

Take a Walk to the Moon!

Start your Storywalk at USCL's front window and follow this month's storybook page by page through uptown!

From the time when young Neil Armstrong took his first small steps and spoke his first words, he wanted to travel into space.

Although everyone told him it was impossible, he never gave up. Tom Saunders' song tells the story of Armstrong's life, concluding with the day he made that world-changing 'giant leap.' In this book, Saunders' poetic, inspiring lyrics are brought to life by the illustrations of award-winning Cynthia Nugent.

Before you begin your walk, stop at the front desk and pick up a Coded Tales sheet.

As you walk from business to business, be sure to write down the code letter located at each stop. When you finish the story, you should have spelled out a special message that you can bring back to the library's front desk to pick a prize!



Way to Go!

Ashleigh and Jesse Bair, children of Ryan and Laura Bair, have completed the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program at the Upper Sandusky Community Library. Ashleigh and Jesse started the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten on August 3, 2022 and reached the goal on August 8, 2023. Several things 4 year old Ashleigh likes are princess books, the color purple, riding her bike and chicken nuggets. Two year old Jesse likes tractor, truck and Nibbles books, the color red, playing at the water table and hamburgers. Any child from birth until he or she enters kindergarten can participate in 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Each child will receive a log to record the books with incentives being given along the way. As you read to your children, they will form a link between books and what they love most – your voice and your closeness.



OCTOBER 2023

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Upper Sandusky Community Library



October Events

- 2nd: New Storywalk
- 2nd: Don't Burn Your Eyes Out!
- 5th: Book Talk
- 9th: Closed
- 11th: Embroidery with Susan
- 12th: Craft Party
- 16th: Common Readers
- 18th: Justice Mobile
- 21st: Trail of Terror
- 23rd: Lunch Bunch
- 25th: Inglorious Bookworms
- 31st: S'more Halloween

Trail of Terror Returns

If you're in the Halloween mood and ready to send shivers down your spine, you are invited to attend Upper Sandusky Community Library's Trail of Terror 3. Gathering around campfires in the woods of Harrison-Smith Park, you will hear live accounts of spine-tingling, hair-raising stories that may or may not be true. We'll let you decide on the evening of Saturday, October 21st. Sign up is required to attend the Trail of Terror. Register for the program at usclibrary.org or call the library at 419-294-1345 beginning Oct. 2. Sign up is required to attend the Trail of Terror. Due to the sometimes graphic nature of the stories, parental discretion is strongly advised. *Participants should enter Harrison-Smith Park at the main entrance and park by the maintenance building located at the southeast corner of the park.*

S'mores Party and Pumpkin Glow

Don't put those jack-o'-lanterns or Halloween costumes away just yet. Upper Sandusky Community

Library is throwing a S'more Party & Pumpkin Glow at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31st in the library's backyard. Bring a carved or painted pumpkin to the library on Monday, October 30th. When you return on Halloween, take a walk around the library sidewalk to see how we've lit up the night to make a special Pumpkin Glow! Stick around to enjoy some Halloween music, a hot chocolate bar and to toast some marshmallows to make delicious s'mores, of course! *All children attending must be accompanied by an adult*

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Halloween Happenings at TTT!

Every Thursday that school is in session, kids of all ages are invited to attend That Thursday Thing from 3:00-4:00. On Thursday, October 19th get ready for to be creeped out as the Wyandot County Health Department presents their interactive "Spooky Health Phenomena" program. Nothing is grosser than real life!

A Special STEAMPUNKS

This month, the STEAMPUNKS meeting will be combined with the Don't Burn Your Eyes Out program being given by the Armstrong Air and Space Museum at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 2nd.

See you there!



Let's Get Glowing!

Help us light up the library on Halloween night by bringing in your carved pumpkins on Monday October 30. Then return on Tuesday, October 31st, to see if we've been able to circle the building with your glowing pumpkins! Stick around to make s'mores and have some fun on Halloween night at the library!



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Mon.- Thurs. 9:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m. Fri. 9:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. Sat. 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.



COMMON READERS

Join us October 16th for a special Monday meeting of the Common Readers where we will be welcoming author Craig Johnson via Zoom to discuss this month's featured book, *Daughter of the Morning Star*. Copies of the book are available to borrow at the front desk and it is available for download on Libby and Hoopla.

