

# The Library Link

◆ NORTHERN TIER LIBRARY  
MARCH 2026



Beginning March 1, the Pine Center will be open every Friday from 9 AM to 2 PM.

**WILLIAM POWELL & MYRNA LOY CLASSIC MOVIES**  
*Tuesday, March 3 @ 7 PM*

Northern Tier Library, in partnership with the Pittsburgh Classic Movie Club, will show *Libeled Lady*, a film about a socialite played by Myrna Loy who sues a big paper for libel after being accused of being a homewrecker.

Doors will open at 6:30 PM with the movie starting at 7 PM. The movie is free to attend & refreshments will be provided, so we ask for registration to account for supplies.

Enjoy watching classic movies? This film series will also be showing *Manhattan Melodrama* on Tuesday, April 7 & *After the Thin Man* on Tuesday, May 5!



*Pittsburgh Classic Movie Club's mission is to preserve & promote classic film (Golden Age of Hollywood, 1910-1969) in the community. To that end, they offer free movie screenings throughout the Pittsburgh area.*

**AUTHOR NIGHT: KENNETH J. WEISS**  
*Tuesday, March 24 @ 7 PM*

Tucked in a quiet, suburban neighborhood outside of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at the end of a dead-end street lies the most remarkable structure—a Chinese paifang. This decaying but stunning arch frames the driveway to a compound deep in the woods. Weiss discovered this paifang almost 50 years ago when he was a child.



When he recently found that it was still standing, he went looking for the story behind it. Although he never could have imagined that the tale would cover almost 150 years, nearly 8,000 miles, & was formed at the intersection of the lives of a Chinese bishop on the run from Communist authorities, a Pittsburgh steel heiress, & a renowned artist.

The Friends of the Library have invited local author Kenneth J. Weiss to talk about his book, *The Lost Kingdom of Pittsburgh: The True Story of Art & Exile in the Steel City*, that features a discovery nearly located in Northern Tier Library's backyard. The event will be an hour long, followed by a Q&A session with refreshments. The author will have copies of his book for sale & available to sign.

Advance registration is required.

**Northern Tier Library  
Richland Center**

4015 Dickey Rd  
Gibsonia PA 15044  
724-449-2665  
northerntierlibrary.org

Mon - Wed: 9 am - 7 pm  
Thu - Sat: 9 am - 5 pm

**Northern Tier Library  
Pine Center**

100 Pine Park Dr  
Wexford PA 15090  
724-449-2665 ext. 35

Mon & Wed: 9 am - 5 pm  
Thu: 11 am - 7 pm  
Fri & Sat: 9 am - 2 pm

**Mission Statement**

To provide resources that inspire, inform, educate & entertain the public.

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**United Way Donations**

Did you know that you can donate to your library through United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania?

Use agency code #1601

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## Kids & Teen Programs



### Kids Take-Home Program Kits

#### WEEKLY CRAFT

*Pickup on Tuesdays,  
March 3 - 24*

Kids of all ages can register for a simple, weekly take-home paper craft that can be picked up *inside* the library during construction.

#### MAKERSPACE KITS

Kids & teens can enjoy a take-home kit featuring supplies from our Makerspace that can be picked up *inside* the library during construction.

#### *March 9: Mini Dragonflies*

Use twine & tiny sticks to make a small, rustic dragonfly.

#### *March 16: Tissue Suncatchers*

Make a suncatcher for your window with tissue paper.

#### *March 23: Fairy Tower*

Create a small fairy tower from craft materials.



### Honor & Memorial Program

Donations were made in honor & memory of:

**Savvas Katsourakis**  
from Angelo Spagnolo

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#### BABY PLAYTIME

*Tuesdays, March 3 - 24 @ 11 AM*

Enjoy half an hour of fun with your baby! This program is intended for babies ages 0-18 months.

#### STORY & PLAYTIME

*Wednesdays & Thursdays, March 4 - 26 @ 10:30 AM*

Share songs, rhymes, and books at this storytime event! This program is for toddlers, preschoolers & their families.

#### MAKER MONDAYS

*Monday, March 2 @ 3 PM*

Hey teens! Join us at Northern Tier Library to create fun projects related to art, crafts, electronics, sewing & more! This month will feature Granny Squares where you can learn how to make a colorful crocheted square.

#### POKÉMON CLUB

*Monday, March 2 @ 5:30 PM*

Bring your cards or games & meet other Pokémon trainers at the library. Boards will be available for the card game & a Pokémon-related project will be there to enjoy. Self-directed & open to children, teens & their families.

#### ISLAND HOPPERS: AN ACNH CLUB

*Monday, March 9 @ 5 PM*

Join fellow Animal Crossing enthusiasts for an hour of New Horizons on your Nintendo Switch! BYOD (bring your own device), explore other people's islands, get design ideas, swap resources & make new friends!

#### NATUREOLOGY: SERENGETI SUNRISE

*Tuesday, March 10 @ 5:30 PM*

Imagine a million wildebeest & zebra roaming a giant circle around a grass-filled wilderness. Lions, leopards & cheetahs, accompanied by hyenas & wild dogs, also roam looking for their next meal. Meanwhile elephants, giraffes & ostriches try to stay out of the way. We'll try to stay out of the way too, as we watch these animals roam at this month's Natureology with Tony Palermo.

#### KIDCODECLUB

*Monday, March 16 @ 5 PM*

Register for some kid-oriented, tech-centered socializing & fun. Kids should bring their own laptop or Chromebook to share inspiration, play each other's games, & collaborate on new ideas & projects. For children ages 10 & up.

#### READ TO A FURRY FRIEND

*Saturday, March 28 @ 10 AM, 10:30 AM, or 11 AM*

In these 30-minute sessions, come & give your kids a chance to practice their skills by reading to a dog or cat! PAWtnering with Animal Protectors of Allegheny Valley, these friendly (& adoptable!) dogs & cats are looking forward to listening to the stories told by your child. Children are encouraged to bring their own book to read & a blanket to sit on, but it's not necessary as we will be on a carpeted floor. Each animal will be assigned to an adult shelter representative & registration is required.

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## Adult Programs

### LUCKY CHARM TAKE-HOME KIT

**Lobby pickup after 12 PM on Friday, March 13**

Ready to get sham-rocked? Make decorations for St. Patrick's Day with this take-home kit. This kit is intended for teens & adults, but all ages are welcome to register. Registration is required by Wednesday, March 11 to account for supplies.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE

Stock up for summer reading at our upcoming Friends of The Library Used Book Sale!

**Thursday, April 16: 9 AM to 7 PM**

**Friday, April 17: 9 AM to 5 PM**

**Saturday, April 18: 9 AM to 5 PM**

**Sunday, April 19: 12 PM to 3 PM**

**Monday, April 20: 9 AM to 7 PM (\$5 bag sale)**

All proceeds fund events like our children's holiday parties and Summer Learning Program. Come take a look & pick up your next read!

## Book Clubs

### BRIDGET'S BOOK CLUB **March 11 @ 6:30 PM**

A monthly book club for all fiction lovers.

#### ► *The Queens of Crime* by Marie Benedict

The five greatest women crime writers have banded together to form a secret society. Led by the formidable Dorothy L. Sayers, the group includes Agatha Christie, Ngaio Marsh, Margery Allingham & Baroness Emma Orczy. Their plan is to solve an actual murder, that of a young woman found strangled in a park in France who may have connections leading to the highest levels of the British establishment. Inspired by a true story in Sayers' own life, *New York Times* bestselling author Marie Benedict brings to life the lengths to which five talented women writers will go to be taken seriously in the male-dominated world of letters as they unpuzzle a mystery torn from the pages of their own novels.

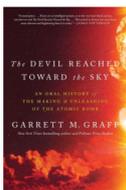


### NONFICTION DISCUSSION **March 17 @ 1 PM**

A monthly book club featuring nonfiction titles.

#### ► *The Devil Reached Toward the Sky* by Garrett Graff

A sweeping & comprehensive oral history from scientists, politicians, pilots, soldiers & survivors of the atomic bomb, marking the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Hiroshima & Nagasaki. The Nonfiction Book Group discussed Parts 1, 2 & 3 in February & will continue their discussion of Parts 4 & 5 in March.



## Monthly Groups

### A GREAT DEAL GAME GROUP

Join us at 1 PM to play Pinochle on Tuesdays or American Mahjong on Wednesdays.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends sponsor our annual Book Sale & other programs in support of the library. Current and new members are welcome to join on Tuesday, March 3 at 10 AM.

### TECHNOLOGY HELP

Register for a 30-minute session between 2 & 4 PM on Wednesdays, March 4 - 25 to get help with a technology-related topic.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON GAMES

Play various tabletop games at the library on Fridays, March 6 & 20 at 1 PM!

### YARNS N'AT

This fiber arts group will meet on Saturdays, March 7 & 21 at 10 AM to practice their preferred style of fiber art.

### CONVERSATION GROUP

Stop by on Thursday, March 12 at 1 PM to share ideas and hear what others have to say.

### KNIT LIT

Knitters, crocheters, & yarn enthusiasts are welcome to join us on Tuesday, March 17 at 6:30 PM. If you're working on a project, bring it with you!

### GERMAN CONVERSATION GROUP

Practice your German & learn about the German culture with others on Thursday, March 19 at 3:30 PM.

### PLANT-BASED PITTSBURGH NORTH

Share your favorite plant-based dish on Wednesday, March 25 at 5:30 PM! Bring your ready-to-eat dish & recipe to share. A \$5 donation is requested with proceeds benefiting the library.

### SERENITY: ADULT DESTRESS KITS

Grab a free packet for adults filled with puzzles, a craft & some fun community tidbits.



Northern Tier Regional Library  
4015 Dickey Road, Gibsonia PA 15044

**NOW HIRING** The library is looking for a friendly, helpful individual who enjoys working with the public & as part of a team. Do you like books? Great! Even more importantly, do you like people? This job is all about meeting the needs of our community—checking out books, putting carts in order, helping people use the copier, unjamming the printer & pitching in wherever is needed. The circulation clerk position is part-time (approx. 20 hours/week) & includes evening & Saturday hours. The candidate selected will need to obtain PA Child Abuse/FBI Clearances & successfully pass a criminal background check. Paid time off given after the successful completion of the 90 day probationary period. To apply, please submit your resume & cover letter to Diane Illis, Director at [illisd@northerntierlibrary.org](mailto:illisd@northerntierlibrary.org). No phone calls, please.

## Pine Center Programs

### FAMILY STORYTIME

**Fridays, March 6 - 27 @ 11 AM**

Come to the Pine Center for an all-ages storytime! Sing, move, read books & practice rhymes. This event is for children of all ages.

### STEM TAKE-HOME CRAFT

The Pine Center will offer a free STEM take-home craft available for pickup while supplies last!

### LIBRARY LEADERS

**Thursday, March 12 @ 4:30 PM**

Want to have a say in the future of our Pine Center? Join these monthly town hall meetings for student volunteers in grades 5 & up.

### THE PINE NEEDLES

**Thursday, March 5 @ 4 PM**

All yarn enthusiasts can join to talk about life, discuss books they're reading & share fiber art projects they're working on but may never finish.

### AMERICAN MAHJONG

**Thursdays, March 5 & 19 @ 5 PM**

Experienced players are welcome at these sessions of American Mahjong! Please bring your own game board along if you have one.

### LEARN MAHJONG

**Tuesday, March 3 @ 5 PM**

Want to learn to play Mahjong? Register for this class to learn the tiles, rules & strategies involved with this centuries old game. This class is for beginners only.

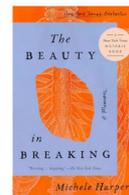
### PINING FOR BOOKS

**Monday, March 9 @ 2 PM**

A book club to explore genres & literary themes.

► *The Beauty in Breaking* by Michele Harper

Michele Harper is a female, African American emergency room physician in a profession that is overwhelmingly male & white. Her marriage at an end, Harper began a new life in a new city, in a new job, as a newly single woman. In the ensuing years, she came to understand that each of us is broken—physically, emotionally, psychically. In this true journey of self-healing, Harper passes along the necessary lessons that she has learned as a daughter, a woman, & a physician.



### COFFEE & CRIME

**Thursday, March 26 @ 5:30 PM**

A book club for mysteries, procedurals & true crime.

► *None of This Is True* by Lisa Jewell

Lisa Jewell returns with a scintillating new psychological thriller about the chance encounter between two women born on the same day at the same hospital, but with drastically different lives. As they bond, it is revealed that one woman may not have the best intentions.



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