

Your Monthly Guide to the Adamstown Area Library

April 2025

QUICK READS

MONDAY	9:30 AM TO 8 PM
TUESDAY	9:30 AM TO 8 PM
WEDNESDAY	9:30 AM TO 8 PM
THURSDAY	9:30 AM TO 8 PM
FRIDAY	9:30 AM TO 4:30 PM
SATURDAY	9:30 AM TO 2:30 PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED

The library will be closed Friday, April 18.

<u>Chicks In the Library</u>



What is all the racket about in the library? We are welcoming some fluffy residents. Stop in often during this time to watch as our peeping guests grow "so big"! Thank you to Swartz Farm for this fabulous "Rent-A-Chick" Program!

<u>"Gray Squirrel"</u> Wildlife Discovery

Drop-In – Monday, April 7 and Tuesday, April 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Every month we will use our senses to explore a different Pennsylvania Game Commission Kit of pelts, wings, skulls, claws, books, activities, and other manipulatives.

<u>Author Visit</u>

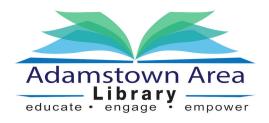
Thursday, April 17 at 10:30am

Crystal Loose and Aimee Ketchum will be here to discuss their Parenting Book "The Early Childhood Promise: Sparking change for parents, early childhood professionals, and policy-makers." Books will be available for purchase. All ages.

<u>Flag Retirement</u>

All Month

Winter is over. Is it time to replace your faded, torn, worn American Flag? We will collect your retired flags at the library and deliver them to the Reinholds VFW, where they will retire them in proper fashion.



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Tuesday, April 1

Friends Book Sale

Whatever your favorite genre, you'll find something to love at the Friends Book Sale! \$2 hardbacks, \$1 trade paperbacks, 50 c paperbacks, plus kids books, puzzles, DVDs and audiobooks.

Wednesday, April 2

Young at Heart at 9AM

REAL Life Community Services invites you to Young at Heart, with free events for anyone age 60 and up. Join us at the library for coffee, chatting, games, crafts, and more on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month. For more information, call 717-336-7797 or visit REALLCS.org

Budding Bookworms Preschool Storytime at 10AM and 11AM

See page 6 for details.

Doggie Downtime at 10:45AM

Do you need some tail-wagging tranquility in your life? Gaze into "Twinkle's" big, beautiful, calming eyes to help wash your troubles away! Drop-in event for all ages. Parents, please plan to attend and be engaged with your child for this program. Drop-offs will not be permitted.

Thursday, April 3

Twinkling Stars Baby Storytime at 10AM

See page 6 for details.

The Young and the Restless Toddler Storytime at 11AM

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Friday, April 4

Connect with a Social Worker at 9:30AM

Are you facing challenges or seeking support in your life? A licensed social worker from REAL Life Community Services is here to help! To make an appointment, call Emelia at 717-336-7797 option 1 or email her at Emelia@reallcs.org. Appointments available at the library every Friday morning from 9:30 am to noon.

Saturday, April 5



STEAM Saturday from 10AM to 11:30AM

Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math through games, activities, and projects with Miss Maribeth. This month's activities include testing wind power and building a leprechaun trap with LEGOs. Ages 5–12. This month's activities include designing a garden with Legos, launching an egg, and Bee Bot coding. Ages 5–12.

Monday, April 7

LEGO[®] Activity Bag Pickup

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Mah-Jongg Group at 6PM

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Technology Help at 1pm

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Wednesday, April 23

Budding Bookworms Preschool Storytime at 10am and 11am

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Right Size Your Home at 6PM

Right sizing your home means simplifying (letting go of the CRAP: Clutter that Robs Anyone of Pleasure) and then knowing whether to donate, sell, recycle or trash it. Building this process into your life with confidence and without guilt moves you closer to that feeling of home. Presented by Vali G. Heist of Berks County, professional organizer and author of "Organize This!" Vali helps dispel the myths that stop people from letting go of their clutter.



Thursday, April 24

Twinkling Stars Baby Storytime at 10AM

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Castañeda's Library Fundraiser

On the last Wednesday of each month, 10% of all proceeds at Castañeda's Mexican Restaurant in Denver will go to the Adamstown Area Library! (excludes alcohol). Dine-in or take-out that day to enjoy great food while supporting the library! 323 Main Street, Denver.

