

Take a Storywalk®

What books can you discover this month at our Storywalk® locations?

At our Storywalk® at Stepping Stones, you'll be reading *The Busy Tree*. With a rhyming text that describes a tree's activities from its roots to its



branches, this book introduces young readers to the amazing activities that go on in a tree. Acorns nibbled by chipmunks, a spider spinning a web, leaves "breathing out air for all to breathe in"—everything adds up to a "busy tree" for all to "come and see."

Ready to read and solve a mystery? Visit our Downtown Coded Storywalk and be sure to write down the code letter located at each stop.

This month, read *The Birthday Pet*.

It's Danny's birthday and his folks said he could get any kind of animal he wanted for a pet. Danny thought it over and decided all he ever wanted was a turtle. But instead, his family gets him a dog, a kitten, a rat, and a bird. Will he ever get the pet he hoped for?

When you finish the story, you should have spelled out a special message that you can bring back to the library to receive a prize!



1,000 Books!

Atticus Grenwalt, son of Mitchel and Taylor Grenwalt, has completed the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program at the Upper Sandusky Community Library. Atticus started the program on July 16, 2019 and completed it on May 28, 2024. His favorite colors are blue and green and his favorite foods are peanut butter sandwiches and cheese sandwiches. Atticus enjoys swinging and is looking forward to his new playground. Inside he enjoys playing with his sisters, Blakely and McKenna. Atticus will be going to kindergarten at East school. Any child from birth until he or she enters kindergarten can participate. 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.



-Miss Jill

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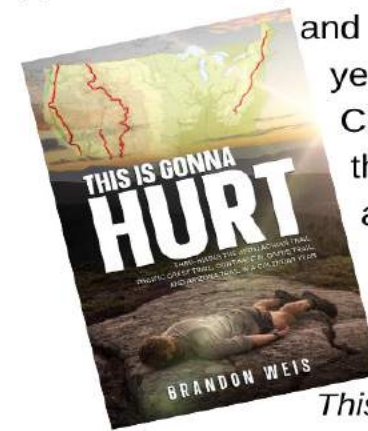
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Upper Sandusky Community Library



American Trail Adventures

Brandon Weis hiked 7,000 miles in a single calendar year, and now he's visiting USCL to tell you all about his hiking adventures on Wednesday, July 24th at 6:00 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room. Brandon, also the author of *This Is Gonna Hurt*, will share the triumphs and the tolls of what it takes to hike the Appalachian Trail, The Pacific Crest Trail, The Arizona Trail, and The Continental Divide Trail in one year; known as the Calendar Triple Crown. More people have walked on the moon than have completed this amazing feat! No registration is required for this program and all ages are invited to attend.



This program is generously funded by the Friends of the Library

July Events

- 4th: CLOSED
- 10th: 100 Book Club Reception
- 11th: Craft Party
- 15th: Taste of History
- 20th: The Amazing Library Race
- 22nd: Lunch Bunch
- 24th: American Trail Adventures
- 25th: Smokin' Hot BBQ and Picnic

More adventure inside!



The Race Is On!

Do you think you have what it takes to win The Amazing Library Race? All ages are invited to sign up and find out! On Saturday, July 20th gather your team of three to six people (You must have at least one adult) and meet at 9:45 in USCL's back yard to begin a race around town where you will be asked to complete challenges and puzzles. When you have completed all the tasks, race back to the library. If you are the first team to complete all your tasks successfully, you will win four tickets to The Toledo Zoo! Register your team starting July 8th.



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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.

Tiny Tots (ages 0-3):

Monday 10:00 a.m.,
Tuesday 5:30 p.m.,
and Wednesday 11:00 a.m.



Storytime

with Miss Jill

Preschool (ages 3-6):

Monday 11:00 a.m.

There will be no Storytime the last week of July.

In Memory...

Dave Eippert by Freda Browne and Family

In Honor of...

The Summer Reading Program
by The Pythian Sisters

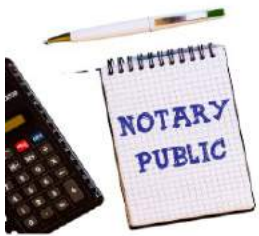


Smokin' Hot BBQ and Picnic



There's no better way to celebrate summer than a cookout with friends.

