



The Coy Chronicle

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"The stormy March has come at last, With winds and clouds and changing skies; I hear the rushing of the blast, That through the snowy valley flies." – **William C. Bryant**

Upcoming Events



Longwood Gardens **Community Read 2024**

Our 2024 selections include *The Last Garden in England* by Julia Kelly, our first historical fiction Community Read book all about the meaning, beauty, and solace we can find in gardens.

Our title for younger readers is a picture book adaptation of the classic novel *The Secret Garden*, which follows Mary Lennox as she moves into a confusing new home and finds comfort from exploring the surrounding grounds and gardens.

The Last Garden in England

Julia Kelly

The Last Garden in England exemplifies the meaning that we can all find in gardens. Just as Longwood Gardens has brought beauty to the lives of generations, so too does Highbury House—whose lovely gardens are at the center of this historical fiction spanning three generations. Taking place in 1907, 1944, and present day, this novel connects five women—from the gardens' original designer through to the modern-day designer charged with restoring their beauty—all of whom find true meaning and solace in the gardens.



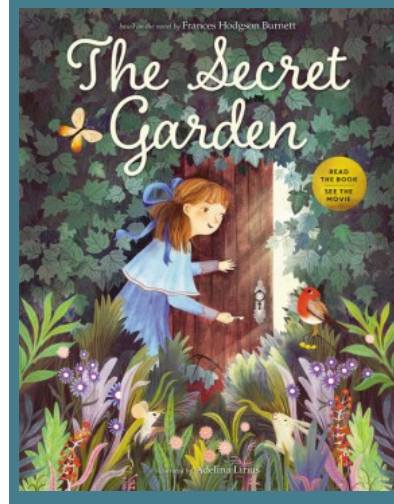
Author Julia Kelly took inspiration for the book from a visit to Upton House in Warwickshire, England. Upton's gardens were designed by Kitty Lloyd Jones, hired by wealthy homeowners to "lend a sense of good taste" to their grand homes' gardens. Lloyd Jones and famous British garden designer Gertrude Jekyll gave inspiration to the character of Venetia Smith, hired to design Highbury's garden in the novel. Venetia visits the real-life Hidcote Manor in the novel, whose garden rooms designed by owner Lawrence Johnston inspired Kelly to create garden rooms at Highbury House.

The Secret Garden

Calista Brill

Based on the novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett, adapted by Calista Brill, illustrated by Adelina Lirus

In this picture book adaptation of the classic novel, our younger readers will follow Mary Lennox as she moves into a confusing new home and only finds comfort from exploring the grounds and gardens surrounding the imposing manor house. Through unexpected friendships, good fresh air, connecting to nature, and a mystery surrounding a secret garden, Mary is transformed.



Yoga at the Library

We are excited to offer yoga classes for adults of all ages and experience levels.

The classes are held on Thursdays at 4:30 pm and Fridays at 10:00 am, with an additional Chair Yoga session at 11:14 am, and are led by Cindy Pimental.

Don't forget to bring a yoga mat!

[Register here!](#)

YOGA AT THE LIBRARY

THURSDAYS | 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM
FRIDAYS | 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
CHAIR YOGA - FRIDAYS | 11:15 AM

Keep your mind healthy and release stress through our weekly yoga classes, led by Cindy Pimental.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

ALL LEVELS ARE WELCOME
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

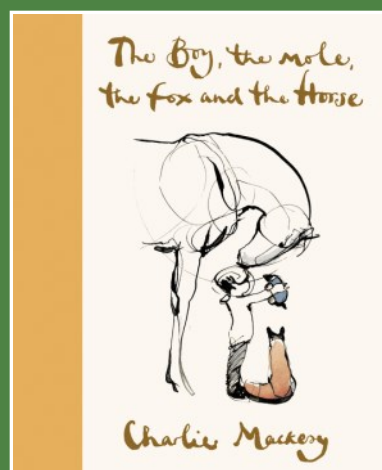
March Book Discussion

Thursday, March 14

5:00pm - 6:30pm

Come to the library and discuss Charlie Mackesy's book, "The Boy, the Mole, the Fox, and the Horse", on March 14th at the monthly book club!

You can request this item through our [digital catalog](#), or by calling the library at 717-532-4508.

