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Monday-Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

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The Library will have a delayed opening on Thursday, April 20 while we upgrade our computers. We will be open 1PM -9PM.



SPRING

Tickets on sale now at

sewickleylibrary.org/spring-bound BOUND III Saturday, April 1st, 2017

The Friends of the Sewickley Public Library will be holding their third fundraising art exhibition on **Saturday, April 1** at the **The Tull Family Theater in the Esmark and Bouchard Family Community Room at 418 Walnut Street, Sewickley, PA 15143**. Please join the Friends of the Library as they celebrate the library and art. The work of nearly twenty artists will be on exhibit and available for purchase.

**Champagne 'Red Carpet' Vernissage 5pm – 6pm, \$75/ticket** passed hors d'oeuvres Early entry for VIP preview of the artwork for purchase

General Admission 6pm – 8pm, \$25/ticket wine and hors d'oeuvres

Attire: Hollywood-inspired optional

## **Annual SPL Chess Tournament**

The winners for the 2017 Sewickley Public Library Chess Tournament are:

- Junior 1<sup>st</sup> Will Fitzgerald
- Junior 2<sup>nd</sup> Grant Castaldo
- Senior 1<sup>st</sup> Dylan Fitzgerald
- Senior 2<sup>nd</sup> Collin Wang

The first place winners will be moving on to the Allegheny County Chess Tournament in April. In an interesting twist, the 1st place winners in both divisions are brothers!! We wish the Fitzgerald brothers the best of luck at the tournament in April.

## SPL Stories Continued - April 2017

## FOSPL Donor Appreciation Talk

#### with Christine Tomana Poluszejko, owner of Eco-Land Designs



Join us **Thursday, April 6, 7PM.** As a thank you to our donors, the Friends of the Library are hosting an evening with Christine Tomana Poluszejko, owner of Eco-Land Designs, where she will share her landscaping and gardening expertise. A sale of fine garden and landscape books will be offered beginning at 6 PM. Please email a message/photo to Christine ecolanddesigns@gmail.com prior to the evening about a specific landscape and/or hardscape project, which may be discussed; you'll be eligible for a consultation at your home!

## **The Peep Show**

Peep! Peep! Get creative with Peeps. Design a scene from a book starring those saccharine cuties. "Mary Peepins"? "The Lightning Peep"? "Fear and Sugar in Las Vegas"? Library patrons will vote on their favorite and the designer of the Peep Show with the most votes will win a sweet prize! All Ages. Drop off your scene anytime between **Monday, April 17 and Thursday, April 20**. Scenes will be displayed between April 21 and May 1.





## Moana Sing-Along! On Wednesday, April 26 at 6PM

Are You Mad for MOANA?!? Join your fellow fans for an epic sing-along to this fabulous film! Snacks and crafts too! Lyric sheets will be provided. ALL AGES WELCOME! Registration recommended! From Walt Disney Animation Studios comes "Moana," a sweeping, CGanimated adventure about a spirited teenager who sails out on a daring mission to prove herself a master wayfinder and fulfill her ancestors' unfinished quest.

## **Dog Tales**

Quaker Valley High School Senior Maggie Dobbins has been a staple at the Sewickley Public Library for the last six years. At age 13, as a Girl Scout service award project, Maggie designed and implemented a program called Dog Tales. This program has been a hit at the Sewickley Public Library ever since. The purpose of Dog Tales is to help children improve their reading by practicing in a fun, nonjudgmental environment while reading to Certified Therapy Dogs! Maggie herself owns a beautiful therapy dog named Butter, who makes the children feel at ease with her gentle manner and her soft, fluffy fur.

Maggie and Butter have been a dynamic duo ever since Maggie was 8 years old and received Butter from a family friend. Even at that remarkably young age, Maggie felt compelled to make a difference in her community. She trained Butter to earn a Canine Good Citizenship, an award given by the American Kennel Club that requires the mastery of 10 basic obedience commands. At age 11, Maggie and Butter became a certified therapy dog team through Therapy Dog International, which has criteria of 15 obedience and temperament requirements. The team immediately began making a positive impact by visiting local nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, and schools.



Maggie is an inspiring young woman, and we at the Sewickley Public Library will miss her and her furry friend, Butter. We wish her the best of luck as she goes off to college at Baldwin Wallace University, where she plans to play lacrosse. Maggie, thank you for Dog Tales! ED Talks: Biodiversity in your Backyard with Ed Schroth, Wednesday, April 12, 7PM All humans affect the environment in which they live. There are some simple steps you can take to provide a habitat for our native animals and insects. Native plants create shelter, shade, nesting places and leaf litter, prevent erosion and provide food in the form of leaves, nectar, berries, seeds, and associated bugs. You CAN create your own 'biodiversity habitat' in your backyard. Please Register.



## **Mystery Book Group Author Visit**

Join us on Tuesday, April 11 at 7PM in the Community Room for this month's discussion of Circle of **Influence** by Annette Dashofy with the author herself! Bring your questions and a friend. All are ANNETTE welcome.

