September 2023

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“Happily we bask in this warm September sun, which illuminates all creatures...” — Henry David Thoreau

Upcoming Events

The Coy Public Library of Shippensburg is Celebrating 90 Years of Service!

Please join us for an open-house celebration on Saturday, September 16th, from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.

We invite the community to join us on Saturday, September 16th, as we celebrate 90 years since the foundation of the Shippensburg Public Library.

We will have:
- Guided tours of the library at 11:00 am and 12:00 pm
- Children’s Story Times at 10:30 am, 11:30 am, and 12:30 pm
- “I Spy” Picture Challenge
- A Family Raffle Basket
- Light refreshments
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!

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**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!

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**Yoga at the Library**

We are excited to offer a twice-weekly yoga class for adults of all experience levels, beginning Thursday, September 7!

The class will be held on Thursdays at 4:30 pm and Fridays at 10:00 am and will be led by Cindy Pimental.

Don’t forget to bring a yoga mat!

Register here!

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**September Monthly Book Discussion**
Please join us for an in-person discussion at the library about Geraldine Brooks’ book, *Horse* on Thursday, September 14th, from 5:00pm - 6:30pm.

“A discarded painting in a junk pile, a skeleton in an attic, and the greatest racehorse in American history: from these strands, a Pulitzer Prize winner braids a sweeping story of spirit, obsession, and injustice across American history. Kentucky, 1850. Jarrett, an enslaved groom, and a bay foal forge a bond of understanding that will carry the horse to record-setting victories across the South. As the nation erupts in civil war, an itinerant young artist who has made his name painting the racehorse takes up arms for the Union. On a perilous night, he reunites with the stallion and his groom, very far from the glamor of any racetrack. New York City, 1954. Martha Jackson, a gallery owner celebrated for taking risks on edgy contemporary painters, becomes obsessed with a 19th equestrian oil painting of mysterious provenance. Washington, DC, 2019. Jess, a Smithsonian scientist from Australia, and Theo, a Nigerian-American art historian, find themselves unexpectedly drawn to one another through their shared interest in the horse - one studying the stallion’s bones for clues to his power and endurance, the other uncovering the lost history of the unsung Black horsemen who were critical to his racing success. Based on the remarkable true story of the record-breaking thoroughbred, Lexington, who became America’s greatest stud sire, Horse is a gripping, multi-layered reckoning with the legacy of enslavement and racism in America”--

Provided by publisher.

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**Upcoming Titles for Book Club**

**October 12**

![Beloved](image1)

**November 9**

![A Tree Grows in Brooklyn](image2)

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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**

**Thursday Evenings**

6:00 pm -8:00 pm

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
September 18
11:30 am - 6:00 pm
Held in the Community Room

Please join the Shippenstitchers on September 18 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 September 16.

Read a New Book Month
September is Read a New Book Month.

Read a New Book Month is a month where readers are challenged to enjoy a new book! Do you remember your first trip to Narnia, or fighting pirates with Peter Pan? This September, we invite everyone to find the joy of diving into new worlds and meeting new characters.

At Coy Public Library we're encouraging readers to enjoy a new book or series and to dive into these great new titles!

Announcements

A Library Card is ELEMENTAL!

Get in Your Element this September—sign up for a library card! From borrowing books, ebooks, and museum passes to getting homework help, learning new skills, or attending story time, a library card helps you do more of what you enjoy. Get a library card and dive into a new hobby. A library card is your most important school supply—it's elemental, really—and everyone should have one!

September is Library Card Sign Up Month!
Since 1987, Library Card Sign-up Month has been held each September to mark the beginning of the school year. During the month, the American Library Association and libraries unite in a national effort to ensure every child signs-up for their own library card.

From free access to STEAM programs/activities, educational apps, in-person and virtual homework help, technology workshops to the expertise of librarians, a library card is one of the most cost-effective back-to-school supplies available.

How much money can you save? Visit ALA's Library Value Calculator to total your savings.

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**Labor Day Closing**

We will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2023 in recognition of Labor Day. No items will be due this day.

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**Kids' Korner**

### 2023 Fall Youth Programs

Our Fall programs are starting September 5, and registration is up and ready! We have many new and returning programs for every age. View our Fall program flyer and sign up [here](#) or by calling 717-532-4508!

We have exciting new programs for our tweens and teens this season, thanks to Video Game Club USA (VGCUSA)! You can find more information under the "Teens" heading!

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#### Chapter Book Club

**Ages 7-12**

Wed 6:00-7:00 pm

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

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#### American Girl: Read to Pets

**Ages 6-11**

1st Thurs 5:00-5:30 pm

Sept 7 | Oct 5 | Nov 2 | Dec 7

Join us for this fun program featuring time to read the American Girl books with and to stuffed animals from the books!

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#### Read to Dogs

**Ages 6-12**

3rd Tues 6:30-7:00 pm (A)
7:00-7:30 pm (B)

Sept 19 | Oct 17
Nov 21 | Dec 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.
Build With Me
Ages 3-5
Wed 10:15-10:30 am
Thurs 10:00-10:15 am
Sept 5-Dec 8

Join us for this fun storytime! We will read 1 book and use blocks, boxes and more to build along with the story each week!

Homeschool Workshop
Middle/Highschool
(6th – 12th grade)
Session A 1st Wed
1:30-2.15 pm
Sept 6 | Oct 4 | Nov 1 | Dec 6
Session B 3rd Wed
1:30-2.15 pm
Sept 20 | Oct 11* | Nov 15 | Dec 20

These enrichment workshops offer students a time to come together and explore a variety of topics. Workshops session A & B will cover the same topic.

Teens

Teen Scene
 Thursdays beginning September 7
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Hang out and enjoy activities such as games, movies, holiday parties, and more!
Ages 12-18 welcomed.

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

We are excited to offer a weekly gaming club to tweens and teens beginning September 5, sponsored by Video Game Club USA (VGCUSA)!

We will have card games, board games, video games, and trivia! For more information, contact Ms. Colleen at cmmoore@cumberlandcountylibraries.org.

STEAM Saturdays
Ages 10-17
Saturday, September 30
10:30 am - 1:00 pm

Come join us for this exciting new S.T.E.A.M. program, sponsored by VGCUSA! 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.
In September, our theme is "Augmented Reality with Reality"!

The Book Nook

September 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
The Book Nook's Corn Festival Sale Totals

We are very proud to announce that our Friends of the Library raised $901 during the Corn Festival this year! Thank you to everyone who stopped by and supported our library, and thank you to all of our volunteers; we couldn't do this without you!

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

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.

Social Media
Facebook: CoyPublicLibrary
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