



Northland News

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SUMMER READING CLUBS CONTINUE

Our annual Summer Reading Clubs for children, teens and adults are underway.

This year's **Children's Summer Reading Club** theme is *Make a Splash @ Northland Library-Read!* Dozens of programs and events are on tap through August 7, including:

Guinea Pig Play Date

Thursday, July 1 9:00am

Female guinea pigs can socialize with other lady guinea pigs. Registration is required for this program.

Northland J794.1 Children's Chess Club

Thursdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

J794.1 is the Dewey classification number for Children's Chess Rules. Children age 7 and older can drop in between 2:00pm and 3:00pm to sharpen your chess skills against others. Beginners are welcome. No registration is required.

Bubble Day

Tuesday, July 13 2:00pm-4:00pm

Children ages 3 and up can come in anytime between 2:00pm and 4:00pm for some bubbly fun and a chance to make their very own bubble blower. No registration is required.

Beach Blanket Bingo

Tuesday, July 27 10:00am

Grab your beach towel and join us for a morning of fun. Registration is required.

Hamster Ball Derby

Tuesday, July 27 7:00pm

Bring your hamster, gerbil, or other rodent pet and their exercise ball for an evening of athletic prowess. There is a \$2 fee per pet for this event, which is due on registration at the children's and young adult reference desk.

Hot Dog Day

Thursday, August 5 11:00am-1:00pm

Buy lunch at the library! Celebrate the "dog days" of summer with some hot dogs and other snacks on the library grounds. The Book Nook will also have a sale table at this event.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Friday-Saturday, August 13 and 14

Drop off your stuffed animals on Friday so they can romp and roll the night away in the library. Then join them for a special breakfast on Saturday. There is a \$2 fee, which is payable on registration.

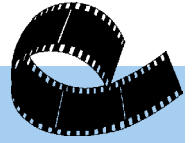
Lots of other activities are also on the schedule, including an Undersea Tea, Summer Mother Goose & Kangaroo Storytime, Picture Book Picnics and Crafty Fridays. For more information on all of these programs please visit the library website or stop at the children's and young adult reference desk.

The **Teen Summer Reading Club** features several programs, including Wii Wednesdays, where those 12 and older can drop in and play on our Wii computers, Teen Crafts, held on selected Wednesdays during the summer, Teen Movie Nights on June 20, July 13, and August 3, and a Teen Knitting Group on Thursdays this month at 3:00pm. Registration is required for the craft program. Stop and sign up at the children's and young adult reference desk, where you can also get more information on the other teen programs scheduled for this month.

Our **Adult Summer Reading Club** runs through August 28. For each book that you read you will get an entry form making you eligible to win gift certificates at local stores and restaurants. Stop by the adult reference desk to pick up your reading booklet. The Book Nook has adult and children's Summer Reading Club t-shirts, tote bags, and book lights available for purchase. Stop by and pick up yours today.



Film Series at Northland



FOREIGN FILM SERIES

This month's feature presentation is a romantic fable and fairy tale from Vietnam, *The Owl and the Sparrow*. It's the story of three people searching for companionship. One is unlucky in love, another is heartbroken, and the third is escaping an uncaring uncle. It's a wonderful character-driven film which stars a 10-year-old actress. This winner of seven international awards will be shown on Wednesday, July 14 at 2:00pm. No reservation is required and refreshments will be served.

TRAVEL FILM SERIES

We're off to Wales and England on Wednesday, July 21 at 2:00pm. Our stops include castles that are within castles, the Roman spa town of Bath with its elegant buildings and hot springs, and Liverpool, the home of the Beatles. No reservation is required and newcomers are always welcome.

DOCUMENTARY FILM SERIES

An amazing story of survival is featured this month as we present *The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition*, on Wednesday, July 28 at 2:00pm. This is the incredible story of Ernest Shackleton's 1914 expedition to Antarctica in which 27 men found themselves stranded in the ice for 637 days. No reservation is required and newcomers are always welcome.

On August 25 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.

THE OHIO RIVER: PAST AND PRESENT

Join historian and traveler Rick Rhodes as he fulfills his lifelong dream by taking his 24-foot pocket trawler on the 981-mile journey along the Ohio River from Fairmont, West Virginia to Cairo, Illinois. Rhodes has done extensive studies on the river's place in history, its locks and dams, and the industrial development along its banks. Join us on Wednesday, July 21 at 7:00pm for an evening of outstanding visuals and the interesting story of one of our three rivers. 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.

SATCHMO: THE LIFE OF LOUIS ARMSTRONG

Northland favorite Gregory Gibson Kenney will highlight the life of legendary entertainer Louis Armstrong with music and song on Monday, July 26 at 7:00pm. From his early days in New Orleans, Armstrong helped to shape generations of horn players. Kenney's program will delight family members of all ages. Please register for this program online on the library website or by calling the adult services department reference desk at 412-366-8100, extension 113.

