



Pittsburg Public Library

Calendar of Events

April 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Story Time 6:00 p.m.	2 Story Time 10:00 a.m. Story Time 4:00 p.m.	3 Story Time 10:00 a.m.	4 LEGO BuilderSpace 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	5 Talking Heads Discussion Group 9:00 a.m.	6 Library Hours 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
7 Library Hours 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. National Library Week 2024 Ready, Set, Library!	8 Solar Eclipse Watch Party 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. Story Time 6:00 p.m. Friends of the Library Annual Program 6:00 p.m. Open to the Public	9 Story Time 10:00 a.m. Story Time 4:00 p.m. VolunTeens Open House 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	10 Story Time 10:00 a.m. PPL Board of Trustees Meeting 4:30 p.m.	11 Elementary Art Club 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.	12 Talking Heads Discussion Group 9:00 a.m.	13 Library Hours 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
14 Library Hours 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.	15 Story Time 6:00 p.m.	16 Story Time 10:00 a.m. Third Tuesday Book Discussion 1:30 p.m. Story Time 4:00 p.m.	17 Story Time 10:00 a.m. iCraft: Paint Your Own Fairy Door 6th grade through Adult 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	18 A Cup of Conversation with Justin Crain 10:00 a.m. Dementia Caregivers Support Group 10:00 a.m. Companions in Grief Support Group 2:00 p.m. LEGO BuilderSpace 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	19 Talking Heads Discussion Group 9:00 a.m.	20 Earth Day Celebration 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Pritchett Pavilion All Ages Event! Look for the PPL Bookmobile!
21 Teacher Student Teacher Poetry Program 2:00 p.m. Open to the Public	22 Story Time 6:00 p.m.	23 Story Time 10:00 a.m. Story Time 4:00 p.m. VolunTeens Open House 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.	24 Story Time 10:00 a.m. Last Story Time of the Spring Session.	25 Elementary Art Club 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.	26 Talking Heads Discussion Group 9:00 a.m. Pittsburg Artwalk 5:00 p.m. Downtown Pittsburg Look for the PPL Bookmobile!	27 Library Hours 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
28 Library Hours 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.	29 Library Hours 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	30 Library Hours 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p>StoryWalk at Lakeside Park Featuring: Buffalo Fluffalo Written by Bess Kalb Illustrated by Erin Kraan</p> </div>			

LEGO BuilderSpace

Open to Kids & Teens

The LEGO BuilderSpace for kids and teens will meet on Thursday, April 4 and Thursday, April 18 at the 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.

Solar Eclipse Watch Party

According to NASA, Kansas is not in the direct path of the eclipse, however Kansans can expect to see the majority of the solar eclipse when it takes place on April 8.

Join us for a Watch Party on Monday, April 8 from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m., with optimal viewing at 1:52 p.m. (to be exact). Eclipse glasses will be available to program participants, while supplies last. Join us in the Library's Courtyard to view the eclipse.

Cloudy or rainy? Checkout the NASA live stream of the eclipse showing in the meeting room. Special eclipse-themed refreshments will be provided. This free program is open to the public. No registration is required.

VolunTeens Open House

Open to Teens in Grades 6—12

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

This month, the VolunTeens will meet on Tuesday, April 9, and Tuesday, April 23 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Teens can get volunteer hours, help the community, and meet new friends.

Elementary Art Club

Open to kids in 1st through 5th Grade

Check out the Library's new Elementary Art Club, designed for kids in first through fifth grades.

The Art Club will meet on Thursday, April 11 and Thursday, April 25. Participants may attend one or both sessions.

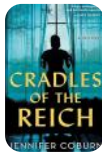
Join us to learn about famous artists and create a masterpiece of your own to take home. No registration is required for this free program.

For more information, please call the Youth Services Department at (620) 230-5556.

Third Tuesday Book Discussion

The Third Tuesday Book Discussion will be held on Tuesday, April 16 at 1:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

This month's title is *Cradles of the Reich* by Jennifer Coburn. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the Library. The book is also available on the Libby App, in both e-book and e-audio format.



New readers are always welcome at the book discussion.

iCraft: Paint Your Own Fairy Door

Craft Program for Teens & Adults

Bring some magic into your life! iCraft will be held on Wednesday, April 17 with an open house from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. This month, we invite you to paint your own tiny ceramic fairy door—just in time for spring gardening.

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! No registration is required for this free program.

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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

Teacher—Student—Teacher Poetry Program

April is National Poetry month! We invite you to Teacher—Student—Teacher, a celebration of teachers, students, and poetry, on Sunday, April 21, at 2:00 p.m. in the Library's Meeting Room.

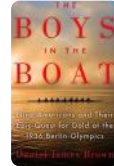
The program will feature local poets Al Ortolani, English teacher of Melissa Fite Johnson, who in turn taught Megan Munger. All are graduates of Pittsburg High School and Pittsburg State University.

Melissa will have copies of her recently published book, *Midlife Abecedarian*, for sale and signing after the presentation. The program is free and open to the public.

March Madness: Book Edition

Drum roll please...The 2024 March Madness: Book Edition Champion is *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown.

The holder of the winning bracket is Chris Schremmer. Of the 45 brackets submitted—only 15 made through to the final round.



Thank you to all who entered brackets and voted each week. You are all winners in our book!

A Cup of Conversation with Justin Crain

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

You are cordially invited to *A Cup of Conversation* with Justin Crain on Thursday, April 18 at 10:00 a.m.

Justin is the general manager of *The Morning Sun* newspaper.



Hot coffee, tea, and refreshments will be served. This free program is open to the public. No registration is required.

Story Time at the Library

The current Story Time session continues through Wednesday, April 24. Kids and families are welcome. No registration is required for this free program.

Monday
6:00 p.m.
Tuesday
10:00 a.m.
& 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday
10:00 a.m.



Are you ready? PPL is gearing up for Summer Reading 2024! After a short break, Story Time will start again on Monday, June 3.

National Library Week

April 7—13, 2024



The theme for National Library Week 2024, *Ready, Set, Library!* promotes the idea that in our always-online world, libraries give us a green light to something truly special: a place to connect with others, learn new skills, and focus on what matters most.

No matter where you find yourself on the roadmap through life's journey—preparing for a new career, launching a business, or raising a family—your library provides an inclusive and supportive community where everyone belongs.

Get ready to explore, become inspired, and connect with your library this National Library Week. Libraries are there for you, all the way to the finish line.

Pittsburg Public Library is so thankful for the continued support of our community who check out materials, attend programs, bring their families to the library, buy books from the Friends, and use library technology—both inside and outside the building.



Annual Meeting and Program

**Dress For Success:
Nelly Don & American Fashion**

Presented by Marla Day

Monday, April 8 at 6:00 p.m.

This free program is open to the public

One simply cannot mention 20th-century women's fashion, without thinking of Nelly Don.

The Parsons, Kansas native built a fashion empire on the vision that women deserved affordable, stylish clothing regardless of means or status.

From humble beginnings, Don built a company that treated her workforce of women fairly, brought fashion to millions of American women, and became the largest dressmaker of the century.



Ellen "Nell" Quinlan Donnelly's story is one of innovation, triumph, and hard work—all rooted in her small-town Kansas upbringing.

Presented by Marla Day, this free program is open to the public.

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