

April 2026 AT YOUR LIBRARY!

New Castle Public Library
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BEST OF LUCK

We are sad to share that Deputy Director of Operations Gabrielle Lucas has accepted the Director opening at the Community Library of the Shenango Valley (CLSV). Gabby will still be working with the NCPL as CLSV is a part of the New Castle District Library Center. ----- Patron Services Librarian/Volunteer Coordinator/ System Administration for the Lawrence County Federated Library System Zoey Ralston just started her new role as an Adult Services Librarian in a new state. Zoey has developed our volunteer program further while leading our Patron Services team and coordinating Bookmobile services and needs between all the Lawrence County Libraries including Ellwood City Area Public Library and F.D. Campbell Memorial Library in Bessemer. ----- Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Specialist Alena Steele has been apart of the NCPL since June of 2022. The skills she gained will be monumental as she continues her ILL career working in the Allegheny County Library Association and the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh! -----



Development Manager Isabelle Daniels has accepted a Development Coordinator role and will be moving across the country with her cat!

Isabelle started her career at the NCPL at the Help Desk in 2024 and quickly advanced nearly \$347,500 since February 2025 to support the library. -----



FIREFIGHTER FOR A DAY

Stop by the library to enter for the chance to win the experience to be a Firefighter for a Day featuring: a ride on a Fire Truck, storytime at the library, a tour of the fire department, and lunch! Stop by the Patron Services Desk to purchase your entries which cost \$1 each. The winner will be announced via Facebook Live on April 30, 2026. The Firefighter for a day experience will take place on May 23, 2026.

MUG CLUB

Can't get enough audiobooks? By joining our mug club you will not only get a one-of-a-kind handmade mug designed by a PennOhio Clay guild potter but your contribution supports our Libby collection. Visit ncdlc.org/mug for more information and to purchase your mug today!



ANNUAL MAGAZINE

View our Annual Magazine by visiting ncdlc.org/about. The publication includes highlights of programs, services, community partnerships, fundraising efforts, donor recognition, and institutional updates for the 2025 year.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Tuesday - Thursday:
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday:
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Sunday & Monday: Closed

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY


The Friend of the Library's purpose is to raise funds for the library and the Book Cellar is their ongoing fundraiser. New members are always welcome. Dues are tax-deductible. To learn more and become a member visit ncdlc.org/friends-book-cellar.

Thursdays - 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Fridays - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturdays - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.






GROW FUNDRAISER

60% of the funds raised during the 2025/26 Grow campaign will be used to reduce food insecurity and nourish the community's youth, while the other 40% of funding received will be used for immediate building improvements. To learn more about Grow including upcoming events or how you can make a difference, visit ncdlc.org/grow today. Please note that our annual Gala was canceled for this year.



\$42,005 raised out of \$100,000 goal
Grow events and programs are
denoted by our signature flower. 

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 www.ncdlc.org  724-658-6659



Children | PreK-5th Grade

Pre-K Storytime

Tuesdays | 10:30-12:00

Mother Goose Storytime & Weebuild

Wednesdays | 10:30-12:00

April 1 - Easter Themed

Family Place Together Time

April 2 | 10:30 - 12:00

This play-based program provides a rich environment of toys, books and art, and more.

Pokémon Club

April 11 | 11:00 - 12:00

Reading Buddies

April 11 | 1:00 - 2:00

Choose a book to read to a trained therapy dog.

Library Explorers Outdoors

We will be meeting at our county parks from noon to 2:00 p.m. for learning fun and outdoor play. Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy our beautiful parks with your library friends.

April 23 | Marti Park, Wilmington Twp.

April 30 | Pearson Park, Neshannock Twp.



Tween and Young Adult | Ages 8-18

Homework Help Hours

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 2:30-4:00

Live one-on-one tutoring and homework help.

