



Chester Springs Library

In the Lincoln Building at Historic Yellow Springs

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Newsletter

Spring 2014

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2nd Monday of the
month at the Library
7:30 PM

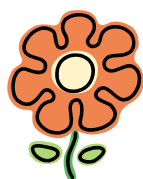
A Message from the Board of Trustees of the Chester Springs Library

In February, concerned residents of West Pikeland Township petitioned the Board of Supervisors to place a referendum question on the ballot in the May elections. This question will ask Township voters to approve a special tax in support of the Chester Springs Library.

The Library has been running operating deficits since 2009 as a result of significant cut-backs (over 50%) in state, county and municipal funding for the Library. The Library has been covering these deficits through increased fundraising activities by The Friends of the Chester Springs Library, decreasing expenses through reductions in staff and hours, and, ultimately by dipping into the Library's reserve and endowment funds. These are temporary and partial answers and can go only so far in solving our financial crisis. **Unless a permanent and stable source of funding can be found, the Library will be forced to close.**

The proposed tax is a modest one: .3 mills (.0003) on the local real estate assessment base. The average parcel assessment in West Pikeland Township is approximately \$250,000, resulting in a yearly tax of only \$75. That's about 20¢ per day! For a property assessed at \$400,000, the tax would be \$120 per year...only about 33¢ per day. And remember, a property's assessment amount is *not* the same as market value, which is generally much higher than the assessed value.

We think the residents of West Pikeland will agree that this modest tax is a small price to pay to keep our charming Library alive. The Chester Springs Library is a symbol of our unique community, an important resource for all of us, especially our children who benefit from its reading and science programs, and a valuable presence in the Historic Village of Yellow Springs.



Library Hours

Monday: 10AM to 6PM

Tuesday: Noon to 6PM

Wednesday: 10AM to 6PM

Thursday: Noon to 6PM

Friday: 10AM to 5PM

Saturday: 10AM to 4PM

Sunday: Noon to 4PM

Story Times

Monday 10:30AM: Ages 2-3

Wednesday 10:30AM: Ages 3-6

Please vote "Yes" on May 20th.

Keep the Library doors open.



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Donate Online

You can now make your donation online on our website: www.chesterspringslibrary.org.

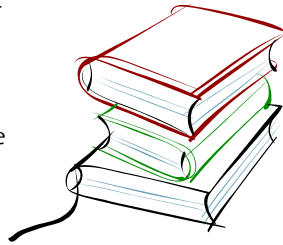
Amazon Smile

The Chester Springs Library is now a participant in the Amazon Smile Program. Amazon Smile is a website operated by Amazon that lets you enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com while at the same time supporting the Library. Every time you shop through Amazon Smile (smile.amazon.com or <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-2655912>) Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organization that you select when you first visit Amazon Smile. Just choose the Chester Springs Library when prompted. It's as easy as that! From then on, for eligible purchases, 0.5% of your purchase price will go to the Library. Thank you for your support!

Book Sale

The library collects books year-round in anticipation of our next sale. We welcome your donations during our regular hours and accept most books that are in good, salable condition. However, we CANNOT accept dirty, mildewed, worn or yellowed books; books with highlighting or writing in them; books with torn or missing covers, condensed books; magazines, text books or encyclopedias. Please do NOT leave boxes of books outside on the porch. A donor form is available if you would like a receipt. All proceeds from the book sale go to support the library.

Our next book sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 31 from 10AM to 5PM, and Sunday, June 1 from Noon to 5PM.



Friends of the Chester Springs Library

The Friends of the Chester Springs Library @ Historic Yellow Springs recently dedicated many, many hours planning and holding this spring's *Huge Community Estate Sale*. This very successful and popular sale was held the first weekend of April and generated much needed funding in support of the Library. *Thank you Friends!*

Add this date to your calendars now for the annual **Friends Holiday House Tour:** *Sunday, December 7, 2014*

Become a Friend

New members to the Friends are always welcome! We would love to have you be a part of this fun and active group who help support the library with fundraising events and more. We meet at 9:30 am the first Wednesday of the month at the West Pikeland Township building in Chester Springs. For information contact Noreen at nvigilante@comcast.net.

Roll Call of Donors

A **Special Thank You** to our recent donors!

- The John and Shirley Nash Foundation
- Betty Grebey
- Barbara M. Jordan
- Maurice and Drusilla Krings
- John and Patricia Rugh
- Tom and Debbie Wolk
- Robert and Margaret Mary Watters
- Brandywine Learning Center
- Mrs. Heather Kellogg
- Joseph and Carol Snyder
- Mr. and Mrs. Max Utterback
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- Alex Bratic
- Kim and Dominic Pavia
- David Brown and Helen Kitzmiller
- Charles and Jean Humphreys

A complete list of recent donors is available on our website. Thank you one and all!



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Chester Springs Library is part of the Chester County Library System, serving the residents of the area by making readily available a variety of materials, resources and programs to promote education, information, recreation and a sense of community.

YES, I want to help Chester Springs Library @ Historic Yellow Springs with a tax deductible donation.

