Director’s Corner

The fall edition of the newsletter is here which means cooler days are ahead. If you visited the Coshocton location during the heat of summer, you undoubtedly noticed the building was a bit warm. The existing HVAC unit that supplies climate control to the original 1917 structure is from 1980. The library has been following state laws to replace this unit. The process began in January of 2022 when the library solicited an engineer for the project. Since February, H.F. Lenz has made multiple visits to conduct research and work on drawings. This large project is on track for completion in 2023. We are thankful for receiving financial support received to date from Coshocton Rotary, George and Wilma Clark Family Library Fund of Coshocton Foundation, and the Montgomery Foundation.

Kindly,
Jennifer Austin

Fall Spotlight: Coshocton StoryWalk®

Take time this fall to enjoy reading and the beautiful foliage at the same time! The Coshocton StoryWalk is a fun, free, educational activity located at Clary Gardens, partner of the library. The first post of the StoryWalk trail begins right behind the Event Pavilion. New books are changed out each season, and story updates are shared on the library’s Facebook page and website. We are grateful to the Frontier Community Connection Fund for this permanent donation to the Coshocton community. Be sure to tag the library in your StoryWalk photos and use the hashtag #CoshoctonStoryWalk.

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LIBRARY CLOSINGS:
Monday, September 5
Labor Day
Monday, October 17
Staff In-Service Day
Thursday, November 24
Thanksgiving Day

LOCATIONS & HOURS:
Main Library
655 Main Street
Coshocton, OH 43812
(740) 622-0956
info@coshoctonlibrary.org
Monday-Wednesday 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Thursday-Friday 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

West Lafayette Branch
601 East Main Street
West Lafayette, OH 43845
(740) 545-6672
wlbranch@coshoctonlibrary.org
Monday-Wednesday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Thursday-Friday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
To register for events, go to www.coshoctonlibrary.org or call 740-622-0956 or 740-545-6672.

**Adults**

**Suffragist Hike Walking Group**
**SEPT. 8 | 10:30-11 AM (meet at Main Library)**
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**Gathering of Gamers**
**SEPT. 10, OCT. 8 | 1-3:30 PM**
**Coshocton Public Library – Large Meeting Room**
Held on the 2nd Sat. of each month, enjoy a variety of games provided or bring your own to share.

**Explore a World of Possibilities!**
**SEPT. 13, OCT. 11, NOV. 8 | 10:30-11:30 AM**
**Coshocton Public Library**
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
Senior adults are invited to “explore” a location around the world on the second Tuesday of each month. Keepsake passports are provided.

**Coffee Chat for Readers**
**SEPT. 14 & NOV. 9 | 9-10 AM**
**West Lafayette Branch**
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
This Reader’s Advisory program features new & best-selling fiction books. Get new leads on great reads!

**Blood, Brains, and Lobotomies**
**SEPT. 14 | 6:30-7:30 PM**
**Coshocton Public Library**
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
In partnership with the Ohio Humanities Speakers Bureau, learn about the history of the Athens Lunatic Asylum and its many chilling stories.

**Bookmarked**
**SEPT. 20, OCT. 18 & NOV. 15 | 6:30-7:30 PM**
**Coshocton Public Library + Virtual Option**
Explore fiction and non-fiction titles in this monthly book club. Attend either in-person or virtually. Ongoing online conversations are held on Padlet.

**The Things We Keep**
**SEPT. 22 | 10:30-11:30 AM**
**Coshocton Public Library – Large Meeting Room**
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
This four-part program series invites you to share about special objects you keep and their stories. The theme for September is a family heirloom.

**Painter’s Place**
**SEPT. 26 | 10 AM-12 PM**
**Coshocton Public Library – East Lawn**
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
Get some fresh air out on the East Lawn of the library and learn techniques in watercolor painting from former art teacher, Myrtle Beall. All materials and seating will be provided.

**Behind Ojos de Dios**
**OCT. 3 | 6:30-7:30 PM**
**Coshocton Public Library**
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
To celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, explore the history and origins of the popular Ojo de Dios (The Eye of God) crafts derived from Hispanic and Native American culture and create one yourself!