Teen Think Tank (T3)

April 1, 15, & 29 | 2:30-3:30

Come join fellow teens and tweens for afternoon snacks, learning, and fun! Depending on the day and library's current theme, young adults might be crafting, drafting, designing, cooking, yoga-ing, and more. Whether we are assembling desserts, competing for prizes in a rousing game of family feud, or sharing a quiet moment crafting, local teens can meet others and learn.

GMA Club

April 8 & 22 | 2:30-3:30

Come join fellow gamers and manga lovers at the Gaming, Manga, Animation Club!

Teens Try; Youth Led Humanities

April 18 | 1:00-2:00

Sarah Howard will lead the group in a discussion about value, creativity, and overcoming being underestimated. The activity will use overlooked or undervalued materials to create something new and unique.



Adults | Ages 19 and up

Pennie Information Table

April 7 | 12:00-2:00

Speak with a representative and get informational materials about Pennsylvania's Pennie health insurance.



Tuesday Night Book Club

April 7 | 4:30-5:45

Join Tuesday Night Book Club @ NCPL on Facebook to stay up to date on what the group is reading.

NCPL Book Group

April 8 | 10:30 - 12:00

Hotel Portofino by J.P O'Connell

Grief Support Group

April 8 | 1:00-2:30

This group is facilitated by grief counselors at Three Rivers Hospice. This grief support group aims to provide a supportive environment where you can freely express your feelings, thoughts, and worries. Together we can find strength, resilience, and hope. We kindly request that you pre-register by calling Erin at 412-478-6052.

Prism Book Club

April 14 | 6:00-8:00 | Prism Initiative

Our Wives Under the Sea by Julia Armfield

Tracing your Roots with DAR

April 18 | 2:00

Have you ever wondered if an ancestor fought in or supported the cause of American Independence? Daughters of the American Revolution, Pymatuning Chapter (Sharon, PA) Registrar, Connie White, will provide a practical presentation on tracing your genealogy back to a Revolutionary War Patriot, offering tips, resources, and expert guidance to unlock your family's unique connection to the nation's founding.

Genealogy Club

April 18 | 2:00-3:00

Come check out the new home of the Genealogy Center on the first floor of the library. Do note that the History Room is not accessible to patrons until further notice.

Greenwood Cemetery Tour

April 25 | 11:00 |

32 S. Greenwood Ave, New Castle

Join a guided walking tour through the historic Greenwood Cemetery, focusing on the final resting places of the local men who served in the American Revolution. This program offers a quiet, personal reflection on the sacrifices made by the Western Pennsylvania veterans who helped secure our independence.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month Film

April 25 | 2:00 - 4:00

Used Book Roses

April 29 | 3:00 - 4:00

Learn how make flowers out of old books.



Family and All Ages

Dine to Donate: Hot Head Burritos

April 1 | 11:00-9:00 |

2724 W. State St., New Castle

Hot Head Burritos will be donating 25% of their sales to the Grow campaign.



