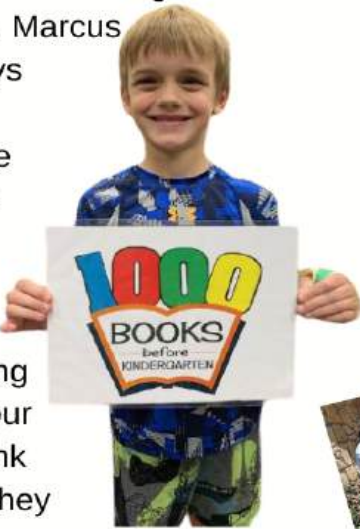


1,000 Books!

Marcus Messer, son of Seth and Heidi Messer, has completed the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program at USCL. Marcus started the program on March 18, 2021 and completed it on August 14, 2024. He comes to the library quite often with his siblings Meredith, Whitley and Winston. His favorite color is orange and his favorite foods are shrimp alfredo and ice cream. Marcus enjoys jumping on the trampoline but he can't do it right now because he broke his arm. Marcus is 5 years old and he enjoys playing games. 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. Many thanks,



Miss Jill

Middle School Storytime

This is NOT your little brother's storytime! Miss Lisa invites Middle School students to interact with books in a new way through Reader's Theater which allows you to become part of the story! Meetings take place in the children's section by Miss Lisa's office at 3:00 p.m. on every Monday that school is in session.

Hang Out

Looking for a place to meet up with your friends after school? Make USCL the place to hang after school on Wednesdays from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Miss Lisa is opening the large meeting room for grades 6-12 to play games, eat snacks, or just chill. Hang Out will be available every Wednesday that school is in session.



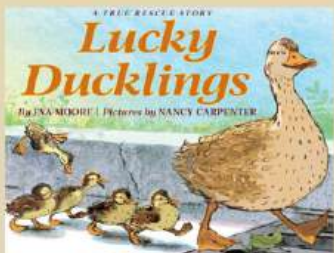
Welcome Back Party 2024

THAT THURSDAY THING

Every Thursday that school is in session, kids of all ages are invited to attend That Thursday Thing from 3:00-4:00. Each week, the children and youth department team up to host games and activities that encourage kids to interact in positive and creative ways with each other and our staff. There's often fun snacks and plenty of time to hang out with friends. It's an hour they won't want to miss!

Go on a Storywalk!

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



Downtown Coded Storywalk



Storywalk at Stepping Stones

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.

SEPTEMBER 2024

COVER TO COVER

Upper Sandusky Community Library



September Events

- 2nd: Closed
- 9th-14th: Visit us at the Fair
- 16th: Taste of History
- 17th: Common Readers
- 24th-25th: Plant donation drop-off
- 26th-27th: Plant pick-up
- 26th: Lunch Bunch
- 28th: Inglorious Bookworms

Autumn Plant Swap

The Plant Swap is back and is ready to help you share those extra seeds, starts, bulbs and houseplants with your friends and neighbors. To donate to the swap, bring your healthy plants, seeds or bulbs along with information regarding the type of plant and its care to the library during the two drop-off days. Return to the library on the two pick-up days and select from a variety of plants that will be displayed in the front vestibule and welcome area. Remember, you don't have to donate plants to attend the Swap and get a new plant companion.



Drop off plants: Sept. 24th-25th

Pick-up plants: Sept. 26th-27th

Keep on Swapping

If you look forward to USCL's plant and clothing Swaps, be sure to check out our year-round swap-ortunities!

Located in our magazine area, you'll find our Seed Catalog. Feel free to take home herb, flower or vegetable seeds. There are even seed collection packets for you to use to donate your seeds to share with the community.

The swap doesn't stop there. Be sure to browse our tote bag exchange located in the same area and watch our website, newsletter, or Face Book for news about our Clothing Swap coming in November!

Thank you to Drug Mart for their generous donations of seeds for our Seed Catalog!



Connect with us! www.usclibrary.org or uscl@seolibraries.org
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.

Taste of History

Have you ever wanted to travel through time and taste the culinary delights of cultures and countries from around the world? Here's your opportunity!

Patti and Tony invite you to experience recipes from England during the 1600s on Monday, September 16th at 6:00 p.m..



