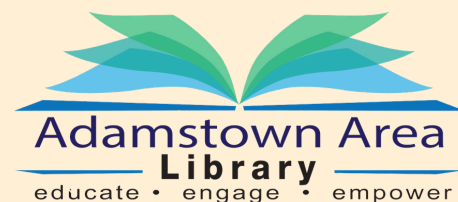


Monthly Newsletter

April 2026



LIBRARY **HOURS**

MONDAY	9AM - 7PM
TUESDAY	9AM - 7PM
WEDNESDAY	9AM - 7PM
THURSDAY	9AM - 7PM
FRIDAY	9AM - 7PM
SATURDAY	10AM - 6PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED

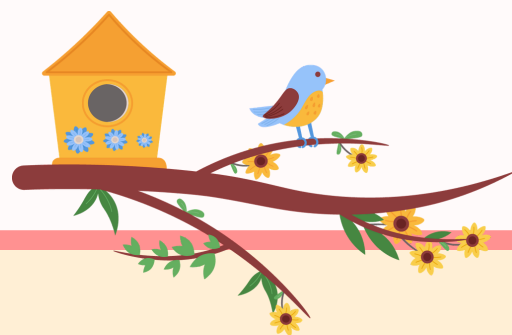
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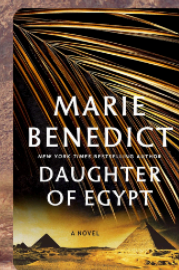
Marie Benedict

Thursday, April 16 1:00 PM

Calvary Church

1051 Landis Valley Road, Lancaster, PA 17601

\$50 ticket price includes general admission entry and a signed, hardcover copy of Benedict's latest release Daughter of Egypt.



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■ "Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime at 10AM and 11AM

See page 5 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.

■ Connect with a Social Worker at 11:30AM

Are you facing challenges or seeking support in your life? A licensed social worker from REAL Life Community Services is here to help! Regular hours are every other Wednesday from 11:30-2PM in the library's community room. To make an appointment, call Becca at 717-336-7797 or email her at becca@realcs.org. REAL Life Community Services serves residents of Cocalico School District.

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Saturday, April 11

■ Genealogy Research Circle from 1PM-2:30PM

Explore your family history with guidance from local genealogy researcher Ken McCre. This bi-monthly group offers research support, discussion, and hands-on help for beginners and experienced genealogists alike.

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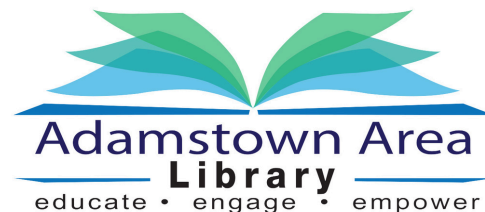
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Key to Events:

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Friday, April 17

■ Sean's Social Club at 1PM

Please join us for our first meeting of Sean's Social Club. This club is for adults with differing abilities, as well as their friends, families, caregivers, and guests. This month, we will be doing ice-breakers

Monday, April 20

■ "Bobcat" Discovery Drop-in 10AM-4PM

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Wednesday, April 22

■ "Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime at 10AM and 11AM

With Guest Reader Randy Good from the Adamstown Borough Council. See page 5 for details.

■ Ephrata Area Social Services and PA Health Access Network @ AAL 10AM-12PM

Ephrata Area Social Services (EASS) will be onsite at the library every 4th Wednesday of the month from 10 AM-12 PM to answer questions about their free programs, including food insecurity support, case management, transitional housing, and transportation. Stop by to meet their friendly team, ask questions, and learn more about resources available in your community.

■ "Wildflowers" Wildlife Wednesdays 6PM-7PM

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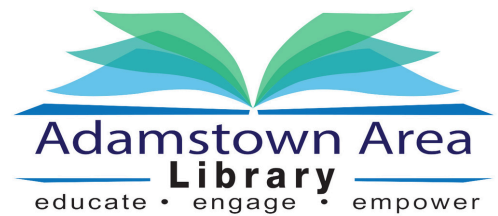
Monday, April 27

■ Teen "Spice of the Month"

Every 4th Monday of the month. Young adults that like to cook and bake can pick up a packet at the desk that includes this month's spice, recipes, and more. Library staff would love to taste your culinary adventure! One packet per teen family while supplies last.

