



# Way Public Library

## Newsletter • August 2020

Connecting you to the community and the world

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## News from Way

### Our mission continues because of you

As this is being written, it's a gorgeous summer day in downtown Perrysburg--the kind of day that makes you perfectly content to live in Northwest Ohio.

Outside the library, the sun shines brightly. The shade trees offer ample cover for anyone who'd like to linger for a few minutes. On the sidewalk, a small child holds his mother's hand and watches excitedly. A long train is rumbling by. Traffic stops and starts at the bidding of the light at the corner of E. Indiana and Louisiana Avenue. The flag ripples in a light breeze.

The first clue that something is off-kilter comes when a library staff member steps out of the building to deliver books to a curbside service patron.

There it is. The face covering. The literally "in-your-face" reminder that everything is not yet back to normal.

That may be so. The protective covering, however, also reminds us of something else. It signifies that even in the midst of a pandemic, there is a way to proceed. By following proscribed measures like mask-wearing and social distancing and extra sanitizing, we can keep our doors open for you right now. Our mission is to connect you to the community and the world, and we are determined to do that by providing you with the core library services you need and expect.



We have now been open since July 1. What a wonderful feeling it was to see the first patrons walk into the building again. We'd like to thank the Perrysburg community for being so accepting of our new safety protocols, especially the face covering policy. Like most public facilities, we had some worries about how the policy would be received. But you have responded with understanding and civility. In a word, you've been great! At the end of this newsletter, you can read more about the steps we have taken to minimize health risks for staff and patrons.

This bizarre summer is now blending into a very challenging back-to-school season. We stand ready to lend our support to parents, students, and teachers. Many questions remain as the first day of school approaches, but where to find free and trustworthy learning resources doesn't have to be one of them. You'll find an overview of some of the valuable services and learning aids available at Way further along in this newsletter.

We look forward to the day when we can safely resume all services and programs. In the meantime, we wish you courage, resolve, and good health.

### Hours of operation

#### Temporary Hours

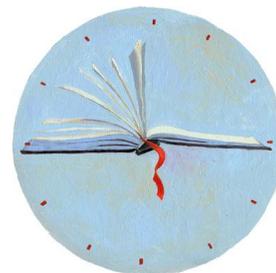
*Including special hours reserved for at-risk groups*

**Monday-Thursday 9am-7pm**

**Friday 9am-5pm**

**Saturday 11am-3pm**

**Closed on Sunday**



***Please note that on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays the hours from 9am-10:30am are reserved strictly for those age 60 and over and anyone who is immunocompromised.***

### A word of thanks

#### American Legion donates flags

Way Library expresses sincere appreciation to American Legion Post 28 - Perrysburg for its generous donation of flags. The large United States and Ohio state flags have been on display in our windows since March, representing our community's hope and unity during the pandemic.



### Beyond Books marks 3rd anniversary!

**Collection continues to grow**

From the very beginning, *Beyond Books* has been a great success. Since its launch on July 26, 2017, our collection of unusual items to check out with your library card has expanded to include a *Party Express* selection and *Beyond Books Junior*, which features toys and educational items for children ages 8 and under.



Starting with 61 items to loan in 2017, the count today is 287. And here's an impressive statistic. In three years, *Beyond Books* items have been checked out 11,130 times! WOW! You have proved that the library lending model is perfect not only for books and DVDs, but for countless other sources of knowledge, information, and entertainment! We look forward to many more years of providing this innovative and very useful service to you.

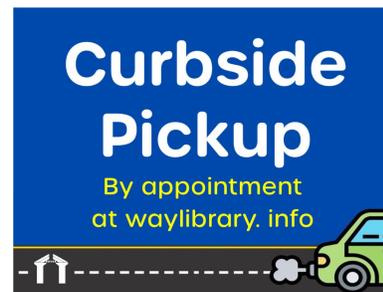
Some recent additions to the collection include ten additional Hotspots, a podcast microphone, a portable CD player, a life-size human brain model, and baseball bases. A literacy section is currently being added to *Beyond Books Junior*. [See what you can check out now](#), and watch our Facebook page for announcements about more new items as they become available!

*Beyond Books* is dedicated to the memory of longtime library patron Joan Wiley and funded by a very generous donation from her family.

## Curbside Pickup Service

### By appointment

Way Library continues to offer Curbside Pickup service for those who would like contactless delivery of library materials. Books and other items may be checked out using the service.



There are three easy ways to request materials and schedule your curbside pickup appointment. Get all the details on our [website](#).

## Returning items

### What you need to know

All returning library materials should be placed in either the exterior book drops or the two book drops located in the outer vestibule before entering the lobby. Please do not hand materials to curbside pickup staff.

There is a special table available near the Circulation Desk for the return of *Beyond Books* items, puzzles, and cake pans.

