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MARCH 2017

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

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Pi Day Pie Baking Contest

On **Tuesday, March 14 at 6:30PM** come to the library bearing gifts of PIE! March 14th is Pi Day (3.14) and in celebration of this mathematical day, we will be holding a Pie Baking Contest. This is our 7th Annual contest! Bring in a pie that you've made and we'll have an "expert" panel of guest judges pick the best one. Apple, blueberry, or bacon; all pie varieties are welcome! The winner will get bragging rights and a special pi(e) prize. This contest is open to All Ages. Please Register if you want to bake a pie as there are a limited number of spots available!



ED Talks - Environmental Degradation and your Health



Join us on **Wednesday, March 29 at 7PM** in welcoming back Edward F. Schroth. Environmental degradation of our air, water and land can be devastating on the social, economic and environmental ecosystems. Due to increasing environmental degradation and its impact of on both physical and mental health, the interrelationship between society and nature and the importance of sustainability brings concerns. We are all affected by environmental degradation, but it is the poor – especially women and children - who bear the main burden. Its consequences are visited on the homes, workplaces and our families in the forms of obesity, P.T.S.D. and juvenile delinquency. Attention will be given to the biophilia thesis - the notion that human beings have an innate affinity with nature, and the salutogenic effects of a closer relationship of Americans to reconnect to their ecosystems. We need nature in our lives more than

ever today. Nature is not something optional, but absolutely essential to living a happy, healthy and meaningful life. Please Register.

Knitting for All Ages!

This March we have two great opportunities for new knitters. The Children's Department will hold a Knitting for Beginners for Grades 3-5 on **Saturday, March 11, 1 - 3 PM**. Check out page 4 for more information. Cathy Susko is starting a knitting club for all skill levels on **Tuesday, March 7 at 10AM**. Read more about this group on page 6.

SPL Stories Continued - MARCH 2017

Love Your Library Month Results

In September 2016 The Jack Buncher Foundation offered to public libraries throughout Allegheny County a fundraising challenge offering up \$125,000 of matching money to be shared by all libraries. It was a first of a kind challenge for the county's 47 public libraries.

- The pool of money The Jack Buncher Foundation made available for the match was \$125,000.
- Almost \$531,000 was raised by the 47 public libraries in September.
- For each dollar raised, each library received .23 cents.



Sewickley Public Library and the Friends of the Sewickley Public Library raised \$37,127. The top three fundraising libraries were:

1. Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh raised \$84,691 and received \$19,940
2. Western Allegheny Community Library raised \$43,306 and received \$10,196
3. Sewickley Public Library raised \$37,128 and received \$8,741

All 47 libraries received something from the pool.

September 2016 was a big fundraising month for Sewickley Public Library and we were able to use all of these fundraising events to count toward our match:

1. The Friends of the Library Savoring Sewickley annual event kicked off ticket sales. Ticket sales, raffle ticket sales, and sponsorship donations made in September counted toward our fundraising effort.
2. The Library Board mailed reminder letters to donors in August urging them to make a donation in September if they hadn't already made an earlier donation in the year. The Library Board also recognized September as Rita Crawford month as she announced her retirement. Donations made in honor of Mrs. Crawford contributed to our September fundraising.
3. The Pittsburgh Foundation's Day of Giving was also held in September. Usually the Day of Giving is in May, but due to a technical difficulty it was rescheduled for September.
4. Memorial, Honor and unrestricted donations made throughout the month contributed to our September success, too.

We are so very grateful to all of our donors. We couldn't have done it without you! Just about every dollar received by the library or the Friends of the Library was counted toward our fundraising success in September.

In a press release, Mrs. Bernita Buncher, chair of The Jack Buncher Foundation, said, "Our community clearly demonstrated that a library is more than just books, it is a center for information, technology and learning that fuels educational and economic opportunity for residents of all abilities, skills and backgrounds."

Mrs. Buncher surprised all of the public libraries one more time in 2016 when she donated \$5,000 from The Jack Buncher Foundation to each of the 47 public libraries in December.

