Winter - Spring 2020
January 1 to May 31

Hershey Public Library

Program Booklet

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Adult Friends Programs

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The Pennsylvania German Groundhog Lodges and Versammlinge
Presented by William W. Donner
Sunday, January 26 at 2:00 pm
William Donner will explain the history, cultural context and significance of Pennsylvania German Groundhog Lodges and Versammlinge. William W. Donner is a professor of anthropology at Kutztown University. He has a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. For the past 20 years, he has researched and published about Pennsylvania German (Dutch) history, culture and heritage. He also has written a book about the Pennsylvania German Groundhog Lodges, Serious Nonsense:Groundhog Lodges, Versammlinge and Pennsylvania German Heritage, which will be available for sale and signing.

Franklin D. Roosevelt – An Arsenal of Democracy
Presented by Neill Hartley
Sunday, February 9 at 2:00 pm
The date is December 29, 1940. Franklin Delano Roosevelt has just been re-elected to an unprecedented third term in office. But the world is in a crisis. Nazi Germany has blazed the path of destruction across Europe, and America may soon be drawn into war. Watch this famous moment come to life, as you meet with the President just prior to his delivery of the famous "Arsenal of Democracy" speech. Neill Hartley is a professional actor with 30 years of experience performing in local and regional theaters. He is on the theater faculty of the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, PA.

An Afternoon of Jazz with Abe Ovadia
Sunday, February 23 at 2:00 p.m.
Come and listen to Abe Ovadia a “jazz virtuoso” and innovative guitarist. Having emerged as one of the preeminent guitarists on the New York City jazz scene, Abe holds a bachelor’s degree from Berklee College of Music and a master’s degree from New York University’s highly acclaimed jazz performance program. He is also a recipient of the Best Guitarist of 2016 Award from Hot House Jazz Magazine.

“The Art of Racing in the Rain” Presented by Garth Stein
Saturday, February 29 at 2:00 pm
Join the friends of the Hershey Public Library in welcoming Garth Stein, bestselling author of The Art of Racing in the Rain, the story of a beloved philosopher dog named Enzo who teaches us everything we need to know about being human. Garth’s book became a major motion picture during the summer of 2019. Books will be sold and signed at the event.
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“The British are Coming” Presented by Rick Atkinson
Sunday, March 15 at 2:00 pm
One of America's most acclaimed historians, Rick Atkinson, who has long been admired for his deeply researched, stunningly vivid narrative histories, will be at the library once again. His best-selling Liberation Trilogy earned him critical praise and a Pulitzer Prize for history for Army at Dawn. In May 2019, the first volume of Atkinson’s greatly anticipated Revolution Trilogy; The British are Coming: The War for America, Lexington to Princeton, 1775-1777 was released. Winner of Pulitzer Prizes for history and journalism, he has also won many other awards, including the George Polk Award and the Pritzker Military Library Literature Award. Books will be sold and signed at the event.

Swimming with Sharks Presented by Bill Henschke
Sunday, April 5 at 2:00 pm
Have you ever wondered what it would be like to swim with a shark? Most people in the non-diving community do not realize how important sharks are to the health of our oceans. Bill Henschke’s scuba diving has taken him on many trips ranging from the Pacific to the Atlantic and points in-between. From all of Bill's encounters he feels that sharks are probably the most misunderstood animal on the planet. Come and hear about Bill’s experiences at Tiger Beach located 25 miles off Grand Bahama, where he was able to interact with tigers, great hammerheads, reef, lemon and nurse sharks all on one dive along with many other of his adventures.

22nd Annual National Library Week Author Visit
Featuring Lisa Wingate
Sunday, April 19 at 2:00 pm
Come and meet Lisa Wingate, author of the blockbuster hit, Before We Were Yours, which remained on the New York Times Best Seller list for more than a year, was the #3 longest running bestseller of Publisher Weekly of 2017, and was voted by readers as the 2017 Goodreads Choice Award Winner for historical fiction. Before and After: The Incredible Real-Life Stories of Orphans who Survived the Tennessee Children's Home Society, which is the non-fiction companion book, was released in October 2019. Lisa Wingate is a former journalist, inspirational speaker, and New York Times Bestselling Author of thirty novels. Her work has won or been nominated for many awards, including the Pat Conroy Southern Book Prize, the Oklahoma Book Award, The Carol Award, the Christy Award, and the RT Booklovers Reviewer’s Choice Award. On April 7, 2020, Lisa’s newest novel, The Book of Lost Friends: A Novel, will be released. It was inspired by little-known historical events and is a dramatic story of three young women on a journey in search of family amidst the destruction of the post-Civil War South, and of a modern-day teacher who rediscovers their story and its vital connection to her own students' lives. The new book, as well as others written by Lisa, will be sold and signed at the event.
Adult Enrichment Classes

Please pick up a registration envelope at the Public Services desk unless otherwise stated. Please note, registration ends once the first class begins. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Brnik at jebnik@derrytownship.org or call 717-533-6555 ext. 3717.

