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“Once you have read a book you care about, some part of it is always with you.” - Louis L’Amour

Upcoming Events

GET OUTDOORS AND GET CONNECTED!

GO Cumberland
We are back for our second year participating in the Get Outdoors (GO) Cumberland! program. This program encourages Cumberland County children and families to read and be physically active during the summer months. Making human and social connections can offer several mental health benefits, such as boosting mood, reducing stress, and improving self-esteem.

Between now and August 15th, hike selected parks throughout Cumberland County, find the secret code to log it into Beanstack, and earn prizes! Booklets with full information are available at the library.
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

July Monthly Book Discussion

Please join us for an in-person discussion at the library about Tommy Orange’s book, “There, There” on Thursday, July 13, from 5:00pm - 6:30pm.
A contemporary classic, this astonishing literary debut places Native American voices front and center. Among them is...
Jacquie Red Feather, newly sober and trying to make it back to the family she left behind. Dene Oxendene, pulling his life together after his uncle's death and working at the powwow to honor his memory. Fourteen-year-old Orvil, coming to perform traditional dance for the very first time. They converge and collide on one fateful day at the Big Oakland Powwow and together this chorus of voices tells of the plight of the urban Native American—grappling with a complex and painful history, with an inheritance of beauty and spirituality, with communion and sacrifice and heroism.

UPCOMING BOOKS

AUGUST 10TH
THE SPY AND THE TRAITOR
BY BEN MACINTYRE

SEPTEMBER 14TH
GERALDINE BROOKS
HORSE

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.

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
July 3 and July 17
11:30 am - 6:00 pm
Held in the Community Room

Please join the Shippenstitchers on July 3 and July 17 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!

South Cumberland Fiber Guild
3rd Saturday of Each Month
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

The Guild is open to spinners, weavers, knitters, crocheters, felters, rug hookers, shepherds, plant fiber growers and others interested in the art and craft of fiber and textiles.

They meet monthly for workshops, field trips, demonstrations for the public, or to gather just to spin, knit, crochet or work on a "project-in-progress". This month they will meet July 15.

Pennsylvania Day
July 20 is Pennsylvania Day!

Did you know Pennsylvania was the second state to join the Union? On December 12, 1787, Pennsylvania became the second state (after Delaware) to ratify the Constitution.

Pennsylvania is a beautiful state with a rich history, and we hope these resources help you celebrate the wonder of our great state.

Explore PA History
Encyclopedia Britannica

Announcements
Meet Coy Library's New Director

Samantha McCulloch, better known as Sami, begins her tenure as the Coy Library’s new director. She was recently selected to take the library’s reins from former director, Jody Cole. Sami comes to this position with a deep understanding of Coy Library having served as the Director of Youth Services for five years. She began her work in a library setting at the John Graham Library in Newville at the age of 14 and continued this work at Dickinson Library in Carlisle and Ezra Lehman Library on the campus of Shippensburg University. She brings 17 years of rich library experience to her new role.

Sami knew at the age of 10 that her life’s path would include work as a librarian. As a child, she loved books and visits to the John Graham Library. Books allowed her to connect to the wider world and gain new perspectives and insights. She loved learning about different cultures and found reading widened her interests. Two series that were influential to her were Dear America and American Girls. An all-time favorite book remains Anna of Green Gables which she read for library story hour via Zoom during the pandemic. An adult book that has impacted her is Home Going by Yaa Gyasi. Its genre is historical fiction and she found it eye-opening for providing cultural perspectives.

Sami has expressed a deep gratitude for the opportunity to serve Coy Library patrons as well as to partner with the greater Shippensburg community. She believes in doing her best to connect with the wider community and in doing so, hopes she will inspire others to connect with the community and thus, facilitate a ripple effect. She is profoundly committed to this geographical area having grown up on the McCulloch Highland Vue Farm in Newville. This has been a working farm in her family for over 250 years. Excluding her years at Millersville University, Sami has lived on her family’s farm. In addition to farming, the family has transformed an old bank barn into an event center. Sami credits her extended family with deeply promoting and modeling service to one’s community. Dedication to service drives her personal and professional goals. She realizes purpose and energy from building relationships with the children, the families and the library staff and the community.

Sami’s love of the Coy Library is very evident upon speaking with her. Sami welcomes meeting new patrons. Stop by the library and meet her. Her enthusiasm is contagious, and you’ll leave with a smile on your face!
Independence Day Closing

The Coy Public Library will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th in celebration of Independence Day. No items will be due this day. We will resume our regular hours on Wednesday, July 5th.

Kids' Korner

Tuesday Evening Events

Silly Joe Sings!
July 11
6:00 pm

Silly Joe entertains audiences with high-energy songs. With a guitar, a loud voice, and a lot of silly body movements, Silly Joe keeps everyone involved in the show. Kids and parents enjoy laughing with Silly Joe and at themselves as he offers lighthearted comedy.

Summit Search and Rescue
July 18
6:00 pm

Meet the bloodhounds and learn how their bloodhound attributes and marvelous scenting system make them an amazing tool to be utilized to locate the missing, the wanted and evidence left behind.

West Shore Wildlife
July 25
6:00 pm

What is biodiversity? How can we protect natural biodiversity in Pennsylvania? Meet some of our animal ambassadors as we talk about the importance of all species that call PA home and conservation actions you can take right in your backyard.

2023 Summer Learning Program at Coy Public Library!

Read for fun and enjoy free activities! Registration for our reading challenge can be found at shipreads.org. Choose to log minutes or days of reading! Pick which program you would like to complete, and sign up! The goals are to read for 60 days of the summer (all ages) OR 400 minutes (Ages 0-4), 600 minutes (Ages 5-11), 800 minutes (Ages 12-18) & 1,000 minutes (Ages 18+).

Ages 0-18 earn tokens along the way and everyone earns extra raffle entries for extra reading! Track reading online or with the Beanstack mobile app. You can also download and print a paper tracker! Logging is from now until August 7th! The raffle baskets will be available to view at our Gold Star Gathering Awards Party at 6:00 pm on Tuesday August 8th, and we will draw the winners then! Those not in attendance will be entered in a separate raffle.
The tokens will be redeemable at The Tokens to Trophies Prize Shop, open at the Awards Party and open through August 17th! Earn extra tokens by checking out Book Bundles, attending Camps,
Performers, and Regular Programs!

Photos from Our Wild World Camp

Teens

Teen Scene
Every Thursday at 1:00 pm
Hang out and enjoy activities such as games, movies, holiday parties, and more!
Ages 12-18 welcomed.
Register.

Register Now for Our Teen Camps This Summer!

Escape Room
July 20th at 1:00-3:00 pm
You know guitars and pianos, but do you know bag-pipes and djembes? Come to our escape room to test your knowledge of musical instruments around the world. Will you be able to escape from the music lab?

The Book Nook

July Special
at the Book Nook
All Non-Fiction 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 Street if attending
Coffee Hour!

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!

Resources

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

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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