

Newsletter from the Hellertown Area Library

Happy New Year, happy new Library!

The top to bottom renovations are complete! Many thanks to Lower Saucon Township for providing the capital funds to us; matched by a Keystone Parks, Conservation and Recreation Funds grant. Every level of the Library was painted, carpeted and received new lighting. Additional furniture, provided by a grant from the Ronald McDonald House Children's Charities spruced up the Children's and Teen space. New information and circulation desks provide smarter and faster check outs for patrons. New doors and basement windows help reduce energy costs. Library staff is excited to share this new space with our patrons.

News from the Friends of the Hellertown Area Library

The Friends have set up a GoFundMe sight to raise money to help us complete the purchase of the remainder of the furniture needed in the lower level of the library and the main and technical services offices. To donate please go to gofundme.com/9u8ufczg. Thank you! The Friends are also planning a get together on April 16 at the Grist Mill. Initial plans include food trucks, a band and adult beverages! It is sure to be a fun time.

Helping You with Financial Literacy

AARP tax preparation is back! Beginning Monday, February 1, AARP staff will be here to help people over 55 in simple tax prep. Times begin at 9 AM and go to 12 PM. This is a walk in service provided by AARP, please do not contact the library for appointments.

Additionally, your questions about Social Security benefits will be answered in a program on February 29, 2016. Paul Stocker, CPA discusses how to get the most from your benefits. Please call Paul at 610-691-2191 OR the library at 610-838-8381 to register.

Your Library, open 24/7

The Hellertown Area Library provides electronic resources accessible from your home! Here are some examples:

America's News: Current and archived coverage including The Valley Voice, The Morning Call and The Express Times.

Heritage Quest Online, powered by Ancestry.com: Billions of records ready to reveal your family's story!

Mango: Learn a new language!

Overdrive: Access thousands of eBook and audiobook titles.

PA. Power Library: State funds provide access to several research databases.

World Book Web: Exciting kid's encyclopedia with a wealth of information for adults, too.

To access these resources, visit www.hellertownlibrary.org.

For a wide variety of library programs for adults and children please visit the library website www.hellertownlibrary.org or call 610-838-8381 for information.