The Art of Truth: A Writing Class on Creative Nonfiction
Sundays, January 19 through February 23, 2020 (snow make-up date March 1). 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Fee: $60. Instructor: Laura English
Join us as we explore the exciting genre of creative nonfiction. In this class you can choose to write memoir, essay, biography, epistle, lyric essay, meditation or a combination of several forms. You'll have the opportunity to share your work in a supportive, encouraging environment. Here you'll find motivation and community as you write about real-life experiences. Discovery and camaraderie await you!

Pysanky Egg Class
Saturday, March 28, 2020. 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fee: $30 (includes all supplies). Instructor: Sue Copenhaver
Explore the folk art of Pysanky with Sue Copenhaver. Participants will complete 2-3 eggs in 2 or 3 hours using an electric kistka, beeswax, and a series of dyes. A goose egg may be available at market price, depending on availability.
Class is limited to 10 adults.

Etched Brown Egg Class
Saturday, April 4, 2020. 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fee: $30 (includes all supplies). Instructor: Sue Copenhaver
Explore a variation of the folk art of Pysanky with Sue Copenhaver. Participants will complete 2-3 etched eggs in 2-3 hours using an electric kistka, beeswax, brown eggs and a mild acid. Class is limited to 10 adults.

Orchid Terrarium Class
Saturday, May 9, 2020. 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Fee: $40. Instructor: Kim Bailor
Learn how to create a hanging orchid piece to enjoy for years to come. To register for this class, you must go to Eventbrite.com (Discover Events) and the workshop at the Hershey Public Library will come up. You make your payment directly to the Instructor through this site. Grab your ticket today. Ages 10 through 15 must be accompanied by an adult. Class size is limited to 30.

Intermediate to Advanced Photoshop Class
Saturday, May 16, 2020. 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Fee: $45
Instructor: Bryson Leidich
Learn essential tools to do better image processing. Bryson will demonstrate how the use of layers and masks, corrections to color, density and saturation, and stacking images for depth of field improves your images and are not as difficult as you might think they are to achieve.
Adult Winter Reading Program

"Reading Vegetable Garden"
The 2020 Adult Winter Reading Program begins Thursday, January 2. Stop by the library any time after that date to sign-up. Read four books according to the genre of your selected vegetables to be planted in your garden. Individuals 16 and older can participate. Sign-up incentives and gift card prizes are graciously provided by Friends of the Hershey Public Library.

Don't forget, you can find e-books and audiobooks through OverDrive and Hoopla. Download free apps to your mobile device today to enjoy.

If you have any questions about these events or the Winter Reading Program, please contact Julie Brnik at jebrnik@derrytownship.org or call 717-533-6555 ext. 3717.

Special Events

One Book, One Community Book Discussion
Monday, February 24. 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm
Heartland: A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth by Sarah Smarsh has been chosen as the 2020 One Book, One Community selection! A book discussion of Heartland will take place at the library on Monday, February 24 (snow date 3/2/2020). Registration can be done either online at www.hersheylibrary.org or by calling the Public Services desk at 717-533-6555 one month in advance.

Local Author Festival
Saturday, April 25. Time: 9:30 am (all day)
Authors from a variety of genres will share their experiences and books at the Library’s third Local Authors Event. The event is a tribute to all of the incredible authors that live right here in Hershey and its surrounding areas. We are excited to offer these authors the chance to get some great exposure, network with other writers and to discuss their experiences, while selling some books along the way. The Library is also pleased to provide an opportunity to our reading community to discover exciting new work. Both self-published and traditionally published fiction and non-fiction authors will be showcased. If you are an aspiring author who is looking for an opportunity for exposure, this would be a great event for you. The Call for Submissions to local authors will begin on January 2, 2020 and ends April 1, 2020.
Special Events

Please note that these events may be subject to change due to inclement weather. Please check the library’s Events Calendar at www.hersheylibrary.org or call the Public Services desk if you need further information.