**Horrifying History of Coshocton**
**OCT. 10 | 5:45-6:45 PM**
**Oak Ridge Cemetery - North 6th St, Coshocton**
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
Explore the horrific side of Coshocton history with details on both well-known and lesser-known murders. This is a repeat program from last year’s Haunted History of Coshocton program. The new program will take place on Halloween night.
To register for events, go to www.coshoctonlibrary.org or call 740-622-0956 or 740-545-6672.

**Trivia Night**
**OCT. 25 | 6:30-7:30 PM**
Coshocton Public Library – Large Meeting Room
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
Gather your team or go solo for trivia at the library!

**More Horrifying History of Coshocton**
**OCT. 31 | 5:45-6:45 PM**
Oak Ridge Cemetery - North 6th St, Coshocton
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
Join us for another night filled with more tales of Coshocton’s scariest true stories. Learn of poisonings, murders, and more nefarious nights from years gone by as we present in the oldest graveyard in the city.

**Valuing Our Veterans**
**NOV. 7 | 11 AM-12 PM & 6-7 PM**
Coshocton Public Library
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
Coshocton County veterans are invited to this program to learn about veteran benefits in Coshocton County, including wartime pensions, disability claims, VA healthcare and more. Presenting will be Zac Miller from Coshocton County Veterans Services, Bryan Hawkins from Operation Veterans Helping Veterans, and Sharon Burns from Blue Star Mothers.

**Holiday Open House**
**NOV. 18 | 4-6 PM**
Coshocton Public Library – East Lawn
Start your holidays with joy and laughter at the Coshocton Public Library! All ages are welcome to our annual Holiday Open House before the Miracle on Main parade to enjoy an assortment of activities and refreshments. If weather permits, festivities will be held outdoors on the East Lawn of the library.

**Digital Technology**

**Public Technology Education**
Individual tech assistance is available at the library. Schedule an appointment by calling (740) 622-0956.

**Update on OverDrive & Libby apps**
Attention, OverDrive app users! OverDrive is discontinuing the legacy OverDrive app in early 2023 and transitioning users to the Libby app. Libby is OverDrive’s newer app for browsing and enjoying digital content from our library.

It’s time to give Libby a try! All your loans, holds, and wish list items will be waiting for you in Libby when you add your library card.

**Beanstack**
Track your reading activity, participate in reading challenges and earn virtual badges. Download the ‘Beanstack Tracker’ app to sign up or log in.

**Digital Library Resources**
Access eBooks, audiobooks, movies, magazines, historical newspapers, research databases, and more with the digital resources available through the Coshocton Public Library. To find out more and to view the full list of resources, visit coshoctonlibrary.org/digitalresources.
Plugged & Unplugged
EVERY WEDNESDAY* | 2:30-5 PM
Coshocton Public Library – Large Meeting Room
Join us every Wednesday afternoon for great video games, laptops, snacks and pop.
*No P&U on Nov. 23

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The library would like to recognize the artistic talents of youth in our community. We’ll provide canvases, watercolors, paint, drawing supplies, and more for tweens & teens to create something to be proud of. Artwork will be displayed in a gallery of masterpieces in the library during the month of November.

Explora
Writing a research paper? Don’t rely on the Internet to find trustworthy information. Use Explora, a library database of articles, e-books, biographies, news, primary sources, videos, images and more. To access Explora, visit the library’s website > Digital Resources > Ohio Web Library. Need help? Ask a librarian!
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To build a foundation of school readiness skills, children will learn letters, read stories, sing songs, learn rhymes, do crafts, and develop social skills.

Book Club for Tweens
SEPT. 8, OCT. 13, NOV. 10 | 4:30-5:30 PM
Coshocton Public Library
Children (ages 7-12): Looking to start a new series? The books for fall are all the first books in their series. Join us in September, October, and November for games, snacks, activities, and discussion.

