



The Coy Chronicle

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"While it is February one can taste the full joys of anticipation.
Spring stands at the gate with her finger on the latch."
– [Patience Strong](#)

Upcoming Events



Did you know that one of the library's original locations was a passenger station on West King Street? On July 7, 1936, permission was granted by the president of the Western Maryland Railroad Company for the library to rent the building for \$10 per year and also allowed the library to make whatever alterations they deemed necessary to better suit the public. This would be the fourth move in 4 years for the library, and we would remain here until 1957. This was such a unique location for a public library that it was written up by Mr. Ripley himself in his "Believe It or Not" publication!

Celebrating Our 90th Anniversary

In celebration of the 90th year that the Coy Public Library has been in service, we are asking the community to share their favorite memories of the library. Whether you are or were an employee, a volunteer, Friend, board member, patron, or visitor, we would love to hear your story! These stories will then be compiled and shared on our website and bulletin board.

Submissions can be made via this [google form](#), or sent by email to bdurff@cumberlandcountylibraries.org. If sending by email, please include your name and the year your story takes place. We would also love to receive any pictures that go along with the memory!

90 Books for 90 Years

One of the ways we are celebrating 90 years of service is to offer this challenge to the Shippensburg Community:
Read 90 books during 2023, 1 for every year that the library has been open.
Everyone who finishes will earn an entry into a grand prize raffle celebrating Shippensburg.
Read any combination of print, audio, or e-books to participate.

[Sign up for the challenge on Beanstack](#)
or
[Print out a paper tracker and record your books!](#)
Paper trackers must be turned in to the library when completed for them to be counted for the raffle entry.



Longwood Gardens Community Read:
A Celebration of Foodways and Culture

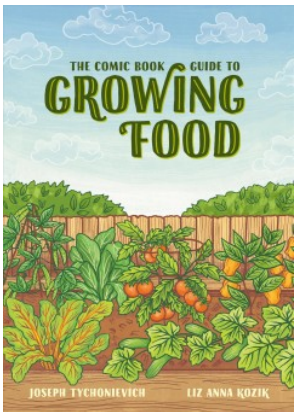
Celebrate the tenth year of the Community Read with a look at how food connects people—especially for special moments—
and how food connects to the world of plants and gardening.

Black Food : Stories, Art & Recipes from Across the African Diaspora
by Bryant Terry

A James Beard Award-winning chef, educator and author presents a joyful celebration of Black culture by interweaving food, experiences and community through poetry, essays and recipes including Crispy Cassava Skillet Cakes, Meatballs with Egusi and Squash, and Jerk Chicken Ramen.



[Buttermilk Fried Chicken Cooking Demo](#)
Click on the link above to watch as Executive Chef Ramin Coles from the Sweet Home Café at the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture cooks up two recipes from our 2023 Community Read title *Black Food: Stories, Art, and Recipes from Across the African Diaspora*.



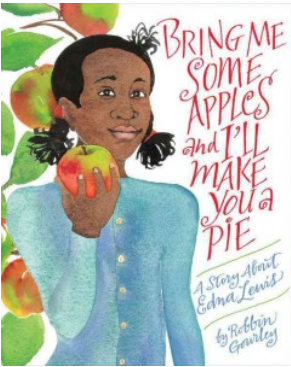
The Comic Book Guide to Growing Food : Step-by-Step Vegetable Gardening for Everyone
by Joseph Tychonievich

A gardening guide, in the form of a graphic novel, that walks beginners through the steps of planning, planting, caring for and harvesting their first vegetable garden, along with “cheat sheets” of key facts and techniques.

Bring Me Some Apples and I'll Make You a Pie:
A Story About Edna Lewis

by Robbin Gourley

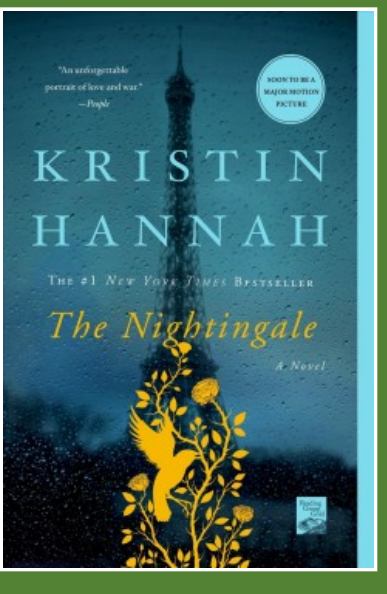
From the whippoorwill's call on the first day of spring through the first snowfall, Edna and members of her family gather fruits, berries, and vegetables from the fields, garden, and orchard on their Virginia farm and turn them into elaborate meals.