Chess Tournaments
Saturday, January 11, Saturday, March 14, and Saturday, May 2
Each tournament begins at 9:00 am and concludes at 1:00 pm or later.

Open to chess players of all ages and skill levels. 3 rounds with players in Quad sections based on rating and age. This will be a rated chess event so current United States Chess Federation (USCF) membership is required. (Sign up for USCF at www.uschess.org)
Young players and players new to rated chess tournaments are welcome and encouraged to participate!
Format: Open (all ages) and Scholastic Quads. Quads are 4 player sections. Each player plays one game vs each player in his/her quad.
Online registration: (Until the day before each tournament date.) $15 through Eventbrite.com
On-site registration: (Day of the tournament) $20. 9:30 am – 10:00 am.
Tournament Director: Leteef Street. Please send an e-mail to lstreet@dvchess.com

Friends Winter Film Series: Films from Around the World
All films are shown on Saturdays in February from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Everyone is welcome. Registration is not required. Friends provide snacks.
February 1st – “The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel” (Rated PG-13) INDIA
February 8th – “Bottle Shock” (PG-13) UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
February 15th – “Tortilla Soup” (PG-13) MEXICO
February 22nd – “Tea with Mussolini” (PG) ITALY
Tween & Teen Programs

If you have questions, please contact Kendra Mase at 717 533-6555 ext. 3708, or send an e-mail to Kendra at: kmase@derytownship.org. Please check the library's website Events Calendar at www.hersheylibrary.org for registration information, or call the Public Services desk.

'80s Aerobics Experience
Thursday, January 2. 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm
Channel your inner Jane Fonda and practice your jazzercise skills while listening to classic '80s jams. Costumes are encouraged! Break out those leg warmers and prepare yourself to dance into the New Year. The program is for Teens & Tweens in 6th grade and higher, and is presented by Kendra Mase. Registration is not required.

"To All the Boys I've Loved Before": Valentine's Watch Party
Friday, February 7. 3:00 pm to 4:45 pm
Celebrate Valentine's Day by watching "To All the Boys I've Loved Before". (2018. TV-14.) Based on the book by Jenny Han. Read the e-book on OverDrive. Snack on Lara Jean's yummy snickerdoodle cookies, write Valentines, and make your own scrunchie! Registration is not required. For kids in grade 6 and higher. If you have any questions, please contact Kendra Mase at kmase@derytownship.org or call 717-533-6555 ext. 3708.

Tween Lounge and Teen Lounge
If you are in grade 6 and higher, drop-in after school to Tween Lounge for middle schoolers on Wednesdays from 3:00 pm to 4:45 pm, and Teen Lounge for high schoolers every Thursday from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm. Play Playstation games (including online games like Overwatch and Fortnite), tabletop games such as Munchkin and 5-Minute Dungeon, or utilize our art supplies to create.

Dungeons & Dragons
Fridays from January to May. 3:00 pm to 4:45 pm
Dungeons and Dragons is a fantasy role-playing tabletop game hosted by Hershey High School's Dungeons & Dragons Club. Open to 6th to 12th graders. Come for fun game-play and camaraderie.
Children's Friends Programs

All programs are at 2:00 p.m and are suitable for children in grades K-5. Everyone is welcome. Registration is not required. Please contact Children’s Librarian, Rita Smith, at ritahuntsmith@derrytownship.org or call the library at 717-533-6555 if you have any questions.

Barynya – Russian Music, Dance, and Song!
Sunday, January 12 at 2:00 pm
The Russian music, dance and song ensemble Barynya (Russian: Барыня) is known as the premier Russian folk ensemble outside of Russia. Barynya presents Russian, Cossack, Ukrainian, Jewish and Gypsy Roma traditional dancing, music, songs, and virtuoso performances on instruments including the balalaika, garmoshka (Russian folk button accordion) and balalaika contrabass. With their vibrant costumes and lively dance and music, Barynya will transport us across the world without ever leaving the library!

I, Nat Love
Sunday, February 16 at 2:00 pm
Playing the black cowboy Nat Love, Rochel Garner Coleman treats the audience to the life and times of this ex-slave who joined thousands of others like him to explore and settle the West. Based on stories from Love’s autobiography, this one-man show was written by Rochel and underwent development at the Langston Hughes Center for the Arts in Seattle. From Love’s birth into slavery to his walk to freedom and how he won his name, the performance recreates that special period in American history that has captivated generations ever since.

