MCLS

Muskingum County Library System
Fall 2020 Newsletter

Expanded
Hours
&
New
Online Programs

Hello Muskingum County,

The global pandemic has hit home for all of us. The Muskingum County Library System's priorities during the pandemic are the safety and wellness of our team members and access to our services and materials for our community. We know how important access to our libraries is for you and your families. To honor this, we are excited to expand our hours. Starting on Monday, September 14, we will be open Monday–Thursday from 1–7 PM and Friday from 1–6 PM. As our community works to get back to business and back to school, please know that MCLS is here for you!

Our WiFi is available in our parking lots and green spaces 24/7. We have expanded our hotspot lending program by over 600%. While we cannot have in-person programming, we are working with community partners to provide programming and information via Zoom and our social media accounts.

We've also recently received additional results from Battelle's study on how long the coronavirus can survive on library materials. As a result, we'll quarantine our materials for four days – up from three days before check-in. You'll continue to see delays in the check in of materials, but please know, staff will be working to check in items as soon as the quarantine period is up.

The pandemic has pushed us to offer services in new ways and provided opportunities for us to meet library customers where you are in order to keep us all safe. Whether it be in your car for Curbside Pickup, via telephone or online for Reference Chat, Book an Expert or Techspert, or through Zoom or Social Media Programs. I am proud of the changes to the services our staff has provided in the last four months. We will continue to look for new ways to provide services and to increase access to our libraries as long as we can do it in a way that keeps everyone safe.

Stay well!

Stacey L. Russell

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Fiscal Officer & Interim Executive Director

Visit any MCLS Location

Monday–Thursday 1–7 PM & Friday 1–6 PM
The first hour of each day is reserved for high risk patrons

John McIntire Library
220 North 5th Street, Zanesville, OH
(740) 435-0391

Dresden Branch Library
816 Main Street, Dresden, OH
(740) 754-1003

Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library
222 Main Street, Duncan Falls, OH
(740) 674-7100

New Concord Branch Library
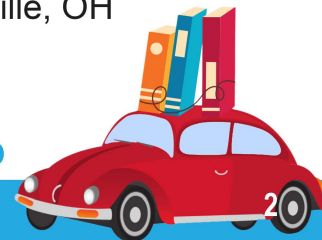77 West Main Street, New Concord, OH
(740) 826-4184

Roseville Branch Library
41 North Main Street, Roseville, OH
(740) 697-0237

South Branch Library
2530 Maysville Pike, Zanesville, OH
(740) 454-1511

Contactless Curbside Pickup
at all locations during open hours

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COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

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Community Conversations about Voting in the Age of COVID
Thursday, October 1 at 6:30 PM
Discuss the election with the League of Women Voters. Make sure you are ready and registered to vote!
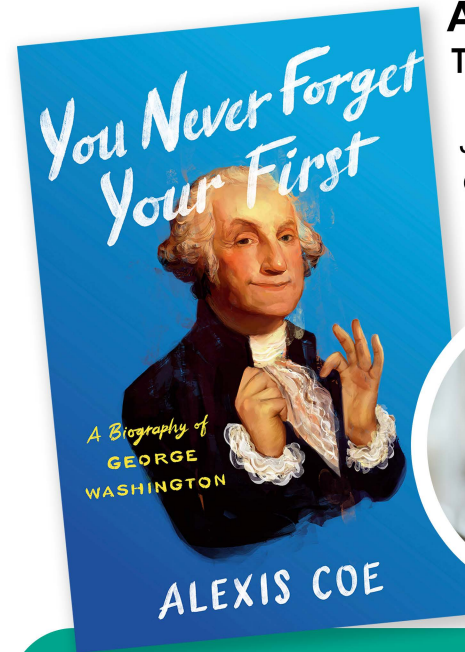
Community Conversations about Fake News: Understanding Information, Credibility, and Bias
Tuesday, October 13 at 6:30 PM
Join us to learn how to identify and promote reliable sources of news.

Learn more and register for virtual events online at www.muskingumlibrary.org

Author Talk with Alexis Coe
Thursday, October 15 at 6 PM

Join us and author Alexis Coe as she discusses her book *You Never Forget Your First* about George Washington. Coe is a best selling author and historian. Coe has been featured on The History Channel and CNN. Register online today. Free copies of the book will be given out while supplies last!

You Never Forget Your First
A Biography of GEORGE WASHINGTON
ALEXIS COE

Game Over
A Virtual Murder Mystery

Check out this exciting murder mystery as new evidence unfolds throughout the month of October! Participate by voting each week on who you think committed the murder.

