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Ellwood City Public Library

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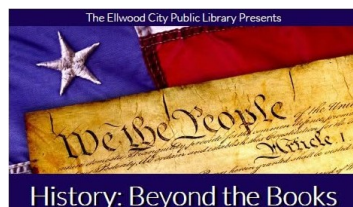
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The Reader's Review

FOCUSING ON OUR ADULT PATRONS

Have you noticed that over the last few months our Library has been offering some new programs aimed at our adult patrons? In order to expand these programs, the Library is excited to announce that Rachel Biermeyer (Mrs. B) has been appointed the new Programming Director. Mrs. B will continue providing fun, interactive programs for the children and youth but will now take on adult programming as well. Keep an eye out for upcoming events and activities. Stop by one of her programs starting in September to say hello and find out more about future programs.

One of Mrs. B's first new programs for adults will be a monthly History Club, moderated by Mr. Rob Brough. The first session will be on September 17th at 6:00 P.M., when Mr. Brough will speak on remembering 9/11: Flight 93. Mr. Brough, presented a program for us in July covering the United States 250th birthday. He will explore a new historical topic each month.



History: Beyond the Books

Each month will bring:
A new topic. A new story.
A new look at the past.

Join us each month as local history educator, Mr. Rob Brough explores a fascinating topic from the past. From famous figures to forgotten stories, every session offers something new to discover. At 6pm each month, he will be speaking on different topics:

Sept. 17: Remembering 9/11: Flight 93

Next upcoming dates: (topics to be announced)
Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17

Children are welcome! While adults attend the presentation, Mrs. B and Ms. Carrie will provide engaging activities in the Children's Area so the whole family can enjoy an evening full of History at the library.

Hours of Operation

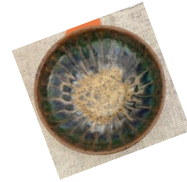
Monday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Tuesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Wednesday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Thursday	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Friday	10:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.
Saturday	9:00 A.M.	4:00 P.M.

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MudMaker - The Art of Clay Making

On Wednesday, August 5th, members of our community were able to learn about creating beautiful works of art with clay. This program was made possible through a grant from Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. Participants of all ages were able to meet clay artists who demonstrated the art of clay making and displayed several examples of mugs, vases, and bowls to show how raw clay can be transformed into unique, functional, useful, objects.



NEW ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG FOLKS BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER!

MUSIC, MOVEMENT, & MORE

EVERY Tuesday at 10:30A.M. from Sept. 1st through May 25th. This is a 45-minute program for ages birth to preschool. All are welcome, no need to sign up. We will add some calmer elements and read a few more stories to add to our original Music and Movement lineup.



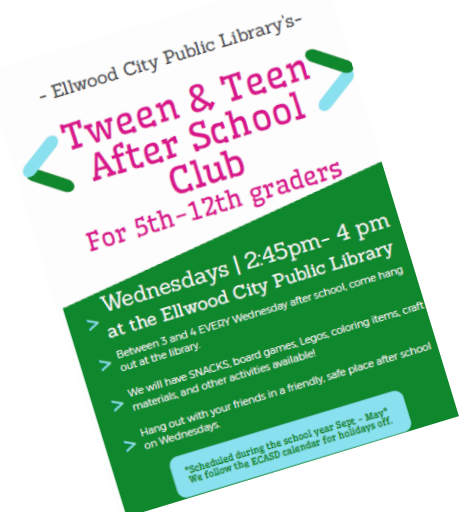
SPECIAL NEEDS HANGOUT

EVERY Wednesday at 10:30A.M. from September through May. All abilities and ages are welcome! We will provide games and some craft items for patrons. Please feel free to bring your own crafts, games, and snacks!



TWEEN & TEEN AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

EVERY Wednesday at 2:45P.M. - 4:00P.M. Kids (5th grade and up) are encouraged to join us after school for a safe hangout space. We will provide snacks, crafts, games, and more! No need to sign up. We will follow the ECASD calendar for days off, etc.

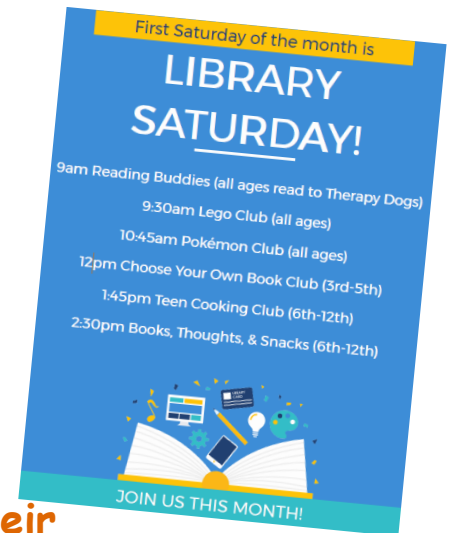


Check out our Facebook page or call the Library for details on these programs, (724)758-6458.

