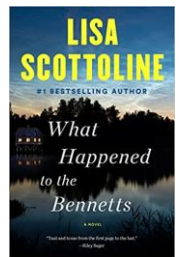


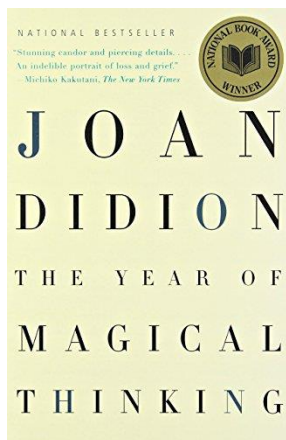
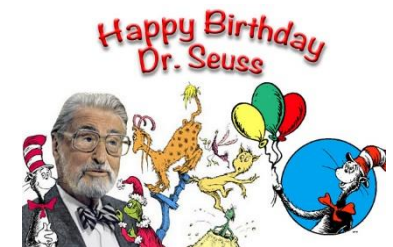
“Irish” you would come into the library and check out some of these great new books for March:

- Shadows Reel by C. J. Box
- Run, Rose, Run by Dolly Parton and James Patterson
- The Match by Harlen Coben
- The Recovery Agent by Janet Evanovich
- What Happened to the Bennetts by Lisa Scottoline
- A Safe House by Stuart Woods
- High Stakes by Danielle Steel
- French Braid by Anne Tyler
- The Summer Getaway by Susan Mallery
- Fear Thy Neighbor by Fern Michaels
- The Darkest Place by Phillip Margolin
- The Missing Piece by John Lescroart
- The Lightning Rod by Brad Meltzer
- A Sunlit Weapon by Jacqueline Winspear



New DVDs coming out in March:
 “A Journal for Jordan”
 “The Matrix: Resurrection”

Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss! March 2 has expanded from the Doctor’s birthday to Read Across America Day. This year, I will dig out the Cat in the Hat outfit and celebrate at Park Elementary, Our Lady of the Angels, and Sunrise Daycare. Jager the Reading Therapy dog will be joining us for some of the Seuss fun as well!!



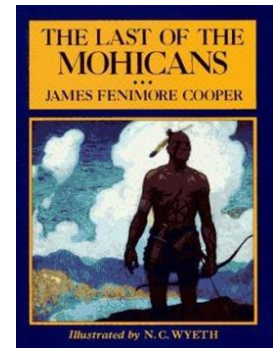
The **Bibliomaniacs’** title for **March 8** is **“The Year of Magical Thinking”** by **Joan Didion**. Several days before Christmas 2003, John Didion and her husband, John Gregory Dunne, saw their only daughter, Quintana, fall ill. It seemed at first flu, then pneumonia, then complete septic shock. Quintana was put into an induced coma and placed on life support. Days later, the Dunnes were just sitting down to dinner after visiting the hospital when John Gregory Dunne suffered a massive, fatal coronary. Instantly, this close, symbiotic partnership of forty years of marriage was over. Four weeks later, Quintana pulled through. Two months after that, she underwent six hours of brain surgery to relieve a massive hematoma.

This powerful book is Joan Didion’s attempt to make sense of the *“weeks and then months that dispelled any fixed idea I ever had about death and illness ... about marriage and children and memory ... about the shallowness of sanity, about life itself.”*

Joan Didion herself passed away rather recently: December 23, 2021. The Bibliomaniacs have decided to remember her by reading together one of her most powerful books. **The club meets Tuesday, March 8, at 2:45 PM in our Board Room.**

On **March 2**, the **Classics Club** will be discussing the book “**Last of the Mohicans**”. The club meets at **6 PM in our Board Room** and all are welcome! Here’s a little about the book:

“The Last of the Mohicans” is set in the British province of New York during the French and Indian War. It concerns the rescue of two sisters, Alice and Cora, who are the daughters of British commander Colonel Munro. The girls are escorted by are escorted by frontiersman Natty Bumppo, Major Duncan Heyward, and the Native American Uncas. Uncas is the sole surviving member of the Mohican tribe – which is how the book got its name. A fantastic tale of adventure set during the middle of the 18th century, “The Last of the Mohicans” is a true American classic.