When Lolo Long's niece Jaya begins receiving death threats, Tribal Police Chief Long calls on Sheriff Walt Longmire along with Henry Standing Bear as lethal backup. Jaya "Longshot" Long is the phenom of the High School basketball team and is following in the steps of her older sister, who disappeared a year previously, a victim of the scourge of missing Native Woman in Indian Country. Lolo hopes that having Longmire involved might draw some public attention to the girl's plight, but with this maneuver she also inadvertently places the good sheriff in a one-on-one with the deadliest adversary he has ever faced in both this world and the next.



INGLORIOUS BOOKWORMS

Join Krystal on October 25th at 6:30 p.m. in USCL's downstairs meeting room to take part in this genre-focused book club. This month, they will be discussing the horror genre with Matt Ruff's *Lovecraft Country*.

Chicago, 1954. When his father goes missing, 22-year-old Army veteran Atticus Turner embarks on a road trip accompanied by his Uncle George—publisher of The Safe Negro Travel Guide—and his childhood friend Letitia. On their journey to the manor of Mr. Braithwhite—heir to the estate that owned one of Atticus's ancestors—they encounter both mundane terrors of white America and malevolent spirits that seem straight out of the weird tales George devours. At the manor, Atticus discovers his father, held prisoner by a secret cabal named the Order of the Ancient Dawn which has gathered to orchestrate a ritual that shockingly centers on Atticus.



Lunch Bunch

Join Cheryl on October 23rd at noon in USCL's large meeting room for Lunch Bunch, where friends gather to share a meal and recipes. This month, make a dish using apples or pumpkin. Be sure to bring along the recipe to share.

Autumn Chili

- 2 lbs ground beef or turkey
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 large garlic cloves, minced
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped
- 30 oz can kidney, pinto, or black beans, drained
- 3 28-ounce cans diced tomatoes
- 1/2 cup pumpkin puree
- 1 1/2 Tbsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1 1/2 Tbsp. chili powder
- salt and pepper to taste,
- Optional: 2 Tbsp. minced cilantro for garnish



In a large pot over medium heat, cook beef until brown. Stir in garlic, onion, and red pepper and cook 5 minutes. Stir in beans, diced tomatoes and pumpkin puree. Season with pumpkin pie spice, chili powder, salt and pepper. Simmer for 1 hour. Sprinkle with chopped cilantro, if desired.

If you've enjoyed this recipe, find more delicious ideas in The Pumpkin Pie Spice Cookbook located in the 641.555 section of our non-fiction area



Justice Mobile Returns

JusticeMobile will be offering free legal services from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 18 in the back parking lot of Upper Sandusky Community Library.

JusticeMobile, a provider of legal education and resources to people in areas that may not traditionally have access to proactive legal resources, will offer free legal advice to Wyandot County residents. Participants will have the opportunity to talk privately to an attorney about employment law, disability law, family law, small business, and more. Services are based on a first come, first served basis. Please bring all documents relevant to your legal concerns.



Embroidery with Susan

Enjoy an evening with Susan Riedlinger on Wednesday, October 11th at 6:00 p.m. as she shares her artistry and experience in machine embroidery. She will also be bringing several embroidered items for door prizes! It all takes place in USCL's downstairs meeting room and everyone is welcome to attend. There is no registration required for this program.



Don't Burn Your Eyes Out!

Experiencing the wonder of a solar eclipse is truly an amazing and unforgettable moment for so many people. But how do they work? During this hour long program, spectators will take a deep look into the science behind eclipses and how they occur. Audience members will learn the importance of eclipse viewing safety and how they can make their own at-home eclipse viewing device. Learn all this and more on October 2nd at 6:00 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room. There is no registration required for this program

What are YOU reading? Book Talk at USCL! October 5th @ 11:00 a.m.

Hooray for Fall-O-Days!

A cozy Autumn harvest with pumpkins and scarecrows or a spooky haunted house with ghosts and jack-o-lanterns? Don't worry, you can have both!

Join Rachel on Thursday October 12th at 6:00 p.m. for Craft Party, where you'll create a double-sided Halloween/Harvest display that you can leave out until Turkey Day! Bring your friends for a night of Fall-o-day crafting, snacks and fun...all for free! Registration begins on October 2nd and is required.



Books of a Feather...

If you enjoy reading books, USCL invites you try folding them...into turkeys! Join Rachel on Thursday, November 2nd at 6:00 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room to create your own book turkey using discarded books and glue. All materials will be provided. Registration is required for this program. Registration starts October 23rd.