Author visit: Rosemary Wells
Sunday, March 8 at 2:00 pm
Do you love Max and Ruby? And Voyage to the Bunny Planet? Come meet author and illustrator Rosemary Wells, creator of these and many more. “Visit” her studio and learn some of the techniques Ms. Wells uses to create her art. Explore how other cultures contribute to her art, and then we’ll celebrate the importance of storytelling. Maybe we’ll even make some story art together! Join us for this family program!

ARABIQA with Karim Nagi
Sunday, April 26 at 2:00 pm
Karim Nagi, Arab musician and folk dancer from Egypt and USA presents ARABIQA: Arab Music, Dance, and Culture. Come travel to the Arab world with Karim Nagi! With humor, acrobatics, and masterful audience incorporation, Karim introduces us to the wonders of Arab culture. Hear musical instruments such as the Duff, Riqq, Buzuq, Sagat, Mijwiz, and Tabla, and learn about their history. Learn how to wrap a kufiya headpiece, and then watch – and even dance – some folk dances! You won’t want to miss this uplifting and energetic show! As an Arab-American, Karim bridges the East-West cultural gap in the most profound yet entertaining way.
Children's Library Programs

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SPLAT Studio (Sponsored by the Friends of Hershey Public Library)
Sunday, May 3. 2:00 pm to 3:40 pm
The Hershey Public Library tradition continues – a surprise Mother’s Day art project. Back by popular demand, Meghan Winslow of SPLAT Studio – Spirited People Learning Artfulness Together – will help the children design a special project for a loved one. Pre-registration is required and begins on April 19. This program is free and open to the public, and will take place in the library’s meeting room.

2:00 pm to 2:40 pm. Children ages 2 to 6.
3:00 pm to 3:40 pm. Children ages 6 and up.

Please register online for SPLAT Studio at the library's Events Calendar at www.hersheylibrary.org or call the Children’s Desk at 717-533.6555 ext. 3708.

SPLAT Studio A Family Art Studio

LEGO Club
The club meets on the first Wednesday of the month from September through May. 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm. January 8, February 5, March 4, April 1 and May 6. For budding architects and LEGO fanatics ages 6+ to build to a challenge set by the Children's Librarian, Rita Smith.

Wee Build Block Party
Friday, January 3 at 10:00 am
NEW! Encouraging learning through play, Wee Build is part of the Pennsylvania State Libraries initiative to incorporate hands-on learning into libraries. With the materials provided, children will build and experiment, manipulate objects, work with others, count and measure, talk about what they are building, and build vocabulary. This free play program is especially for families and their children ages 3-5.

Second Saturday
This program is subject to meeting room availability. Please check the Events Calendar for information. Saturday, April 11 and Saturday, May 9 from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm.
Is library programming for you and your family difficult to attend during the week? We now offer a program every 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:30 pm that is a part of our literacy-based strategy encouraging reading, talking, playing, singing and writing in young children. Family-friendly program presented by Jackie Sisco.
Cruise into Kindergarten

Please register online on the library's Events Calendar at www.hersheylibrary.org or call the library at 717-533-6555 ext. 3708 to speak to a staff member. If you have questions, please contact the Children's Librarian, Rita Smith, at ritahuntsmith@derrytownship.org

Storytime
Storytime is a five-week series of half-hour programs designed for children 3 to 5. Storytime provides a structured literature-based opportunity for children to gain independence. To best serve our young listeners, sessions are divided by age.

Winter Sessions: January 13 to February 10
Storytime for 3’s and 4’s
Monday mornings at 10:00 am

Storytime for 4’s and 5’s
Monday afternoons at 1:30 pm

Spring Sessions: March 30 to April 27
Storytime for 3’s and 4’s
Monday mornings at 10:00 am

Storytime for 4’s and 5’s
Monday afternoons at 1:30 pm

Play Day for Families
Families with children ages 3-5 are welcome to register for an hour of center-based free play that encourages children and their adults to engage in the five practices of Early Literacy: talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing. January 10 and 24, February 7 and 21, March 6 and 20, April 3 and 17. Friday mornings at 10:00 am.

1, 2, Whee!
The Hershey Public Library presents a four-week series of 30-minute interactive programs for children 12-36 months and their caregivers. 1, 2, Whee! is a high energy mixed-age program for ones and twos with a caregiver. Songs, stories, dances, fun, and learning--all at the same time!

