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“The April winds are magical / And thrill our tuneful frames / The garden-walks are passionate / To bachelors and dames.”
– Ralph Waldo Emerson, April

Upcoming Events

Remember When...
... the Children’s section and activities were located in the basement?
Enjoy these photos, circa 1970-1980!
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.

All books read in 2023 can be counted toward the 90 books, even if you read them before signing up for the challenge!

Looking for something to read?

Check out these book lists!

Reese’s Book Club

GMA Book Club
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.

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.
April Monthly Book Discussion

Please join Carolyn Cook for an in-person discussion at the library about Marty Wingate's book, "The Bodies in the Library" on Thursday, April 13, from 5:00-6:30pm.

"Hayley Burke has landed a dream job. She is the new curator of Lady Georgiana Fowling's First Edition library. The library is kept at Middlebank House, a lovely Georgian home in Bath, England. Hayley lives on the premises and works with the finicky Glynis Woolgar, Lady Fowling's former secretary. Mrs. Woolgar does not like Hayley's ideas to modernize The First Edition Society and bring in fresh blood. Hayley is faking it till she makes it, and one of her plans to breathe new life into the Society is actually taking flight—an Agatha Christie fan fiction writers group is paying dues to meet up at Middlebank House. But when one of the group is found dead in the venerable stacks of the library, Hayley has to catch the killer to save the Society and her new job"--
Provided by publisher.

Take a Peek at May's Book Club Selection!

The Last Flight
by Julie Clark
May 11

"Fans of Lisa Jewell and Liv Constantine will love The Last Flight, a novel focusing on two women who meet in an airport, both alone, both scared, and both urgently needing an escape from their lives. Claire Cook has a husband whose temper burns as bright as his promising political career, and she has worked for months on a plan to get out. A chance meeting in an airport bar brings her together with a stranger equally as desperate. Together they hatch a plan to switch tickets - Claire taking Eva's flight to Oakland, and Eva traveling to Puerto Rico as Claire. But then one plane crashes, and it's clear that one of them wasn't telling the truth."

Paint Night Fun!

On the evening of March 14, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, 17 painters gathered at the Coy Library for Paint Night. These eager participants were expertly guided by local artist, Andrea Weaver. She brought her love of nature to this recent Paint Night event. The springtime inspired paintings were created on slate tiles from the roof of the library which added an historical aspect to the project.

Thank you to all who came out, and a special thank you to Andrea for sharing her skills!
**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.

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**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 required.

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**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.
American Sign Language Day
April 15

On April 15, 1817, the first school for the deaf opened in the United States. Since that time, the number of deaf schools across the nation has grown to 49 residential schools and 47 day schools.

Modern American Sign Language is a mixture of Native American Signs, French Sign Language, and Martha’s Vineyards Sign Language. Today, ASL is one of the most prevalent sign languages in the World.

Announcements

3rd Annual Online Auction
Saturday, April 29 - Sunday, May 7 2023

The Coy Public Library of Shippensburg is hosting its third annual auction this spring, and the auction site is up and running! The online auction begins Saturday, April 29 at 8:00 p.m. and ends on Sunday, May 7 at 8:00 pm. All proceeds benefit our library operations.
Many auction items will be on display in the library community room on **Saturday, May 6**, during regular library hours.

To view the 2023 auction site (donations are updated weekly): [32auctions.com/shiplibrary2023](http://32auctions.com/shiplibrary2023)

Thank you for your participation.

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**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK April 23—29, 2023**

**Celebrate National Library Week**

**April 23-29, 2023**

Most people know about the wealth of stories available at the library, from picture books and large print to audiobooks and e-books. But there’s so much more to the story of libraries.

Libraries are welcoming spaces that bring communities together for entertainment, education, and connection through book clubs, storytimes, movie nights, crafting classes, lectures, and more. The Coy Public Library offers a wide array of programs and resources to the community, year-round.

Libraries play a critical role in the economic vitality of communities by providing internet and technology access, literacy skills, and support for job seekers, small businesses, and entrepreneurs.

Stop by for a visit to celebrate with us during National Library Week, April 23-29. Follow us on [Facebook](https://facebook.com) and the hashtag #NationalLibraryWeek to join the online celebration.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries of all types across the country each April.
Tax Forms

The 2023 deadline to file is Tuesday, April 18! We still have plenty of paper forms for all types of filers, including the 1040, 1040-SR, and Mortgage and Rent Rebate booklets.

If you prefer to file online, IRS Free File lets you prepare and file your federal income tax online using guided tax preparation at an IRS partner site or Free File Fillable Forms. It’s safe, easy and no cost to you for a federal return.

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

Photos From Our Spring Celebration
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!

Books and Boots

9:30 am - 10:00 am
Ages 2-4
Apr 12 | Apr 26 | May 10

Join us for a story about nature, then put on boots and head outside to make the book topic come alive! Rain or shine, plan for the weather! This program is sponsored by Volvo. Registration is highly encouraged 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  
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.

**S.T.E.A.M.**

(Ages 6-9) 9:15-10:30 am  
(Ages 10-12) 10:45-12:00 pm  
Apr 8 | May 13

Through fascinating experiments, engaging activities, and fun crafts we’ll explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math! Registration is required and can be found here or by calling the library at (717) 532-4508.

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**Photos from our March Preschool Storytime**

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**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.

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**The Book Nook**
April Special at the Book Nook

**All 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

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**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 Street if attending Coffee Hour!

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**Spring Celebration**

**Book Nook & Amazon Storefront**

**Fundraising Events**

These, along with our Holiday Open House 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!

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**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](http://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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Facebook: CoyPublicLibrary
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