

ELANCO LIBRARY EARNS GOLD STAR FOR LITERACY PROMOTION



ELANCO Library is pleased to participate in **PA Forward®**, the **Pennsylvania Library Association's 21st Century Literacies Initiative**, which encourages libraries to offer high quality programs, services, and collections that foster the development of **Basic Literacy, Information Literacy, Civic and Social Literacy, Health Literacy, and Financial Literacy**.

Data shows that acquisition of and growth in these Five Literacies is correlated with academic and financial success, more engaged and informed citizens, and increased quality of life for individuals and in communities. Libraries, as community centers of learning, information, and technology, are ideally positioned to promote these literacies. For more information on **PA Forward®** and how fueling the development of the Five Literacies is essential to success, visit <https://paforward.org/>.

On October 20, 2023, ELANCO Library, officially received "Gold Star" designation within the PA Forward Star Library Program, after earning five Silver Stars, one each in Basic Literacy, Civic & Social Literacy, Financial Literacy, Health Literacy, and Information Literacy.

As part of our commitment to excellence; our vision to be a highly valued, inclusive community resource for education, empowerment, enlightenment, enrichment, and entertainment; and in keeping with the objectives delineated in our **2023 to 2025 Strategic Plan**, we are committed to maintaining Gold Star standing within the PA Forward® program.



WE'RE EXPANDING & RENOVATING OUR CHILDREN'S LIBRARY!

The project will include:

Transforming some underutilized space into an **Early Learning Area** for education and recreation for **children age birth to five and their parents** or caregivers

Creating a **space suitable for teen programming**, which will double as an **attractive meeting room for community groups**

Upgrading the HVAC system for **improved air quality**

Enhancing the entire Children's Library with a **raised ceiling, carpet, paint, improved lighting, some new furnishings, and more.**



STAY TUNED FOR UPDATES
ON THE RENOVATION PLAN
& HOW IT WILL TEMPORARILY IMPACT
SOME LIBRARY SERVICES.

SPECIAL EVENTS: FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

Music and Movement

Saturday, November 4 at 10:30 a.m.

Sing, dance, chant, listen to music, move, & play instruments, while exploring the patterns and sounds that make up our language. This musical storytime is designed to promote language development & reading readiness skills while providing young children with joyful introductions to a variety of music and music-making experiences. For ages 0-6 with parent or caregiver.

Read with Pepper the Pup!

Saturday, November 4 at 2 p.m.

Research shows that therapy dogs help people to improve attention span, focus, & well-being and that reluctant readers enjoy and benefit from reading aloud to a pup. Children of all ages are invited to spend some time with and read aloud to Pepper, a friendly and adorable Labrador Retriever who will be accompanied by Mrs. Carol Stark.

LEGO Creation Club

Thursday, November 9 at 6 p.m.

We'll build themed creations out of Lego® Bricks that will be displayed throughout the library.

SPECIAL EVENTS: FOR ALL AGES

Hooks and Needles: Yarn Craft Club

Monday, November 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Are you crafty with a needle (or two)? Would you like a little company to talk shop with while you knit or crochet? Beginners welcome! We'll get you started on your first project.

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

NOVEMBER 2023



SPECIAL EVENTS: FOR TEENS

Knowledge is Delicious: Teen Potluck and Trivia Night

Tuesday, November 14 at 4 p.m.

Whip up your most delicious healthy snack to share with friends and join us at the library for a trivia night focusing on nutrition, health, and the human digestive system! For ages 12 and up!

On the Same Page Teen Book Club

Tuesday, November 28 at 3 p.m.

Join us this Fall as we discuss a different graphic novel every month focusing on civic and social literacy. This month we will be discussing *The Great American Dust Bowl* by Don Brown. Discussion will be held in the Young Adult Nook on the first floor of the library, and light snacks will be provided.

SPECIAL EVENTS: FOR ADULTS

Readers' Roundtable Book Discussion

Monday, November 6 at 2 p.m.

All are invited to join the Readers' Roundtable Book Discussion group for lively conversation and discussion. The book selection for November is: *A Single Thread* by Tracy Chevalier.

Introduction to Pennie.com & Health Insurance in Pennsylvania

Wednesday, November 20 at 6 p.m.

Would you like to learn more about health insurance options in Pennsylvania, reduce your health insurance costs, or get more info about the Pennie.com insurance exchange? Get answers to your questions in this informative seminar presented by Judy Wechter, Outreach Coordinator for Pennie.com.

Patrick Deibler Presents

Thursday, November 30 at 6 p.m.

Local attorney Patrick A. Deibler (Kling, Deibler & Glick, LLP) will speak about estate planning, family law, and more, and answer your related questions in this informative seminar.

EVERY WEEK

Preschool Storytime: Feathered Friends! - Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Preschoolers are invited to enjoy themed books, songs, rhymes, or movement activities while building language and literacy skills. For ages 3-6, siblings welcome!

Toddler Thursdays: Feathered Friends! - Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Toddlers will dance, zoom, scoot, and hop between stories selected to promote language development. All adults are expected to participate and encourage the children to join in on the fun! For ages birth to 3 & siblings.

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