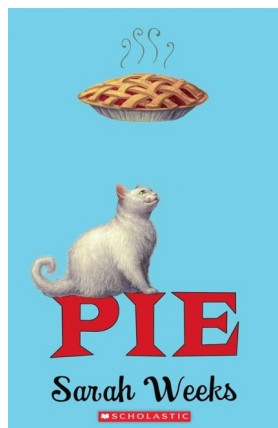


# Connections

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## WINTER BOOK CLUBS

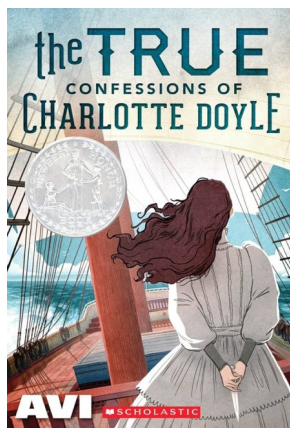
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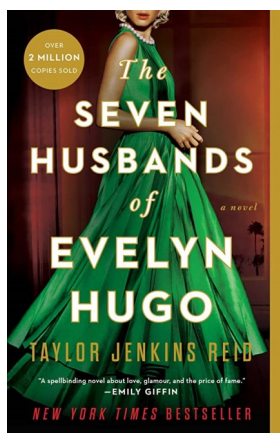


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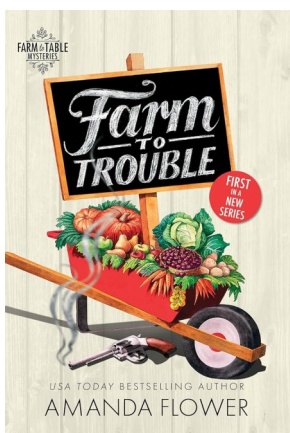


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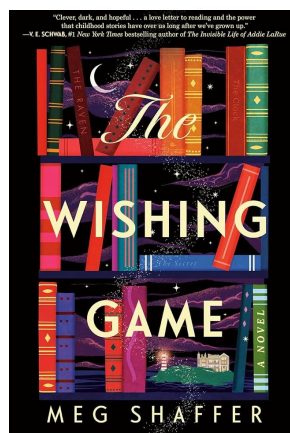
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**DEC. 17**



**JAN. 28**



**FEB. 25**

### DIGITAL BOOK CLUB: BIG LIBRARY READ



The Big Library Read is a worldwide digital version of a local book club. Read selected titles with out any wait lists or holds. Find book club selections, discussion guides, and author letters at [biglibraryread.com](http://biglibraryread.com). Borrow titles through the [Libby app](#) or [Ohio Digital Library](#).

## Locations & Hours



**Main Library**  
655 Main Street  
Coshocton, OH 43812

Monday-Wednesday | 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM  
Thursday-Friday | 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM  
Saturday | 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

**Phone:** 740-622-0956

**Email:** [info@coshoctonlibrary.org](mailto:info@coshoctonlibrary.org)



**West Lafayette Branch**  
601 East Main Street  
West Lafayette, OH 43845

Monday-Wednesday | 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM  
Thursday-Friday | 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Saturday | 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Phone:** 740-545-6672

**Email:** [wlbranch@coshoctonlibrary.org](mailto:wlbranch@coshoctonlibrary.org)



**Bookmobile**  
The Bookmobile serves locations throughout Coshocton County.

The schedule of stops is located at [www.coshoctonlibrary.org/bookmobile](http://www.coshoctonlibrary.org/bookmobile).

**Phone:** 740-502-0444

**Email:** [kringwalt@coshoctonlibrary.org](mailto:kringwalt@coshoctonlibrary.org)

## LIBRARY CLOSINGS

**Christmas Eve** – Tues, Dec. 24

**Christmas Day** – Wed, Dec. 25

**New Year's Eve** – Tues, Dec. 31

**New Year's Day** – Wed, Jan. 1

**MLK, Jr. Day** – Mon, Jan. 20

**Presidents' Day** – Mon, Feb. 17

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# ADULT PROGRAMS

## **Holiday Hoopla!**

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**West Lafayette Branch Library**

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## **A History of Holidays**

**DECEMBER 9 | 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Where did our cherished holiday traditions originate? The age of some of these activities may surprise you!

## **“Bookmarked” Book Club**

**DEC. 17, JAN. 28, FEB. 25 | 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Explore fiction and non-fiction titles in this monthly book club. Copies of each title are available to check out at the Main Desk one month prior to the meeting.