THE JOURNEY TAKERS

Genealogist and freelance writer Leslie Albrecht Huber will discuss her book, *The Journey Takers*, on Tuesday, July 6 at 7:00pm. The book chronicles the immigrant experiences of 19th Century Europeans through the stories of the author's own ancestors who made their way from Germany, Sweden, and England to start new lives in the United States. Huber has done extensive research on this project, with many of her articles and essays winning numerous genealogy publication awards.

Please register for this program online on the library website or by calling the adult services reference desk at 412-366-8100, extension 113.

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, July 12 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.

NORTHLAND KNITTERS

Whether you love to knit or just enjoy talking about knitting, we have a new 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, July 14 at 7:00pm, or on Friday, July 16 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 continues her monthly writers group that will focus on putting emotions and experiences into words on Thursday, July 1 at 7:00pm. If you enjoy writing, turning your thoughts into words, and learning from other writer's experiences the plan on joining us for this program. No advance registration is required.

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. Among this year's featured tellers are Tim Tingle from Texas, and favorites from previous Festivals, including Kate Danaher, Joe Wos and Granny Sue Holstein. Highlighting Friday is an evening concert with all of the featured tellers, followed by Ghost Stories. Saturday's schedule includes individual sessions throughout the day followed by an evening concert. There will also be storytelling workshops and a Lunch and Stories for Seniors on Friday.

For more information visit the Storytelling Festival website at www.3rstf.org.



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, July 8 at 7:00pm. Refreshments will be served. The next Daytime Conversation Salon will be held on Wednesday, July 28 at 1:00pm. No reservation is required for either Conversation Salon, and new participants are always welcome.

TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK GROUP

On July 6 we will discuss *Fool's Gold: How the Bold Dream of a Small Tribe at J.P. Morgan Was Corrupted by Wall Street Greed and Unleashed a Catastrophe*, by Gillian Tett. This book is a tremendous look inside the workings of our financial system for anyone seeking more information on the current financial situation in our country.

In August the group will read *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.

SECOND FRIDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Elizabeth Stout's Pulitzer-Prize-winning novel *Olive Kitteridge* will be featured when the group meets on July 9 at 11:30am. The main character Olive crashes through life like an emotional storm trooper, but Stout manages to make her deeply human and even sympathetic. Bring a brown bag lunch and join in the discussion. No reservation is required and newcomers are always welcome.

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



NORTHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

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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	

DOWNLOAD ITEMS AT HOME

The library now has an expanded collection of best-selling and classic audio books, eBooks and videos that can be downloaded from the library website at any time. Go to www.northlandlibrary.org and click on the shortcut link for eBooks and eAudiobooks. You can browse the collection, check out any items you would like by using your library card, and download them to a PC, Mac or other device. The titles will automatically expire at the end of the borrowing period so there are no late fees involved. For more information stop by the adult services reference desk .

DIXIEBAND CONCERT

Bring your blanket or folding chair to the upper lawn of the library on Tuesday, July 13 at 7:00pm and enjoy the music of our local Dixieband, featuring members of the North Suburban Symphonic Band who love to play Dixieland music. You'll even get to sing along with the group. No reservation is required. If the weather does not cooperate the event will be held on Tuesday, July 27.

A NEW TWIST ON TEA

You are invited to spend an evening with the Tea Goddess, Betsy Hollweck, on Thursday, August 5 at 7:00pm. Learn how to make "mock-tails", "mar-tea-nis", and other elegant and refreshing summer tea drinks that will soothe your palate. Snacks will also be served. Please register for this program on the library website or by calling the adult services reference desk at 412-366-8100, extension 113.

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. Show your support for this newsletter, download one from one at the customer service, check-coupon to the cashier at Wildwood percent of what you spend on food, nated to Northland Public Library. hold a miniature golf outing through-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



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

James H. Duncan
Frederick H. Hailstone
Patrick F. Kane
Betty Jean List
Gerald Scott Rodgers
Hilary Anne Rodgers
Jack Ross
Robert J. Salvatora, Sr.
Herb Scott
Walter (Lou) Snodgrass
Bob Spatafore
Susan Marie (Loop) Spirko
Sally W. Turnbull

From

Debe and Gerry Masters
Tom Williams
Tom Williams & Ed Jakiel
Ingomar Garden Club
Dad
Dad
Steve and Rachel Cupcheck
Debe and Gerry Masters
Edward Jakiel
Jean M. Shema
The Niehaus Family
Tom Williams & Rege Byrne
Tom Williams