## **Tea & Inspiration Starts Spring Session**

Sewickley neighbors, Sharon Eakes and Judy Washington are coordinating thoughtful evenings of conversation on Thursday evenings. As Sharon explains, "We share some inspiring quotes on the theme, or subject of the night from the world's Scriptures and other wise sources. Participants are also encouraged to bring a quotation, a poem, or any other art form on the topic. This provokes reflection and meaningful conversation around our theme. People who have attended have expressed appreciation for this opportunity for deep, thoughtful conversation. They have reported feeling better when they leave than when they came. That's what we hope for."

You are invited to join in these evenings of uplifting conversation. This session's themes: **April 6** – Renewal, **April 13** – Generosity, April 20 - Tests & Difficulties, April 27 – Hope, May 4 - Creativity (Community Room upstairs), May 11 - Prayer and Meditation

### Make a Blind Date with a Book has a record year!

The Teen Department's Make a Blind Date with a Book program takes place every February and gives participating students a FREE BOOK matched to their tastes when they fill out a readers' survey. This is the fourth year of the program and it just keeps getting bigger and bigger. In addition to students from Quaker Valley Middle School, Sewickley Academy and the entire student body of Ambridge Junior High, this year Holy Family Academy students joined in the fun. All told, we gave away around **546 books** to area students in grades 6-12.



## Sewickley Public Library has many Thanks to Give!



In January, the Children's department received 4 wooden character cut outs. This past • month, the Musial Family donated a wooden cut out of Max from Where the Wild Things Are. We could not have been happier!! We LOVE our new decorations!

Special thanks to everyone who made Make a Blind Date with a Book possible: Teen Department Assistant, Bridget Clark, Caitie Morphew and Megan Bettenhausen for donations and helping with book-matching, Kathy Fear for assistance, members of the Pittsburgh Forever Young Adult Book Club for donations, Tom Forrest (QVMS), Ginny Connelly and Ruth Neely (SA), Jane White (AJHS), Rose-Anne Vigilante (HFA), and the Friends of Sewickley Public Library for supporting this program.

Battle of the Books for Grades 6-12 took place at the end of the February and early March. Special thanks to Tom Forrest and QVMS for hosting BOB 2017, Ruth Neely at Sewickley Academy for her assistance, and the Friends of Sewickley Public Library for supporting this program every year.

## Spring Clean Your Playroom!

The Children's Department is looking for gently used American Girl

Dolls, Lego's, Duplo's, and Mega Blocks for our Summer Reading Club programs! Please bring them into the Children's Department during the month of April.



# Children's Department - APRIL 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



Parachute Play – Friday April 7, 11-11:30AM - Thirty minutes of activities that includes music, creative movement and fun, all with one colorful parachute! <u>AGES 2-5 WITH</u> ADULT.

Baby & Toddler Sensory Time – Wednesday, April 12, 6 - 7 AM - 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.

#### Grades K-2

**Lego Club Jr. - Tuesday, April 25 6-7PM** – Monthly Lego Club meetings will each focus on a different theme. Students will be encouraged to put their creativity to use to build their own creation. Join us for our first meeting.

#### Grades 3-5

4th Grade Battle of the Books - Monday, April 3, 7PM @Edgeworth Elementary Gymnasium

**5th Grade Battle of the Books - Wednesday, April 5, 7PM** *@* Edgeworth Elementary Gymnasium

**Makers Space Fridays – Friday, April 7, 4-5PM** – Let's Make something together! Each month we'll work on a different project with new and recycled materials, and much, much more!

**Lego Club - Tuesday, April 11 6-7PM** – Monthly Lego Club meetings will each focus on a different theme. Students will be encouraged to put their creativity to use to build their own creation. Join us for our first meeting.

Young Writers Workshop – Monday, April 24, 4- 5PM -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, April 9, 1-2 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. <u>**GRADES K - 5.**</u>

**Dog Tales - Sunday, April 9, 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. <u>AGES 4 - 10, WITH ADULT.</u>

American Girl: Grace Stirs Up Success - Saturday, April 22, 1- 3PM – Join us for popcorn and a movie! We'll watch Grace Stirs Up Success Rated G. You are welcome to bring any doll you wish to bring. <u>GRADES K-5.</u>

Moana Sing-Along! - Wednesday, April 26, 6-8PM - Please see page 1 of this newsletter for more information. <u>ALL</u> <u>AGES.</u>

Smart Art - Sunday, April 30, 2-2:45PM -Explore a different famous work of art and the artist behind it. Create your own masterpiece in the same style. <u>GRADES K-</u> 5.



#### **Family Programs**

Family Story Time at Ohio Township Nature Center – Mondays, April 10, 17 & 24 from - 10:00-10:45AM -Sewickley Public Library is hosting a family story time at the Ohio Township Nature Center. Stories, songs and crafts for the whole family. Please call the Library to register!





## Adult Programs - April 2017

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

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.

#### **Special Programs this Month**

**Fly Fishing Simplified with** Stephen Plut on Monday, April 3, 7PM - Learn about lures and techniques to get you started in this fun outdoor activity. Please Register.