NEW ACTIVITIES CONTINUED!

LIBRARY SATURDAY IS BACK, FIRST SATURDAY EACH MONTH

- 9:00A.M. READING BUDDIES -All ages invited!
Read to our therapy dogs
- 9:30A.M. LEGO CLUB -All ages invited!
There will be different stations for kids to free build, complete themed challenges, or work on library provided Lego sets.
- 10:45A.M. POKEMON CLUB -All ages invited!
There will be different stations for kids to trade/show off their pokemon cards, battle, complete Pokemon crafts, etc. No need to have your own cards to have fun!
- 12:00P.M. CHOOSE YOUR OWN BOOK CLUB
-3rd-5th graders. Every month, kids can pick their own book to read! We will meet to discuss what they've read then complete different themed activities/crafts with snacks.
- 1:45P.M. TEEN COOKING -6th graders and up. Join us to learn to make easy, at home snacks or meals.
- 2:30P.M. BOOKS, THOUGHTS, & SNACKS -6th graders and up.
Join us each month to discuss the book you choose, then work on a provided book journal while we hangout and eat snacks.



A NEW WAY TO SUPPORT US!!

We need a few specific things for our programs, if anyone is willing to donate. If you buy them through the Amazon link below, they are delivered directly to Mrs. B's house, or you can drop them off at the front desk, just be sure to let the desk staff know that it is for Mrs. B' programs. Thank you.

Needed now: Paper towels, 8.5x11 laminating sheets, 8.5x11 white cardstock

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/29RG3E917DGWY...>



OUR 4TH ANNUAL WINE WALK

On Saturday, August 8th from 4:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M., approximately 150 people strolled along the 400 and 500 blocks of Lawrence Avenue, where they could sample and purchase wine and food from 20 different vendors and mingle with friends. Folks could also buy chances on a wonderful gift basket.

We would like to thank the following vendors who helped to make this a great day for the Library:

Pete's Uptown Beer & Beverage
Country Hammer Moonshine
Derailed Distillery
McLaughlin Distillery
MLH Distillery
Ellwood Ice
Chubby's Pizza Wagon
J & A Eats
Fitzgibbon Meadery
Fractured Grape, Knockin Noggin
Harkins Mill Wines
LaVigneta Winery
McKims Honeyvine Winery
Twisted Vine Winery
Wapiti Ridge Wine Cellars
Rollie Pollies
Ponfeigh Distillery
Yinzer Fusion
Chilly Willy Cheesestakes
Cork n Screw Wines



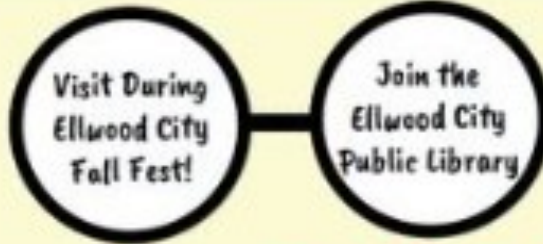
Library Director, Heather Baker with Lawrence County Commissioner, Chris Sainato



MORE WINE WALKERS!



BE SURE NOT TO MISS THIS EXCITING
AND MYSTERIOUS EVENT!!



A Magical Library

Saturday, Sept. 26th,
2pm-4pm

The magic is returning to the Ellwood City Library!

Step through Platform 9^{3/4} and into a world of magic at our Magical Library! Witches, wizards, and Muggles of all ages are invited to explore enchanting rooms, discover hidden surprises, and experience the wonder of a library transformed. Whether you're a brave Gryffindor, a clever Ravenclaw, a loyal Hufflepuff, or a cunning Slytherin, there's magic waiting around every corner. Best of all, admission is FREE! Grab your wand, wear your favorite wizarding attire, and prepare for an unforgettable adventure.



MORE LIBRARY HAPPENINGS, KEEP THESE IN MIND

We are looking for someone to fill an open position at the Circulation Desk and assist with InterLibrary Loan work. Send us your resume.

Join us on October 14th to learn about support available during pregnancy, birth, and the postpartum period.

