

### Recipe Swap Group

Love to cook? Join recipe swap where we make, share, and talk about our recipes. Recipes to be chosen from Library cookbooks. Please register for this group at the Help Desk.



### Meetings Held at 6:00 pm:

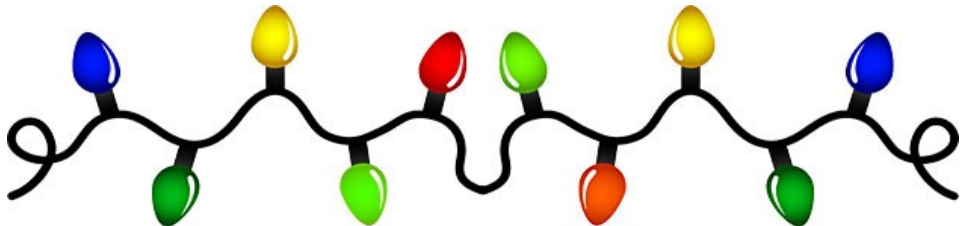
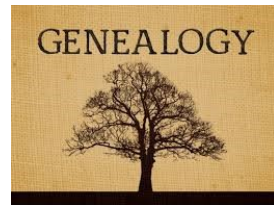
December 5th - Christmas treats  
January 16th - International

### Library Closing

**Wednesday, December 6th** - Close at 5:00 pm  
(Book Club will still be held that night)  
**Monday, December 25th** - Closed  
**Tuesday, December 26th** - Closed  
**Monday, January 1st** - Closed

### Ancestry and HeritageQuest at NAPL

Complete your family tree with the help of Ancestry and HeritageQuest Databases. Search through genealogical and historical sources. Both databases are available with your library card. Ancestry can only be accessed in the Library.



### Create with Me - Family Christmas Craft

**Thursday, December 14th**  
**10:00 am & 6:00 pm**

Get ready for Christmas at our family Christmas Craft Party, recommended for age 2 through 5th grade. Adults are required to attend with their children. Space is limited, registration required.



### Doctor Who Teen Escape Room

**Saturday, December 9th**  
**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

Use elements of the room, solve the puzzles, escape the room! Space is limited, registration is required. Register at the Help Desk.



**From the Library Staff, Board, and Friends we wish you and your family a very Happy Holiday!**



## Basic Literacy:

Basic Literacy includes but is not limited to reading, comprehension, writing, grammar, and spelling. These skills are crucial for active participation in the modern world.

## Basic Literacy by the Numbers:

Did you know that only 48% of parents read to their preschoolers daily? Thirteen percent of Pennsylvanians lack basic literacy skills such as the ability to read a newspaper or brochure. The majority of children with functionally illiterate parents become illiterate themselves.

## How our Library supports Basic Literacy:

- Children's programs including baby, toddler, and family **storytime**.
- **1,000 Books before Kindergarten** to promote parents reading to their young children.
- **AWE Early Literacy Station** in the Library that features 4,000 learning activities.
- **Tumblebooks** which is an animated online library of talking picture books.
- **Summer Reading Challenge** for all ages.
- **Book Club** and **Book Discussions** to encourage recreational reading.
- **Overdrive** and **RBDigital** databases which offer eBooks and eMagazines.
- **Universal Class** a database of self enrichment classes from Reading Comprehension to Speed Reading.

## 1,000 Books before Kindergarten

To promote early literacy NAPL has an ongoing program that promotes parents reading to their young children.

To participate, signup at the Help Desk and receive a folder with a sheet to mark off books. At each 100 book milestone bring the sheet back and your child receives a prize. Once 1,000 Books is achieved you and your child get to attend a special ceremony held twice a year.



## Teen Programs

### Anime Manga Club

**Wednesday, December 6th 4:00 pm**

Geek out about your favorite anime or manga. Laugh, have fun, and connect with other teens. All teens welcome from grades 6 -12.



### Teen Advisory Group

**Wednesday, December 13th 3:30 pm**

The Teen Advisory Group (TAG) is a group of teens, grades 6 – 12, living in the Northampton Area School District who are interested in having a say in what their library does for them.



### Want to learn crochet?

Join our **Crochet Group**

**Wednesday, December 13th 6:00 pm**

Use our supplies or bring your own! All ages and skill levels are welcome to join!