# March 2025 AT YOUR LIBRARY!

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## Inspire

#### **NEW CASTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

We extend our sincerest thanks to all who have donated to our 2024-25 campaign Inspire. We look forward to putting all resources back into our community! To extend a donation, please visit our website or email donate@ncdlc.org.

Current Funds: \$40,000 Goal: \$100,000

#### LIBRARY'S FINEST

The Library's Finest is an annual fundraiser that brings a friendly, fun competition to the area's youth and young adults together to support the library.

Last year over \$25,000 was raised through the various events and fundraisers held including:

Yoga, Dr. Seuss Day, Paint & Sips, THON, and basket raffles to name a few. The funds raised went to support Elevate, this year funds raised will support the Inspire campaign benefiting the Youth Services Department.



#### TUTOR.COM



Did you know the New Castle Public Library offers Tutor.com, completely free with your library card? It's an amazing resource for all ages! Students can get live tutoring, feedback on papers, and prep for tests like the SAT and ACT. Plus, adults can use it for resumebuilding and career resources. It's personalized learning made for you and accessible from anywhere! Check it out online or visit us to learn more!

#### **BOOK CELLAR**



The Friends of the Library are hosting a Big Bag Book sale on March 22nd from 10 to 2 complimenting the Library's Frugal Fashionista Fundraiser. Shoppers can fill either a plastic bag for \$5 or a brown paper bag for \$10 with either paperback or hardcover books!

#### **SPOTLIGHT**



On March 8th, the New Castle Public library will be hosting their Dr. Seuss Day celebration! Join us from 11:00-1:00 at Pulse in New Wilmington to enjoy some Green Eggs and Ham with our storytellers, games, and guests from the New Castle Playhouse. The cost is \$10 per child and benefits the library's

Inspire campaign!



Scan the QR Code to reserve your place!

#### **VOLUNTEER**

We are incredibly grateful to our volunteers for the role they play in keeping our library up and running. If you would like to join our volunteer team, please contact the library by emailing volunteer@ncdlc.org.

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#### Children Prek-5th Grade

Play and Grow March 1 and 15 | 11:00-1:00

Parents socialize while children play in this nod to NCPL's position as a Family Place Library and a take-off of Commonwealth Library's Play and Grow initiative for Small & Rural Libraries.

#### Family Time

March 3 | 6:00-7:30

Storytime, games and snacks for families during evening hours.

#### Library Explorers Indoors

Every Tuesday | 10:00-11:30

March 4, 11, 18, 25

#### Mother Goose Storvtime & Weebuild

Every Wednesday | 10:00-11:30 March 5, 12, 19, 26

#### Dr. Seuss Day!

March 8 | All Day

Join us at Pulse for a small donation to join in the fun including all things Seuss! This Library's Finest event is hosted by Ashley LaPier, Director of Member Engagement at Forward Lawrence.

#### Reading Buddies

March 8 | 1:00-2:00

A reading program where children are welcome to share their favorite books with dogs!

#### Family Place Together Time Series

March 6, 13, and 20 | 10:00-11:30

An informative program for children and their caregivers alongside community resource partners and child development experts.



#### Tween and Young Adult Ages 8-18 Teen Reading Lounge

March 3, 10, 17, 24 | 2:30-3:30

The Lounge is a place to discover cool books, explore your passions, and make a difference.

#### Tween Tuesday Every Tuesday | 2:30-3:30

March 4, 11, 18, 25

A fun afterschool activity for kids aged 8-12 featuring games, STEM projects and crafts.

#### ARRL HAM Radio Club

March 27 | 6:00-8:00

Collaborative Club with New Castle Jr/Sr High School Principal Kim Kladitis.

#### **Animation Monday**

March 31 | 2:30-3:30

Discuss and enjoy anime, manga, and animated movies over snacks.

