

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

I will Find You by Harlen Coben

Countdown by James Patterson

Loyalty by Lisa Scottoline

A Face In the Crowd / The Longest December by Stephen King

The White Lady by Jacqueline Winspear

Worthy Opponents by Danielle Steel

Old Babes in the Woods by Margaret Atwood

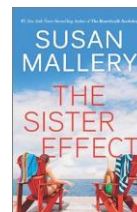
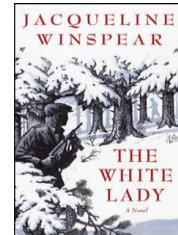
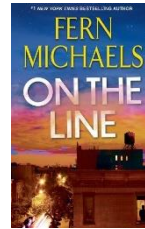
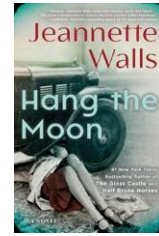
Hang the Moon by Jeannette Walls

Collateral Damage by J. A. Jance

On the Line by Fern Michaels

The Sister Effect by Susan Mallery

Poverty, by America by Matthew Desmond



A new service from the library – public laminating! Begins February 1st . Pages up to 8.5 by 11 (maximum size) will be able to be laminated. Cost is \$1.00 per page. The service will take about 10 to 15 minutes to complete, due to machine warm-up and business at the desk. Patron is responsible for trimming laminated items.



On March 1st at 10:30 AM, staff from the Flour Child will lead our homeschoolers in a program called “Hey, Cupcake”. The children will learn what it is like to have a job in the pastry arts field while decorating some delicious treats. Due to supplies, there is a strict limit of 15 children – ages 5 through 12. Register at info@columbiapubliclibrary.org.

Also on March 1, **the Classics Club** will be discussing the book **“Memoirs of a Geisha”**. The club meets at **6 PM in our Board Room** and all are welcome! Here’s a little about the book:

The dictionary definition of a geisha is “a Japanese hostess trained to entertain men with conversation, dance, and song.” Nitta Sayuri’s story begins in a poor fishing village in 1929, when, at the tender age of nine, she is taken from her home and sold into slavery to a renowned geisha house. Witness her transformation as she learns the rigorous arts of the geisha: dance and music; wearing the kimono, elaborate makeup, and hair; pouring sake to reveal just a touch of inner wrist; competing with a jealous rival for men's favors and the money that goes with them.



In a geisha’s world appearances are paramount; girls are auctioned to the highest bidder; women are trained to

beguile the most powerful of men; and love is scorned as illusion. “Memoirs of a Geisha” is a unique and triumphant work of fiction: romantic, suspenseful, and completely unforgettable.



Keep Calm and Yarn On is continuing their Candy Hearts Pillow project into March. Supplies include 250 -300 yards of worsted acrylic yarn (suggested yarns are “I Love This Yarn”, “Red Heart Super Saver”, or “Impeccable”), a 4 or 4.25 mm hook, scissors, and a yarn needle. This class is for all levels of crocheters and Kasey provides hands-on instructions.

Class will meet on Tuesdays – March 7 and March 21 – at 6:30 PM. (Will cancel if the weather is bad).

Cindy Beaston’s Civil War history event for March features **Jerry Wasche in “Life of a Civil War Soldier”**. Jerry is a Civil War reenactor representing a Union Army private. He will be coming in full uniform. Jerry will demonstrate the daily camp life and living conditions of an infantry soldier during the war. Jerry is a member of the National Park Services’ “Park Watch” program at Gettysburg National Military Park. He also has done lectures on tactics, weaponry, and 1861 U.S. Army regulations. **Program date is Monday, March 27 at 6 PM.**



Our programs are growing and we are glad of it! Sometimes we get more people than expected. So beginning March 21, an **Online Registration button** will appear on our website to allow you to let us know you are coming. Whether it’s seating or craft kits, we need to be prepared! Of course, you can still call 717-684-2255 to let us know of your attendance plans as well.

March’s Take and Make Craft is the Pick yours up at the circulation desk beginning March 1.



Our **Book Bingos** for young people continue until the end of March. Age groups are: **ages birth to 4 years old, ages 5 through 12, and teens through age 18.** You can print the bingo sheet for your age group from our website columbiapubliclibrary.org or pick one up here at the library. Those students who turn in their bingo sheets are eligible for a prize drawing for each age group. Teens who complete the bingo enter a drawing for pizza or ice cream from local businesses!



Next to reading, many folks enjoy tackling a **jigsaw puzzle** during chilly evenings. It’s a great family activity as well. Did you know the Columbia Public Library has a **“Puzzle Swap”** area? You will find this area downstairs in our Book Nook. Feel free to come in, take a puzzle, leave a puzzle, or both! We ask that all puzzles have all the pieces. Please make sure that puzzles are in good condition to allow solvers to easily fit them together.

Tiny Tales for February meets on **Monday, March 6 and Monday, March 20.** Songs, stories, playtime, and bubbles. Ages birth through age 2. **Begins at 10 AM**

PreSchool Pals will meet on **Wednesday, March 15th (“Colors of the Rainbow”)** and **Wednesday, March 29 (“Spring”).** Registration is required.



Classes are currently full but there is a wait list available. Ages 2 through 5 – class begins at 10:30 AM

If you haven't tried our **card making classes** with Bert Cressler, you are really missing out! These classes are really a lot of fun. All the pieces are pre-cut and the glues and tapes are quite easy to work with. The **March 2 evening class will be making all occasion cards** and the **March 13 morning class will be making Easter cards**. You'll make **three cards** for a \$5.00 materials cost - \$1.00 of which will be donated to the library. Date is **Thursday, March 2, at 6 PM (All Occasion) and Monday, March 13, at 11 AM (Easter)**



Thanks to the generosity of D.H. Funk, **Snapology** programs will continue throughout 2023. There will be one program each month February through May. **March's program is for ages 5 through 9 years old and will feature a two dimensional marble run.**

You'll work with a partner to create a 2D marble run and solve its challenges in this exciting enrichment lab! This is a hands-on activity with guided instruction from an experienced Snapology instructor. The marble run is designed to utilize teamwork, communication, and creative problem-solving in a fun and productive atmosphere where you can learn, challenge yourself, and practice your social skills.



Event is held on Wednesday, March, at 10:30 AM and does require online registration. Visit our Calendar page for the link to sign up. Limit of 14 students from ages 5 through 9.

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**. Here is hoping for a mild winter!

The Columbia Public Library – where New Worlds Await – for you. We are located on 24 S. 6th Street, next to Park Elementary School. Phone number is 684-2255 and web address is columbiapubliclibrary.org. Find us on Facebook! Please stop by and visit often!