What did Sewickley Public Library do with all of the generous donations from our patrons and The Jack Buncher Foundation? Our librarians and staff continue to offer outstanding customer service, we provide advanced technology opportunities, we maintain our lovely historic landmark building, we provide a comprehensive collection and programming and more. The Sewickley Public Library is truly a community gem due to your generosity.

Carolyn Toth, Sewickley Public Library Director

Sewickley Public Library would like to Thank:

- Julie Tremain donated 4 large character cut outs to the Children's Department (please see the picture below). When our patrons come in to the room, they are greeted by Little Bear, Franklin, Kipper and Maisy! They are a magical addition to our collection.
- Theone Paxton donated a subscription to *The Christian Science Monitor*. *The Christian Science Monitor* is an independent international news organization that delivers thoughtful, global coverage. New issues will be available soon.
- Yvonne Dwyer has volunteered to help people file their taxes through the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program. Her appointments are filling up and can be booked by calling the Reference Desk.



Save the Dates!

Spring Bound III

Join us again on **Saturday, April 1** as we celebrate what binds and nurtures our community: The Sewickley Public Library & regional artists. All exhibited artwork is for sale, 100% of the proceeds from sales will benefit the Friends of Sewickley Public Library. This year, the event will take place at **The Tull Family Theater in the Esmark and Bouchard Family Community Room**. Tickets will be on sale soon at the library and online.

Champagne 'Red Carpet' Vernissage (passed hors' d'oeuvres) 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm., \$75/ticket

General Admission (wine and hors' d'oeuvres) 6:00 - 8:00 pm \$25/ticket

Tickets on sale at event but Advanced purchase is recommended.

Fly Fishing Simplified with Stephen Plut on Monday, April 3 at 7PM

Learn about lures and techniques to get you started in this fun outdoor activity.

Tai Chi Classes with Pat Farkas Begins **Tuesday, April 4** - \$25 for 10 weeks -- every Tuesday morning.

10:00AM - Intermediate sessions using Yang 24 method.

11:15 AM - Beginner's sessions using Dr. Lam's method.



Take a Wise Walk at the Library Begins **Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 9:30AM**. Join us as we begin our 17th 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.

Children's Department - MARCH 2017

On Going Programs (No Registration)

Mighty Math – Mondays, 6:45 – 7:15PM - Early math concepts for toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers! Lots of fun with numbers and more! TODDLERS AND PRESCHOOLERS, WITH ADULT.

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

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!

Family Storytimes - Saturdays at 10:00AM - Join us every Saturday for stories, songs, crafts and more!! The whole family is invited to attend!

Please Register for the following unless otherwise noted.

Birth -5 years old

Baby & Toddler Sensory Time – Wednesday, March 8, 6 - 7 PM - Stop in at any time during this hour long sensory



experience! Babies and toddlers can play and explore our various sensory stations that will encourage your little one's curiosity and sense of wonder through touch, sight and sound. BABIES & TODDLERS WITH ADULT.

Parachute Play – Friday March 3, 11 - 11:30AM - Thirty minutes of activities that includes music, creative movement and fun, all with one colorful parachute! BABIES & TODDLERS WITH ADULTS.

Super Science - STEM– Friday, March 24, 1 - 1:45PM - Preschool program that pairs books with hands-on experiences to engage and interest children through active, scientific learning. While using observation and critical thinking, children and parents will explore different scientific concepts. AGES 3-5 WITH ADULT.

Grades K-2

Picnic in the Library – Saturday, March 25, 2 - 3 PM – Bring a blanket and an appetite because we are going to have a picnic in the library! Learn how to make special foods to take on your picnic, read picnic stories, and then enjoy some picnic foods because Spring is here!



Grades 3-5

Makers Space Fridays – Friday, March 10, 4 - 5:30 – Let's Make something together! Each month we'll work on a different project with new and recycled materials, and much, much more!

Knitting for Beginners – Saturday, March 11, 1 - 3 PM – Knitting is a fun hobby. For this beginners class we will learn the basic of knitting: casting on and the knit stitch. Class size is limited. There is a \$5 material fee for this program.