You will get to taste Patti's Water-Gruel and Tony's Crème Bastarde. Space is limited so be sure to sign up starting September 9th.

Free Replacement Cards

Have you misplaced your library card? Maybe you've used it as a bookmark and it now resides in a used book shop in Jersey. Or you used your card for an ice scraper when your spouse took yours from your car and now your card is a victim of street salt and winter precipitation? USCL has you covered!

For the entire month of September you can get a new library card...for free! Just stop at the front desk and we'll be glad to help. (Sorry, you're on your own for the ice scraper.)

USCL at the Fair

It's that time of year again!

If you're planning on heading to the Wyandot County Fair September 9th-14th, be sure to stop by the USCL booth in the Venders Building for fun games and giveaways!

Congratulations and Thank You

USCL would like to thank everyone who participated in our Summer Reading Program and made it such a great success!

In addition to all our youth prize winners, we congratulate our adult winners Jennifer Wilson, winner of the Shawshank Redemption basket, Cindy Weatherholtz, winner of the Adventure Awaits basket, and Mary Beth Stinehelfer winner of the Amazon Fire tablet.

These wonderful prizes wouldn't be possible without the generous donations given by The National Museum of the Great Lakes, Ohio State Reformatory, Olentangy Caverns, Shawshank Woodshop, and Woven Yoga.



Lunch Bunch

Join Cheryl on Monday, September 23rd at noon in USCL's large meeting room for Lunch Bunch, where the community meets to share a meal. This month's theme is Paula Deen Recipes. Be sure to bring a copy of your recipe to share with the group!

Southern Corn Casserole

- 1 (15 1/4 oz) can drained whole kernel corn
- 1 (14 3/4 oz) can cream-style corn
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) melted butter
- 1 (8 oz) package corn muffin mix
- medium shredded cheddar cheese

In a large bowl, stir together the two cans of corn, corn muffin mix, sour cream and butter. Pour into a greased casserole. Bake at 350 °F for 40 to 45 minutes, or until golden brown. Top with generous amount of cheddar cheese and return to oven for another 5 minutes until cheese is melted.



COMMON READERS

Everyone is welcome to join Krystal and the Common Readers Book Club on September 17th at 6:30 p.m. as they discuss this month's featured book, *The First Ladies* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray. Copies of this month's books are available at the front desk, Hoopla and Libby.

Mary McLeod Bethune marches as an activist and an educator, and as her reputation grows she becomes a celebrity recognized by U.S. Presidents. Eleanor Roosevelt herself is awestruck and eager to make her acquaintance. Initially drawn together because of their shared belief in women's rights and the power of education, Mary and Eleanor become fast friends confiding their secrets, hopes and dreams—and holding each other's hands through tragedy and triumph. This is the story of two different, yet equally formidable women, and the way in which their singular friendship helped form the foundation for the modern civil rights movement.



Craft Party!

returns on
Thursday, October 10th
to create
Autumn Book Witches

Sign up begins on
September 30th



In Memorial...



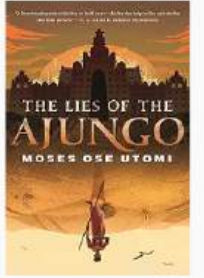
Allen Newell

by Ron Gottfried and Ann Kemerly
and Vicki and Steve Washburn

INGLORIOUS BOOKWORMS

Share your thoughts about the *The Lies of the Ajungo* by Moses Ose Utomi and the Fantasy genre Wednesday, September 28th at 6:00 p.m. at Don Tomasso's Restaurant. Copies of this month's book are available at the front desk, Hoopla and Libby.

They say there is no water in the City of Lies. They say there are no heroes in the City of Lies. They say there are no friends beyond the City of Lies. But would you believe what they say in the City of Lies?



In the City of Lies, they cut out your tongue when you turn thirteen, to appease the terrifying Ajungo Empire and make sure it continues sending water. Tutu will be thirteen in three days, but his parched mother won't last that long. So Tutu goes to his oba and makes a deal: she provides water for his mother, and in exchange he will travel out into the desert and bring back water for the city. Thus begins Tutu's quest for the salvation of his mother, his city, and himself.

Did you know...

You can register to vote at the library!
If you're planning on voting in this year's presidential election, be sure to register before October 7th. If you are seventeen but will turn 18 by then, you are eligible to register to vote.