◇ \$25.00	Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____
◇ \$50.00	Address _____
◇ \$100.00	_____
◇ \$250.00	_____
◇ \$500.00	_____
◇ Other	Phone _____ Email _____
◇ Endowment	

Please make checks payable to:
Chester Springs Library

SUMMER PROGRAMS

This summer, the **Summer Reading Club** theme is “**Fizz! Boom! Read!**” Starting on Monday, June 16 and continuing for eight weeks, the Chester Springs Library will explore our world through science.

Stop by the Library to sign up and receive your folder and reading calendar. Keep track of how much time you read each day. Put a sticker on your calendar for every day that you read for **30 minutes or more**. At the end of each week, come to the Library with your reading calendar. We will stamp your calendar once for every 5 days that you have a sticker. At the end of the summer bring in your reading calendar for your reward. The more stamps you have, the higher the value of your reward.



The Summer Reading Club is for children of *all* ages and ends on Sunday, August 10.

Summer Programs and Workshops (*Please visit us online for more information and additional programming.*)

- June 17 @ 1:00 PM — “The Science of Clay” presented by the Chester Springs Studio. \$5 materials fee. Ages 6–11.
- June 18 @ 10:30 AM – Reading with Zoe. For emerging readers. Sign up for 15 minute session.
- June 24 @ 1:00 PM — “The Science of Clay” presented by the Chester Springs Studio. \$5 materials fee. Ages 6–11.
- June 25 @ 10:30 AM – Reading with Zoe. For emerging readers. Sign up for 15 minute session.
- July 16 @ 11:00AM — “Art Conservation Extravaganza” presented by Winterthur. Ages 5 – 10.
- July 23 @ 11:00AM — “Creature Features” presented by Green Valleys Watershed Association. Ages 6 – 11.

Registration is required for all programs. Please visit our online calendar for more details and to register.

Summer Story Times

Mondays @ 10:30

Ages 2–5

June 23 and 30

July 14, 21 and 28

August 4 and 11

(No story time on July 7.)

No registration required.



A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never-failing spring in the desert.

~ Andrew Carnegie ~



Science in the Summer

July 7–10, 2014



GlaxoSmithKline’s *Science in the Summer* is a free 4-day science education program for children entering grades 2–6 that helps elementary school children “grow into science.” Through classes held in the Library, the program gets kids excited about studying science with hands-on experiments. This year’s subject is **Oceanography**. *Science in the Summer* is sponsored by GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) in partnership with The Franklin Institute and local libraries. The classes are designed for two age levels.

- Level I for children entering grades 2-3 — 9:45AM to 10:45AM
- Level II for children entering grades 4-6 — 11:00AM to Noon

Registration will begin on May 20 at Noon on a first-come, first-served basis.

Registration is required and must be done in person at the library.

STAFF READING CORNER

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| • <i>The Boys in the Boat</i> / Daniel James Brown | • <i>The Reason I Jump</i> / Naoki Higashida |
| • <i>Counting by 7s</i> / Holly Goldberg Sloan (J) | • <i>The Signature of All Things</i> / Elizabeth Gilbert |
| • <i>The English Girl</i> / Daniel Silva | • <i>Sisterland</i> / Curtis Sittenfeld |
| • <i>The Girl You Left Behind</i> / Jojo Moyes | • <i>A Star for Mrs. Blake</i> / April Smith |
| • <i>The Gods of Guilt</i> / Michael Connelly | • <i>Vanished: The Sixty-year Search for the Missing Men of World War II</i> / Wil S. Hylton |
| • <i>Just One Evil Act</i> / Elizabeth George | • <i>Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail</i> / Cheryl Strayed |
| • <i>No god but God: The Origins and Evolution of Islam</i> / Reza Aslan (YA) | |
| • <i>Nurturing Healing Love: A Mother’s Journey of Hope and Forgiveness</i> / Scarlett Lewis | |

J—Juvenile

YA—Young Adult

WHAT'S NEW AT THE LIBRARY!!

New DVD's

Children and Family

Doc McStuffins: Mobile Clinic
 Free Birds
 Frozen (DVD & Blu-Ray)
 Sofia the First: The Floating Palace
 Walking With Dinosaurs

Adult

12 Years a Slave
 American Hustle
 Anchorman 2
 August: Osage County
 The Book Thief
 Dallas Buyers Club
 Gravity
 The Hunger Games: Catching Fire
 The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug
 Labor Day (5/11)
 Legend of Hercules
 Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom

The Monuments Men (5/20)

Nebraska
 Philomena
 Secret Life of Walter Mitty
 Saving Mr. Banks
 Wolf of Wall Street

DVD Special

Borrow
 2 Adult books*
 OR
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 5 Children's books*

AND

Borrow
 1 DVD with **NO** rental fee

Offer good at Chester Springs Library only

At time of checkout
 Limit 3 free DVD rentals per visit
 Normal rental fee is \$1

*Books must be from the Chester Springs Library.

Downloadable Books

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There's an app for that...There is now an Overdrive app so that you can borrow books directly to your mobile devices—*Overdrive Media Console 3.*

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Zoe loves a good story! Won't you come read to her?



Practice your reading skills by reading to Zoe, a Standard Poodle and certified therapy dog from Therapy Dogs

International. Sign up for your special time to read with Zoe by calling or visiting the library.



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