

### Visit our website

### Warm greetings!

Here we are in December, and 2020 will soon be behind us. (Did we just hear cheering?) Before we say goodbye to this very unpredictable and trying year, we want to thank you again for your support.

From our sudden closing in March to the relief of reopening in July, you have remained faithful. You have embraced our curbside service, signed up for virtual events, checked out thousands of ebooks, and learned to use new digital resources. You have engaged with us on social media. You have welcomed our simple take-home crafts. You have visited us and respected the safety measures we have taken with you and our staff in mind. And most of all, you have been kind and understanding while expressing your own appreciation for library services in the midst of a pandemic.

Serving you is a privilege we have never taken for granted, but this year has made it even more clear. The connections we make with you in our day to day interactions are extremely important. We value them more than you can imagine.

We hope the holiday season will bring you peace and unexpected joy. May we all move forward to 2021 with confidence, resilience, and bright hope in the future!

### **Announcements**



### **Holiday Schedule**

Closed: Thursday, December 24 - Sunday, December 27 Closed: Thursday, December 31 - Sunday, January 3

### **Temporary Limitations on Library Visits**

We have put in place the following temporary measures in order to keep the library as safe as possible for you and our staff during a resurgence of the Coronavirus in Wood County.

 Visits to the library are limited to 30 minutes. We respectfully request that you make your plans in advance so your physical library visits can be quick and efficient. Whenever it's possible, please choose curbside pickup service.

- Public computers are available for a maximum of 30 minutes per day per patron.
- Meeting rooms are temporarily closed and will not be available until conditions are more favorable for meeting together.

We hope that these measures will allow us to remain open for quick drop-ins for checking out materials and for essential public computer access. Thank you for your understanding during this time of heightened risk.

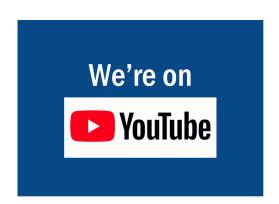
For the most up-to-date information regarding our status, please check out <u>Facebook</u> page and our <u>website</u>.

You can read more about our COVID-19 response here.

### Watch our Videos!

If you are looking for our instructional videos on how to check out ebooks, download music, or stream movies and TV shows, head over to our YouTube channel. That's where you'll find original content in the form of instructional and informational videos, plus children's Story Times and STEAM presentations.

Visit **here** and subscribe!



### **Our Busy Technical Processing Department**

Technical Processing is where all new books, DVDs, audiobooks, music CDs, and Beyond Books items are delivered and then prepared for circulation to our patrons. Each and every item is added to the online catalog and given the identifying labels which help you locate them on our shelves.

In 2020, through mid-November the Technical Processing Department has added an average of 859 items per month. Our peak month was February when 1,258 new items were added. COVID-19 slowed us and our suppliers down during the spring, but deliveries have now picked up again. In October, 1,231 individual items were added to Way's collection. (So don't be shy about checking out all you want!)



### Baker's Way: A Pan for All Seasons

Holiday baking time is here! Do you need some ideas or tips for the perfect holiday dessert? Check out a cake pan and one or more of our many instructional books and DVDs. Soon you'll be decorating your sweet creations like a professional!

See all the cake pans in our collection.

### **Books for Sale**

With Christmas right around the corner be sure to check out our "Specials" book rack located near the Information Desk on the main level. You'll find popular books in great or like-new condition making them perfect for gift-giving. New items are added regularly, so check back often.

Book sales are sponsored by Way Public Library Foundation & Friends. As always, all proceeds benefit Way Library.

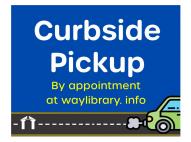




## **Annual Campaign for Way**

Please support Way Library by making your taxdeductible donation today. It is thanks to our donors that the Way Public Library Foundation & Friends has been able to provide valuable support to Way during these extraordinary times.

From large gifts to our endowment to donations to our Annual Campaign, every gift is vital to the continued success of Way Library. Your thoughtful donation may be sent to WPLFF, 101 East Indiana Avenue, Perrysburg, Ohio 43551 or made online at **Donate Now.** 



You can pick up books and other physical materials using our contactless pickup service.

Read more about it <u>here</u> or set your appointment at <u>curbside.waylibrary.info</u> now.



Connect with us on Facebook! 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!

# **Upcoming Events**



### **Calendar of Events**

Our Calendar of Events is where you'll find a searchable, chronological list of all of our upcoming events. It includes all of the important event details you need, plus an easy registration button. Check it out to see what's on our schedule!

**All Events** 

**Adults** 

**Children** 

Teens



# Special Activities for Children

### Story Times and Children's Crafts

Toddler Time and Mother Goose Story Times will return in January. In the meantime, you can view archived Story Times on our **YouTube channel**.

Preschool Story Time will continue through December 9 before taking a brief holiday break. An announcement will be made on our Facebook page each time a new Story Time is posted. Children's crafts of the week will be available throughout December for pickup at the Youth Services desk or curbside by appointment.

### Noon Year's Eve Party Kit

You'll have everything you need to throw a Noon Year's Eve party at home when you pick up our special kit beginning December 17. Pick up at the Youth Services desk or make a <u>curbside appointment</u> for contactless delivery.



# Special Activities for Adults

### **Coil's Creativity**

Stephanie Coil has created two new Adult Take-Home Craft Kits for December.

The first is a festive Folded Book Christmas Tree, available now at the Circulation Desk (while supplies last). Join Stephanie for a virtual demonstration of the steps involved in making the tree on Friday, December 4 from 2-3 pm. Be sure to pick up your craft kit before this Zoom event! Advance registration is required <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> or by calling 419-874-3135 ext 119.

Beginning December 8, you can show your team spirit by choosing either an Ohio State or a Michigan Yarn Hat Ornament kit. Stephanie will demonstrate these cute crafts in a Crafternoon Zoom meeting on Friday, December 11 from 2-3 pm. Register <a href="here">here</a> or by calling the library.

Not so interested in the OSU/UofM rivalry? Stephanie is kindly providing a limited number of red/white, red/green, and black/yellow kits!

As always, if you prefer contactless delivery we are happy to offer you curbside pickup **by appointment**.

# **New Books!**

## **Youth Books**

Place your holds for these new or recent books for kids recommended by our Youth Services staff!

**Ages 3-7** 

Snow Friends
Margery Cuyler

Ages 4-8

Our Subway Baby
Peter Mercurio

Ages 8-12

The Mouse Watch J.J. Gilbert

<u>Serena Says</u> Tanita S. Davis

<u>Becoming Muhammad Ali</u> James Patterson and Kwame Alexander



## **Adult Holiday Mysteries**

Add a little holiday intrigue to your reading list with these books recommended by Moe Ibarra. Click on a title to request a hold.

<u>Candy Slain Murder</u> Maddie Day

<u>Dying in a Winter Wonderland</u> Vicki Delany

<u>The Gift of the Magpie:</u> A Meg Langslow mystery Donna Andrews

<u>Christmas Card Murder</u> Leslie Meier, Lee Hollis, Peggy Ehrhart

<u>Have Yourself a Fudgy Little Christmas</u> Nancy Coco

<u>Murder at an Irish Christmas</u> Carlene O'Connor

<u>Hollyberry Homicide</u> Sharon Farrow



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