:30PM

**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. *Please bring 1/2 dozen cookies to share on December 17 for Holiday Storytime.*

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

### Children's Department Programs

*Please Register for the following programs unless otherwise noted.*

**Chess Night** - Wednesday, December 2, 7 - 8PM - 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.

**Light up Night Open House Trim the Tree!** - Friday, December 4, 6 - 9PM - See Page 1 for more information.

**Holiday Wreath Making** - Monday, December 7, 4:30 - 5:30PM - The Watershed Association and the Village Garden Club of Sewickley will show us how make our own holiday wreaths, from grapevine frames, using fresh evergreens. To further decorate your wreath, you might want to bring a bow or a small holiday decoration. Grades 3 - 8.

**Parachute Play** - Mondays, 6:45 - 7:15PM - Ring around our big parachute! Music and songs and a lot of fun! *No need to register!* Toddlers and Preschoolers, with a caregiver.



**Lego Night** - Tuesday, December 8, 7 - 8PM - Come join us for Lego Night! Build some wild and crazy creations. At the end we'll share what we've built. Bring your own Legos if you're able. Grades K-5.

**PJ Story Time: All Aboard the Polar Express** - Wednesday, December 9,

6:30 - 7:15PM - Well, are you coming to the North Pole? We 'Believe' you will have an adventure filled time with stories, songs, and crafts. Enjoy a snack while wearing your pajamas on the train. Family Program.



**Pre-School Math and Science** - Friday, December 11, 1 - 1:45PM - Using various shapes and patterns, we will create some special holiday cards. Ages 2-5 with care giver.

**Gingerbread House Fun** - Saturday, December 12, 1 - 2PM or 2:30 - 3:30PM - You supply the imagination—we supply the fixings! Decorate your own graham cracker house, to eat or to save! *Please bring a shoebox to transport your creation home.* \$2.00 materials fee per house. Family Program.

**Star Wars Xmas Party** - Sunday, December 13, 2PM - Come over to the Merry Side! *Please see the Teen Page for more information.*

**Dog Tales** - Sunday, December 13, 3 - 4:00PM - Certified Therapy Dogs LOVE to be read to but we need children to read to them! While snuggling and petting a dog, choose a picture book we provide and read to your furry reading companion. *Please register for a 15 minute time slot to read to a dog.* Ages 4 & Up, with Adult.

**Christmas Bingo** - Monday December 14, 7:30 - 8:30PM - Ho, Ho, Ho, I Want to Say Bingo! Family Program.

**Young Scientists** - Tuesday, December 15, 7 - 8PM - Have you ever tried walking on RAW EGGS before? It's probably unthinkable to try at home! But at Young Scientists, we consider this a fantastic experiment! Come join us as we explore what happens when you combine force, pressure, weight... and raw eggs! Grades 3-5.

**Fabulous Fridays!** - Friday, December 18, 4 - 5:30PM - Stop by anytime to create a make & take craft. *No need to register!* All Ages.

**American Girl Holiday Tea** - Saturday, December 19, 1 - 2PM or 2:30—3:30PM - Dress in your holiday finest, bring your best manners and favorite doll (any doll), and enjoy savory traditional treats from bygone eras. *Registration required by December 12th.* \$1.00 materials fee. Grades K-5.

**Make Your Own Gingerbread Cookies & Ornaments** - Tuesday, December 22, 4 - 5PM - Want to create a gift for that someone special this holiday? Or decorate your tree with a new ornament? You will make and decorate you own Gingerbread cookies and ornaments to enjoy at home. \$1.00 per child. Grades K-5.

**Holiday Name That Tune!** - Tuesday, December 22, 7 - 8PM - How well do you know the music of the season? Come rock round the proverbial Christmas tree and test your skills! Family Program.

**MAGIC IN THE LIBRARY** - Tuesday, December 29, 11:30 - 12:30PM - AL MAZING is coming back to our library. He will present great magic, age appropriate comedy, audience interaction, and a show the whole family will love. Family Program.

**Twelve Before Twelve** - Thursday, December 31, 11AM - 12:30PM - Ring in the New Year at the library! Join us for a very special New Year's Eve party as we celebrate twelve hours early! There will be activities, stories, and food for the whole family! Family Program. \$2.00 materials fee.

# DECEMBER

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

## CHRISTMAS SAT CRASH COURSE

SIX SESSIONS - 10 AM-12 PM  
DECEMBER 23, 24, 28, 29, 30 & 31

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Use your Winter Break to prepare for the SAT the best way!

Cost is \$100, covers course and materials. Scholarships available. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**

## A VERY STAR WARS CHRISTMAS

COME OVER TO THE MERRY SIDE! SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13TH - 2-4 PM

Help us celebrate the holiday season AND the release of *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* by joining us for a party of EPIC proportions! We'll have snacks fit for the cantina, a screening of a rarely seen holiday special, crafts, trivia, a costume contest, prizes and MORE!

All ages welcome! Registration recommended!



## UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER COOKIE PARTY!

FEATURING YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS SPECIALS!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22 - 6-7:30 PM

Writers' Group FRI., DEC. 11 - 4:30 - 5:30 PM

## RECURRING PROGRAMS

### MAKE'N'MORE

Every WEDNESDAY, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

### ANIME CLUB

TUESDAY, Dec. 1 & 15 - 3:30 - 5 pm

NEW  
DAYS!