Learn more and register for virtual events online at www.muskingumlibrary.org

Virtual Escape Room: George Washington Edition
Tuesday, September 15 all day
You are lost in George Washington's sprawling Mount Vernon home and you need to get out. Meet Washington's household as you solve the puzzles to escape.
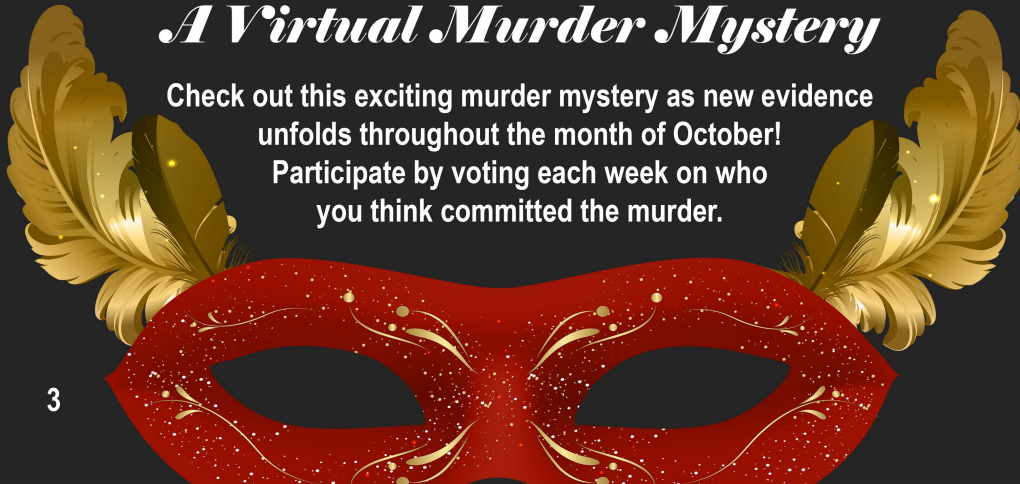
Book Discussion: *You Never Forget Your First* by Alexis Coe
Tuesday, September 29 at 4:30 PM
Join us on Zoom to discuss our CommUNITYread book about the life of George Washington. It debunks many of the tall tales surrounding George's legacy and brings fresh insight into his life.
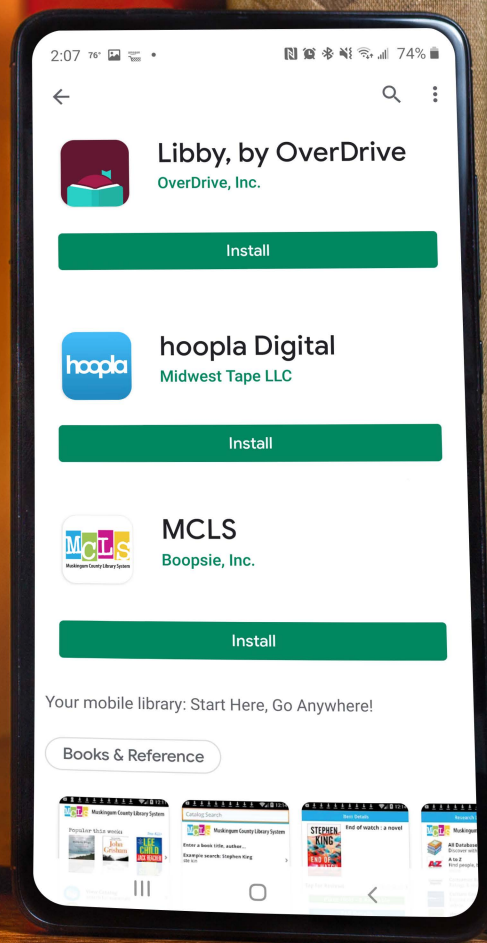
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Your mobile library: Start Here, Go Anywhere!

Books & Reference

All library events are virtual through the end of the year. Please visit us online at muskingumlibrary.org to see a full list of upcoming programs. Follow us on social media to watch fun and informative events!

Learn more and register for virtual events online at www.muskingumlibrary.org

Storytime Saturday
Saturdays at 4 PM
All friends, tall and small, will enjoy stories, songs, dancing, and other learning activities together. Join us on Facebook to enjoy storytimes each Saturday.

Top Five Live with Sarah
Fridays at 1 PM on Facebook Live
Join Sarah as she counts down her Top Five favorite books based on a weekly theme. Join in the live chat to recommend your own titles and share in the discussion!

Animal Crossing Meet-Up
Tuesday at 3:30 PM
on September 15, October 6, and November 3
Come visit our island for a chance to get free DIYs, items, and play some games together!

StoryWalk®
Enjoy reading together, building literacy, and enjoying the outdoors! The story starts in the flowerpot located on the corner of North 5th and Market Streets in Zanesville. Keep your eyes open for new stories.

What's That Noise? Spooky Campfire Stories
Tuesday, October 13 at 6 PM
Tuesday, October 27 at 6 PM
Dare to be scared! We'll tell some ghost stories from right here in Central Ohio.

The Art of Nature
Monday, October 19 at 6 PM
Monday, November 16 at 6 PM
Nature Journaling integrates art, science, math, and writing to connect people with nature.

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