USCL invites you to join us on July 25th at 5:30 for our barbecue and picnic. We'll start the event with barbecue enthusiast, Jevon Cheney, who will share his tips on grilling and smoking meat. He'll discuss what cuts of meat are best, take all your cookout questions, and then begin the picnic with some pulled pork right from the smoker. We encourage everyone attending to bring their own drinks and a side dish or dessert to share. So mark your calendar and we'll see you in the backyard!



Did you know...

USCL offers free notary services. Just be sure to bring your photo ID and unsigned documents.

Taste of History

Take a culinary step back in time...quite a few steps, actually!

This month, Patti and Tony Davidson visit the kitchens of Germany in the 1300s.

If you've never tried Patti's Gebraten Milch, you're in for a surprise! Not to be missed is Tony's Rote Grutze--a berry pudding dessert that makes a great finish for your Gebraten Milch. Learn and be entertained as they show you how to make both in your modern kitchen.

So, if you're looking for an adventure for your taste buds, be sure to attend on July 15th at 6:00 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room. Registration begins on July 8th.



Lunch Bunch

Join Cheryl on Monday, July 22nd at noon in USCL's large meeting room for Lunch Bunch, where the community meets to share a meal.

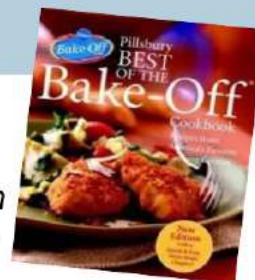
This month's theme is blueberries or sweet corn. Be sure to bring a copy of your recipe to share with the group!

Santa Fe Corn and Cheese Bake

- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup creamed cottage cheese
- 1/2 cup dairy sour cream
- 1/3 cup chopped green chiles, drained
- 3 Tbsp. all purpose flour
- 3 Tbsp. milk
- 2 to 3 tsp. sugar
- 1 tsp onion salt
- 1/4 to 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 1 (15.25 oz.) can whole kernel corn, drained
- 3 Tbsp. chopped ripe olives
- 1 oz. (1/4 cup) shredded Cheddar cheese

Heat oven to 350°. In large bowl, combine eggs and cottage cheese; blend well. Add sour cream and chiles; mix well. In small bowl, combine flour and milk; beat until smooth. Add to cottage cheese mixture. Stir in sugar, onion salt, pepper and corn; blend well. Pour into ungreased 8-inch square baking dish or 2-quart casserole. Bake for 30-40 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Sprinkle with olives and cheese. Bake an additional 1-2 minutes or until cheese is melted.

For more recipes from **Pillsbury Best of the Bake-Off Cookbook** look in the 641 section of our adult non-fiction area.



100 Book Club Reception

If you've read 100 books and turned in your book tracker, then you are invited to a special night of recognition.

We know that reading is its own reward, but USCL will be honoring all those who have turned thousands of pages in pursuit of being inducted into The 100 Hall of Fame. Participants will receive a 100 Book Club t-shirt and award, learn about this year's program, and then share some time enjoying our drinks and appetizers or browsing our free book display.

It all happens on July 10th at 6:00 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room.

It's Almost Here...

You've been waiting all year, and now the Friends of the Library Annual Book Sale is just around the corner. Here's all you need to know to get ready for the big day!

- Book donation drop-off begins on July 15th and runs through August 2nd.
- USCL will gladly accept gently used books, DVDs, and CDs. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept textbooks, magazines, or encyclopedias.
- The Book Sale will be open to the public beginning on Thursday, August 15th through Saturday, August 17th. The hours are 9:00 a.m. until 30 minutes before close.
- The Book Sale opens to Friends of the Library members on Wednesday, August 14th. To become a member, inquire at the front desk.

Day-Trip Adventures

Are you looking for ideas for a day-trip or just love to discover wonders close to home? Stop by USCL's front desk and pick up a Northwest Ohio Cultural Heritage Passport!

This free booklet is full of locations of museums, genealogical societies, museums, presidential centers, and libraries throughout the 21 counties of Northwest Ohio. As you visit each site, find a staff member to sign and date the designated stamp box to keep track of your summer adventures. You can get started by having your Upper Sandusky Community Library stamp spot filled in when you get your booklet!

Computer or Phone questions?

Try our TechConnect hour on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. to noon.