Our Adult Special-Needs program is available every Wednesday for adults with special needs and their families and friends.

The Ellwood City Area Public Library is looking for someone to join their team and make a difference in the community.

WERE HIRING!

Circulation desk/ILL Assistant
The position is 26 hours a week with some weekends and some evenings.

Qualifications:

- Excellent interpersonal and customer service skills that display a positive attitude and the ability to interface with people of all backgrounds and ages.
- Applicants must have a minimum of a high school diploma or GED.
- Must be comfortable and proficient with technology.
- Applicant must be organized and able to work with others and work independently.
- The ability to alphabetize and arrange items numerically.

The candidate will be required to obtain PA Child Abuse/FBI Clearances and successfully pass a criminal background check.

Jobs will include:

- Working the circulation desk; checking Patron's books in and out, helping a Patron with printing material, handling money and keeping the work and front area tidy.
- May be asked to assist with Interlibrary loans (training will be provided)
- Will be responsible for processing the cataloged books for circulation (training will be provided)
- Doing tasks to help the everyday running of the Library.

All resumes should be turned in by August 28, 2026.
Drop off your resume at the Library 415 Lawrence Ave. Ellwood City PA 16117 during normal business hours or email to hbaker@ellwoodcitylibrary.org.

Birth Support & Beyond

Wednesday, Oct. 14th, 6pm

Join local doulas, midwives, birth photographers, and pelvic floor physical therapists to learn about the support available during pregnancy, labor and birth, and the postpartum period.

Discover what doulas do, how they help families prepare for birth and recovery, and learn about other valuable resources for growing families. There will also be time for questions and discussion.



The Ellwood City Library's Adult Special-Needs Hangout!

Every Wednesday
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 COMING SOON

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH BOOK AND BAKE SALE
MONDAY, OCT. 13TH THRU SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH
ANNUAL BOOK SALE



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH
LADIES AFTERNOON TEA



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST
HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW

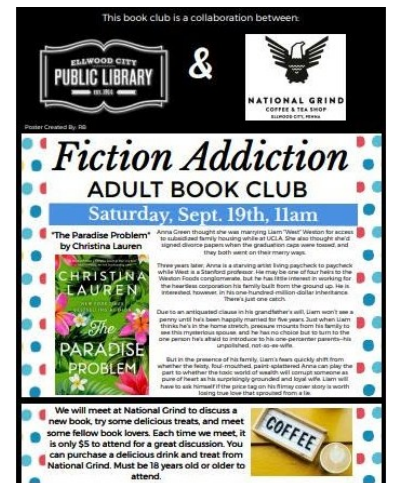
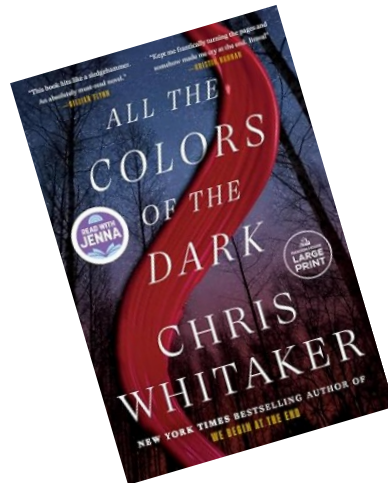
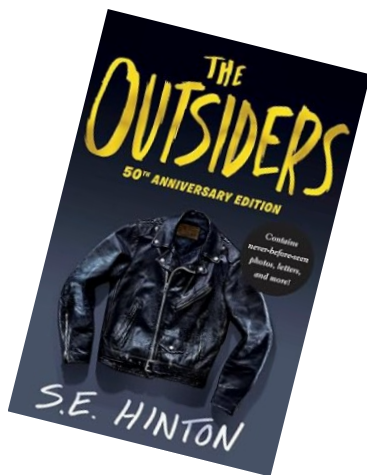


MONTHLY ADULT BOOK GROUP SELECTIONS

CLASSICS: *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton
(Thursday, September 24th at 2:00P.M.)

CONTEMPORARY: *All the Colors of the Dark* by
Chris Whitaker
(Thursday, September 10th at 2:00P.M.)

FICTION ADDICTION: *The Paradise Problem* by Christina Lauren
(Saturday, September 19th at 11:00A.M.)
(Group will meet at National Grind. Participants must be 18 or older.)



DON'T FORGET ABOUT MOVIE NIGHT!!
JOIN US ON SEPTEMBER 16TH
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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