

An open book is a window to the world.

Ellwood City Public Library
 415 Lawrence Avenue
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May 2026



The Reader's Review

OUR BOOK SALE WAS A BIG DEAL!!

Beginning when the Library opened on Thursday, April 23rd, through closing time on Saturday, April 25th, we welcomed book lovers looking for great reads at bargain prices. Our selection was wide and varied. From children's books to youth and adult fiction and nonfiction, there was something for everyone. We would like to thank all the readers who participated. Every purchase helps to support the programs and activities that we provide to our community.

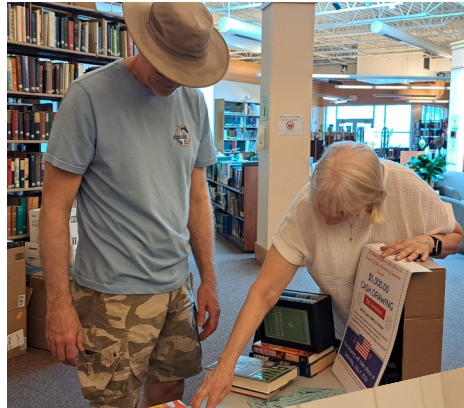


Hours of Operation		
Monday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Tuesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Wednesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Thursday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Friday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Saturday	9:00 A.M.	4:00P.M.

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More about the Book Sale!

For three days, our Program Room was filled with a variety of novels in hardcover, paperback or large print. There were cookbooks, biographies, mysteries and storybooks. Saturday was Bag Day when folks could fill a shopping bag with as many books as the bag could hold, all for only \$5.00! What a bargain!



TWO SPECIAL EVENTS COMING THIS MONTH!

Saturday, May 16th: Touch-a-Truck Community Day!

On Saturday, May 16th from 10:00A.M. to 1:00 P.M. kids will be able to "Touch-a-Truck" in our parking lot. There will be fire trucks and police cars, even Ellsworth the Trolley. This is a great chance for kids to get to touch these huge vehicles and meet the people who drive them.



Friday, May 29th: The Steve Haberman Magic Show



On Friday, May 29th from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. come to the Library for some exciting abracadabra feats and laughter with Steve Haberman, a well-known magician and comedian who has entertained thousands. He will entertain us with his unique combination of magic and comedy. You won't want to miss this event! Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased at the Library or from any of our Board members.

EARTH DAY

Mrs. B and Ms. Carrie were on hand at Ewing Park on Saturday, April 25th to help celebrate Earth Day. It was a rainy day but many folks stopped by to say hello. Thank you for your participation on this very important day of the year.



Come Visit, Check Out Our Spring Reading Collection!



CASH DRAWING

Take a chance to win some cash as we celebrate our country's 250th anniversary!

The Ellwood City Area Public Library & Ellwood City Area Chamber of Commerce Present

\$5,000.00 CASH DRAWING

\$10 donation

What you need to know:

- Winning number based on the PA Lottery Evening PICK-3#
- In the event that the winning ticket is not sold, a supplemental drawing will be held on Monday, July 6 at 10AM

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The drawing will take place on Saturday, July 4, 2026

We are so thankful for The Color Center donating the tickets!

A New Special Program for Very Special People

Our Library is proud to announce a new program in partnership with McGuire Memorial. We have set aside a special time for individuals with disabilities and special needs, along with their friends and families, to come and enjoy time together in a relaxed, supportive atmosphere. Welcome All!

The Ellwood City Library's

Adult Special-Needs Hangout!

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
10:30 a.m.



In partnership with McGuire Memorial, we invite individuals with disabilities and special needs—along with their families, friends, and community members—to join us at the library for a relaxed and welcoming time together. Everyone is welcome! We'll enjoy coloring, puzzles, games, stories, and plenty of time to connect and have fun. Feel free to bring your own lunch or snacks. No registration is required—just stop by and hang out!

Follow us on Facebook!

Friends of the Library Committee News

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR UPCOMING EVENTS!!

Friday, May 29th, 2026 - The Steve Haberman Magic Show from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Tickets are \$20.00.

Tuesday, June 16th - Painting on Wood from 5:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Saturday, August 8th - 4th Annual Wine Walk from 4:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

MAY 4TH IS OUR FINAL LIBRARY SATURDAY FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR

For Kindergarten - 2nd graders



Join Mrs. B and Ms. Carrie to learn all about what it means to work in a library!

We will meet on the first Saturday of the month (February - May) at 9:30 am



Children must be signed up to participate! Call the library or sign up using this QR code.



First Saturday of the month is

LIBRARY SATURDAY!