**JAN. 8, JAN. 28, FEB. 25 | 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM**

**Coshocton Senior Center, 201 Browns Lane**

Bookmarked also meets at the Senior Center. After the Jan. 8 discussion, meetings for 2025 will be changed to the fourth Tuesdays, still at 1:00 PM.

## **Totally Retro!**

**JANUARY 6 | 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**

**FEBRUARY 10 | 6:30 – 7:30 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Learn (or relearn) about a variety of things from the past, solve clues in “Name that Retro Item,” and test your music knowledge in “Name that Retro Tune.”



## **Literary Trivia Night**

**JANUARY 7 | 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Test your literature knowledge at the first trivia night of the new year! Light refreshments will be provided.

## **Employment Workshop**

**JANUARY 15 | 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Join Lisa Scott from Coshocton Job & Family Services to learn tips and skills to succeed with job searching, including resume building and interview preparation.



## **Tech Class: Computer Basics**

**JANUARY 21 | 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

**Main Library – Small Meeting Room**

This computer basics program will cover the parts of a computer, the Windows desktop, and how to do basic tasks such as using an Internet browser.

## **Craft Night: Valentine’s Day Wreath**

**FEBRUARY 3 | 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**

**FEBRUARY 4 | 6:30 – 7:30 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Join us in making a wreath of colored paper hearts, just in time for Valentine’s Day!



## **Underground Railroad in Ohio**

**FEBRUARY 12 | 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Ohio Humanities Council speaker, Valerie Boyer, will present on the Underground Railroad, discussing the food, clothes, Ohio Black codes, and more.

## **Commercial Jingles and Slogans**

**FEBRUARY 18 | 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

“Where’s the Beef?” Learn stories of prevalent advertising campaigns throughout the years.

## **Technology Appointments**

Whether you received a new device over the holidays, want help with a current device, or would like to learn about the library’s digital resources, schedule a one-one technology appointment with a library staff member by calling 740-622-0956.

## TEEN PROGRAMS (Grades 7 to 12)

### **Plugged & Unplugged**

**EVERY WEDNESDAY | 2:30 PM – 5 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Teens are invited to the Main Library every Wednesday afternoon to play video games, use laptops, play board games, create art, and enjoy snacks and pop. Registration is not required.

### **Popsicle Stick Gingerbread Houses**

**DECEMBER 19 | 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**

Tweens & Teens (Grades 3-12): Join us each month at the Branch for a special activity or craft!

### **Winter Break At Your Library**

**DECEMBER 20 – JANUARY 4**

**Main Library and West Lafayette Branch**

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### **Snow Globe Suncatchers**

**JANUARY 16 | 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**

**JANUARY 22 | 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

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### **Cookie Decorating**

**FEBRUARY 20 | 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**

**FEBRUARY 26 | 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

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### **Monthly Activities**

Each month, new activities are available for teens to participate in at the Main Library (YA Room) and West Lafayette Branch. Stop in either library to complete each challenge for a chance to win a prize.

### **Homework Help**

Explore the free online databases available with your library card!



### **Biography Reference Source**

Access thousands of biographic articles, images, and abstracts from leading magazines and journals.

### **Explora**

Find reliable information on thousands of topics covering a wide range of subjects.

### **Literary Reference Source**

Discover literary criticism, plot summaries, classic novels, essays, interviews, and author biographies.

### **Points of View Reference Source**

Learn how to develop persuasive essays and sharpen your analytical thinking skills.

### **Science Reference Source**

Find reference books, articles, images, videos, and biographies of scientists to support STEM research.

### **Very Short Introductions**

Get ahead in a new subject quickly with concise introductions to a diverse range of subject areas.

### **World Book**

Access a wealth of vetted articles supplemented by original source documents.



# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS (Ages 0 to 12)

## Book Club for Tweens: December

**DECEMBER 10 | 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

Grades 3-12: Travel back in time as we explore historical fiction titles this winter. The December title is "Pie" by Sarah Weeks.

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## Book Club for Tweens: January

**JANUARY 14 | 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

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## WTNS "Read to Me" Programs



Tune in to WTNS Coshocton 99.3 FM every Monday evening at 6:30 PM to hear a special story from the library.

## Weekly Storytimes

**FEBRUARY 4 – MARCH 27**

**LAPSIT:** Ages 0-3

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME:** Ages 3-6

Stories, songs, crafts, games, and more! If a child is 3 years old, the caregiver may determine if Lapsit or Preschool Storytime is more appropriate.