Crochet/Knit Club

April 9 & 23 | 4:30-5:30

Indoor Yard Sale

April 10 | 9:00 - 3:00

April 11 | 9:00 - 1:00

Beatnik Café

April 13 | 6:00-8:00 | After Hours

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



Bookmobile

Wampum Park Apartments

April 1 | 1:00-2:00

159 Alpha Dr, Wampum

Shenango on the Green

April 2 | 1:00-2:00

238 S Market St, New Wilmington

RJ Schill Apartments

April 7 | 1:00-2:00

410 Short St, Ellwood City

Clen-Moore Place

April 7 | 2:30-3:30

22 W Clen Moore Blvd, New Castle

Highland Terrace Apartments

April 8 | 1:00-2:00

111 W Fairmont Ave, New Castle

Challenges

April 9 & 16 | 10:30-11:30

2706 Mercer Rd, New Castle

Berner International

April 9 & 23 | 1:00-2:30

111 Progress Ave, New Castle

Maria's Country Store

April 15 | 12:00-1:00

832 Plain Grove Rd, Volant

Jameson Place

April 21 | 10:30-11:30

3345 Wilmington Rd, New Castle

Shenango Treetops

April 21 | 2:00-3:00

1562 Frew Mill Rd, New Castle

Y-Zone

April 24 | 10:30-11:30

428 Eleanor Dr, New Castle

Villa Maria

April 28 | 10:30-11:30

276 Villa Maria Rd, Pulaski

Neshannock Woods

April 29 | 2:00-3:00

209 Cambridge St, New Castle

Northview Estates

April 30 | 10:30-11:30

945 Border Ave, Ellwood City

Program Sponsors

Thank you to Growing Together Community Center and The Doula's Advocate for sponsoring Mother Goose and WeeBuild, Teen Think Tank, and GMA Club.



April 2026

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Library Closed		01	02	03	04
		10:30-12:00 Mother Goose & Weebuild 11:00-9:00 Dine to Donate: Hot Heads Burritos* 1:00-2:00 Wampum Park Apartments 2:30-3:30 Teen Think Tank (T3)	10:30-12:00 Family Place Together Time 1:00-2:00 Shenango on the Green 2:30-4:00 Homework Help Hours		

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Register for events and programs at ncdlc.org/events or by calling 724-658-6659

Program Color Code

Children
Teen and Young Adults
Adult
Family and All Ages
Bookmobile

Asterisk (*) denotes off-site program; all Bookmobile stops are off-site

GROW WITH US

Looking to grow your business? Want to support community enrichment opportunities? Consider sponsoring programs hosted by the New Castle Public Library such as one-time and recurring program, series like the Cultural Series, and special events like the gala. To learn more, contact development@ncdlc.org or call 724.658.6659 ext. 104.

SPRING CULTURAL SERIES SPONSORS



Ms. Mary Ann Thompson

KIDS FRIDGE UPDATE!



Through the hard work and dedication of the Youth Services Department staff, the library is now partnering with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank through the Child Nutrition and Youth Programs! This partnership allows us to keep the fridge full of healthy snacks such as granola bars, yogurt, cheese sticks, fruit and more at a lower cost.

This partnership is vital to us as we work to sustain

the Kids Fridge. If you are interested in reducing food insecurity amongst our youth, consider donating to our Grow campaign, 60% of the proceeds will be used to reduce food insecurity and nourish the community's youth, while the other 40% of funding received will be used for immediate building improvements.

Since its inception in 2023, over 8,000 snacks have been given out to youth patrons. It was reported that 1 in 5 children in Lawrence County may not have enough food¹.

Continuous Sponsors include:

Pittsburgh Greater Community Food Bank, Apple Castle, Grable Foundation, & Stoessel Orchard Fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation
Source: pittsburghfoodbank.org, Hunger in Our Region webpage¹

MUG CLUB



Sip, Support, and Read with Purpose!

We're brewing up something special—a one-of-a-kind monthly or yearly subscription experience that blends art, flavor, and community impact.

Yearly, you'll receive a handcrafted ceramic literacy themed mug. Monthly, savor the goodness of locally roasted coffee or tea, and support access to digital reads through the New Castle District Library Center's Libby platform.

For only \$15.00 per month or \$180.00 per year, you will be a part of this exclusive club! Spaces limited.

Scan the QR code or visit ncdlc.org/mug to learn more and to join the club!



PennOhio Clay Guild



RESOURCES

Kids Fridge

Youth patrons can enjoy healthy snacks at no cost from the fridge.

Genealogy Division

Explore your local history and your family tree every third Saturday of the month at Genealogy Club!

Sensory Kits

Our sensory kits include tools to help enhance motor skills, letter and color recognition, daily living skills while maintaining calm emotions in children who experience sensory overload.

[Internet Access, Printing Services, STEM Kits, and Programs and Classes for All Ages](#)