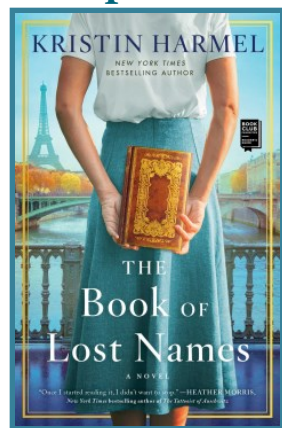


"From British illustrator, artist, and author Charlie Mackesy comes a journey for all ages that explores life's universal lessons, featuring 100 color and black-and-white drawings. Charlie Mackesy offers inspiration and hope in uncertain times, following the tale of a curious boy, a greedy mole, a wary fox and a wise horse who find themselves together in sometimes difficult terrain, sharing their greatest fears and biggest discoveries about vulnerability, kindness, hope, friendship and love. The shared adventures and important conversations between the four friends are full of life lessons that have connected with readers of all ages."



Upcoming Titles for Book Club

April 11



May 9



Chess Club

Wednesday Evenings

5:30 pm-7:50 pm

Held in the Reference Room



Do you enjoy playing chess? Come join the Chess Club on Wednesdays at 5:30pm!
No registration required.

Thursday Night Knit and Crochet

**Thursday Evenings
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

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



Tuesday Afternoon Knit and Crochet

**Tuesday Afternoons
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

Are you a knitter, crocheter or interested in fiber crafts and would like to meet with others with the same interest?

If you are or want to learn how to knit or crochet, come join Dottie Kurtz here at the library on Tuesdays afternoons from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.



Shippenstitchers

March 4th

March 18th

11:30 am - 6:00 pm

Held in the Community Room

Please join the Shippenstitchers on February 5th and February 19th 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 March 16th.



For more information please contact Caroline Winslow at 717-423-6258.

Announcements



All proceeds will go directly to library operations.

Annual Online Auction

April 6 - April 14

We have many busy bees behind the scenes of our 4th Annual Online Auction! This year we have a great assortment of items donated from our Friends of the library, library Board members, area businesses, and community members. The online auction begins **Saturday, April 6** at 8:00 p.m. and ends on **Sunday, April 14** at 8:00 p.m. Many auction items will be on display in the library community room on **Saturday, April 13**, during regular library hours.

To view the 2024 auction site (donations are updated weekly) visit:

32auctions.com/shiplibrary2024



Free Resources for the 2023 Tax Year!

From ordering tax forms, to e-filing... there are many free tax resources online! Find helpful links and info on our [website](#) or by going directly to irs.gov!

Federal individual tax returns are due on April 15, 2024.

Are You Ready to Vote in 2024?

Save these important dates for the 2024 Primary Election!

- **April 8th, 2024:** Last day to register to vote in the primary election.
- **April 16th, 2024:** Last day to apply for a mail ballot.
- **April 23rd, 2024:** Election Day. Polls are open from 7:00 am - 8:00 pm.
- **April 23rd, 2024:** Completed mail ballots **MUST** be received by 8:00 pm.

To register to vote, please click [here](#).

To check your registration status, please click [here](#).
 To request a mail ballot or absentee ballot, please click [here](#).

★ **2024 Primary Election** ★
 ★ **Important Dates** ★

- ★ **Apr 8** Last day to register to vote in the primary election. vote.pa.gov/Register
- ★ **Apr 16** Last day to apply for a mail ballot. vote.pa.gov/ApplyMailBallot
- Apr 23** Election Day. Polls are open from 7 AM to 8 PM. vote.pa.gov/Polls
- ★ **Apr 23** Completed mail ballots must be received by 8 PM. vote.pa.gov/County

vote.pa.gov



Poll Workers Needed!

1. If you are interested in becoming a poll worker, fill out the [Poll Worker Interest Form](#).
2. After you submit the form, your county's election office will contact you.
3. You may reach out to the election office to follow up. You can find the contact information on the [Contact Your Election Officials](#) page.

Kids' Korner



2024 Winter and Spring Youth Services Programs

Registration is open for our Winter - Spring programs! We are excited to offer a new language class for littles and several new programs for teens! Check our [digital flyer](#) for more information, or read about some of the upcoming programs below. You can sign up by using this google form [here](#) or by calling 717-532-4508!



Chinese Language Learning for Little Ones

Ages 3 - 8
 2nd & Last Saturday
 10:00 am - 10:30 am
 Mar 9 | Mar 30
 Join us for this twice monthly program for ages 3-8 focusing on an introduction to Chinese language, led by a native speaker. This will involve interactive games, stories, and other fun ways for children, and their grownups to start to learn the basics of another language.