9am Reading Buddies (All ages Read to Therapy Dogs)

9:30am Little Librarians (Kinder - 2nd)

10:30am Pokémon Club (Kinder - 8th)

11:45am Choose Your Own Book Club (3rd-5th)

1:45pm Teen Cooking Club (7th-12th)

2:30pm Books, Thoughts, & Snacks (6th-12th)



JOIN US THIS MONTH!



For Kindergarten - 8th graders!



Join us on the first Saturday of the month (February - May) at 10:30am
NO NEED TO SIGN UP!

We will provide Pokémon crafts and coloring pages! Kids can also battle or trade cards (with parental permission.)

6th-12th Graders!


BOOKS, THOUGHTS & SNACKS

Join us each month during the school year to discuss the book YOU pick to match the month's theme.

Each member will receive a book journal to decorate and fill with their own thoughts on the book!

Meet on the first Saturday of the Month at 2:30pm.

To sign up, use the QR code, ask at the desk, or call the library!



Ellwood City Area Public Library's

Teen Cooking Club

free!

We will be learning how to cook easy snacks/meal ideas that you can remake at home!

For Teens (7th grade and up)

You must sign up so we know how many to expect. Call the Library or use the QR code below.

JOIN US
The first Saturday of the month at 1:45pm

Feb. 7
Apr. 4

Mar. 7
May 2




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3rd - 5th Grade




"Choose Your Own" Book Club

Join us on "Library Saturday" (1st Saturday of the month) at 11:45am in the program room.

You will pick a book to borrow from our collection to read each month!

Whether you like graphic novels, mysteries, animals books, etc. It doesn't matter! You get to pick what you read.

Then we will talk about the books you have read while we have snacks, and do activities, and crafts!

Call the Library or use the QR code to sign up now!

READING BUDDIES!
KIDS READING TO THERAPY DOGS



Join us on "Library Saturday" ~ 1st Saturday of the month ~ at 9am from October to April in the Children's Area.

Every child will have the opportunity to read to our AMAZING therapy dogs Tex and Kimber.

Reading to dogs can boost reading skills in children as well as help with emotional and social skills.



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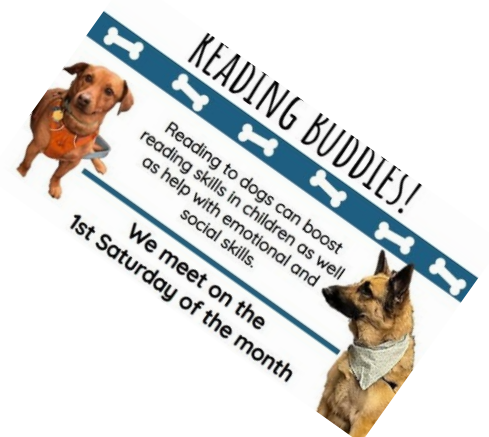
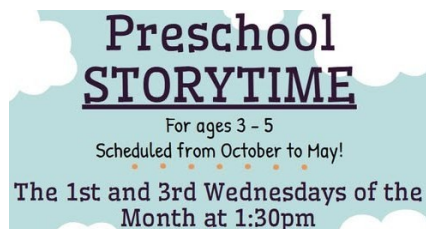
Check out our Facebook page or call the Library for details on these programs, (724)758-6458.

Children's Ongoing Activities!

Most events are scheduled through May. Check out our Facebook page or stop in the Library for our new Summer Program Schedule.

- ~ **STEAM Storytime**
(2nd Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M.)
- ~ **Preschool Storytime**
(1st and 3rd Wednesday at 1:30 P.M.)
- ~ ***Reading Buddies**
(1st Saturday at 9:30 A.M.)
* Children's Area
- ~ **Baby Laptime**
(2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 10:30 A.M.)
- ~ **Tween & Teen After School Program**
(Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00 P.M.)
- ~ **Monday Music & Movement**
(1st and 3rd Mondays at 10:30 A.M.)

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



MONTHLY ADULT BOOK GROUP SELECTIONS

CLASSICS: *Persuasion* by Jane Austen
(Thursday, May 21st at 2:00 P.M.)



CONTEMPORARY: *The Jackal's Mistress* by Chris Bohjalian
(Thursday, May 14th at 2:00 P.M.)

FICTION ADDICTION: *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Penner
(Saturday, June 20th at 2:00 P.M. Group will meet at Ellwood Ice.
Participants must be 18 or older to join.)

Our Contemporary Group recently met to discuss *The Measure* by Nicki Erlick, a story of love and hope as interweaving characters decide how to live the moments of their lives when the length of their lives has been revealed to them. Our discussion was very thought provoking as members tried to imagine themselves facing such knowledge.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT MOVIE NIGHT!!

JOIN US ON MAY 13TH

**CALL THE LIBRARY TO FIND OUT WHAT'S PLAYING!
(724)758-6458**



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. Use this email address to give us your feedback too! Thank you.

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