



# Northland News

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## THREE RIVERS STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

The tenth annual Three Rivers Storytelling Festival will be held on Friday and Saturday, August 6 and 7, on the library grounds.

This year's featured tellers include Tim Tingle, an enrolled member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and a frequent speaker at tribal events, West Virginia native Granny Sue Holstein, who tells and sings stories in the old-time front porch style, traveling storyteller Kate Danaher, and local favorite Joe Wos, who has been combining storytelling and cartooning into a very non-traditional approach for more than a quarter of a century.

The Festival begins with Kid's Day events on Friday morning and afternoon, followed by an evening concert with all of the featured tellers at 7:30pm. Then it's time for Ghost Stories at 10:00pm.

Saturday's schedule includes individual storytelling sessions on two stages throughout the day beginning at 10:00am with both local and featured tellers, followed by an evening concert with our featured tellers at 7:30pm.

Other Festival events include Stories and Lunch for Seniors at noon on Friday, where you can enjoy a box lunch and stories for just \$10. Also scheduled on Friday are workshops with our featured tellers during the day, priced at \$35 apiece. Tickets for the lunch and the workshops are available in the administration office on the lower level of the library weekdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm. For a complete schedule of events please visit the Storytelling Festival website at [www.3rstf.org](http://www.3rstf.org).



## HOT DOG DAY IS HERE!

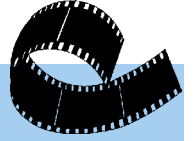
They say there's no such thing as a free lunch, but our Hot Dog Day on Thursday, August 5 from 11:00am to 1:00pm comes pretty close.

There will be hot dogs for just fifty cents, as well as other snacks and beverages, crafts, face painting and a Book Nook discount table. Join us on the library grounds for this annual highlight of the summer.

## FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER AT WILDWOOD HIGHLANDS

Plan to join us at Wildwood Highlands on Saturday, August 21 as the Northland Public Library Foundation hosts a fundraising day of fun and activities. You can show your support for the library by using the coupon in this newsletter, downloading one from the library website, or by picking up one at the customer service, checkout or reference desks. Present the coupon to the cashier at Wildwood Highlands on August 21, and 20 percent of what you spend on food, tokens and attractions will be donated to Northland Public Library. In addition, the foundation will also hold a miniature golf outing throughout the day, rides on Freddie the Fire Truck and the Gymagic Bus, and a Car Cruise from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Sponsorship opportunities are available for many of these events. For more information contact the Northland Public Library Foundation at 412-366-8100, extension 103, or by email at [info@northlandfoundation.org](mailto:info@northlandfoundation.org)

## Film Series at Northland



### FOREIGN FILM SERIES

Our feature presentation this month is a drama from Germany, *The White Ribbon*. It's the story of a small, austere, religious and highly-authoritative community in Northern Germany where many "accidents" mysteriously happen. Some think that the children in the town are involved. Are they right? This black-and-white suspense film was nominated for best foreign picture at the Academy Awards this year, and has won over a dozen international awards. Join us on Wednesday, August 11 at 2:00pm. Refreshments will be served.

### TRAVEL FILM SERIES

We're off to Croatia, the land of many cobblestone roads, medieval houses and Baroque monuments on Wednesday, August 18 at 2:00pm. Stops include Dubrovnik, one of the most beautiful cities in Europe, plus the city of Split, where we will visit the Emperor Diocletian's palace. No reservation is required for this program.

### DOCUMENTARY FILM SERIES

Join us at 2:00pm on Wednesday, August 25 when our feature presentation will be *The Unmistaken Child*, in which the shy, devoted disciple of a renowned Buddhist Master is given the job of finding the child who is his Master's reincarnation. Our September 22 feature is *The September Issue*, featuring Anna Wintour and the staff of Vogue Magazine as they prepare the 840-page fashion bible, the largest magazine ever published. No reservation is required for this program.



## SHARON DONOVAN: TRANSFORMING A LIFE

As the result of a childhood illness, local author Sharon Donovan was told by doctors that she would be blind by age 25. Both her career as a secretary and her lifelong desire to become an artist were thwarted when this prediction came true despite several surgeries. Rather than give up, Sharon channeled her creative talents into writing, where through the help of a talking computer she has written her own story, as well as several other books, as an inspiration to others. Join us on Thursday, August 19 at 7:00pm as Sharon recounts her life's experiences. You may register for this program online on the library website or by calling the adult services reference desk at 412-366-8100, extension 113.

## A NEW TWIST ON TEA

Tea aficionados are invited to join us on Thursday, August 5 at 7:00pm, when the "Tea Goddess", Betsy Hollweck, will present a lively and entertaining program on the many tea drinks that are especially popular in the summer. Betsy will demonstrate ways to combine flavors to make a healthy and satisfying beverage. Samples will be available. You may register for this program online on the library website, or by calling the adult services reference desk at 412-366-8100, extension 113.

## NORTHLAND KNITTERS

If you love to knit or just enjoy talking about knitting, we have a monthly program just for you. Northland Knitters is a forum for all things knitting. There are both afternoon and evening sessions where you can share ideas and techniques, swap patterns, knit, break for dessert, and then knit some more. Join us on Wednesday, August 11 at 7:00pm, or on Friday, August 20 at 1:00pm. No reservation is required for either session.

