The Coy Chronicle
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“Yet my heart loves December’s smile as much as July’s golden beam; then let us sit and watch the while - the blue ice curdling on the stream.” – Emily Jane Bronte

Upcoming Events

Holiday Open House
December 6
9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Join us for our annual Holiday Open House!
We will have a Holiday Storytime and craft on the hour throughout the day.
From 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm, we will have a craft, snacks, and a special visit from Santa!
Register by calling us at 717-532-4508 or by registering online.

A Nutcracker Christmas

We will be hosting A Nutcracker Christmas on December 13th from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

Join us for a live performance from Heather Rose Dance Studio with a Meet and Greet, as well as a fun nutcracker craft!

Registration is encouraged and can be completed online or by calling the library at 717-532-4508.
December Monthly Book Discussion
Please join Carolyn Cook for an in-person discussion at the library about Jamie Ford's book, "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" on Thursday, December 8th, from 5:00-6:30pm.

In 1986, Henry Lee joins a crowd outside the Panama Hotel, once the gateway to Seattle's Japantown. It has been boarded up for decades, but now the new owner has discovered the belongings of Japanese families who were sent to internment camps during World War II. As the owner displays and unfurls a Japanese parasol, Henry, a Chinese American, remembers a young Japanese American girl from his childhood in the 1940s—Keiko Okabe, with whom he forged a bond of friendship and innocent love that transcended the prejudices of their Old World ancestors. After Keiko and her family were evacuated to the internment camps, she and Henry could only hope that their promise to each other would be kept. Now, forty years later, Henry explores the hotel's basement for the Okabe family's belongings and for a long-lost object whose value he cannot even begin to measure. His search will take him on a journey to revisit the sacrifices he has made for family, for love, for country.

Take a Peek at January's Book Club Selection!

January 12th
Sorcery of Thorns
by Margaret Rogerson

"ALL SORCERERS ARE EVIL . . ."

Elisabeth has known that for as long as she can remember. Raised in one of Austermeer’s Great Libraries, Elisabeth has grown up among magical grimoires that, if provoked, transform into grotesque monsters of ink and leather.

When the library’s most dangerous grimoire is released, Elisabeth is blamed. With no one to turn to but her sworn enemy, the sorcerer Nathaniel Thorn, she finds herself entangled in a centuries-old conspiracy. As her alliance with Nathaniel grows stronger, Elisabeth starts to question everything she’s been taught. For Elisabeth has a power she could never have imagined . . ."

Jammin' at the Library
Wednesdays from 11:30 am-1:30 pm Held in the Community Room
Weekly Jam Sessions are back!
We have a series of informal jam sessions with local musicians at the library. Come to play or come to listen. All are welcomed.

Chess Club
Wednesday Evenings
5:30 pm-7:50 pm
Held in the Annex (Book Nook building)
Do you enjoy playing chess? Come join the Chess Club on Wednesdays at 5:30pm!
No registration is required.

Thursday Night Knitting
Are you a knitter who would like to meet other knitters? If you are or want to learn how to knit, come join Dottie Kurtz here at the library on Thursday evenings from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

Shippenstitchers
December 5
11:30 am - 5:30 pm
Rope Bowl Demonstration 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm
Held in the Community Room

Please join the Shippenstitchers on December 5th for a free demonstration about Rope Bowls from 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm. The bowls, as well as Rope Coasters, make quick, great gifts for the holidays! There are many different ways to dress up a bowl or dish. You can even make bags or purses. Open sew, knitting, and crocheting will also be going on from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm. Bring your supplies and projects and join them for a fun day!

Learn a Foreign Language Month

According to the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, language learning supports academic achievement, improved reading abilities, linguistic awareness, and positive attitudes towards other cultures.

At the Coy Public Library of Shippensburg, we offer a number of language-learning tools across multiple mediums. You can request them from our online catalogue here.

Announcements

Christmas Village and Train Display
Raymond Mowery has once again generously set up his electric model trains and village! It will be on display through December, so be sure to come check it out. The display is located on the second floor, in the Board Room.
Closing for Christmas

The Coy Public Library will be closed from December 23 - December 26 in observance of Christmas.

We will reopen on December 27.

No items will be due these days.

Merry Christmas from all of us at Coy!

Looking for that perfect Christmas cookie recipe?
We have plenty of cookbooks available!

Closing Early on New Year's Eve

The Coy Public Library will be closing early on Saturday, December 31st at 2:00 pm.

We hope that everyone has a safe and happy New Year!

Community Outreach

Food Pantry

In the Book Nook side vestibule, there is a public food pantry for all residents of Shippensburg. This project was created by the Young Democratic Socialists at Shippensburg University. Their goal was to create a resource that could be accessed by both the broader Shippensburg community and the SU campus community. Their hope is that this project promotes connectedness between all residents of Shippensburg.

The food pantry operates on a “Take What You Need; No Questions Asked” principle.

Donations are welcome and can be placed on the cart directly.

Kids' Korner

Spring 2023 Youth Services Programs

We will be offering a variety of weekly and special programs for children ages 0-18 beginning in January and continuing through May! Registration is encouraged for all programs, and required for monthly programs.

You can register by calling, visiting the library, or by filling out this online form. There are a limited number of spots in each in-person program, and we may be unable to accommodate walk-ins or extra registrations.

Check out our new Spring Programs!

Thanksgiving!

Enjoy these photos from our Thanksgiving event!
New Year’s Eve Kits
Pick up Dec 22-31

Looking for family fun on New Year’s Eve? Order a Countdown Kit now and pick it up between Dec 22-31st!

Register online here!

Photos from our November Homeschool Workshop

Teens

Teen Scene
Every Thursday at 3:00 pm

Hang out and enjoy activities such as games, movies, holiday parties, and more!

Ages 12-18 welcomed.
Register

The Book Nook

December Special at the Book Nook
All Christmas Books are Buy One Get One Free!

Tuesdays: 5pm - 7pm
1st Thursday of the month: 9am - 7pm
Other Thursdays: 10am - 12pm & 5pm - 7pm
Fridays: 9am - 12pm
Saturdays: 10am - 2pm

Friends of the Coy Library
Friends Coffee Hour

Fridays
9:00-11:00 am

Join the Friends for coffee at the Annex! Come see what the Friends do to support the library. Please park on King St. if attending Coffee Hour!

Summer Learning Program
Book Nook & Amazon Storefront
Fundraising Events

These are some of the services and activities provided by the Friends. Show your support for your community library, become a Friend of the Coy Public Library today!

Resources

COVID-19 Updates

The CDC recommends everyone stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccination, including all primary series doses and boosters for their age group.

Unsure how to locate and schedule a vaccine or a booster shot? Visit gohelp.gov/vaccine for a free tutorial.

NextReads Newsletters

Looking to find your next read? Subscribe to NextReads newsletters which will offer you the newest books to read for specified topics (Kids' Books, Mystery Books, History & Current events, Home & Garden, Nature & Science, Audiobooks, etc.).

Skill-Up PA

SkillUp™ PA is a completely free initiative designed to help job seekers explore career pathways, view local job postings, register for free online learning, and receive workforce services. The initiative is being led by the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry and PA CareerLink®.

Library Information

Hours
Mon-Thurs: 9am - 8pm
Friday: 9am - 5pm
Saturday: 9am - 5pm
Sunday: Closed

Mission Statement
The Coy Public Library of Shippensburg exists to provide cultural vitality and lifelong learning through open access to reading, reference, programs, and community space.

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