Sensory Storytime

Ages 2-5
 Wed 11:30-12:00
 Mar 6-Mar 29
 This weekly, interactive storytime will provide a place for families to bring children for learning stations, sensory play, music and movement, and more based on a book. This unique storytime is targeted to those with sensory needs, but all are welcome, including siblings.

Limited to 10 families.



Read to Dogs

Ages 6-12
 3rd Tues
 6:30-7:00 pm (A)
 7:00-7:30 pm (B)
 Mar 19
 Grab some books and have fun taking turns reading to our adorable, furry friends. This program is made possible by Kindly Canines! Please arrive early to pick out books



Chapter Book Club

Ages 8-12
 Wednesdays 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Every Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm at the Coy Public library, children ages 8-12 enjoy the Chapter Book Club. This discussion group is led by the Director of Youth Services, Colleen Moore. The children are given reading assignments to be completed at home in



Pictured above is Colleen Moore

preparation for the club's discussions. Usually 6 or 7 children attend. This club is open to new members.

leading a discussion about the graphic novel, Stargazing.



Reading Rainbow Event

Saturday, March 2
9:30 am - 12:00 pm

We will be reading at the Reading Rainbow event at the **Shippensburg Firefighter Activities Center**, with other activities going on.

We will be reading at 9:30 am and 11:30 am.

The Shippensburg Firefighter Activities Center is located at 33 West Orange Street, Shippensburg.



STORYTELLER SHOWCASE



JAN WOLFE WILLOW ROOTS LAURA L. ZIMMERMAN

Storyteller Showcase

Saturday, March 9
1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Don't miss this special opportunity to meet three local authors at once! Jan Wolfe, Willow Roots, and Laura L. Zimmerman will be here at the library on Saturday, March 9 from 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm to showcase their new and latest books for children and teens.

Teens

An Announcement About Our Teen Programs

Participants ages 12-18 are able to attend programs at the library without an adult present, but we ask that the adult(s) complete our [registration form online](#) so that we have contact information for any communication needs.



Teen Scene

Thursdays
Ages 12-18
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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





STEAM Saturdays

Ages 10-17
Last Saturday of Each Month
10:30 am - 1:00 pm

This new S.T.E.A.M. program is sponsored by Video Game Club USA. This is a monthly program for youth ages 10-17 that is designed to explore and learn about different things related to science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics. Each month's meeting will have a dedicated theme.



VGUSA Gaming Club

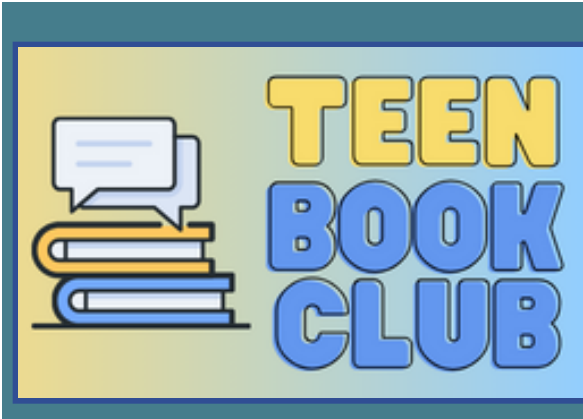
Ages 10-17
Tuesdays
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

This new Gaming Club is sponsored by Video Game Club USA. This is a weekly program for youth ages 10-17 that provides the opportunity to play card games, board games, trivia games, video games, and to socialize with other teens.

NEW Teen Book Club

Ages 12 - 18
2nd & 4th Wednesdays
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Join us for this BRAND NEW biweekly program, which will have participants reading through chapters between meetings and coming together to talk about the chapters, ask questions, and participate in activities related to what they are reading.



The Book Nook

MARCH BOOK NOOK SALE
 @ Coy Public Library of Shippensburg
 All Fiction 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	
	5pm - 7pm	We accept credit cards (No minimum)
Friday	9am - 12pm	
Saturday	10 am - 2pm	

Book donations are welcome during the times listed above.

March Special at the Book Nook
All 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

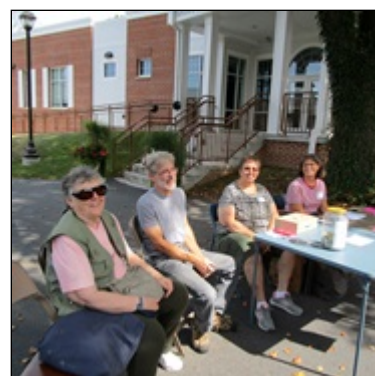
Join the Friends for coffee at the Annex!
 Come see what the Friends do to support the library.



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



[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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