Once you return an item, please remember that our safety protocol requires that it be placed in isolation for 96 hours before it is checked in. As always, you will not incur any late fees.

### **We appreciate WPLFF!**

A sincere thank you goes to Way Public Library Foundation & Friends for sponsoring the 2020 Summer Reading Program for children, teens, and adults.



### **Baker's Way**

#### **A pan for all seasons**

August brings plenty of warm summer days for enjoying your favorite ice cream treats.



Have you tried our ice cream cone cake pans? We have a regular style as well as a 3D style pan. But that's not all! We have yet another ice cream themed option for you. Try our special pan for making edible cookie bowls. They're perfect for serving a scoop of your favorite frozen flavor.

Nothing says summer dessert like cake and ice cream. You might as well have them together, don't you think?

[See what's in the Baker's Way collection.](#)

### **Zoom Rooms**

#### **Reserve a Virtual Meeting Room**

Way is now offering Zoom Rooms for groups, organizations, and businesses to use free of charge.

The Zoom Meeting Rooms can accommodate a maximum of 100 people and can be reserved for up to two hours, Monday through Friday. Groups can reserve a Zoom room for a maximum of two meetings per month.

[Reserve a Zoom Room.](#)

Please call Technology Specialist Rachel Henck Bentley at 419-874-3135 ext 106 with any questions.

## **Events and Activities for Adults**

### ***A Princess in Theory* book discussion**

**Registration is underway**

Join Dr. Nicole Jackson for a discussion of Alyssa Cole's *A Princess in Theory* on Wednesday, August 12 at 7 pm. Copies of the book are available on Overdrive and Hoopla.



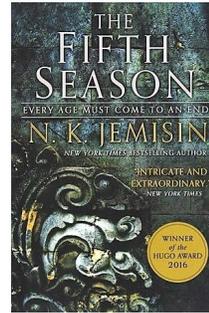
The discussion will take place on Zoom, and registration is required. Please register [here](#) or by calling 419-874-3135 x119.

## Online Book Club

### Meeting on Zoom

The online Book Club will begin meeting on Zoom on the third Monday of the month.

The selection for August is N. K. Jemisin's *The Fifth Season*, and the meeting will be on Monday, August 17 at 7 pm. Please register [here](#) and the Zoom link will be sent to you.



## Crafts for grown-ups

### Created by Stephanie

Stephanie Coil, Programming Specialist, is always creating something! She shares some of her favorite crafts, complete with detailed instructions, on our website and on Facebook.



Materials are provided by the library for selected crafts. Watch our Facebook page to see when Stephanie's next craft--an embellished bookmark--becomes available.

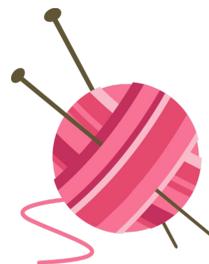
[See Stephanie's archived crafts.](#)

## Knitting Project Extended

### New deadline is September 30

Hello, knitters! Do you still have yarn?

Before COVID-19 wreaked havoc with the world, Way Library and the local group The Witty Knitters were engaged in a knitting service project for the charitable organization "Warm Up America!" The deadline to participate has now been extended to September 30, 2020.



If you know how to knit or crochet, you are invited to join us by creating 7" x 9" sections using one of the patterns provided online. Free patterns and information about the proper supplies are available at [warmupamerica.org](http://warmupamerica.org).

Your completed sections may be dropped off in the library any time between now and September 30. Please place them in a bag and leave them in the Circulation lobby on the table designated for *Beyond Books* returns.

Warm Up America! is a 501c3 nonprofit foundation which coordinates volunteer efforts and distributes afghans to individuals and families through community service organizations such as the American Red Cross. Agencies which have received donated afghans include women's shelters, nursing homes, children's hospitals, hospitals, hospices, daycare centers, veterans' homes, churches, AIDS facilities, homeless shelters, and more.

Thank you for helping us with this worthwhile project!

### Connect with us on Facebook

#### Let's be friends!

Become a part of our active and growing social community. We post breaking library news, important announcements and service updates on our page.



We also share photos, host book discussion groups and other events, and feature fun, engaging content. [Join us now!](#)

## Events and Activities for Youth

### Youth Services Story Time videos

Story Times are on their annual August hiatus. Look for new Story Time and S.T.E.A.M. videos in September.

### Gingerbread Boy project

#### Get creative!

There's a new craft in town for August only! It's a literary-themed Gingerbread Boy project. Get the pattern and disguise the Gingerbread Boy as your favorite storybook character.



Run, run as fast as you can, and get all the details at this [link!](#)

### Bookaneers Book Club

## Ages 8-12



Register [here](#) for Bookaneers Book Club. Meet via Zoom on Thursday, August 6 at 4:15 pm. Contact Alisha Nolan with any questions at [alisha.nolan@waylibrary.info](mailto:alisha.nolan@waylibrary.info).