Young Writers Workshop – Monday, March 20, 4 - 5:30 PM - Love to write? Join our NEW Young Writers Workshop! Come brainstorm, share ideas and work with creative writing prompts. Bring your short story, poetry, or comics along to share!

Multiple Grades

Chess Club - Sunday, March 12, 1 - 2 PM – NEW DAY & TIME 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 - 5.

Dog Tales - Sunday, March 12, 3 - 4 PM - 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 call to register for a 15-minute time slot to read to a dog. AGES 4 - 10, WITH ADULT.

American Girl – Baking 101: Cupcakes Saturday, March 18, 1 - 2PM – Love to make, decorate & eat cupcakes? Join us as we learn to make cupcakes & icing from scratch. Class size is limited. There is a \$2 material fee for this program. GRADES K-5.



Smart Art - Sunday, March 19, 2 – 2:45PM - Explore a different famous work of art and the artist behind it. Create your own masterpiece in the same style. GRADES K-5.

Family Programs

Dr. Seuss Day Fun – Wednesday, March 1, 6 - 7 PM – Come celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday with stories, games, crafts, and snacks!

Family Story Time at Ohio Township Nature Center – Mondays - March 6, 13, 20, 10 - 10:45AM - Sewickley Public Library is hosting a family story time at the Ohio Township Nature Center. Stories, songs and crafts for the whole family.

Story Walk at Edgeworth Elementary - Saturday, March 18, 10AM - Stories and activities are geared toward children ages 3-8. One of our librarians will be a reader.

SPL TEEN in MARCH

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE AND FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-12,
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

STUPID UNICORN PARTY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 - 7 PM

ALL AGES. REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED!



THE WORST ART SHOW EVER!

Do you have what it takes to
create the WORST PIECE OF ART?
Using our supplies, you'll have
ONE HOUR to find out!

SUNDAY, MARCH 19 - 2-3:30 PM
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Young Writers' Group

FRI, MARCH 10 - 4:30 - 5:30 PM
MON, MARCH 27 - 6-7 PM

TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MONDAY, MARCH 20 - 6-7 PM

MAKE A DIFFERENCE @ YOUR LIBRARY

ANIME CLUB

TUESDAY,
MARCH 7 & 21
3:30 - 5 PM



Cook It!

PREP IT. COOK IT. EAT IT!

THURSDAY,
MARCH 9 & 23
4-5 PM



Write Now! - Every Friday, 10:30AM - Meets every Friday at 10:30AM - Conducted by Jeanne Zell, participants enjoy writing from prompts in an encouraging and supportive atmosphere.

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

Special Programs this Month

Cinema Circle Foreign Film Club - Wednesday, March 1, 6PM

Screening of this month's film followed immediately by a discussion. ***The Secret in their Eyes*** A retired legal counselor writes a novel hoping to find closure for one of his past unresolved homicide cases and for his unreciprocated love with his superior - both of which still haunt him decades later. (2009, R, 2hr 9min)

Tea and Inspiration - Thursdays, March 2 & 9, 6PM - Share a cup of tea and conversation centered on uplifting quotations gleaned from a variety of wise sources: the world's Scriptures, poets, artists, philosophers, statesmen. Participants are encouraged (but not required) to bring something that helps illuminate a different theme each week: 3/2 Purpose in Life, 3/9 Courage.

Knitting Club - Tuesday, March 7, 10AM - New to the hobby or have years of experience, everyone is welcome. An experienced knitter will be on hand to answer your questions.

Spanish Conversation Group - Tuesdays, March 7 & 21, 6:30PM - A basic and intermediate Spanish conversation group is meeting twice a month. The group will be led by a native speaker.

New Movie Tuesdays - Tuesdays, March 7 & 21 at 6:30PM We'll be showing movies that just came out on DVD. Call the library for this month's titles.

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

Create Your Own Backyard Wildlife Habitat - Wednesday, March 8, 6:30PM - Please see Page 8 of this newsletter for more information. **Please Register.**

Intro to Microsoft Excel - Thursday, March 9, 1PM - This class is intended to help students get started using Microsoft Excel for spreadsheets, budgets, charts, and more. **Please Register.**

Query Club/Sewickley Public Library Speakers Series
Mondays, March 13 & 27, 7PM - The theme for the 2016-2017 season is "Art and Culture."