Storytimes in the Parks
SEPT. 8, 22; OCT. 6, 20 | 6:30-7 PM
Various Parks in Coshocton County
Children of all ages are invited to join us for stories, songs, and activities as we visit parks throughout Coshocton County this fall. Check the library Events Calendar for locations near you!

Tween & Teen Time @ the Branch
SEPT. 15, OCT. 20* & NOV. 17 | 5:30-6:30 PM
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Featured Art Exhibit
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September artist: Carole Hunt
October artist: Lynn Fraelich
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DEC. 3 | 10 AM-3 PM
West Lafayette Branch
Mingle & jingle with friends and family at the West Lafayette Branch Library Holiday Open House on Saturday, December 3.

Enjoy hot cocoa, cookies, take & make holiday crafts for youth, music, and a door prize drawing. Have fun before the West Lafayette Christmas Parade, which will go past the Branch Library around 1:00 p.m.
The Bookmobile’s 2022-23 Schedule can be accessed at coshoctonlibrary.org/bookmobile or by picking up a schedule at the library.

For questions about the Bookmobile or to place items on hold, call or text 740-502-0444. Please leave a message if there is no answer.

**About the Bookmobile**

Coshocton Public Library’s bookmobile service started in 1952, with a 1939 Dodge purchased for $500. The Bookmobile carries books for all ages and serves schools and communities throughout Coshocton County.

Your first library card is free and can be used to borrow materials during Bookmobile visits. Materials can be returned at the Main Library in Coshocton, the West Lafayette Branch, or any other SEO consortium member library.

**National Friends of Libraries Week**

Friends of Libraries groups have their very own national week of celebration! The 17th annual National Friends of Libraries Week will be held October 16-22, 2022. Celebrate by stopping in the Books Galore Book Store (located in the basement of the Coshocton Public Library) or by thanking someone you know who is a Friend of the Library.

**About the Friends**

The Coshocton Friends of the Library help promote the library and literacy in the community. Membership dues and proceeds from the Books Galore bookstore provide funding for library programs and events.

Friends of the Library meet the second Wednesday of each month at noon in the large meeting room of the Coshocton Public Library.

If interested in becoming a Friends of the Library member, please fill out an application online at coshoctonlibrary.org/friends-of-the-library or by picking up a form at the library. Whether you volunteer your time or simply pay annual membership dues, the Friends would be happy to have you as a member of their team. The support received from Friends’ members is vital to the library and always appreciated.

**Books Galore Book Store**

Located in the basement of the library, the Books Galore Book Store has gently used books, DVDs and more for sale at rock bottom prices.

**Hours:**

- **Mon.** | 3 PM – 6 PM
- **Wed.** | 10 AM – 1 PM
- **Sat.** | 10 AM – 1 PM
Library Card Sign-Up Month

During Library Card Sign-Up Month (and ALL year long!), explore all the library has to offer, like new children’s books, access to technology, and educational programming.

Libraries play a crucial role in the education and development of children, offering a variety of programs to spark creativity and stimulate an interest in reading and learning. Through access to technology, media resources and educational programs, a library card gives students the tools to succeed in the classroom and provides people of all ages opportunities to pursue their dreams, explore new passions and interests, and find their voice.

The Coshocton Public Library, along with libraries everywhere, continues to adapt and expand services to meet the evolving community needs. To sign up for a library card or to learn more about the library’s resources and programs, please visit the Coshocton Public Library, West Lafayette Branch, Bookmobile or virtually at coshoctonlibrary.org.

#GetLibraryCarded Promotion: From September 1-23, post to Instagram or Twitter using the hashtag #GetLibraryCarded for a chance to win a $100 Visa gift card and a poster of choice from ALA Graphics. Entries can also be submitted by posting a comment or wall post on the ‘I Love Libraries’ Facebook page. All library lovers are encouraged to participate!

Our Mission

The Coshocton Public Library was established to provide the residents of Coshocton County with books and materials for information, entertainment, intellectual development and enrichment. The Board of Trustees and the Library Staff recognize the pluralistic nature of this community and the varied backgrounds and needs of all citizens, regardless of race, creed or political persuasion.

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