Last month for Spring **Book Bingo for Grownups!** Stop by the library for your bingo card. Each time you read a book that matches the square’s description, mark it off. Categories include: classics, childhood favorites, a place I’d like to visit, biography or memoir, a book with a one word title, and so on. Book Bingo **through March 31** to allow time for reading. When you get five in a row (you can fill the card if you like!) drop off your card at the front desk. You’ll be entered in a drawing for some great prizes from our local merchants! Spring prizes all feature food and eating out:

- Black Olive Diner
- Columbia Pizza
- Half Nuts Popcorn Company
- Hinkle’s Restaurant
- Andy’s Markets Sub Cards



Once again Kasey Patterson and her crocheters reach out into the community to those who need them most with their March project – **prayer shawls** to be given to **Hospice and Community Care**. Prayer shawls warm the body, heart, and soul! You will need medium weight worsted yarn in your choice of colors and a J/6 mm or K/6.5 mm crochet hook. This worthwhile and needed project will likely continue into April as well. Crochet Along is held on March 8 and March 22 at 6:30 PM.



Welcome back to Gaile Morrison and her knitting classes! Gaile would like to **begin her knitting classes here at the library on Thursday, March 17**. And, like the crocheters, they are engaging in a worthwhile endeavor to help our neighbors who need it most. Off the Streets Susquehanna provides housing and shelter for the homeless. An important item many need when setting up a home is dishcloths! **Off the Streets is in great need of dishcloths and Gaile has decided the project for March and April will be knitting dishcloths.** This is an easy project for beginners and a great way to help others in need.



Kasey’s crocheters may also be making dishcloths in addition to the prayer shawls. Both those completely new to knitting and those who are experienced are welcome! **The class will meet every Thursday here at the library beginning March 17 at 7 PM. Here is your chance to learn to knit – Gaile is an excellent instructor!**

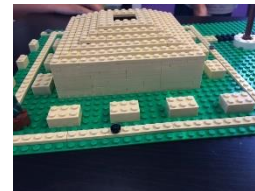


Our March Snapology happenings feature robots and architectural design.

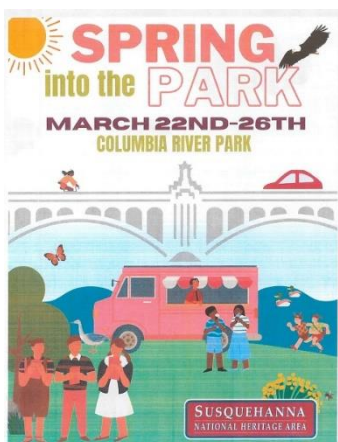


“Kinderbots Robotics” is designed for **ages 5 through 10**. You will be building simple models that teach the fundamentals of robotic design. Learn about sensors while building drills and magic wands....or discover ways that gears and pulleys create movement while constructing a helicopter! You are guaranteed to have a great time! **Tuesday, March 8, at 10:30 AM.**

“Superstructures – Architecture in the Modern World” is designed for **ages 7 through 14**. This program is perfect for young architects to sharpen their design and building skills! All buildings, from the Empire State Building to the house next door, start as an *idea* in an architect’s head. Learn how to take an idea and turn it into a real world building. Explore the building process, from creating a floor plan to disaster-proofing your structure. Could a career in architecture be in your future? **Tuesday, March 22, at 10:30 AM**



Remember to register for Snapology programs on the Calendar page of our website.



The Library is joining Susquehanna National Heritage in celebrating **Spring Into the River Park!** We will participate on **Thursday, March 24 - designated as “Kids’ Day”**. We will be doing a **story time and a planting craft at 10:30 AM**. There will also be yard games, a chalk obstacle course, and **Jesse Rothacker’s Forgotten Friends Reptiles make an appearance at 2 PM that same Thursday.**

This event actually runs **Tuesday, March 22 through Saturday, March 26**. Also participating are: the **Common Wheel Bicycle program, Raven’s Ridge Wildlife Rescue, Kid’s Yoga with Miss Alison, an oral history workshop, and a Friday movie at dusk**. Food trucks each day as well! For more details, please see the flyer attached with this email or visit <https://susqnh.org/event/spring-into-the-park-at-columbia-crossing/2022-03-22/> for the complete schedule.