Knitting Club - Tuesday, April 4, 10AM - New to the hobby or have years of experience,

everyone is welcome. An experienced knitter will be on hand to answer your questions.

Tai Chi with Pat Farkas – Tuesdays, Beginning April 4, Two Sessions - \$25 for 10 weeks - Please register. 10:00 AM Intermediate sessions using Yang 24 method. 11:15 AM Beginner's sessions using Dr. Lam's method.

Spanish Conversation Group – Tuesdays, April 4 & 18, 6:30PM - A basic and intermediate Spanish conversation group is meeting twice a month. The group will be led by a native speaker.



Cinema Circle Foreign Film Club - Wednesday, April 5, 6PM - Screening of this month's film followed immediately by a discussion. A Man Called Ove (En man som heter Ove) - Ove, an ill-tempered, isolated retiree who spends his days enforcing block association rules and visiting his wife's grave, has finally given up on life just as an unlikely friendship develops with his boisterous new neighbors. (2015, OG-13, 1hr 56min.)

Take a Wise Walk at the Library - Begins Thursday, April 6, 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.

Senior Computer Club - Thursday, April 6, 12PM - If you're a senior and want to have fun, make new friends and learn about computers and the Internet please join us monthly for the Senior Computer Club. Each meeting is divided into two sessions. Session #1 is called Staying Current. This session focuses on bringing you new and practical information on computer technology. Session #2 is called Nuts & Bolts. This session focuses on helping you get things done with your computer. The Staying Current topic for the April meeting will be "Freeware – How to Safely Find, Download and Install Free **Programs for Your Computer.**"

#### Tea and Inspiration - Thursdays, 6PM - Please see Page 3 for more information.

FOSPL Donor Appreciation Talk – Thursday, April 6, 7PM - Please see Page 2 for more information.

Query Club/Sewickley Public Library Speakers Series - Monday, April 10, 7PM - The theme for the 2016-2017 season is "Art and Culture."

Coffee and Crafting – Tuesday, April 11, 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: Learn to make a Double Five-Strand Braid using cotton cord! Please bring a clipboard to class. There is a \$5 materials fee. Join us for great instruction and a warm cuppa. Please Register.

Conversation Salon - Wednesday, April 12, 10AM - This interesting group of adults meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Coffee and great discussions!

ED Talks: Biodiversity in your Backyard with Ed Schrothe – Wednesday, April 12, **7PM** - Please see Page 3 for more information.



New Movie Showings- Thursdays, April 13 & 27 at 6:30PM -4/13 – Hidden Figures 4/27 - Lion

Free Digital Resources "They" Don't Want You to Know About -Monday, April 17, 10AM - You can save hundreds of dollars by taking advantage of some of the digital resources available to Sewickley Library users. This session will explore many of the digital resources that you can start using on your own computer or device today that are provided by the Sewickley Public Library. Please Register.

The Peep Show – Monday, April 17 – Monday, May 1 – Please see page 2 for more information.

Senior iPad/iPhone Club - Wednesday, April 19, 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.

Reiki Healing Exchange - Wednesday, April 19, 6:30 - Learn more about Therapeutic Touch and experience a relaxing, peaceful evening. \$5.00 donation for the library is requested.

AAII Personal Financial Planning Special Topics – Tuesday, April 25, 7PM - FINANCIAL SERVICE INDUSTRY UNVEILED: How to determine if YOU are being ADVISED or SOLD. Confused about how to evaluate financial advisors and whether or not to trust the advice that you are being given? Learn how to determine if your advisor is a fiduciary, broker/dealer or hybrid and why that matters. Please Register.

Intro to Microsoft Excel - Wednesday, April 26, 10AM - Learn the basics of getting started with Microsoft Excel to build spreadsheets, charts, and graphs. Please Register.

Intro to Handwriting Analysis - Saturday, April 29, 11 AM

presented by Valerie Weil, CG. Your handwriting tells a lot about who you are, how you think, what motivates you, how you get along with others. Come and find out what this amazing tool is used for in business today. Val is a certified graphologist and handwriting expert. She is the Education Director for the American Handwriting Analysis Foundation, and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience into the program. Please Register.

#### **April Book Groups**

by Annette Dashofy A visit by the author!

Get Lit - Tuesday, Apr. 18, 7PM at - Full Cicada Moon by Marilyn Hilton Location: Slippery Mermaid

Mystery Book Group - Tuesday, Apr. 11, 7PM - Circle of Influence Brown Bag Book Group – Thursday, Apr. 20, 11:30AM - The Last Days of Dogtown by Anita Diamant

> 4th Tuesday Book Group - Tuesday, Apr.25, 7PM - Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance

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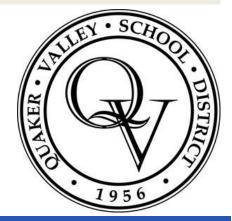
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# In April, the display cases will showcase the artwork of students in the **Quaker Valley School District**.

Please stop by and see the innovative and exciting work by local students of all ages.





Saturday, April 1 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!