

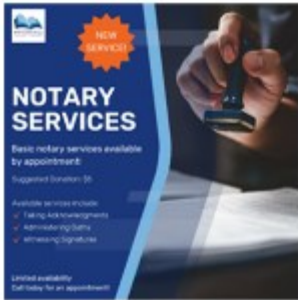
WPL TECH TALK! - INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS, TECH HELP, AND TIPS



TECH CLINIC - Wednesdays @ 1:00 PM

Need face-to-face help using your device or other tech-related issues? Join me on **Zoom** for a virtual tech clinic. Email ahead or just "click in" to the zoom meeting.

Questions? Contact: Licia | slimonl@einetwork.net



Now Offering: Notary Services!

Our librarian, Sarah Scott, is able to perform basic notary services (taking acknowledgments, administering oaths, and witnessing signatures).

These services are by appointment only, with a suggested donation of \$5.00 per notarization.

**Note: notaries are not able to give legal advice, explain or draft documents. For more information, visit our website.*

ONE-ON-ONE HELP

If you need personal assistance with technology-related or general reference questions, you may schedule a 30-minute session with a knowledgeable staff member (**please note: this service is limited to one appointment per month**). Call us at 412-882-6622.

DEVICES FOR CHECKOUT

Laptops in the Library

Laptops are available to use within the library with your valid driver's license and library card.

Take Home a Tablet

Don't have a tablet, but you're curious? Need an extra device for vacation? Wanna try before you buy? Check out our iPad Air 2 or Galaxy Tab A for 3 weeks with a valid library card. Call us to check availability at 412-882-6622.



Take Home a Mobile Hotspot!



Mobile Wifi Hotspots are now available to checkout. A mobile hotspot is a portable gadget that allows nearby wifi devices (ie.g., laptop, ipad, iphone, android) to connect to the internet. When you checkout a hotspot, you can use it at home, in your car on the move, in a park, anywhere there is 3G or 4G coverage, all free of charge, for 21 days.

Call the library to put your name on the HOLDS list: 412-882-6622.



Real Courses

We provide high quality, online courses to help you learn the skills needed to achieve your goals. Our courses are not just tutorials; they are real. They include lessons, exams, assignments, discussion boards and an instructor to help you master the learning outcomes.

Assessment of Your Progress

Verify your learning progress with the assessment of assignments and exams. Receive actual grades and feedback regarding your performance.

Earn CEUs and Certificates

Earn a certificate documenting your CEUs, contact hours, and course completion. Build your online portfolio and share your achievements with others.

Go At Your Own Pace

All courses are self-paced.

I Want to Take a Class in...

- Accounting
- Alternative Medicine
- Crafts & Hobbies
- Business
- Career Training
- Computer Training
- Entrepreneurship
- Finance
- General Education
- Health & Medicine
- History
- Homeschooling
- How To / Do It Yourself
- Language Arts
- Law/Legal/Criminal
- Mathematics
- Medical Billing
- Office Skills
- Parenting and Family
- Personal Development
- Pet and Animal Care
- Psychology
- Real Estate
- Science
- Self-Help
- Social Work
- Special Education
- Spiritual Studies
- Teacher Resources
- Test Preparation
- Web Development
- Writing Skills

Get Started:

Visit our website— www.whitehallpubliclibrary.org

Find the Universal Class— On the menu bar under LEARN/Online Courses tab

Questions?— Call the library and ask for one of our reference librarians 412-882-6622.

Ways to support the library. Donations / Memorials / And More...



MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS - An unique way to honor someone, or to commemorate a special event, please consider donating to the Whitehall Public Library. Call 412-882-6622 for more information or download a donation brochure from our website.

MATCHING GIFT PROGRAMS - One of the easiest ways to increase your gift to the library is through your employer. Many employers will match your donation to the Library, thereby increasing your contribution. Contact the Human Resources Department at your workplace to get more information on the options they offer.

UNITED WAY CONTRIBUTIONS - You can designate all or part of your United Way contributions to the Whitehall Public Library. Simply use donor code 2875. Your contributions will be used for programming, furniture, or the collection for the library.

A NEW CHAPTER BOOKSTORE resides right inside of the library, surrounding our fireplace reading area. It's a cozy welcoming space that is volunteer-driven and maintained with exciting books, media and games for all ages. Proceeds go to support the library and prices couldn't be more reasonable. Donations may be dropped off on the first and third Friday of each month from 9 AM - 12 PM.