Our Book Nook welcomes March with a **“Series Sets Sale”!** All TV series season sets sell for **\$3.00 during the month of March**. Some of our sets include: Two and a Half Men, Lost, Law and Order, Everybody Loves Raymond, In the Heat of the Night, and Battlestar Galactica– among others.



PreSchool Pals celebrates Spring on **Wednesday, March 9, from 10:30 to 11 AM**. We will be reading stories about **rainbows** and making rainbow art! Please bring a paint smock or old t-shirt. Ages 2 to 5, with a limit of 10 children. Please register by calling the library (717)684-2255 or email info@columbiapubliclibrary.org

On **Wednesday, March 23, from 10:30 to 11 AM, Preschool Pals** will be sharing stories to celebrate Spring! The children will be **planting flower seeds** to take home and watch them grow. Ages 2 to 5, with a limit of 10 children. Please call the library (717) 684-2255 or email info@columbiapubliclibrary.org.





Tiny Tales continues on Monday, March 7 and Monday, March 21 at 10 AM. Stories, songs, playtime, parachutes, and bubbles! Ages birth to age two.

The March Take and Make craft project is "Over the Rainbow with Lucky!" Pick yours up at the Circulation desk throughout March.



D.H. Funk and Sons continue their generosity to the community by once again funding all of our Summer Reading programming! And, again, we do have some EVENING events scheduled thus far. **Events will be held at the Park and/or Gazebo, so please bring a lawn chair or blanket:**



- Wednesday, June 22, at 6 PM: Master Illusionist, **Ran'D Shine**
- Thursday, July 19, at 6 PM: **Ryan Bridge, the "Bugman"**. Live insects!
- Wednesday, July 27, at 6 PM: **Jesse Rothacker and Forgotten Friends Reptiles**

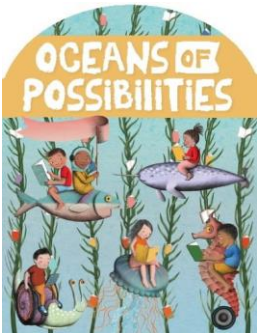


"Rock Around the Clock" with Servant Stage Productions.



Our Servant Stage visit last year was unbelievably successful! We are being asked again and again if they are returning this summer. On **Tuesday, July 12, at 7 PM**, Servant Stage brings us **"Rock Around the Clock" – a blast from the past of the best music of the 50's and 60's.** This event is graciously paid for by the Council of Friends of the Lancaster County Library

System.



Other presenters this summer include: Hank the Health Hero, New Jersey Center for Aquatic Sciences, Phredd, magician John Andrews, Columbia River Park and Tadpole Time, the Edible Classroom's Garden Camp, Mark DeRose, Keville Bowen (comic book artist), Miss Maggie Sings!, percussionist Tammi Hessen, Columbia Borough Fire Department, Columbia Borough Police Department, Lancaster County Parks, master juggler Chris Ivey, and children's singer Octavia Lamb. More information about each will be coming this summer!

These events are *in addition to* the Lions' Club **"Music in the Park"**. Those dates are May 20, June 17, July 15, August 5, and August 19 at 6:30 PM at the Gazebo in Locust Street Park.

To prevent confusion, I am placing all of these events on Calendar format, which I will share in late May and throughout the summer once all is finalized.

The Columbia Public Library Board of Directors will meet on Thursday, March 10, at 6:30 PM in our conference room.



Hopefully March will be the last time for this announcement for a while! Any delayed openings, early closings, or full day **closings** for the Columbia Public Library will be **posted on WGAL, our webpage, and the community Facebook pages.**

The Columbia Public Library – where New Worlds Await – for you. We are 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! Please stop by and visit often!