### 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

#### Sponsored by Perrysburg Kiwanis Club

It's never too early to start your child on the path to literacy. Join Way's [1,000 Books Before Kindergarten](#) program and see what a positive difference early reading can make in your child's learning experience.



Participation via curbside pickup is available for those who prefer it.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is made possible by Perrysburg Kiwanis Club.

### Chalk Doodles

#### Custom art for you!

Order your own Chalk Doodle. You'll get a special message designed and sent to you by a familiar face at Way Library.



Sign up [here](#) for your personalized chalk message.

### Pizza and Pages

#### Teen Book Club

Pizza and Pages Teen Book Club will meet on Friday, August 7 at 2pm.



[Register or find out more here.](#)

### Young Adult book collection expansion

#### Nonfiction section added

There's a new section in the Young Adult area at Way!

Now you can find a selection of nonfiction titles for teens located conveniently by the Young Adult fiction section.



Young Adult audiobooks and playaways are now found in the YA area, too. One-stop shopping for teens!

## Back to school

### Resources for a better school year

Many local schools will be in session in some form by mid-August. Whether in-person or remotely, students will once again be taking classes, doing homework, and learning.



Here are some helpful study and research resources available at Way.

#### [Ohio Web Library](#)

Online research resources--including Homework Helps such as Biography Reference Bank; Early World of Learning; Explora Secondary; Gale in Context: Elementary; Explora Primary Schools; Literary Reference Center; Science Reference Center; World Book Kids; World Book Students; World Book Timelines; online reference and encyclopedias including American and English full text literature collections; Oxford research encyclopedias; Very Short Introductions; World Book Online; magazines and journal articles on millions of topics; and Points of View Reference Center.

#### [Learning Express Library](#)

#### [Global Road Warrior](#)

[TumbleBooks including TumbleMath and Teen Book Cloud](#) through August 30, 2020

#### [Online Homeschool activities](#)

#### [Assignment Alert](#)

[Science Kits](#) to check out

Larimer Classroom Collections [#1](#) and [#2](#)

Educational items from the [Beyond Books and Beyond Books Junior](#) collections

[Mobile Hotspots](#) to check out

Free wifi

Public computers and printing services

## Back to School on the big screen

### Movies to celebrate school days

Get in the mood for school by watching some movies with campus themes. From pre-school through college, students of all ages are represented in these old-school favorites.

Click on a link to place a hold.

[Emily's First 100 Days of School](#) (recommended for ages

3-7)

[Schoolhouse Rock!](#) (recommended for ages 5 and up)

[The Greatest American Hero](#) (TV series-not rated)

[Monsters University](#) (G)

[Diary of a Wimpy Kid](#) (PG)

[Akeelah and the Bee](#) (PG)

[Wonder](#) (PG)

[Dead Poets Society](#) (PG)

[Matilda](#) (PG)

[Bridge to Terabithia](#) (PG)

[October Sky](#) (PG)

[Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone](#) (PG)

[Stand and Deliver](#) (PG)

[Mr. Holland's Opus](#) (PG)

[The Ron Clark Story](#) (TV movie-not rated)

[Finding Forrester](#) (PG13)

[Freedom Writers](#) (PG13)

[Tolkien](#) (PG13)

[Ferris Bueller's Day Off](#) (PG13)

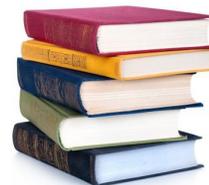


## New Books Hot Off the Press

### New Fiction to be released in August

#### Moe's Bookmark

Moe Ibarra is an avid reader of many contemporary authors and is always ready to help you with a book recommendation. Here are some new titles she has selected with your reading enjoyment in mind.



Click a title to perform a search for these items in our catalog. Please note that some books may not be available for reserving until closer to their release dates.

**The Silent Wife**

Karin Slaughter  
August 4, 2020

**Choppy Water** (Stone Barrington)

Stuart Woods  
August 11, 2020

**A Private Cathedral**

James Lee Burke  
August 11, 2020

**The Midwife Murders**

James Patterson & Richard Dilallo  
August 11, 2020

**Royal**

Danielle Steel  
August 18, 2020

**Hidden Creed** (Creed K-9 Mystery)

Alex Kava  
August 18, 2020

**Thick as Thieves**

Sandra Brown  
August 25, 2020

**Library Reads top picks for August**

**Librarians' choices!**

Would you like to know the top new books that librarians around the country are most excited to share with their patrons? Every month a new *Library Reads* list is published with that coveted information.



Here are the books on this month's list. Place your holds today! (Please note that some titles may not be available to reserve until closer to the release date.)