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The community resource for education, exploration, enrichment and enjoyment.



Look for photos, videos, messages and get library updates.



PENNSYLVANIA LIBRARIES



The program will start in Snyder Park with up-close viewing of the sun using solar telescopes and other fun eclipse related activities. At 7 PM, we will move to the community room for a solar observing and eclipse talk, given by Larry McHenry.

Mr. McHenry has been active in amateur astronomy for over 40 years and is a member of the Oil Region Astronomical Society (ORAS) in Western PA. One of Mr. McHenry's favorite astronomical activities is safely observing the Sun.

This program will include an introduction to solar features visible on our nearest star, the Sun, and safe solar observing techniques, using both white-light and H-alpha solar filters. Additionally, we'll discuss where to go and how to observe the upcoming April 8th, 2024 Total Solar Eclipse.

In case of rain or bad weather, the entire event will be held in the community room. Registration is required.



Thursday
April 25th
7:00 PM

Registration Required

Whitehall
Community
Room

Join the Whitehall Borough Historical Society for a special lecture by local author and historian, Todd DePastino. His talk will focus on the German intelligence plan to sabotage strategic economic targets in the U.S. – including several crucial sites in Pennsylvania! To register, call 412-882-6622 or visit the library's website calendar at whitehallpubliclibrary.org



BY
APPOINTMENT
ONLY

Rev. Dr. Kathy Rizza, a spiritual counselor and local master of metaphysical healing, offers appointments for intuitive readings on the **first** Friday of each month.

Experience a personalized session in the comfort and privacy of the library's Second Chapter Café. Get the answers you need with the comfort and compassion that only a professional can provide.

WPL NEWS

APRIL 2024

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday **10 AM - 8 PM**

Friday **1 PM - 5 PM**

Saturday **10 AM - 5 PM**



SUPPORT THE
LIBRARY
BECOME A BOARD
MEMBER!

*The Whitehall Public Library
is the community resource for
education, exploration, enrichment
and enjoyment.*



The WPL Board of Directors is seeking community volunteers to fill two board vacancies in 2025.

If you value the importance of the Library to our Whitehall community, then please consider joining an enthusiastic civic-minded group of volunteers to help guide the future of the Whitehall Public Library.

Note: Whitehall residency is required.

If you're interested in serving or learning more, please submit a letter of interest to:

Mary Rose Chasler
President, Whitehall Library Board
100 Borough Park Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15236

or via email at: whitehall@einetwork.net



Our third annual craft supply swap is back!

Whether you are a person looking for a new hobby, an artist in search of supplies, or a teacher looking for classroom materials – stop by our FREE craft swap!

The event is from 11am to 2pm. Everything is **free** - take whatever you would use!

Got donations? Drop off your craft donations during a designated drop-off time (see below). Those who donated items will receive tickets allowing early entry (10 am) on the day of the event!

Craft items may be dropped off at one of the following time slots:

- Monday, April 8 11 AM – 5 PM
- Friday, April 19 1 PM – 4 PM

Please only bring items that are in good condition that you would want to bring home. This swap is intended for arts and crafts donations only (e.g., yarn, fabric, decorative paper, buttons and beads, crafting tools, etc. - anything sitting in your craft corner that hasn't been used but could be great for the right person!)



DISCUSSION GROUPS

Visit our website's **Event Calendar** for more information on any of these discussion groups or call 412-882-6622.

Mystery Lovers Book Group | 2nd Thursday @ 11 AM

Join this group for goodies and discussion.

APR 11: *What Lies in the Woods* by Kate Alice Marshall

Questions? Contact: Sarah (scotts2@einetnetwork.net)

Evening Book Grp | 3rd Thurs @ 7 PM

Members meet each month to talk about the selected book. For the location of the meeting, you can call 412-882-6622 or email Paula (kellyp@einetnetwork.net).

APR 18: *The Memory of Cotton* by Ann Howley



Classic Works | Last Saturday @ 11:30 AM

Join the book club devoted to turning that masterpiece into a piece of cake! We'll tackle another classic work each month to see if it deserves its place on history's highest shelf.

APR 27: *Bright Lights, Big City* by Jay McInerney

Not Your Momma's Book (& Beer) Club!

Enjoy beer, food, and friends – all while discussing great books! Please contact Sarah for the place of the meeting. Also ask to be placed on the email list or join the group at www.facebook.com/groups/WPLbookclub

Contact: Sarah (scotts2@einetnetwork.net) or 412-882-6622

Title: *Practical Magic* by Alice Hoffman

Memoir Masterclass | 1st Tuesday @ 10 AM

Classes on Tuesdays: March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, and July 9. Attendees must plan to attend all five sessions.

Over the course of five sessions, we will deconstruct the ways that time can shape memoir composition, including how we establish setting and establish relationships between central characters in our stories. Throughout the course, participants will have the option to move through multiple stages of development and revision on a single piece or curate a series of memoir "snapshots" based on the exercises conducted in class.

Contact: Sarah (scotts2@einetnetwork.net)

Behind the Scenes: A Movie Club

A Movie Discussion Club—Virtual Meetup
3rd Monday of the Month at 2:00 PM

Join Brandon for a fun discussion of a variety of films.

Next month's selections: *Save the Green Planet* (2003) and *The Odd Life of Timothy Green* (2012)

Copies will be available at the library! Reserve yours by calling Brandon at 412-882-6622.

MATINEE IN THE CAFÉ | FRIDAYS @ 1:15 PM

NOTE — *There will be limited seating, mask encouraged, and registration is needed for each movie and begins on Monday, April 1st at noon!*



APR 5: Shirley

APR 12: Happiness for Beginners

APR 19: The Dig

APR 26: The Marsh King's Daughter



Each screening will be accompanied by an optional discussion and refreshments.

No Registration Required

- April 2 - Lifeboat (1944)
- April 9 - Broadcast News (1987)
- April 16 - Matewan (1987)
- April 23 - Sneakers (1991)
- April 30 - Cradle Will Rock (1999)

The Giving Garden

with Former Master Gardener Susan Salis

Tuesday, April 23 @ 7pm or Wednesday, April 24 @ 2pm

The Giving Garden:
How to Improve the Planet from the Ground Up

Let's save our planet together, one garden at a time!

Our flower and shrub gardens are more than mere decorative spaces. They are fundamental to creating and supporting a healthy ecosystem that will help to sustain our planet.

In honor of Earth Day, we welcome gardening aficionado and former Master Gardener **Susan Salis** for a special talk that will focus on ways home gardeners can:

- Attract and protect a variety of pollinators
- Add plants that will feed and protect birds
- Reduce or eliminate fertilizers, pesticides, and herbicides
- Attract and protect beneficial insects
- Save water
- Repurpose everyday items as garden décor

Two Dates Offered
Registration Required

Not all superheroes wear capes – sometimes old pants and gloves will do!

Are You Ready To Dress For Success?

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Mobile Boutique Event

Tuesday, May 14, 2024
11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

This FREE event is for women (or those who identify as women) and provides both clothing and employment readiness support!

Whitehall Public Library is proud to collaborate with Dress for Success Pittsburgh for a FREE event to provide you with clothing and employment readiness support! The mission of this special mobile boutique is to empower women (or those who identify as women!) who are entering and returning to the workforce across the region.

You'll receive:

- Clothing, shoes, and accessories
- Personal care items
- Interview and resume support
- One-on-one connections

Storytimes:

Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5) | Tuesday @ 10:30 AM

Library storytimes present a unique opportunity to introduce your child to essential pre-reading skills with stories, songs, rhymes and more.

CONTACT: Jennifer Fraticelli at fraticellij@einetnetwork.net

Toddler Time (ages 2 1/2-4) | Wednesday @ 10:30 AM

This early literacy class will include stories, rhymes, flannel board activities, music and movement, an art activity and more. CONTACT: Denise Ignasky

Book Babies (ages 0-2) | Thursday @ 10:30 AM

Join us for this interactive storytime focusing on rhymes, songs, fingerplays, a story and more. This class is for children ages 0-2 with a caregiver.

CONTACT: Denise Ignasky at ignaskyd@einetnetwork.net

Family Night - Monday @ 6:30 PM | Registration Required



Friday, April 12 @ 9:30 AM

Spring House Farm Tour! - Field Trip / Off-Site

Spend the morning touring the farm! Milk a cow, feed a calf, tour the facilities and enjoy a free ice cream cone! Cost covered by Whitehall

Recreation and Whitehall Library - but registration is required through Whitehall Recreation on EventBrite.

