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Have a Hot Time at Your Libraries This Summer.

We have it all going on: science, magic, art, story times, reading, movies, safe driving (for teens) and more, more, more.

Abington and Roslyn READS!
A Summer Buddy-Reading Program for Children & Teens

Abington READS!
Monday, June 25 - July 24
1-hour sessions:
- Mondays at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.,
- Tuesdays at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.
To register, sign up on abingtonfreelibrary.org, call 215-886-5180, ext. 13, or come to the Library Information Desk starting Monday, May 21.

Roslyn READS!
Monday, June 25 - Aug. 6.
1-hour sessions:
- Mondays at 1:30 or 6:30 p.m.
To register, sign up on abingtonfreelibrary.org, fill out a form at Roslyn Library or call 215-886-9818.
Registration begins May 21.

FOR CHILDREN: Keep reading over the summer! Children entering grades K-2 will read with a teen buddy for one hour a week. They will practice reading aloud, learn new words, and discover the joy of reading.

FOR TEENS: Volunteer this summer and earn service learning hours. We need teens in grades 7-12 to read with children one hour a week, and inspire a whole new generation of readers. Teens are required to attend training on Saturday, June 16, from 11 a.m. – noon, or Thursday, June 21, from 7-8 p.m.

Find more programs and features at abingtonfreelibrary.org
Both Libraries offer FREE Wi-Fi! Abington Free Library offers wireless printing.
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Find us on Facebook and Twitter!
You can stop by the Information Desk; try it and let us know what you think.

Mozilla Firefox or Internet Explorer to book-snapshots. Please use either abingtonfreelibrary.org/eresources/ through our website: http://www.abingtonfreelibrary.org.

Book SnapShots is available for all ages. Once you delve into one of the lists, you can find read-a-likes, too.

As reference librarians, we often assist patrons with reading recommendations. The tools we use are also available to you. Novelist, for example, is embedded in the catalog. When you search the online catalog, choose to view the full display for a favorite book, then scroll down to “Reading Recommendations, Reviews, and More.” If the book is part of a series you can see details there, too.

Another tool we use is Book SnapShots, which offers book descriptions and lists of titles for all ages. Once you delve into one of the lists, you can find read-a-likes, too.

Book SnapShots is available through our website: http://www.abingtonfreelibrary.org/eresources/book-snapshots. Please use either Mozilla Firefox or Internet Explorer to view this resource.

Try it and let us know what you think. You can stop by the Information Desk; call us at 215-885-5180, ext. 13; or email us at askabington@gmail.com.

- Mimi Satterthwaite

and all the reference staff

**NEW SEARCH TOOL**

There’s a new search tool on our website! Check out “Search Everything,” developed by Ebsco Discovery Service.

**Roslyn Branch Library Events**

**BABY DAYS**
Ages 6 months – 2 years
 Tuesdays 11–11:30 a.m.
Through May 22 and June 26–Aug. 7
Registration starts June 4.

**STORY TIME - Ages 3-5**
Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m.
Through May 24 and June 28–Aug. 9
Registration starts June 4.

**STITCH AND CHAT**
Teens and adults
Fridays, 1–3 p.m.

**LEGO CLUB**
Saturdays, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

1965-1975 A REVOLUTIONARY DECADE OF MUSIC
May 7 and 14, 7–8:30 p.m.
Register now.

**MAKE-IT TO GIVE-IT**
Ages 12–18
Tuesday, May 8, 3:30–5:30 p.m.
Make a survival bracelet or weave a mat out of recycled plastic fiber. Earn service hours. Sign up for all or part of the time.
Registration starts April 16.

**BE A SUPERHERO**
Ages 6–11
Tuesday, May 15, 1–3 p.m.
Drop in for crafts.

**FAMILY NIGHT**
Ages 3–6
Monday, May 21, 6:30–7 p.m.
Registration starts May 8.

**PAINTED ROCKS**
Ages 5–11
Friday, June 29, 11–noon
Registration starts June 11.

**SCIENCE TIME!**
Ages 6–10
Tuesdays, July 10-31, 2–2:30 p.m.

**BOOK CLUB**
Entering 2nd or 3rd grade
Thursdays, Aug. 2-16
2:30 p.m.

**FAMILY FUN**
Fridays, July 6–Aug. 10
Check website for weekly details.
abingtonfreelibrary.org
215-886-9818
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**CHILDREN’S Programs at Abington Library**

**CANTA Y BAILA, DANCE AND SING!**
WITH ALINA CELESTE
Ages 2 and up, attending with parents/caregivers,
Tuesday, April 24
6:30–7:15 p.m.
Registration is open now.

**PRESCCHOOL READING BUDDIES**
Ages 3–5, attending with parents/caregivers
Mondays, April 30 and May 14
6:30–7 p.m.
Led by Girl Scout Troop 7715;
these programs will feature stories, songs and crafts about cats
(April 30) and Dr. Seuss (May 14).
Each Girl Scout will read aloud to a small group of children.
Register for one or both sessions starting now.

**TURTLE DANCE MUSIC PRESENTS**
"THE MUSIC, BUBBLE AND COMEDY SHOW: BORN TO READ!"
Ages 2 and up, attending with parents/caregivers
Wednesday, May 2
6:30–7:15 p.m.
Registration is open now.

