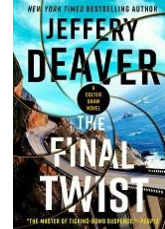
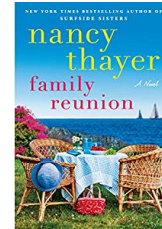
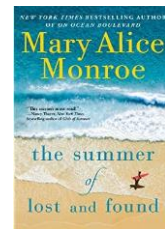
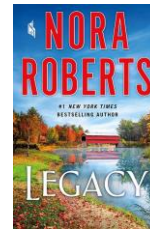
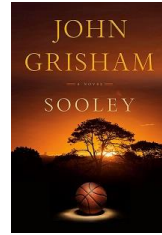


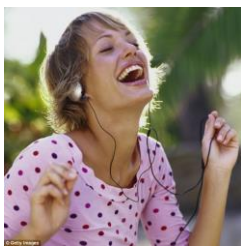
Take a break from mowing and mulching and relax with a good book! New titles coming for the month of May:

- Sooley by John Grisham
- Legacy by Nora Roberts
- 21st Birthday by James Patterson
- That Summer by Jennifer Weiner
- The Final Twist by Jeffrey Deaver
- The Summer of Lost and Found by Mary Alice Monroe
- The Saboteurs (Isaac Bell) by Clive Cussler
- Hour of the Witch by Chris Bohjalian
- Robert B. Parker’s Payback by Mike Lupica
- The Newcomer by Mary Kay Andrews
- Family Reunion by Nancy Thayer



Kayla, one of our homeschool moms, and her sons Nolan and Neven have decided on a unique end of the year project for their literacy lessons. In May, they are going to **decorate the library showcase with a display in honor of Beverly Cleary.** Beverly passed away recently at the age of 104 and is one of the world’s most loved children’s authors. We are excited to see what Kayla, Nolan, and Neven will be sharing – be sure to visit and check it out! We encourage all homeschool teachers to utilize our library resources. We are planning to reinstate our Snapology programming beginning in June and will hopefully continue on into the Fall.

Fill a Bag in our Book Nook returns for May! The sale was so popular, that we will be bringing it back for the summer months. We are not taking adult-level donations quite yet, but **we are in need of good condition children’s books.** Children’s books should be in good condition and may be brought to the library in plastic bags. If you have a lot of items to donate, please call ahead: 717-684-2255.



Prime Timers will be returning in June 2021! Our June 2021 presenter will be Kaila Denlinger who will be sharing her **“Simply D’Cluttered”** program on getting rid of all the extra things that accumulate around the house! Date is **Tuesday, June 29, at 6 PM** and Kaila will present from our terrace. This program brings a large turnout so you may want to bring a lawn chair along.

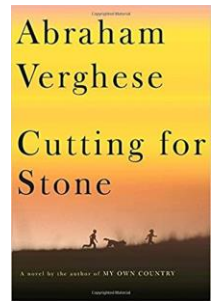
I am so excited to share that **Crochet Along with Kasey is back!!** We will once again meet alternate Tuesday evenings at **6:30 on the terrace: May 11 and May 25.** Our first project after the hiatus is a **red, white, and blue Veteran’s blanket.** This is a great project for any beginner.

The blankets will be sent to Bayada Hospice Care. Any red, white and blue yarn of your choice may be used—worsted weight acrylic yarn recommended. Hooks should be sizes 5 to 6.5 mm. Caron one Pound or Red Heart Super Saver are good yarn choices for this project.



Other supplies needed are: crochet hook, scissors, and measuring tape. Crochet instructor is Kasey Patterson.

The Bibliomaniacs Book Club is next diving into “Cutting for Stone” by Abraham Verghese. Date is May 26, at 4:45 PM (right before Classics Club!); email pfischer@columbiapubliclibrary.org for more details.



Conjoined twins Marion and Shiva Stone are orphaned at birth by the death of their mother and disappearance of their doctor father. Adopted by an Ethiopian couple who work at the local mission hospital, the boys grow up as Ethiopia teeters on the brink of revolution. Their love for the same woman will tear the brothers apart and force Marion, fresh out of medical school, to flee his homeland. In America, he finds work as an intern at an underfunded, overcrowded New York City hospital. When the past catches up to him, Marion must entrust his life to the two men he thought he trusted least in the world: the surgeon father who abandoned him and the brother who betrayed him.



A new book club called “**The Classics Club**” will meet for the first time on **Wednesday, May 26, at 6 PM**. Gather round with us! Our first meeting, Wednesday, May 26 at 6pm will be a friendly informal sharing of favorite book classics. Bring one and tell us about your favorite classic choice of late! No registration needed. We meet on the Library's Terrace.

Bubbles and Storytime with Miss Lisa will be held on Mondays – May 10, May 17, and May 24 – at 10:30 AM outside next to the library. Enjoy themed stories and have fun blowing bubbles! Themes are:

May 10: Let's Visit the Farm

May 17: Pete the Cat

May 24: Llama Llama

All families welcome – please bring a blanket or chairs and sit next to a flag. Please wear masks until seated.



Summer Reading is fast approaching! This year's theme is animals and is titled “**Tails and Tales**”. **Saturday, June 5, is the kickoff date – join us in Locust Street Park at 10:30 AM for a free concert with “Miss Maggie Sings”!** There are two ways to record your reading and activities this year: paper logs (available at the Miss Maggie concert and at our Circulation Desk beginning June 5) and “Beanstack”, which is a phone/tablet app.

This year, I am coordinating all summer programs with Grace Julian (Edible Classroom Gardening Camp) and Allison Scholz (River Park events “Junior Ranger” and “Tadpole Time”). As a result, we have a FULL summer calendar of family fun! Copies are attached if you are receiving this newsletter via email. Or you can pick up your calendars at the library circulation desk or at any summer program.

New Presenters this year: “Workin’ On the Railroad” with the Railroad Museum of PA, ZooAmerica, Jeff Boyer’s Bubble Bonanza, Turtle Dance Music, Snapology, and a community musical by Servant Stage Productions on July 19 at 7 PM.



Returning presenters are: Ryan Bridge and the bugs; Jesse Rothacker and the reptiles; character juggler Chris Ivey; magician John Andrews; illusion and mind reading with Ran’D Shine; singer Mark DeRose, singer Miss Maggie, singer Matt Dodd, singer Phredd McNaughton, Columbia Borough police, Columbia Borough fire company, Lancaster County Parks, CHI Children’s Health with Hank the Healthy Hero puppet, and our annual tour of Sahd’s Metal Recycling.

Last day to turn completed logs in is Saturday, August 10.

The Columbia Public Library is located on 24 S. 6th Street, next to Park Elementary School. (Cattycorner to CVS Pharmacy and across the street from St. John's Lutheran Church) Phone number is 684-2255 and web address is www.columbiapubliclibrary.org. Find us on Facebook. Come in and see what new worlds await for YOU!