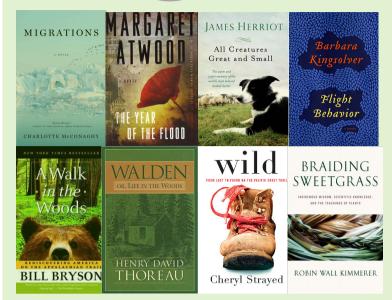


Key to Events:



Dig into a Good Book

April 22nd is Earth Day! Celebrate Earth by checking out some of these books with an *earthly* theme.



Migrations by Charlotte McConaghy The Year of the Flood by Margaret Atwood All Creatures Great and Small by James Herriot Flight Behavior by Barbara Kingsolver A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail by Bill Bryson Walden by Henry David Thoreau Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail by Cheryl Strayed Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants by Robin Wall Kimmerer



NOW through Mother's Day

The Grab & Grow project encourages our community to take advantage of the natural resources available to us and promotes self-reliance while learning to be a good steward of the land. Through Mother's Day we will be offering 5 packets of vegetable or flower seeds to every patron who presents their library card at the front desk. At the end of the growing season, we ask that you bring in a picture of your garden or your harvest and you will be entered in a raffle to win one of two gift cards. The first 20 families to bring a photo will receive a voucher for free admission for Longwood Gardens. Made possible by generous donations from The Friends of Adamstown Area Library, Esbenshade's Greenhouses Inc., and Weaver's Store.

<u>Right Size Your Home: Letting Go of Clutter</u>

Wednesday, April 23 @ 6PM Right sizing your home means simplifying (letting go of the CRAP: Clutter that Rob's Anyone of Pleasure) and then knowing whether to donate, sell, recycle or trash it. Building this process into your life with confidence and without guilt moves you closer to that feeling of home. Presented by Vali G. Heist of Berks County, professional organizer and author of "Organize This!" Please register.



Teen Scene

Grades 7-12

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MJWK (Miss Jess wants to Know) All month

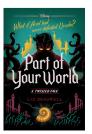
Teens, we want your opinion! Stop in the Young Adult and Teen Graphic Novel Book Section of the library for the question of the month! With this simple voting passive program, teens can vote with a sticker dot to select their favorite. Results will be posted on our Facebook page at the end of the month. This month is "Easter: Would You Rather..."

Check us out on Facebook!

This month we'll be raffling off a "Nancy Drew" book set. This event will be available exclusively on our Facebook page so make sure to "Like" us to stay up-to-date with what's happening at the Adamstown Area Library.



Are you a fan of **Disney and Pixar** films? Check out these "Twisted Tales" with a "what if" spin.



Part of Your World Stephanie Kate Strohm The Little Mermaid Retelling



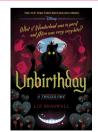
So This Is Love Elizabeth Lim Cinderella Retelling

As Old As Time

Liz Braswell

Beauty and the

Beast Retelling





Unbirthday Liz Braswell Alice in Wonderland



Straight On Till Morning Liz Braswell Peter Pan Retelling



Event Policy Most events do not require registration. Due to high demand, we recommend that you arrive at least 5 minutes before the event. For the most up-to-date program information please visit us at adamstownarealibrary.org/events

EARLY CHILDHOOD

"Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30. from 10:00am to 10:45am or 11:00am to 11:45am

Join Miss Maribeth at the storytime corner for stories, songs, and an easy craft. This program is designed for ages 3-6 with an accompanying adult.

"Twinkling Stars" Baby Storytime Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24. from 10:00am to 10:30am

Meet Miss Jess at the storytime corner for simple stories, rhymes, puppets, songs, and fingerplays.

"The Young and the Restless" Toddler

Thursdays, April April 3, 10, 17, & 24. from 11:00am to 11:30am Join Miss Jess in the storytime corner for stories, song, fingerplays, followed by a craft and free play. Ages 2-3.

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FIRST THROUGH SIXTH GRADE

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Stop in at the library to enjoy our story corner Play & Learn Center. It's a great place to hang out for some educational fun with toys, puppets, vocab, figures, blocks, and more, all with a plant theme.