**Tuesdays @ Branch Library**

Lapsit: 10a-10:30a; Preschool Storytime: 11a-11:30a

**Wednesdays @ Main Library**

Lapsit: 10a-10:30a; Preschool Storytime: 11a-11:30a

**Thursdays @ Main Library**

Lapsit: 1p-1:30p; Preschool Storytime: 2p-2:30p



## Book Club for Tweens: February

**FEBRUARY 11 | 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

**Main Library – Large Meeting Room**

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## Coshocton StoryWalk

**Clary Gardens**

**588 W. Chestnut St.**

The book on display at the StoryWalk this winter is

**"So Much Snow"** by Kristen Schroeder and Sarah Jacoby.



## WEST LAFAYETTE BRANCH

### Featured Art Exhibit

An art exhibit is featured monthly at the West Lafayette Branch by area artists. Stop by the Branch Library during regular hours to view the exhibit.



**DECEMBER ARTIST:** Tim Jackson

**JANUARY ARTIST:** R.R. Humphreys Jr.

**FEBRUARY ARTIST:** Michelle Turner

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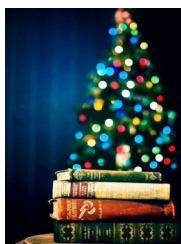
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### Holiday Open House

**DECEMBER 7 | 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**



Enjoy cookies, a take-and-make craft for youth, music, and a door prize drawing. Come and have fun before or after the West Lafayette Christmas Parade which will go past the Branch Library around 12:30 p.m.

This holiday celebration is held in conjunction with the West Lafayette Chamber of Commerce "Christmas in the Village" community event.

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**West Lafayette Branch Library**

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### Lapsit (ages 0-3)

**FEBRUARY 4 – MARCH 27**

**Tuesdays | 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**

From the comfort of a caregiver's lap, babies and toddlers can develop early literacy & sensory skills through stories, music, rhyming, movement & crafts.

### Preschool Storytime (ages 3-6)

**FEBRUARY 4 – MARCH 27**

**Tuesdays | 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM**

**West Lafayette Branch Library**

To build a foundation of school readiness skills, children will learn letters, read stories, sing songs, learn rhymes, make crafts, and develop social skills.

### Cookie Decorating

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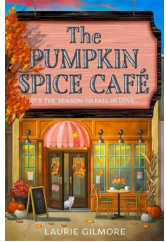
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# DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

## Hoopla's Most Borrowed of 2024

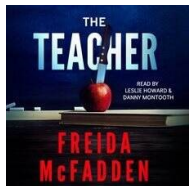


Celebrate the year that was with Hoopla's most borrowed titles of 2024. Find some of the winners of each category listed below then browse the entire collection at [hoopladigital.com/collection/18749](https://hoopladigital.com/collection/18749). With a Coshocton County library card, you can borrow up to **10 titles** per month plus access bonus borrows the last week of each month.



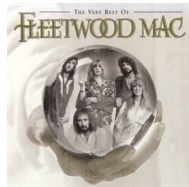
### eBooks:

- "The Pumpkin Spice Café" (2023) by Laurie Gilmore
- "Never Never" (2023) by Colleen Hoover
- "Tom Lake" (2023) by Ann Patchett
- "Hillbilly Elegy" (2018) by J.D. Vance



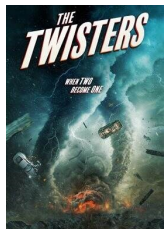
### Audiobooks:

- "The Wrong Daughter" (2024) by Dandy Smith
- "Iron Flame" (2024) by Rebecca Yarros
- "The Teacher" (2024) by Freida McFadden
- The "Harry Potter" collection by J.K. Rowling



### Music:

- "The Tortured Poets Department: The Anthology" (2024), Taylor Swift
- "Hit Me Hard and Soft" (2024), Billie Eilish
- "The Very Best of Fleetwood Mac" (2002)



### Movies:

- "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry" (2024) directed by Hettie Macdonald
- "The Twisters" (2024) directed by Michael Su
- "The Whale" (2022) starring Brendan Fraser and directed by Darren Aronofsky
- "Past Lives" (2023) directed by Celine Song



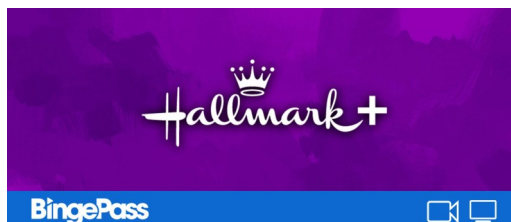
### Television:

- "A Discovery of Witches" Seasons 1-3 (2018-22) directed by Juan Carlos Medina
- "Dark Winds" Seasons 1-2 (2022-23) directed by Chris Eyre
- "Cannes Confidential" Season 1 (2023) directed by Camille Delamarre

### BingePasses:

A BingePass offers access to popular streaming content and platforms for seven days with just ONE borrow.

