

# Pittsburg Public Library

## Calendar of Events

January 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> <b>Library Closed</b> <b>Happy New Year 2024!</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>3</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>4</b> <b>LEGO BuilderSpace Open House</b> 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. *New Time* <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>5</b> <b>Talking Heads Discussion Group</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	<b>6</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
<b>7</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.	<b>8</b> <b>Story Time</b> 6:00 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	<b>9</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>VolunTeens Open House</b> 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>10</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>PPL Board of Trustees Meeting</b> 4:30 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>11</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>12</b> <b>Talking Heads Discussion Group</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	<b>13</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
<b>14</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.	<b>15</b> <b>Library Closed</b> <b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b>	<b>16</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Third Tuesday Book Discussion</b> 1:30 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>17</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>iCraft: Mini Art Canvas</b> 6th grade through Adult 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>18</b> <b>Dementia Caregivers Support Group</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Companions in Grief Support Group</b> 2:00 p.m. <b>LEGO BuilderSpace</b> 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. *New Time*	<b>19</b> <b>Talking Heads Discussion Group</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	<b>20</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
<b>21</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.	<b>22</b> <b>Story Time</b> 6:00 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	<b>23</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>VolunTeens Open House</b> 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>24</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>25</b> <b>A Cup of Conversation with Dr. Dan Shipp</b> 10:00 a.m. 	<b>26</b> <b>Talking Heads Discussion Group</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	<b>27</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
<b>28</b> <b>Library Hours</b> 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.	<b>29</b> <b>Story Time</b> 6:00 p.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	<b>30</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<b>31</b> <b>Story Time</b> 10:00 a.m. <b>Library Hours</b> 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<p>Check out the StoryWalk at Lakeside Park featuring</p> <p><b>The Snowy Day</b> by Ezra Jack Keats</p> <p>Available in English &amp; Spanish</p>		

## LEGO BuilderSpace for Kids & Teens

The LEGO BuilderSpace for kids and teens is held in the Library's meeting room on the first and third Thursday of each month.

In 2024, we're trying out a new time from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. No registration is required—just come have fun! As always, children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Please call the Youth Services Department at 620-230-5556 for more information.

## Talking Heads Discussion Group

The Talking Heads Discussion Group meets on Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. at the Library.

Using *The Great Courses Series* from The Teaching Company, participants watch a 30-minute DVD lecture and then the floor opens for discussion. New participants are always welcome!

## VolunTeens Open House

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to drop by the Library any time during open VolunTeen hours.

This month, the group will meet on Tuesday, January 9 and Tuesday, January 23 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Get your volunteer hours, help your community, and meet new friends.

## Library Adjusts Service Hours

Beginning January 2, 2024, the Pittsburg Public Library will close at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. Previously, the Library was open until 8:00 p.m. All other operating hours will remain the same. On Monday evenings, the Library will be open until 8:00 p.m.

The library made this adjustment after reviewing data as to when the public is using library services. Less than 1% of patrons used library services during this time.

We believe this new schedule will allow us to have more staff available for the public when they need us the most.

The Library will be adding new programs and utilizing our staff more effectively to best serve our community. This is not a cost cutting decision nor a move to reduce staff hours.

Please contact Bev Clarkson, Library Director, at 620-231-8110 if you have questions or concerns. Thank you for your continued support of the Pittsburg Public Library.

## Story Time @ the Library

Story Time starts on Monday, January 8 and continues through Wednesday, February 21. Kids and families are welcome. No registration is required for this free program.

**Monday**  
6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
10:00 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
10:00 a.m.



## Third Tuesday Book Discussion



The Third Tuesday Book Discussion will be held on Tuesday, January 16 at 1:30 p.m. in the meeting room.

This month's title is *Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. New readers are always welcome!

## iCraft: Mini Art Canvas

Craft Program for Teens & Adults

iCraft will be held on Wednesday, January 17 with an open house from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. This month, we invite you to paint a mini-canvas.

After iCraft, the mini-canvases will be on display in the Library's lobby, with the artist's name and title of the work (at the discretion of the artist.)

The iCraft program series is open to anyone in the sixth grade through adult. Join us each month for a new craft project and all the supplies you need to put your creativity to work!

The Mini-Art Show craft is available to the first 34 attendees.



## Device Advice Appointments

Free Technology Assistance for Adults

Pittsburg Public Library continues to offer free Device Advice appointments. Bring your smart phone, tablet, or laptop—and your questions.

These 15 to 30 minute sessions are designed to help familiarize patrons with common devices, Internet functions, and answer technology-related questions.

Assistants can also help with library resources, including ebooks and audiobooks. Call the PPL Computer Lab at 620-230-5559 to make your appointment.

## Ongoing Book Sale in the Reading Room

We invite you to visit the ongoing Friends of the Library Book Sale in the second floor Reading Room, open during regular Library hours.

The volunteers restock this room on a weekly basis. From romance to kids books, mysteries, and non-fiction—there is always something new to discover! Shop for a great cause!

## A Cup of Conversation with Dr. Dan Shipp

Do you ever wish you could have a casual conversation with a local personality and learn more about them? You can do just that at *A Cup of Conversation*, PPL's new monthly program.

You are cordially invited to *A Cup of Conversation* with Dr. Dan Shipp, PSU President, on Thursday, January 25 at 10:00 a.m.

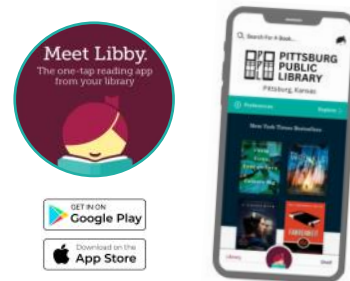
Join us as Dr. Shipp shares what he learned on his bike trip across Kansas last Spring.



Hot coffee, tea, and refreshments will be provided. This free program is open to the public.

## Digital eBooks & Audiobooks

Free with your PPL Card



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## LEGO BuilderSpace For kids & teens

**Thursday, January 4  
and Thursday, January 18**  
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

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## Holiday Closings

The Pittsburg Public Library  
will be closed  
**Monday, January 1, 2024**

Happy New Year!

The Library will be closed  
**Monday, January 15** in observance  
of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

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Monday: 9am to 8pm  
Tuesday: 9am to 7pm  
Wednesday: 9am to 7pm  
Thursday: 9am to 7pm  
Friday: 9am to 5pm  
Saturday: 10am to 4pm  
Sunday: 1pm to 5pm



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