Monday Maker - Mon, April 29 @ 6:30 PM

Kids in grades 3 and up are invited to join us in the Community Room for a Maker Monday!



This month: Make Your Sculpture Glow!

The kids will use electrically conductive dough to build a sculpture and then add a little zip and zazzle to their sculptures by using Squishy Circuits to make LED bulbs light up! Registration is required.

Page Turners | Grades 3-4 | Register | April 10 @ 6:30 PM

This book club is for kids who are reading chapter books. We will discuss a new book each month, play games, enjoy snacks and a fun book-themed activity.

Cliff Hangers | Grades 5-8 | Register | April 17 @ 6:30 PM

This book club is for middle-grade students. Each month we will discuss a new book, enjoy snacks and a fun book-themed activity.

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Wednesday, April 24 | 6:00 PM

Teens are invited to earn community service hours by planning, organizing, and participating in teen programs. Meeting attendance will count as volunteer hours and members of TAB will be considered first for volunteer opportunities.



Join us for snacks, make new friends and have some fun!
Grades 6-12. Registration recommended, but walk-ins welcome!

Family Night: April Showers

Monday, April 8 @ 6:30 PM

Join us for a spring themed storytime! Enjoy stories, a scavenger hunt, parachute games and make your own rainstick.

Registration is required.



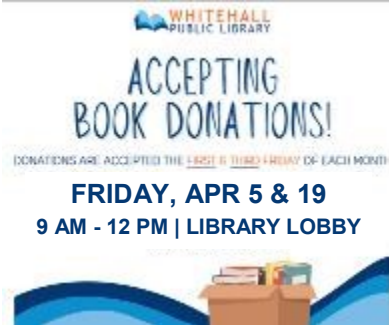
Family Night: Earth Day

Monday, April 22 @ 6:30 PM

Be a Climate Helper! Celebrate Join us as we celebrate Earth Day with special guest Girl Scout Troop 28012. We will have stories, games and activities.

Registration is required.

Children's Programs



We are once again accepting your donated items.

Stop by the New Chapter Book Store!

Library donations may be dropped off on the first and third Friday of each month between the hours of 9:00 am and 12:00 pm. The library itself is closed, donations may be dropped off in the entrance lobby. **Donations are limited to two boxes per household.**

We happily welcome the following materials:

- Fiction and/or nonfiction in good shape
- Children/Teen books
- DVDs, Blu-rays, and CDs
- Puzzles and Games

We will not accept:

- Moldy, musty, or water-damaged books
- Books with missing or torn pages
- Textbooks, Encyclopedias, or Reference Sets
- Reader's Digest condensed books
- Cassettes or VHS tape

State Senator JIM BREWSTER

SATELLITE OFFICE HOURS
WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

FIRST & THIRD THURSDAYS | 10 AM - 3 PM

SERVICES INCLUDE:
PROPERTY TAX/SEAT BELT APPLICATIONS, PROSECUTION
ADJUDICATION PROGRAM APPLICATIONS, POST-AUTHORITY REVIEW
CONNECTICUT APPLICATIONS, ISSUING UNCLAIMED PROPERTY,
FORFEIT HEARINGS, ALONG WITH OTHER STATE-RELATED SERVICES.

THURSDAY

APR

4th & 18th

Look for them seated near the fireplace.

Library Services

MOBILE PRINTING—

- Print any document or web page from your computer, phone or tablet.
- Email prints to whitehallprint@gmail.com
- Print jobs will be sent to our library printers.
- Please call ahead at 412-882-6622 to ensure your print job has successfully completed, and is available for pickup during hours of operation.
- Unclaimed print jobs will be deleted after 24 hours.



RENEWALS—

Whitehall Public Library has raised the number of renewals allowed for most items from **2 to 6***! Now all eligible items you have checked out will be renewed automatically on or shortly before its due date. You are able to extend your loan period up to 6 times as long as there are no other holds on the material.

***Note:** Not all items are eligible.

BOOKS ON WHEELS—

This service is for any Whitehall resident, regardless of age, who cannot come to the Library. Dedicated volunteers will deliver items to your home. For additional information, call 412-882-6622 and ask for Brandon.