- [Hallmark+](#)
- [The Great Courses Video](#)
- [hoopla Magazines](#)
- [Curiosity Stream](#)
- [Puzzle Palace](#)





# BOOKMOBILE



## Bookmobile Schedule

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## About the Bookmobile

The Coshocton County Bookmobile service started in 1952, with a 1939 Dodge purchased for \$500. The current Bookmobile, a 2017 Bluebird, is a full-functioning library with Wi-Fi, one computer, and a printer available for public use. Your first library card is free, and books are available for all ages. Bookmobile patrons can request materials from the entire SEO consortium of over 250 libraries.

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# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## Friends Make It Happen!

The Coshocton Friends of the Library...

- Volunteer** to keep the book store open all year
- Promote** library services
- Discuss** ways to support the library
- Assist** library staff at seasonal & holiday programs
- Fund** library programs with membership donations and proceeds from the book store

Interested in joining the Friends? Membership forms are available at the library or online at [coshoctonlibrary.org/friends-of-the-library](http://coshoctonlibrary.org/friends-of-the-library). Whether you volunteer your time or simply pay the annual membership dues, the Friends would be happy to have you as a member of their team.

## Monthly Meetings

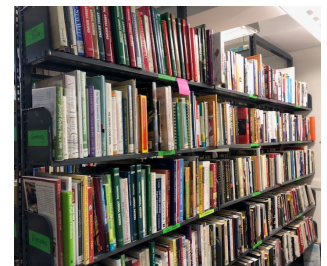
The Friends meet the second Wednesday of each month at 12:00 PM in the large meeting room of the Coshocton County District Library.

## Books Galore Book Store

Operated by Friends of the Library volunteers, Books Galore has gently-used books, DVDs and more for sale at rock-bottom prices. The store is located in the basement of the Coshocton County District Library.

## Bookstore Hours:

Mondays | 3 PM – 6 PM  
Wednesdays | 10 AM – 1 PM  
Saturdays | 10 AM – 1 PM



## Donation Policy

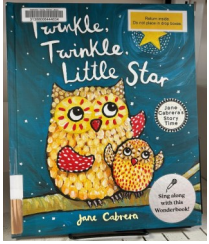
The Friends accept donations of gently-used books, DVDs, and CDs in great shape and magazines no older than 1 year. Please limit to 1 box at a time.



Friends of the Library  
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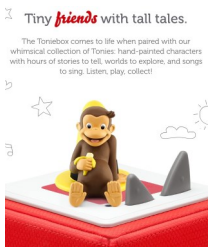
# New Youth Special Collections

Explore a world of possibilities with your library card! Wonderbooks, Toniebox® Audio Players, tonies® audiobooks & characters, new Playaway Launchpads, and new S.E.N.S.E. toys have been recently added to the library's collection or will be soon! Each special collection item is available to borrow for 2 weeks.



## Wonderbooks

Cultivate a love for reading in your child and improve literacy skills. Each Wonderbook is a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook inside that reads to children, asks questions, and makes learning fun. Wonderbooks are available in a variety of formats, from picture books to early readers to juvenile fiction and non-fiction.



## tonies®

The Toniebox is a screen-free device that uses audio storytelling to introduce pre-readers and developing readers to the wonders of narrative. Combined with a tonie® character added on top, children unlock the real wonder of storytelling – a mix of fascination, surprise, curiosity, and a craving for exploration.



## Additional Launchpads and Sensory Toys

In addition to new collections, existing collections have continued to expand as well. Additional Playaway Launchpads, tablets pre-loaded with educational apps and games, have been added to the collection, and additional sensory toys will be coming soon. Stay up-to-date on the growing collections at [coshoctonlibrary.org/specialcollections](https://coshoctonlibrary.org/specialcollections).

# Most Popular Books Published in 2024

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Here are the top 10 books most frequently added to [Goodreads](https://www.goodreads.com) members' shelves in 2024:

