

An open book is a window to the world.

Ellwood City Public Library  
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Happy New Year



## The Reader's Review

# Wishing You A Happy New Year!

From our Board of Directors and our entire Library staff, we wish all of you a very happy and prosperous 2026!

Thank you for your support over the past year. We truly appreciate it.

We love serving the Ellwood City community and look forward to continuing to provide worthwhile programs and activities for you in the months to come.



### Hours of Operation

Monday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Tuesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Wednesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Thursday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Friday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Saturday	9:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.

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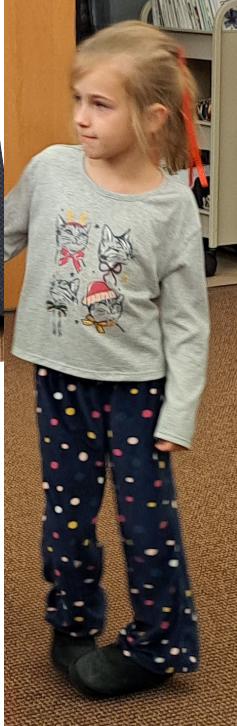
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# Santa Visited Us Just Before Christmas!

His helpers were with him too, and they kept working to help Santa by reading Christmas stories and passing out candy canes!



# Santa Was So Much Fun!



# Santa and all his helpers!



## Friends of the Library Committee

"Friends of the Library" is a committee that meets once a month to discuss ways to support the library. We are always looking for new members who would like to help brainstorm new fundraiser ideas, plan events or volunteer their time. No experience is needed. For more information, call the Library at (724) 758-6458.

In the months ahead, we will be keeping you up to date on our activities and upcoming events.

## Free CPR Training Available

The Ellwood City Fire Department will be offering free CPR training at the Library on Thursday, January 8th at 5:30P.M.

# BOOK GROUP LISTS FOR 2026

If you are thinking about joining one of our book groups, here are the books we are planning to read this year. Please call the Library at (724) 758-6458 if you are interested in becoming a member.

## Classics Book Group

- February The Catcher in the Rye by J.D. Salinger
- March Brideshead Revisited by Evelyn Waugh
- April Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
- May Persuasion by Jane Austen
- August One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest by Ken Kesey
- September The Outsiders by S.E Hinton
- October Great Expectations by Charles Dickens
- November The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck

## Contemporary Book Group

- January The Kite Runner by Kaled Hosseini
- February James by Percival Everett
- March The Measure by Nicki Erlick
- April The Personal Librarian by Maria Benedict and Victoria Murray
- May The Jackel's Mistress by Chris Bohjalain
- June The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon
- July We Begin at the End by Chris Whitaker
- August The First Ladies by Maria Benedict and Victoria Murray
- September All the Colors of the Dark by Chris Whitaker
- October Atonement by Ian McEwan
- November All the Devils are Here by Louise Penny

## Fiction Addiction Book Group

- January Wicked by Gregory Maguire

# Children's Ongoing Activities!

Most events are scheduled through May.

All children's programming will be held in the Program Room unless otherwise noted.

~ STEAM Storytime

(2nd Wednesdays at 6pm)

~ Preschool Storytime

(1st and 3rd Wednesday at 1:30pm)

~ \*Reading Buddies

(1st Saturday at 9:30am)\*Children's Area

~ Baby Laptme

(2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 10:30am)

~ Tween & Teen After School Program

(every Wednesday from 3-4pm)

~ Monday Music & Movement

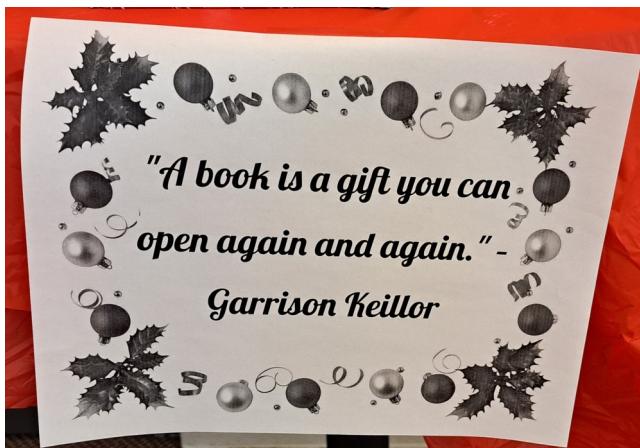
(1st and 3rd Mondays at 10:30am)

Be sure to check out our Facebook page to see all of the events!



# Still Need a Late Christmas Gift?

We still have some great books available for that very last minute gift you forgot that you needed! Stop in and check out some notable editions that were chosen especially for gift giving.



## DON'T FORGET ABOUT MOVIE NIGHT!!

THERE WILL BE NO MOVIE NIGHT IN JANUARY.  
MOVIE NIGHT WILL NOT RETURN UNTIL APRIL.



TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER!

GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK TOO!



We need your help so that we can reach more readers. If you know someone who would like to receive this newsletter, please forward it to them or ask them to call the Library at (724)758-6458, or stop in and sign up, sign up on our website [here](#) or email us at: [ellwoodcitylibrarynewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ellwoodcitylibrarynewsletter@gmail.com). Use this email address to give us your feedback too!

Thank you.

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