Sensory 1, 2, Whee!
Does your little one prefer a more intimate atmosphere? Same stories, songs, and fun as our other 1, 2, Whee! classes, but attendance is capped to provide a quieter, calmer setting.
Check our website for details—1, 2, Whee! and Sensory 1, 2, Whee are offered year-round on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am and 11:00 am.

Books and Babies
The Hershey Public Library presents a four-week series of 20-minute interactive programs for pre-walking children birth to 12 months and their caregivers. Children and adults register together for songs, simple stories, nursery rhymes, and action plays. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents of young children while introducing your baby to the library and literacy.
February 24 to March 23. Monday mornings at 9:30 am and 10:30 am.
Hosted Groups

_Hershey Public Library plays host to a number of groups that meet at the library and are open to new members. Take a look at what we have to offer. If you are interested in joining a group, you may either stop by one of the meetings or contact the person listed. All hosted groups are free._

**Postpartum Breastfeeding Support: Mothers and Babies**
Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. This program offered through Penn State Hershey Medical Center and held at the library is designed for after the birth of your baby and provides nutritional information for your new baby and open discussion on breastfeeding and mothers who are returning to work. This support group is for all mothers to share, learn, and have fun with their babies. All classes are taught by certified childbirth educators and registered nurses. Contact person: Anita O'Hara at aohara@pennstatehealth.psu.edu (717) 531-6981. No charge.

**FIRST LEGO League**
FIRST LEGO League challenges kids in grades 4-8 to think like scientists and engineers. During the season, which lasts from late August until February or March, teams are engaged in research, problem-solving and engineering in preparation for regional competitions. For more information, contact parent coaches at cyborgninjas24987@gmail.com. (http://www.firstlegoleague.org/)

**Chess Club and Chess Tournament**
Club meets Saturdays from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm. Drop in for a fun afternoon of chess. Children ages 12 and older may be in the library alone, but younger children will need an adult in the building. Chess Tournaments are on January 11, March 14, and May 2 at 9:00 am. Please see the library's Events Calendar for details. Registration is required. Contact person: Leteef Street at lstreet@dvchess.com

**Hershey Quilters Guild**
Join an informal group of quilters interested in sharing ideas and projects. We have an ongoing active charity program, making and donating quilts to various organizations. We welcome all levels of interest! Meeting times: 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. Also, anytime there is a fifth Thursday in a month, the group meets from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm for a charity work day (drop in). Regular meetings are held from 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Contact person: Dorothy Pederson at dpeds78@comcast.net. (717) 565-1144.

**Hershey Area Neighbors and Newcomers Club**
The club promotes friendship and shares knowledge concerning the functioning of the local community. It provides opportunities for social interactions through a variety of interest groups. Meeting times: 2nd Thursday of the month from September through April (no meeting in December). Meetings begin at 9:45 am. Contact persons: Jackie Lomazzo at jlomazzo@aol.com (845) 857-4204, or Suzette DeSantis at suzette@comcast.net (717) 861-4660.

**Hershey Writer’s Critique Group**
The purpose of the group is to help writers improve their skills and help individuals who are seeking self or traditional publication. Meeting times: 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm. Contact person: Emily Miranda at emilyfortney@gmail.com. (717) 497-6429.

**Cocoa Area Fiber Enthusiasts**
This is a free social group for yarn spinners, knitters, crocheters, weavers, and fiber artists. Our goal is to foster the creativity and skills of our members through demonstrations, Show ‘n Tell, and workshops. All adult fiber artists are welcome, and encouraged to bring friends. We welcome all levels of talent to our group. Members are urged to bring a fiber craft project, a Show ‘n Tell, and a bag lunch to each meeting. Meeting time: 11:00 am to 1:30 pm, usually on the 3rd Saturday of each month, with an occasional exception around certain holidays. Contact person: Loren Chasalow at CocoaAreaFiberEnthusiasts@gmail.com
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Derry Township

http://www.derrytownship.org/

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Improvements at the Hershey Public Library

The next phase of library renovations began on October 28, 2019. Plans include a new teen area, a new story time area, a reading garden, and a family entrance (artistic rendering above). Any changes to normal operations will be announced with as much notice as possible. The building will likely be loud and dusty during construction, and access to meeting room space will be impacted until renovations are completed.

Scan with your mobile device to go to the library's Events Calendar for program registration.