## WRITING AS A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

Former professor of world religions and art history Madhu Wangu shows how to use personal writing to focus on bringing solitude into your surroundings and tranquility deep within on Thursday, August 5 at 7:00pm. If you enjoy writing and turning your thoughts into words then plan on joining us for this sample program. If you prefer to begin from the first workshop session then join us next March for this ten-week program. No advance registration is required.

## DAYTIME AND EVENING CONVERSATION SALONS

Northland Library has both daytime and evening Conversation Salons each month, where any topic of interest is open for discussion. Both sessions provide excellent forums to discuss a wide range of topics. The next Evening Salon will be held on Thursday, August 12 at 7:00pm. Refreshments will be served. The next Daytime Conversation Salon will be held on Wednesday, August 25 at 1:00pm. No reservation is required for either Conversation Salon, and new participants are always welcome.

## TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK GROUP

The Group will meet on Tuesday, August 3 at 7:00pm to discuss *Logicomix: An Epic Search for Truth*, by Apostolos Doxiadis and Christos Papadimitriou, a graphic novel about the life of Bertrand Russell and his struggle to find the logical foundation of all mathematics. No reservation is required for this group and newcomers are always welcome.

On September 7 the group will discuss *Born Round: A Story of Family, Food and a Ferocious Appetite*, by Frank Bruni.

## SECOND FRIDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The group will take a break in August and return on Friday, September 10 with the annual salad luncheon and a discussion of the National Book Award winner, *Let the Great World Spin*, by Colum McCann.

## WRITERS AT WORK

If you want to learn more about writing as a career or a hobby then why not join our Writers at Work group, which will meet on Monday, August 9 at 6:30pm. Get some helpful hints on everything from the basics of creative writing to brushing up on your writing skills. No reservation is necessary. For more information please call Hana Caye at 412-364-0877.

## PIRATES AHOY

Avast ye maties! Seafaring readers age 8 and up are invited to join us on Tuesday, August 3 at 2:00pm for a craft and story theme program with a definite pirate flavor. Please register for this free program in advance at the children's and young adult reference desk.

## STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Children age five and older can learn the secret life of their stuffed animal friends as they romp and roll the night away at a special library sleepover just for them. You can drop off your animal friends at the children's and young adult reference desk on Friday, August 13 between 9:00am and 4:00pm. Then rejoin them for a special breakfast for stuffed animals and their families at 9:00am on Saturday, August 14. There is a \$1 materials fee for this program, which is due when the stuffed animals are dropped off.



## TEEN MOVIE NIGHT

Our final Teen Movie Night of the summer will be on Tuesday, August 3 at 7:00pm, when the feature presentation will be *Aquamarine*, the story of two teenage girls who find a mermaid in a swimming pool. No reservation is required for this program.

## JOB HUNTING ON THE INTERNET

Learn the ins and outs of using the Internet to find that job you've been looking for on Thursday, August 5 at 7:00pm or Thursday, August 19 at 7:00pm. This hands-on class requires computer and Internet experience. Please register in advance in the computer center or by calling 412-366-8100, extension 131.

## SCHEDULE REMINDER

Northland Public Library will be closed on Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day. Our winter hours schedule will begin on Tuesday, September 7.



### NORTHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

300 Cumberland Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
412-366-8100

[www.northlandlibrary.org](http://www.northlandlibrary.org)

### HOURS

Sunday	Closed
Monday through Thursday	9:00am - 9:00pm
Friday and Saturday	9:00am - 5:00pm

### BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

Fridays	3:30pm - 4:30pm
Marshall Elementary School	
Saturdays	1:30pm - 3:30pm
North Hills Shopping Center	

## NORTHLAND LIBRARY TUTOR

Students and adults can get free, online tutoring assistance throughout the summer from 3:00pm to 10:00pm daily by clicking on the Northland Library Tutor logo, located on the home page of the library website. Students can get homework help, while adults can get advice on resume and work-related writing. This service is available on any Internet-equipped computer in the library, or on the website by anyone with a Northland Library card who is a resident of one of our five supporting municipalities.

## BOOK GIVING PROGRAMS

We wish to thank the following people who have recently contributed to Northland Public Library's Book Giving Programs. If you are interested in donating a book in memory of a loved one, or in donating a book to honor someone on a special occasion such as an anniversary or birthday, please see a librarian at the adult reference desk or call the Northland Library Foundation office at 412-366-8100, extension 103.

