

SUMMER READING FOR CHILDREN

Ages birth to 11 or entering grade 5



CHILDREN'S ONGOING PROGRAMS – No registration required.

STORY STROLL

Monday, June 7 through Saturday, August 7, during daylight hours

Stroll along a picture book path out on the library grounds. Go from page to page at your own pace as different tales, old and new, unfold beginning Monday morning of each week. Story Strolls take place rain or shine. No registration required.



VIRTUAL UKULELE LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS

Mondays, June 7, 14, 27, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26, August 2 at 1 p.m.

In this nine-week virtual program, children and adults will learn the basics of playing the Ukulele. Individuals will learn two new chords each week and will be able to play simple songs. The first lesson will talk about the Ukulele parts, how to tune the instrument, and some chords to play using a song to practice for the week. Each week will build on the previous session. You can pick up the song sheets each week at the Children and Teen Services desk or download them from the Summer Reading page on the Library's website.

All sessions will be presented on the Northland Children and Teen YouTube channel, bit.ly/NorthlandKidsYouTube so you can pick up whenever you want. No registration required.

TUESDAY TALES

Tuesdays, June 1 to August 3 at 10 a.m.

Folktales, fables and original stories every week, in a variety of formats, from cultures near and far. The program will be posted on Northland's YouTube channel, bit.ly/NorthlandKidsYouTube and on our Facebook page Charlotte Fezziwig, [www.facebook.com.charlotte.fezziwig](https://www.facebook.com/charlotte.fezziwig) at 10 a.m. No registration required.



VIRTUAL FULL STEAM AHEAD

Tuesdays, June 8, 15, 22, 29, July 6, 13, 20, 27, August 3 at 1 p.m.

School-age children will enjoy a summer of STEAM related themes as we go Full STEAM Ahead with Ms. Kim. Each activity will use things you have around your house to experiment, explore, and look at the world around you. Each week during Summer Reading at Northland, June 1 through August 6, you can pick up our handouts at the Children and Teen Service Desk to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, or Math. Then meet Ms. Kim at 1 p.m. each Tuesday on the Northland Kids YouTube channel, bit.ly/NorthlandKidsYouTube, for a demonstration of the week's activity. The activity handouts may also be downloaded from the Summer Reading page on the Library's website. No registration required.

WHIMSICAL WEDNESDAYS

June 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28, August 4 at 7 p.m.

Wind down a summer day with Ms. Courtney. Spend a relaxing half hour at home enjoying nighttime stories, songs and rhymes for all ages. Join us on our Facebook page, Charlotte Fezziwig:

www.facebook.com/charlotte.fezziwig for this virtual program. No registration required.

FLANNEL BOARD FRIDAYS

Fridays, June 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6 at 10 a.m.

Flannel board stories and songs for children and their families with Ms. Courtney. All ages are welcome to join us on our Facebook page, Charlotte Fezziwig: www.facebook.com/charlotte.fezziwig for this virtual program. No registration required.



GRAB-AND-GO CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Each week kids in preschool through early elementary can pick up a craft kit that provides practice in following directions, small motor skills, and creative expression. New kits are available beginning on Wednesdays until supplies run out. Ask for your kits at the Children & Teen Services desk on the lower-level. One kit per child please. *(In the event of a COVID-19 related Library closure, kits will be near the lower-level entrance.)*

CHILDREN'S FEATURE PROGRAMS & EVENTS – Registration required as noted.



NATIONAL AVIARY CYBIRD PROGRAM – for students entering kindergarten to grade 5.

PENGUINS ARE COOL

Thursday, June 10 from 10 to 10:40 a.m.

Journey across the globe discovering all 18 species of penguins and learn how these unique, flightless birds survive in their habitats during this PowerPoint presentation. You will also meet our live bird visitor! Registration is required. Please register once per household. A Zoom link will be emailed before the program.

ALL ABOUT SLOTHS

Thursday, June 17 from 10 to 10:40 a.m.

Which animal is brown but can turn green, spends their whole life upside down, and moves at the astonishing speed of 6 miles per hour? It's a sloth! Come "hang" with us as we learn all about these amazing animals and their unique adaptations and meet our guest – a real, live very special bird! Registration is required. Please register once per household. A Zoom link will be emailed before the program.

MONSTER SLAYERS: HEROES OF HESIOD

Wednesdays, June 23, July 7, 28 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

The town of Hesiod is always being attacked by monsters, so everyone from soldiers to farmers are trained to fight. Our heroes are about to complete their training. Will they be successful? Join us on Zoom to find out! Monster Slayers is a simple, Dungeons & Dragons-inspired role-playing game that does not require any prior experience. All children must be able to read independently to participate. Registration is required for this program for kids ages 6 to 9. Character sheets and game information will be sent out before we play, so please look over them before the game!

Registration dates:

[June 23](#) - registration opens on June 1

[July 28](#) - registration opens on July 1

[July 7](#) - registration opens on June 15

READ TO A THERAPY DOG

Thursdays, June 24, July 1, August 5 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon

Certified therapy dogs and their handlers will join us in the Learning Garden. Dogs are very patient and non-judgmental. Emerging and fluent readers can take this opportunity to read a dog their favorite book or chapter.