**SPECIAL DOGGONE GOOD READERS AT RAYMOUR & FLANIGAN**
Therapy dog reading program for grades 1–5
Saturday, May 5 – Four reading sessions (choose one):
11-11:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.,
12:45-1:15 p.m., 1:30-2 p.m.
Program will be held at Raymour & Flanigan,
939 Old York Road, Jenkintown.
Registration is open now.

**KiwaniS Story Times**
All ages welcome, attending with parents/caregivers
Thursdays, 11–11:30 a.m.,
through May 17
No registration required.

**Science in the Summer – The Science of Space**
Entering grades 2–6
Two-day classes: Monday and Tuesday, June 25–26;
or Wednesday and Thursday, June 27–28.
10 a.m.–noon (entering grades 2–3) and 1–3 p.m.
(entering grades 4–6)
Online registration begins at noon on May 15.
Visit www.scienceinthesummer.com for details.

**Teen Programs at Abington Library**

**Creative Writing Club**
First Tuesday of the month
May 1 and June 5, 4–5 p.m.

**AP Exam Study Day**
Sunday, May 6, 1–4 p.m.

**New Driver Safety Course**
Tuesday, May 22, 7–8 p.m.
For new teen drivers and parents

**Finals Study Day**
Sunday, June 3, 1–4 p.m.

**Q-Crew**
Monday, June 11, 6:30–8 p.m.
For LGBTQ+ teens and friends

**Volunteer for Abington READS!**
A buddy-reading program
Starts June 25.

**One Summer One Author**
Meet author Alex London.
Thursday, July 12, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**SAT Practice Exam**
Saturday, July 21, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

**ACT Practice Exam**
Saturday, Aug. 18, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
Check our website for more teen programs!
215-885-5180, ext. 13
abingtonfreelibrary.org/teens
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Support your Libraries! Join the Friends!

Congratulations to the winners of the 2018 Design-a-Bookmark Contest:
Kindergarten: Timothy Li
Grade 1: Sophia Micciolo
Grade 2: Sylvie Dellerman
Grade 3: Kate Arabchuk
Grade 4: Maddie Krassner
Grade 5: Jordyn Halpern
Grade 6: Romilly Young
Junior High: Pippa Young
Senior High: Sophia Dellerman

 Winners were honored at a library reception in April. Their winning designs are featured on bookmarks, which are available in the Abington Children’s Department and at Roslyn Branch.

The biggest Friends fundraiser is the BookCellar, located on the lower level of Abington Library. You’ll find bargain-priced books for adults, teens, and children, DVDs, audio books, and music CDs. All items are donated.

BookCellar hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, noon–4 p.m.; Wednesday, noon–4:30 p.m. and 6:30–8:30 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. We also sell on Amazon.

Donations accepted at the Circulation Desk: Wednesday–Saturday at Abington Library and Thursday–Saturday at Roslyn Library. Please bring only three grocery bags per visit to ease processing.

To learn more, visit abingtonfreelibrary.org/about-us/friends; call 215-885-5183 or ablit1@yahoo.com.

Literacy Office hours: Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m.–1 p.m., and by appointment.

- Elizabeth Sperling, Program Coordinator

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How Materials Make their Way to the Library Shelf

How does a book — or film or music CD — make its way to the library shelf, ready for you to discover, check out, take home and enjoy?

While it’s tempting to say it begins with a spark of an idea in the mind of an author, that may be stretching things a bit, in terms of what we at the library can take credit for. Nevertheless, there are more steps involved than you might imagine.

The process begins in our Reference department. Each week our knowledgeable and dedicated reference librarians choose new titles to order, based on critical reviews, reader demand, collection development, and budget allowances.

Nancy handles the DVDs; Carolyn and Jessica choose children’s titles; Lindsay those for teens; Gloria stays on top of adult fiction; Mimi, Lois, Jay, Brian, and Anna handle nonfiction; and Meg fills out the Roslyn Branch collection. Together, they cover nearly every topic imaginable! Once their lists are compiled, the process moves to the Technical Services department.

In Tech Services, our acquisitions assistant, Susan, places the orders with our vendors. Many titles arrive the very next day. Susan unpacks the items and updates the online inventory. The materials are not free, of course: Invoices are tallied and sent to Dimitra, our fiscal manager, for payment. Meanwhile, the items themselves go to Heather, Sherrie, and Jeannie — our cataloging team.

The catalogers create detailed online records for each item, showing title, author, subject, call number, publication date and more. Their hard work, handling nearly 9,000 titles each year, helps make it possible for you to find just what you want in the library.

Next the items move on to Belinda and her crafty team of “shelf-prep” volunteers, while Roslyn materials head across town to Caitlin’s desk. They ensure every item is attractive and durable. Books are covered with protective laminate; audiovisual materials are fitted to security cases; cover artwork is sized to fit; and identifying spine label stickers are added.

Now the items are checked in, appearing at last in the online catalog. Off they go to the Circulation desk, where, finally, our tireless pages file each one in its proper place on the shelves, ready for your perusal.

All of this is performed quickly and accurately, in a matter of days, so we can get the materials to you. The next time you take home that gripping novel, eye-opening nonfiction, or stack of children’s picture books, we hope you will appreciate the many steps involved, and the dedicated and hard-working staff that make it all possible.

And as for that author with the spark of an idea, if she or he spends time in a library — inspired by works on the shelves, informed by research, aided by able staff, or simply enjoying a quiet place to work — libraries can indeed take some credit in the very first steps of creating the works that eventually find their way to you.

- Susan M. Schmid

Interlibrary Loan and Acquisitions Assistant