### In Memory Of

Robert F. Bishop  
Kevin Coran  
Richard "Red" Donnelly  
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Charlotte Enders  
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Margaret P. Holdcroft  
Mrs. Urako Otani  
Elmer Pohl  
Dr. Robert H. Potter, Sr.  
Walter (Lou) Snodgrass  
Jacqueline G. Theiss  
Doug Thorne  
Will Wenger  
Walter J. Zotter

### Designated Gifts

MOMS Club of Wexford/Franklin Park  
St. John's Preschool

### In Honor Of

Harry and Sandy Berkowitz  
*(in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary)*

### From

Dr. Donald J. Wessel  
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coran  
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Danik  
Dr. Donald J. Wessel  
Molly Cole  
Marilyn and Gene Thrush  
Cindy and Kirk Isenbart  
Jean and Carl Isenbart  
Carlene Arendas  
Tom Williams  
MaryAnn Seinar  
Geraldine Jackson  
Bakerstown Honduras Medical Mission Team  
Ruth Snodgrass  
Marie Miller, Bob and Judy Moore  
MaryAnn Seinar  
Dr. Donald J. Wessel  
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Regis Paul Byrne

### From

J. and Thecla Eger

### Northland Public Library Foundation

The Foundation meets in the library on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm. Please stop by and join us!

To learn more about the unique programs and activities, partnerships and current focus of fundraising goals of the Foundation visit our website at:

[www.northlandfoundation.org](http://www.northlandfoundation.org).



**Northland  
Public Library  
FOUNDATION**

#### •MISSION STATEMENT•

The Northland Public Library Foundation builds financial support for the benefit of the library and the surrounding community.

## August Events 2010

August 1 Library Closed

August 2 Greg Miller & Associates  
2:00pm Room 148-1

North Pittsburgh Past Finders  
Rooms 148-1&2

August 3 Gateway Hospice  
9:00am Rooms 148-1&2

Pirates Ahoy \*  
2:00pm Rooms 148-1&2

Tuesday Night Book Group \*  
7:00pm Room 148-1

Teen Movie Night \*  
7:00pm Room 148-2

North Hills Genealogists Board  
7:00pm Room 103

August 4 Ingomar Garden Club  
10:00am Rooms 148-1&2

Red Hat Mermaids  
10:00am Room 103

Teen Crafts \*  
11:00am Children's Program Room

Wii for Teens \*  
7:00pm Room 148-1

August 5 Hot Dog Day \*  
11:00am Library Grounds

Writing as a Spiritual Journey \*  
7:00pm Room 148-1

A New Twist on Tea \*  
7:00pm Room 148-2

Job Hunting on the Internet *	Evening Conversation Salon *	August 23 Realtors Association
7:00pm Room 103	7:00pm Room 148-1	3:00pm Rooms 148-1&2
Kings Kids 4-H	August 13 Stuffed Animal Sleepover Dropoff *	French Conversation Group
7:00pm Children's Program Room	9:00am-4:00pm Children's Dept.	7:00pm Room 148-1
August 6 Three Rivers Storytelling Festival Kids Day *	August 14 Stuffed Animal Sleepover Breakfast *	August 24 Gateway Hospice
10:00am Library Grounds	9:00am Rooms 148-1&2	3:00pm Rooms 148-1&2
Three Rivers Storytelling Festival Workshops *	Breezeshooters Radio Club	August 25 Conversation Salon *
Start at 9:00am Rooms 148-1&2	12:00pm Room 148-2	1:00pm Room 148-1
Stories and Lunch for Seniors *	August 15 Library Closed	Documentary Film Series *
12:00pm Rooms 148-1&2	August 16 No public events scheduled	2:00pm Room 148-2
Storytelling Festival Evening Concert *	August 17 North Hills Genealogists	August 26 No public events scheduled
7:30pm Library Grounds	7:00pm Rooms 148-1&2	August 27 The Book Club
Storytelling Festival Ghost Stories *	Northland Library Authority Board *	2:00pm Room 148-1
10:00pm Library Grounds	7:30pm Room 103	August 28 Embroiderers Guild of America
August 7 Three Rivers Storytelling Festival *	August 18 Travel Film Series *	12:00pm Room 148-1
10:30am-6:00pm Library Grounds	2:00pm Rooms 148-1&2	August 29 Library Closed
Storytelling Festival Evening Concert *	Fortune Acupuncture	August 30 No public events scheduled
7:30pm Library Grounds	7:00pm Room 148-2	August 31 James Shields Elder Law Seminar
August 8 Library Closed	August 19 Highmark	6:30pm Room 148-1
August 9 Writers at Work *	1:00pm Room 148-1	
6:30pm Room 148-1	Sharon Donovan: Transforming a Life *	
North Hills Coin Club	7:00pm Room 148-1	
7:00pm Room 148-2	Breezeshooters Radio Club	
August 10 Greg Miller & Associates	7:00pm Room 148-2	
6:30pm Room 148-1	Job Hunting on the Internet *	
August 11 Foreign Film Series *	7:00pm Room 103	
2:00pm Rooms 148-1&2	August 20 MOMS Club of Wexford	
Northland Knitters *	9:30am Room 148-2	
7:00pm Room 148-1	Northland Knitters *	
NH Amateur Radio Club	1:00pm Room 148-1	
7:00pm Room 148-2	August 21 Coldwell Banker	
Northland Library Foundation *	10:00am Room 148-1	
7:00pm Room 103	Board Games Meetup	
August 12 HealthAmerica/Advantra	12:00pm Room 148-2	
10:00am Room 148-1	August 22 Library Closed	

\* library sponsored program. Contact names and phone numbers for all programs are available in the Events Calendar section of the library website.