### A Sampling of New **Books This Month**

#### Children's

A World Worth Saving by Kyle Lukoff Science Behind Dendrology by Olivia



#### Adults Ages 19 and up

Nonfiction Book Club March 1 | 3:00-4:00

Discussing Educated by Tara Westover

#### **NCPL Book Group**

March 3 | 9:30-11:00

Discussing Before the Coffee Gets Cold by Toshikazu Kawaguchi

#### Movie Night

Every Wednesday | 5:30 March 5, 12, 19, and 26

#### Learn to Hem

March 5 | 6:00-7:00

Bring those long pants to the library for an introduction to hemming class!

#### Library Stitchers

1st and 3rd Friday | 12:00-3:00 March 7 and 21

#### Finger Foods & Appetizers

March 11 | 2:00-3:00

Continuing our recipe series, try other's creations!

#### Genealogy Club

March 15 | 2:00-3:00

#### Women's History Month Quiz

March 17 | 4:00-5:30

Test your Women's History knowledge with

#### Cultural Series: Religious Experiences Across the World

March 20 and 29

Learn about the historic Quakerism in Lawrence County at 6:00. Join us again on the 29 for a presentation on the Harmony Society by the Old Economy Village museum at 2:00.

#### Eggs & Palms

March 22 | 9:30-1:30

Practice the traditional folk art of decorating eggs with wax and dye, and to learn about the cultural importance of the art with The Polish Americans of Lawrence County. Registration required.

#### Frugal Fashionista Fundraiser

March 22 | 10:00-1:00

Shop like a fashionista on a budget and support the library. Get early access starting at 9:30 AM for a \$5 donation. Free after 10!

#### 25 Ways to Wellness

March 24 | 5:30-6:30

An informational program on small, easy life style changes to maintain long term health!

#### **Grief Support Group** March 26 | 1:00-2:30

#### **Young Adult**

(S)Kin by Ibi Zoboi The Otherwhere Post by Emily J. Taylor Wings of Starlight by Alison Saft

#### Adult

Deep End by Ali Hazelwood Jane Austen's Bookshelf: A Rare Book Collector's Quest to Find the



#### **Bookmobile Schedule**

#### **RJ Schill Apartments**

March 4 | 1:00-2:00

410 Short St, Ellwood City

#### Wampum Park Apartments

March 5 | 2:00-3:00

159 Alpha Dr, Wampum

#### New Bedford Presbyterian Church March 5 | 4:00-5:00

151 Woodland Dr, New Bedford

Shenango on the Green March 6 | 1:00-2:00

238 S Market St, New Wilmington

#### **Highland Terrace Apartments**

March 12 | 2:00-3:00

111 W Fairmont Ave, New Castle

#### Shenango Treetops

March 17 | 11:30-12:30

1562 Frew Mill Rd, New Castle

#### **UPMC Jameson Place**

March 18 | 10:30-11:30

3345 Wilmington Rd, New Castle

#### Maria's Country Store

March 19 | 12:00-1:00

832 Plain Grove Rd, Volant

Villa Maria March 31 | 1:30-2:30 276 Villa Maria Rd, Pulaski

### Family and all Ages

#### LCFLS Board Meeting

March 10 | 1:00

#### Beatnik Café

March 10 | 6:00-8:00

Enjoy local music and entertainment in an open-mic environment!

#### Mindful Meetup

March 12 | 3:00-4:00

Basics of mindfulness of growth and new beginnings.

#### Pipe Cleaner Palooza

March 13 | 4:00-5:00

Bring your imagination to life with pipe cleaners!

#### Crochet/Knit Club

March 13 | 5:00-6:00

#### Chess Club

March 15 | 10:00-11:30

#### NCPL Board Meeting

March 18 | 4:30

Big Bag Book Sale March 22 | 10:00-2:00

Shop your favorite authors and support the Friends of the New Castle Public Library!

Register for events and programs at www.ncdlc.org or call (724) 658-6659

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## What's New With Us?