February Monthly Book Discussion

Please join Carolyn Cook for an in-person discussion at the library about Kristin Hannah's book, "The Nightingale" on Thursday, February 9, from 5:00-6:30pm.

"In the quiet village of Carriveau, Vianne Mauriac says goodbye to her husband, Antoine, as he heads for the Front. She doesn't believe that the Nazis will invade France...but invade they do, in droves of marching soldiers, in caravans of trucks and tanks, in planes that fill the skies and drop bombs upon the innocent. When a German captain requisitions Vianne's home, she and her daughter must live with the enemy or lose everything. Without food or money or hope, as danger escalates all around them, she is forced to make one impossible choice after another to keep her family alive."



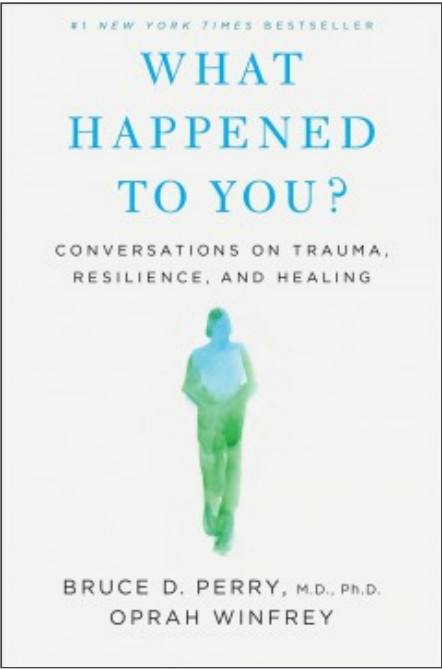
Take a Peek at March's Book Club Selection!

What Happened to You?
by Bruce D. Perry and
Oprah Winfrey

March 9

Oprah Winfrey and renowned brain development and trauma expert, Dr Bruce Perry, discuss the impact of trauma and adverse experiences and how healing must begin with a shift to asking "What happened to you?" rather than "What's wrong with you?"

Grounded in the latest brain science and brought to life through compelling narratives, this book shines a light on a much-needed path to recovery – showing us our incredible capacity to transform after adversity.



Paint Night Fundraiser

March 14

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Community Room

Join local artist Andrea Weaver at the library on March 14 for a special Paint Night Fundraiser! The cost is \$50 per person, which includes a historic slate from the library's carriage house, leather strap for hanging, and all painting supplies. Fifty percent of all proceeds will be donated to the library. Payment is due prior to the event. Register by calling the library at (717) 532-4508.

Light snacks, bottled water, tea and hot cocoa will be offered.
BYOB - 21 & Older
Snow Date: March 28



Jammin' at the Library

Wednesdays from 11:30 am-1:30 pm
Held in the Community Room

All acoustic instruments are welcome.
All musical genres are accepted!

There will be chairs arranged in a circle to accommodate musicians who come to perform, along with plenty of extra chairs outside the jam circle for those who come to listen.



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 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



Shippenstitchers

February 6 and February 20
11:30 am - 6:00 pm
Held in the Community Room

Please join the Shippenstitchers on February 6 and February 20 for open sew!
Knitters, crocheters, and quilters of all kinds are welcome to join the fun from 11:30 am - 6:00 pm.

Bring your supplies and projects and stay for a little while or for the whole day!



National Self-Check Month

National Self Check Month was started by Joan Peckolick, the founder of Self Chec, an organization whose goal is to raise awareness of the importance of preventative self-care and early detection of chronic diseases. The purpose of the month-long observance is to encourage people to perform self-checks to detect early symptoms. Start taking control of your health today by practicing self-care and performing self-checks.

Here's a list from Aetna of 10 health checks you can do at home.



Announcements



SPRING 2023 ONLINE AUCTION

We are currently accepting donations of the following for our 3rd annual online auction:

- Handcrafted items
- Gift cards to local stores, restaurants, businesses
- Certificates for services (labor, consultations, instruction, etc.)
- Gift baskets
- Collectibles
- Jewelry
- Furniture
- and much more!

3rd Annual Online Auction

The 3rd annual online auction to benefit the library will be held April 29 through May 7 this year.