July Events 2010

July 1 Guinea Pig Play Day *
9:00am Upper Level Patio

Summer Mother Goose and Kangaroo Storytime *
10:00am Rooms 148-1&2

Picture Book Picnic *
12:00pm Library Grounds

Teen Knitting Group *
3:00pm Children's Program Room

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

Kings Kids 4-H
7:00pm Room 148-2

July 2 Crafty Fridays *
9:30am Children's Program Room

July 3 No public events scheduled

July 4 Library Closed/Independence Day

July 5 North Pittsburgh Past Finders
7:00pm Rooms 148-1&2

July 6 Navy League of Pittsburgh
6:00pm Room 148-2

Tuesday Night Book Group *
7:00pm Room 103

The Journey Takers *
7:00pm Room 148-1

July 7 HealthAmerica/Advantra
10:00am Room 148-1

Wii forTeens
7:00pm Room 148-1

July 8 Summer Mother Goose and Kangaroo Storytime *
10:00am Rooms 148-1&2

Picture Book Picnic *
12:00pm Library Grounds

Teen Volunteer Pizza Party *
12:00pm Room 148-2

Teen Knitting Group *
3:00pm Children's Program Room

Evening Conversation Salon *	July 15	Summer Mother Goose and Kangaroo Storytime *	Teen Knitting Group *
7:00pm Room 148-1		10:00am Rooms 148-1&2	3:00pm Children's Program Room
July 9		Picture Book Picnic *	July 23
Crafty Fridays *		12:00pm Library Grounds	Crafty Fridays *
9:30am Children's Program Room		Teen Knitting Group *	9:30am Children's Program Room
Second Friday Book Group *		3:00pm Children's Program Room	The Book Club
11:30am Rooms 148-1&2		Breezeshooters Radio Club	2:00pm Room 148-1
July 10		7:00pm Room 148-2	July 24
Breezeshooters Radio Club		July 16	Embroiderers Guild of America
12:00pm Room148-2		Crafty Fridays *	2:00pm Room 148-1
July 11		9:30am Children's Program Room	July 25
Library Closed on Sunday		Northland Knitters *	Library Closed on Sunday
July 12		1:00pm Room 148-1	July 26
AAA Mature Drivers Course		July 17	Satchmo: Life of Louis Armstrong *
9:00am Rooms 148-1&2		Board Games Meetup	7:00pm Rooms 148-1&2
Writers at Work		12:00pm Room 148-2	July 27
6:30pm Room 148-1		July 18	Beach Blanket Bingo *
North Hills Coin Club		Library Closed on Sunday	9:00am Rooms 148-1&2
7:00pm Room 148-2		July 19	Gateway Hospice
July 13		No public events scheduled	3:00pm Rooms 148-1&2
AAA Mature Drivers Course		July 20	Hamster Ball Derby *
9:00am Rooms 148-1&2		Hidden Treasures (ages 6-9) *	7:00pm Rooms 148-1&2
Bubble Day *		10:00am Children's Program Room	July 28
2:00pm Children's Program Room		Hidden Treasures (age 10 and up) *	Teen Crafts *
Teen Movie Night *		11:00am Children's Program Room	11:00am Children's Program Room
7:00pm Room 148-1		Undersea Tea *	Conversation Salon *
Fortune Acupuncture		2:00pm Children's Program Room	1:00pm Room 148-1
7:00pm Room 148-2		North Hills Genealogists	Documentary Film Series *
Northland Library Authority Board *		7:00pm Rooms 148-1&2	2:00pm Room 148-2
7:30pm Room 103		July 21	Wii for Teens *
July 14		Travel Film Series *	7:00pm Room 148-1
Teen Crafts *		2:00pm Rooms 148-1&2	July 29
11:00am Children's Program Room		Wii for Teens *	Summer Mother Goose and Kangaroo Storytime *
Foreign Film Series *		7:00pm Room 148-1	10:00am Rooms 148-1&2
2:00pm Rooms 148-1&2		The Ohio River: Past & Present *	Picture Book Picnic *
Wii for Teens *		7:00pm Room 148-2	12:00pm Library Grounds
7:00pm Room 148-1		July 22	Children's Chess Club *
Northland Knitters *		Summer Mother Goose and Kangaroo Storytime *	2:00pm Rooms 148-1&2
7:00pm Room 148-2		10:00am Rooms 148-1&2	Teen Knitting Group *
Northland Library Foundation *		Picture Book Picnic *	3:00pm Children's Program Room
7:00pm Room 103		12:00pm Library Grounds	July 30
NH Amateur Radio Club		Children's Chess Club *	Crafty Fridays *
7:00pm Children's Program Room		2:00pm Rooms 148-1&2	9:30am Children's Program Room
			July 31
			Linux Users Group
			11:30am Rooms 148-1&2

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