Spaces are limited and individual sessions are 10 minutes. ***Registration is required and can be done the morning of each session only by calling 412-366-8100 ext. 123.***

VIRTUAL FAMILY SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

[Saturday, June 26 at 10 a.m.](#)

Enjoy a family day of science fun. Each registered participant will receive a kit filled with some of the things necessary to carry out 6 fun science experiments/demonstrations to get your scientific juices flowing. Families of children entering first through fifth grades can register their children for this fun day of science surprises. You can do the experiments on your own and then watch Ms. Kim on Northland's Children and Teen YouTube channel:

bit.ly/NorthlandKidsYouTube, for the science behind the science.



Registration for each child is required for this program. Ms. Kim will contact each registered participant when the kit is ready for pick up.

MONSTER SLAYERS: CHAMPIONS OF THE ELEMENTS

Wednesdays, June 30, July 14, August 4 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

A castle carved into a nearby mountain has been deserted as long as your town can remember. But one night, you and some companions decide to investigate. Suddenly, you're thrown into the battle of the elements! Join us on Zoom to see if our heroes will be successful! Monster Slayers is a simple, Dungeons & Dragons-inspired role-playing game that does not require any prior experience. All children must be able to read independently to participate. Registration is required for this program for kids ages 6 to 9. Character sheets and game information will be sent out before we play, so please look over them before the game!

Registration dates:

[June 30](#) - registration opens on June 1

[August 4](#) - registration opens on July 15

[July 14](#) - registration opens on June 15

PITTSBURGH ZOO presents WONDERS OF WILDLIFE – for students entering kindergarten to grade 5.

[Thursday, July 15](#) at 10 a.m.

[Thursday, July 22](#) at 11 a.m.

Students will learn about different animals and their habitats from the zookeepers who care for them in this virtual program, Wonders of Wildlife, presented by the Pittsburgh Zoo. Registration is required. Please register once per household. A Zoom link will be emailed before the program.



SUMMER READING FOR 'TWEENS AND TEENS

Ages 12 to 18 or entering grades 6 to 12

ONGOING PROGRAMS – No registration required.

TEEN MAKER MONDAYS

June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26, August 2

Let's get making! 'Tweens and teens ages 12 to 18 can pick up a project to make at home. We give you the supplies and instructions, and you get creating! Kits are available on a first-come, first-serve basis as supplies last. You may pick up a kit at the Children and Teen Services desk. *(In the event of a COVID-19 related Library closure, kits will be near the lower-level entrance.)*

'TWEENS & TEENS FEATURE PROGRAMS & EVENTS – Registration required as noted.

TABLETOP TUESDAY

June 8, 22, July 6, 20, August 3 from 5 to 8 p.m.

Join us every other Tuesday evening for a roleplaying game! No experience necessary. All you need is your imagination! This program is for teens ages 12 to 18. Registration is required for each session. All those registered will be emailed the Zoom invitation one day before each program.

Registration dates:

[June 8](#) - registration opens on May 1

[June 22](#) - registration opens on May 15

[July 6](#) - registration opens on June 1

[July 20](#) - registration opens on June 15

[August 3](#) - registration opens July 1

WHATCHA READING WEDNESDAY

June 16, July 21, August 18 from 1 to 2 p.m.

Whatcha reading? Join us on Zoom to hear about what others are reading and share your latest reads, too! This program is for teens ages 12 to 18. Registration is required for each session. You will be emailed the Zoom invitation one day before the program.

Registration dates:

[June 16](#) - registration opens on May 15

[July 21](#) - registration opens on June 15

[August 18](#) - registration opens on July 15

TEEN TIME

Thursdays, June 17, 24, July 1,8,15,22,29, August 5 from 5 to 6 p.m.

Miss seeing your friends? Hang out during Teen Time! We'll have scavenger hunts, guessing games, maker projects, and more!

This program is for teens ages 12 to 18. Registration is required for each session. You will be emailed the Zoom invitation one day before the program.

Registration dates:

June [17](#), [24](#) - registration opens May 15

July [1](#), [8](#) - registration opens June 1

July [15](#), [22](#), [29](#) - registration opens June 15

August [5](#) - registration opens July 1

NATIONAL AVIARY CyBIRD PROGRAM – for ‘tweens & teens only

BIRDS IN CONSERVATION

[Thursday, July 8](#) at 11 a.m.

The National Aviary presents Birds in Conservation and a special live animal guest. Explore the impacts humans and environmental factors have on the decline of various species, and discover how the conservation efforts of zoos, scientists, and everyday community members have led once-endangered species to make a comeback. Registration is required. Please register once per household. A Zoom link will be emailed before the program.

PITTSBURGH ZOO presents WONDERS OF WILDLIFE – for ‘tweens & teens only!

[Thursday, July 29](#) at 11 a.m.