Last year's auction raised \$5,148 for our library, and we are aiming to raise \$10,000 this year. Our last two auctions featured collected items donated by the Friends and Board members of the library, and also local businesses and community members.

We will happily accept:

- Handcrafted items
- Gift cards to local stores, restaurants, businesses
- Certificates for services (labor, consultations, instruction, etc.)
- Gift baskets
- Collectibles
- Jewelry
- Furniture
- and much more!

Items may be dropped off at the library circulation desk.

If you have questions, please contact Angie at asachleben@hotmail.com or call 717-532-9760.

All proceeds will go directly to library operations.



Voting is now easier and more accessible for millions of Pennsylvanians!

- Voters now have more options, including:
- Mail-in voting: vote.pa.gov/MailBallot
 - More time to register to vote: vote.pa.gov/Register
 - Online request for mail-in ballots: vote.pa.gov/ApplyMailBallot

For more information on how and where to register to vote, [click here](#).

New voting systems are secure, accessible and auditable. [Learn more about election security in Pennsylvania](#).

REGISTER TO VOTE

BECAUSE YOUR VOTE MATTERS

For more info, visit: vote.pa.gov

You can do the following things by going online:

- Register to Vote
- Update Voter Record
- Check Voter Status
- Request a Vote-by-Mail
- Find Election information

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 are currently offering a variety of weekly and special programs for children ages 0-18 and will be 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!](#)



Read to Dogs

Enjoy these photos from our January session of Read to Dogs! This program is made possible by Kindly Canines. Our next session will be February 21. Registration can be found [here](#).



Preschool Story Time
Mondays at 6:00pm - 6:30pm
Ages 4-5
Feb 6 - Mar 6

Come on out for Preschool Storytimes! We'll read 2 picture books and finish with fun activities! We still have lots of openings for our Monday evening session of Preschool Story Time!



Family and Me for 123s
Wednesdays 10:30-11:30 am
Ages 1-3
Mar 1 - Mar 29

Join this special program for families with young children to explore, play share books and learn together. Family & Me, a Family Place LibrariesTM program, is a five week program for

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toddlers and their parents and caregivers. The programs are fun and play-based providing an environment rich with toys, books and art activities and an opportunity for families to spend time together, and make friends. Each week a specialist visits, giving parents and caregivers the time to talk one-on-one with specialists on various aspects of child development, parenting and early literacy. Limited to 12 families per session! Registration is required and can be found [here](#) or by calling the library at (717) 532-4508.





Passport to the World
Ages 6-8 | 5:00 pm - 6:15 pm
Ages 9-11 | 6:15 pm - 7:30 pm
Feb 9 - Australia | Mar 9 - Egypt
Apr 13 - Italy | May 11 - Philippines

Come explore countries from around the world!
Each month we travel to a different country!
Registration is required for this monthly program and can be found [here](#) or by calling the library at (717) 532-4508.



**American Girl:
Read to Pets**
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Feb 2 | Mar 2 | Apr 6 | May 4
Ages 6-11


Join us for this new program featuring time to read the American Girl books with and to stuffed animals from the books! We are so excited to introduce this program! Registration is required and can be found [here](#) or by calling the library at (717) 532-4508.



Photos from our January 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



FEBRUARY BOOK NOOK SALE
@ Coy Public Library of Shippensburg
All Children's Books are
Buy One Get One Free!

Tuesday	5pm - 7pm	The majority of items are priced between .10 and \$2.00
First Thursday of the Month	9am - 7pm	
All Other Thursdays	10am - 12pm	We accept credit cards (Minimum of \$5.00 purchase)
	5pm - 7pm	
Friday	9am - 12pm	
Saturday	10 am - 2pm	

Book donations are welcome during the times listed above.

**February Special
at the Book Nook**

**All Children's 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

THANKS, FRIENDS!

The end-of-year stats for 2022 are incredible!

Book Nook Sales and Donations: \$15,130

Amazon Sales: \$18,994.01
Books Sold: 2,074

Many thanks to our Friends for their continued support and fundraising efforts!



Great Job, Book Nook and Amazon Group!

The Book Nook raised a total of \$15,130 between sales and donations in 2022.
The Amazon Group sold 2,074 books for a total profit of \$18,994.01.

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 Street if attending Coffee Hour!



Holiday Open House



Book Nook & Amazon Storefront



Fundraising Events



These, along with our Spring Celebration and Summer Learning Program, are only 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.org/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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