**You Had Me at Hola**

Alexis Daria

**Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents**

Isabel Wilkerson

**Emerald Blaze**

Ilona Andrews

**The Exiles**

Christina Baker Kline

**Harrow the Ninth**

Tamsyn Muir

**The Lions of Fifth Avenue**

Fiona Davis

### [The Night Swim](#)

Megan Goldin

### [No Offense](#)

Meg Cabot

### [Squeeze Me](#)

Carl Hiaasen

### [The Switch](#)

Beth O'Leary

### [Vanessa Yu's Magical Paris Tea Shop](#)

Roselle Lim

## COVID-19 Safety Measures

### Safety measures implemented

#### **Policies and procedures to keep you safe**

The safety of our community and our staff has been our number one priority as we have prepared for reopening the building. Careful planning and much work has gone into creating an environment which meets the stringent safety standards outlined by the Ohio Department of Health and the CDC.



Some very significant changes will be apparent as soon as you enter the building. Please read the following important information so that you will be prepared for the new policies and procedures in place during this phase.

**1. If you feel sick or are exhibiting symptoms, please stay at home until you have fully recovered.**

**2. Appropriate face coverings must be worn by all staff and all patrons age 3 and older at all times inside the library.** For everyone's safety and in consistence with recommendations from the Ohio Department of Health and the CDC, a face covering requirement has been added to the Library's Rules of Conduct. The complete Rules of Conduct may be found on display in the library and on our website.

According to the CDC, an appropriate face covering should fit snugly against the side of the face, covering nose and mouth with no gaps, and be secured with ties or ear loops.

***For those unable to or unwilling to wear a face covering, reasonable accommodations will include delivery of CORE library services (checkout of materials and reference service) via digital services and curbside pickup.***

**3. Please practice social distancing of at least 6-feet apart from others at all times.** Visual reminders are in

place to help you. Interior traffic patterns have been modified; please observe all directional signs. The children's play area is not available, and some furniture has been removed to reduce congestion. Plexi-glass shields have been installed at service desks, computers, and the self-checkout station.

**4. Occupancy of the building is limited to 60 guests at a time.** This rule is in effect to facilitate social distancing.

**5. Wash or sanitize your hands often, and refrain from touching your face.** Hand sanitizer stations are located throughout the main level.



**6. If you are returning items to the library, please deposit them in one of the exterior book drops, the exterior audiovisual slot, or in the new, special book drops located just inside the library's outer doors.** The book drops at the Circulation Desk are not in use until further notice. Please do not hand your returning items to library staff or place them on the Circulation Desk.

There is a designated table in the Circulation Lobby for the return of Beyond Books, cake pans, and puzzles.

**7. When browsing, unwanted items that have been handled must be placed on one of several conveniently located "re-shelving" carts.** Items will be collected by staff and placed into quarantine for the recommended interval before returning them to circulation.

Though we can't eliminate all risk, we have carefully followed recommendations from the Ohio Department of Health and the CDC to put rigorous safety protocols into place. This includes frequently scheduled cleaning and sanitizing of high-touch surfaces, quarantining of all returned library materials for four days (96 hours) before check-in and return to the shelves, contactless checkout options, and extra training for staff members.

### Other temporary changes to expect

**1. A limited number of public computers are available and will be sanitized regularly.**

Staff members will be able to assist with logging in to computers, however, assistance with specific tasks or websites may not be available due to



social distancing measures. Computer usage is limited to an initial 90 minutes per individual per day. An extension of up to 90 minutes of additional time may be available if no one is waiting for a computer.

Free wifi remains available throughout the building and in an

area covering a large portion of the parking lot.

**2. Statewide delivery service for items requested from other libraries has resumed, but full operations will be a gradual process.**

**3. The Quiet Study Room is closed to the public while it is being used to quarantine returned library materials.**

**4. The lower level of the library is off limits for the time being.**

**5. All library programming will continue to be virtual rather than in-person for the time being.** Public meeting spaces in the building remain closed, but community members are encouraged to sign up to [reserve a free virtual Zoom meeting room](#) on the library's website. Way Library's Zoom Rooms can accommodate up to 100 participants for up to two hours.

**6. We are currently unable to accept any donations of books, DVDs, CDs, or other physical materials.**

**7. Challenges and uncertainties related to the Coronavirus persist.** As circumstances change we will adapt our policies and procedures accordingly. For the most up-to-date information, keep an eye on our website and our Facebook page.

### **Not quite ready to come into the library?**

#### **We can still help you!**

If you don't feel comfortable about coming to the library just yet, we understand, and we can still help you!

You can contact us by phone at 419-874-3135 to get any answers you need. You can use our [Curbside Pickup](#) service to check out fresh reading materials. You may use our [Ask-A-Librarian](#) feature on our website 24/7. And you are also welcome to call 419-874-3135, extension 354 for a technology help consultation with one of our tech experts.

Just let us know how we may be of assistance.