### A DOCTOR WHO Christmas

Wednesday, Dec. 9,  
from 7-8 pm



### TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Make SPL Teen your own. Monday, Dec. 21, 6:00 to 7:00 pm

### GAY-STRAIGHT ALLIANCE

Every Wednesday, 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Winter Break is a GREAT time to prepare for BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2016!



For each individual library to provide this wide range of services, it would be prohibitively expensive. Wisely, the Allegheny County public libraries joined together to form the eiNetwork, the Electronic Information Network. The purpose of the eiNetwork is to provide basic technology services to Allegheny County public libraries. This includes a shared catalog, Internet and networking services, and applications for the various services provided by the libraries.

With all of the County libraries united, the eiNetwork is able to take advantage of the economies of scale. The eiNetwork, representing the consortium of 46 libraries (plus branch libraries), is able to negotiate contracts, obtain great pricing and provide standard technology service for all libraries, whether large or small.

The eiNetwork Board of Directors is comprised of four members that are appointed by the Allegheny County Library Association and four members that are appointed by the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh. Its primary funding is supplied by the Allegheny Regional Asset District. However, libraries are also able to purchase or lease certain services based on local need.

Sewickley Public Library appreciates the many services that the eiNetwork, along with its partners, the Allegheny County Library Association, the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh and the Allegheny County Regional Asset District, has provided to enhance the library experience of our community, both in the Quaker Valley area and throughout the county.

## Adult Department- December 2015

### OASIS Computer Classes

These classes are currently being scheduled. Please call the Reference Desk for information about which class is right for you and how you can sign up. Interested in volunteering to teach an OASIS Class? Email Dustin Shilling at [shillingd2@eiNetwork.net](mailto:shillingd2@eiNetwork.net)

### Tech Café Appointments

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

### Need Resume Help?

Call the Reference Desk to make an appointment with local resume expert Bob Ryan.

**Puzzle Sundays - Every Sunday** - Help us finish the puzzle in the Reference Area.

**Write Now! - Every Friday, 10:30AM** - 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, 3:30PM** - Join us every Friday for an old classic or a new flick.

**12/4** - No Movie, Light Up Night Festivities

**12/11 - Minions** - Minions Stuart, Kevin and Bob are recruited by Scarlett Overkill, a super-villain who, alongside her inventor husband Herb, hatches a plot to take over the world. (2015, PG, 91min.)

**12/17 - Meet Me in St. Louis** - In the year before the 1904 St Louis World's Fair, the four Smith daughters learn lessons of life and love, even as they prepare for a reluctant move to New York. (1944, NR, 113min.)

**12/25** - No Movie, Library CLOSED

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

**Falun Dafa Demonstration - Saturday, December 5, 2PM** - Join us in welcoming Dr. Ran Cheng from the Greater Philadelphia Falun Dafa Association for a demonstration of this ancient Chinese spiritual discipline. Falun Dafa (also known as Falun Gong) originates in the Buddhist tradition, consisting of moral teachings, a

meditation, and four gentle exercises that improve your health and energy levels. **Please Register.**

**Mystery Book Group - Tuesday, Dec. 8, 7PM** - *Checked Out* by Elaine Viets

**Conversation Salon - Wednesday, December 9, 10AM** - This interesting group of adults meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Coffee and great discussions!

**Cinema Circle Film Screening - Thursday, December 10, 6PM - Blow Up** (1966, NR, 111min.) - A mod London photographer seems to find something very suspicious in the shots he has taken of a mysterious beauty in a desolate park.

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**Query Club/Sewickley Public Library Speakers' Series - Monday, December 14, 7PM** - You are welcome to join us to listen to stimulating talks and enjoy refreshments during an intermission break.

**Get Lit Book Club - Tuesday, Dec. 15, 7PM at Crazy Mocha** - *Bellweather Rhapsody* by Kate Racculia

**Reiki Healing Exchange - Wednesday, December 16, 6:30PM** - Learn more about Therapeutic Touch and experience a relaxing, peaceful evening. A \$5.00 donation for the library is requested.

**Brown Bag Book Group - Thursday, Dec. 17, 11:30AM** - *An Island Christmas* by Nancy Thayer

**Cinema Circle Film Discussion - Thursday, December 17, 6PM** - Join us for a new forum focusing on foreign, independent, and lesser-known films. This month's film: **Blow Up** (1966, NR, 111min.)

**Coloring Outside the Lines - Monday, December 28, 1PM** - Come sit by the fire with a cuppa and color to your heart's content. Meets at 1PM on the Fourth Monday of every month. Colored pencils, coloring pages, and tea will be provided.

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**Eat at Bruegger's Bagels to Raise Funds for Your Library** - Thinking of buying a 2016 Bottomless Mug from Bruegger's? If you buy your card at the Sewickley Bruegger's Bagels on a library Saturday with a coupon, 15% of your purchase will go to the Friends of the Sewickley Library. Get the coupons on our website.



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of **Shawn Moore**.

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in honor of **Joanne Trainor**.

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[www.sewickleylibrary.org/donate/](http://www.sewickleylibrary.org/donate/)

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