Students entering grades 6 through 12 will learn about different animals and their habitats from the zookeepers who care for them in this virtual program, Wonders of Wildlife, presented by the Pittsburgh Zoo. Registration is required. Participants should register once per device. A Zoom link will be emailed before the program.

TEEN GAMING DISCORD

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Looking for a place to game with your friends? Join us on discord! We have game nights every week! Fill out the form to join, and a librarian will add you to the server! Go to this link: <https://tinyurl.com/Y2KQ6WHT> to access the form.

Teen Gaming Discord is brought to you by these participating libraries: Carnegie Library of Homestead, Brentwood, Bridgeville, CC Mellor, Cooper-Siegel, Millvale, Mt. Lebanon, Sewickley, South Fayette and Northland Libraries.

TEEN DUNGEONS & DRAGONS DISCORD

Roll for initiative, adventurers! Our guild is searching for party members to help our guild leaders on exciting (and maybe dangerous) missions. Teens ages 13 to 18 can fill out the form to join, and a librarian will add you to the server! Go to this link: <https://tinyurl.com/ylac9sef> to access the form.

The following libraries are participating: Carnegie Library of Homestead, Brentwood, Bridgeville, Mt. Lebanon, Northland, Robinson, Sewickley, and South Fayette.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS – Registration is required as noted.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: CHARLOTTE’S ADVENTURE

Fridays, June 18, July 16 from 3 to 6 p.m. (duplicate campaigns)

Charlotte Fezziwig, librarian guinea pig, needs your help! The most prized books from her library have been stolen. Can you reclaim her books and save the day? Bring a level 3 character and roll for initiative! Registration is required for this program for ages 12 to 18. You must complete your character sheet and submit it to the Dungeon Master by the dates listed. You will be emailed the Zoom link for the program one day before the oneshot.

Registration dates:

[June 18](#) - registration opens May 15, character sheet due June 16

[July 16](#) - registration opens June 15, character sheet due by July 14

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: CORRUPTED NATURE

Fridays, June 25, July 23 from 3 to 6 p.m. (duplicate campaigns)

Animals are acting weird near the town of Bruxehm. So weird that it's become dangerous for all who live there. Can you and your adventuring party find out what's going on and put a stop to it? Bring a level 1 character and roll for initiative!

Registration is required for this program for ages 12 to 18. You must complete your character sheet and submit it to the Dungeon Master by the dates listed. You will be emailed the Zoom link for the program one day before the oneshot.

Registration dates:

[June 25](#) - registration opens May 15, character sheet due June 23

[July 23](#) - registration opens June 15, character sheet due by July 21

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: A WILD SHEEP CHASE

Fridays, July 9, August 6 from 3 to 6 p.m. (duplicate campaigns)

A mysterious sheep who can somehow talk approaches you and asks for help. The adventure that follows isn't for the faint of heart! Bring a level 5 character and roll for initiative!

Registration is required for this program for ages 12 to 18. You must complete your character sheet and submit it to the Dungeon Master by the dates listed. You will be emailed the Zoom link for the program one day before the oneshot.

Registration dates:

[July 9](#) - registration opens June 1, character sheet due July 7

[August 6](#) – registration opens July 1, character sheet due by July 4

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: CHARLOTTE'S SPOOKY CASTLE (duplicate campaigns)

Fridays, July 2, July 30 from 3 to 6 p.m.

Charlotte Fezziwig, librarian guinea pig, has been captured! She's being held in a spooky castle and needs your help to escape. Bring a level 4 character and roll for initiative!

Registration is required for this program for ages 12 to 18. You must complete your character sheet and submit it to the Dungeon Master by the dates listed. You will be emailed the Zoom link for the program one day before the oneshot.

Registration dates:

[July 2](#) - registration opens June 1, character sheet due June 30

[July 30](#) - registration opens July 15, character sheet due by July 28

SUMMER contest FUN – All ages

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS CHARLOTTE FEZZIWIG?

Monday, June 1 through Friday August 6

A weekly summer reading contest, beginning Monday, June 7.

The last week will begin Monday, August 2.



Charlotte is going on vacation this summer, and she's taking you with her!

Each week our guinea pig friend will be somewhere new, and it's up to you to figure out where she is. Her vacation photos will be displayed in the children's department and on our Facebook and Instagram accounts. We'll post clues throughout the week to help you guess. If you guess correctly, you'll get one entry for a special summer prize! **Children and teens must be registered in the Northland Summer Reading Program to participate and win the prize.**

You can submit your guesses on [Beanstack](#). You may submit ONE guess each week!

SUMMER creative FUN – All ages

Tell us Your Tale

- build it
- Sew it
- Paint it
- draw it
- sculpt it
- write it
- video it
- or cut it out of Paper...

Create a something true or imaginary to share with your library friends!

Any creative medium accepted.

Bring your tale to the Children & Teen Services

June 1 through August 6

You create it, we'll display it!

The Children & Teen Services department reserves the right not to display works with inappropriate or copyrighted images.
Artists wishing to take their work back after Summer Reading must pick it up by **August 13**.