#### **Adult Services**

**Gabrielle Lucas**, Adult Services Manager 724-658-6659 x127 | glucas@ncdlc.org

March is an exciting time at the library! In addition to our regular programs, we're kicking off our Spring Cultural Series: Religious Experiences Around the World. Over the next three months, we'll be offering programs showcasing the diverse cultural practices of different communities. First up, we'll be looking at Quakerism and examining artifacts from the local Quaker Falls settlement on March 20th before getting a visit from historians from Old Economy Village's museum to learn about the Harmony Society on March 29th. Join us!

#### Circulation

**Zoey Ralston, MSLS**, Circulation Librarian 724-658-6659 x105 | zralston@ncdlc.org

Celebrate the arrival of spring with the Circulation Department this March! Whether you're diving into a new book, picking up your favorite movie, or browsing our latest collection of digital materials, we've got you covered. Our team is here to help with checkouts, renewals, and returning items smoothly. Don't forget to take advantage of our special events and workshops happening throughout the month. Stop by for personalized service, and let us help you discover your next great read or resource. Spring into action and visit us today!

#### Development

**Isabelle Daniels**, Development Manager 724-658-6659 x104 | idaniels@ncdlc.org

Spring is an exciting time for fundraising at the library! Want to contribute and love to shop? Come to our Frugal Fashionista Fundraiser on March 22! Find gently used and new women's clothing as well as jewelry and more at terrific prices--and all the proceeds go to support the New Castle Public Library's Inspire campaign! Admission is free, but for \$5 you can gain early access beginning at 9:30 to the best items before they disappear. Turn it into your favorite one-stop-shop with the Friends of the Library's Big Bag Book sale from 10-4 on the 22nd as well. Buy an entire bag of books for a great price. Hope to see all you thrifty shoppers there!

#### **District Services**

Barbara McGary, MSLS, Deputy Director, Library Services / District Consultant 724-658-6659 x124 | bmcgary@ncldc.org

Our new Deputy Director/Consultant for District Library Services, Barbara McGary, started earlier this year! Along with the district team she is getting to know the needs of the district libraries through February Library Visits, Virtual Discussions, and Director Trainings. She is currently learning about the purchasing needs for our districtwide e-resources of audio and e-books through Overdrive, that are accessible through the Libby app. Coming up in March is a district meeting; which will be held at the Greenville Area Public Library and also virtually. Barbara comes to New Castle with over 20 years of library experience as a local library director, library consultant, and executive director (system administrator/district administrator) from north central Pennsylvania. She is excited to serve as the new District Consultant for the New Castle Library District.

#### Outreach

Aly Cumpston, Outreach Specialist 724-658-6659 x110 | outreach@ncdlc.or

This March, the Outreach Division is excited to connect with our community through a variety of engaging events and programs! We'll be visiting local schools, senior centers, and community organizations to bring library resources and activities directly to you. From storytimes and workshops to educational sessions and pop-up libraries, our team is dedicated to expanding access to books, technology, and learning opportunities. Stay tuned for our spring schedule and discover how the Outreach Division is helping to bring knowledge, creativity, and resources to all. Join us as we grow together this season!

#### **Youth Services**

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Unleash the joy of learning at the New Castle Public Library! Cuddle up with therapy dogs and enjoy heartwarming stories at Reading Buddies, held the second Saturday of each month in partnership with Lawrence County Comfort Canines. Toddlers and their caregivers are invited to explore, play, and bond during Family Place Together Time, a five-week series fostering early learning and social skills. For children ages 0-6 and their families, Play & Grow offers a fun-filled morning of exploration and connection through engaging play activities.

### **RESOURCES**

Tutor.com

Your library card provides you with free access to tutor.com. Get live help from 3-10pm 361 days a year!

**Genealogy Division** 

Explore your local history and your family tree!

**Sensory Kits** 

Our sensory kits include tools designed to enhance motor skills, letter and color recognition, and daily living skills in children. The kits can also help maintain calm emotions in those who experience sensory issues.

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