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Meet at the library and walk as a group to the Adamstown Fire Station. Listen to stories, meet the firefighters, and discover the equipment and trucks. In place of Budding Bookworms Preschool Storytime. All ages.

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.

Teen Pizza and Puzzle Mystery: "Murder at Bedford Manor" 5PM–6:30PM

A delicious experience as we enjoy Two Cousins Pizza, piece together a jigsaw, read the mystery story, and solve a murder. MUST register by April 27! Ages 13+.

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Coming Soon!

May

Saturday, May 2

Free Comic Book Day

Stop in while the library is open to pick up a free comic book from The Comic Store, Lancaster.

Friday, May 1

"Four Points of Colonization" Talk with Dr. Ann Dapice at 1PM

Join us for this special presentation by Dr. Ann Dapice. During this talk, she will be focusing on the colonization of Native Americans, as well as Native American history. See below for a short biography about Dr. Dapice's background. Registration requested for this event.

Ann Dapice received a PhD in psychology, sociology and philosophy from the University of Pennsylvania. She has taught and/or served as administrator at a number of universities teaching courses in the social sciences, philosophy and Native American Studies. She is Director of Education and Research for T.K. Wolf, Inc., a 501(c)(3) American Indian organization and Founder/Executive Director, Institute of Values Inquiry. Her cross-cultural and interdisciplinary research has been reported in professional journals, books, and academic presentations regionally, nationally and internationally—and in newspapers, radio, television, and the internet.

Thursday, May 7

Liber-Tea 5PM–6:30PM

Discover the history of the Boston Tea Party, as well as the history of tea, while making your own tea blends! This program is for adults and registration is required.

Coming Soon!

June

Summer Reading 2026



Saturday, June 6 from 8:30AM–11AM

Opening Day Drive-Thru Party @ Denver Community Park

Families stay in their car while picking up goodies for their children including Summer Library Packet, snacks, gifts, raffle prizes, Fire Truck, Police Car, and more from over 25 sponsors. First 250 kids get Boehringer's Ice Cream Cone Coupon.



General Programming

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Mah-Jongg: Monday, April 6 and 20 from 1 PM-3:30 PM

Join our welcoming Mah-Jongg group on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month for an afternoon of tiles, tactics, and great conversation. Whether you're brand-new or a longtime player, our bimonthly meet-ups are the perfect chance to learn, practice, and connect with fellow enthusiasts. All skill levels are welcome!

Grab & Grow: March 2 through Mother's Day

We will be offering five 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, bring in a picture of your garden or your harvest and you will be entered in a raffle to win a gardening prize.

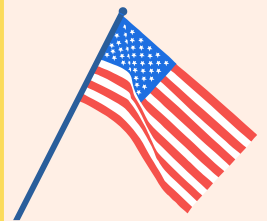


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Flag Retirement: All April

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





KIDS CORNER



Adamstown Area Library

Early Childhood Storytimes

"Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29.

10:00 AM-10:45 AM or 11:00 AM-11:45 AM

Enjoy stories and an easy craft for ages 3-6 with adult.

"Twinkling Stars" Baby Storytime

Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30.

10:00 AM-10:30 AM

Simple stories, rhymes, puppets, songs, and fingerplays. For babies with an adult.

"The Young and the Restless" Toddler Time

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11:00 AM-11:30 AM

Stories, songs and fingerplays, followed by an easy craft and free play. For toddlers with an adult.

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Cocalico Spring Quest

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Businesses will display a letter clue that corresponds to a riddle. Families go around to the participating businesses and copy down the letter that they find. At the end, they will have pieced together the answer, and will have completed a fun scavenger hunt!

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Fluff the Cow Adoption

During this last month, our patrons will watch our adopted cow "Fluff" get "so big!" From her home at Kurtland Farm in Elverson, PA, we will follow her journey of growth, care, and milk production. Stop in the children's room often to see updated pictures and information.





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Easter Egg Search

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“Paws-itive Pets” Play & Learn Center

Stop in 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 “Man’s Best Friend” Theme. All Spring.





Teen Scene

April 2026



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