3/13 - "Art: Is It Just a Man's Name" by Rob Edwards and "Richard Meier" by Steve Houghton

3/27 - "Symbolism in Oriental Art" by Mary Wear and "Musical Comedy" by Peter Sour

Coffee and Crafting - Tuesday, March 14, 10AM - Join library staffer Heather Summers for a craft demo and project to 'test the waters' of a new hobby without the substantial investment. This month's focus: Easter and Birthday Cards. Learn how to make beautiful cards to give to family and friends this Spring. There is a \$10 materials fee for 3 cards. Join us for great instruction and a warm cuppa. **Please Register.**

Pi Day Pie Baking Contest - Tuesday, March 14, 6:30PM
Please see page 1 of this newsletter for more information.

Senior iPad/iPhone Club - Wednesday, March 15, 11 AM - We welcome all adults and seniors who are interested in expanding their knowledge of iPads and iPhones. Please bring your own device if you already own one. **Please Register.**

How to Avoid Being a Victim of Identity Theft and Scams
Wednesday, March 15, 3:30PM - Specialist Philip Little from the PA Office of Attorney General will be discussing the different ways people become victims of identity theft and scams and the different ways you can learn to minimize your chances of becoming a victim. **Please Register.**

Reiki Healing Exchange - Wednesday, March 15, 6:30 - Learn more about Therapeutic Touch and experience a relaxing, peaceful evening. \$5.00 donation for the library is requested.

Facebook - Tips and Tricks - Wednesday, March 22, 1PM
This class is intended for beginner Facebook users who would like to learn some of the skills needed to better navigate the social networking website. **Please Register.**

Stupid Unicorn Party for All Ages - Wednesday, March 22, 7PM - Come celebrate all things unicorn. Rainbow hot chocolate, unicorn cake pops, unicorn games. You love unicorns? Show it. **Please Register.**

Color IN, Clutter OUT - Tuesday, March 28, 7PM - Color Analyst, Julie Shields and Certified Professional Organizer Sandra Lane, will share tips on creating a closet you love. Imagine a closet filled with colors that look good on you and strategies of how to deal with the clothes that no longer serve you. **Please Register.**

Senior Computer Club - Wednesday, March 29, 11 AM
Starting in March Norm Mast our volunteer coordinator of this group will be taking a sabbatical from the group. Thank you to Norm for his ongoing dedication to this group during the past year! The Senior Computer Club will now meet monthly. The Club will focus on PCs and Android based tablets.

ED Talks: Environmental Degradation and your Health by Edward F. Schroth - Wednesday, March 29, 7PM - Please see Page 1 of this newsletter for more information. **Please Register.**

March Book Groups

Mystery Book Group - Tuesday, Mar. 14, 7PM - *The Curtain* by Agatha Christie

Get Lit - Tuesday, Mar. 21 7PM at - *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood **Location:** Azul Bar Y Cantina

Brown Bag Book Group - Thursday, Mar. 16, 11:30AM - *The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto* by Mitch Albom

4th Tuesday Book Group - Tuesday, Mar. 28, 7PM - *Commonwealth* by Ann Patchett

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March 2017 Display cases will feature Doris Dumrauf (from February 17 – March 25). Dumrauf is an accomplished wildlife photographer and will be giving a talk entitled **Create Your Own Backyard Wildlife Habitat on Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30PM**. Learn how to attract wildlife to your yard and why native plants are crucial to this goal. As a nature photographer, Mrs. Dumrauf spends many hours in her back yard - a National Wildlife Federation Certified Wildlife Habitat - and observes the web of life up close. After her talk, Mrs. Dumrauf will sign copies of her new book.



Saturday, March 4 is the SPL Bruegger's Saturday. Print a coupon from our website and 15% of your purchase will go towards the Friends of the Sewickley Public Library. What a yummy way to help the library!