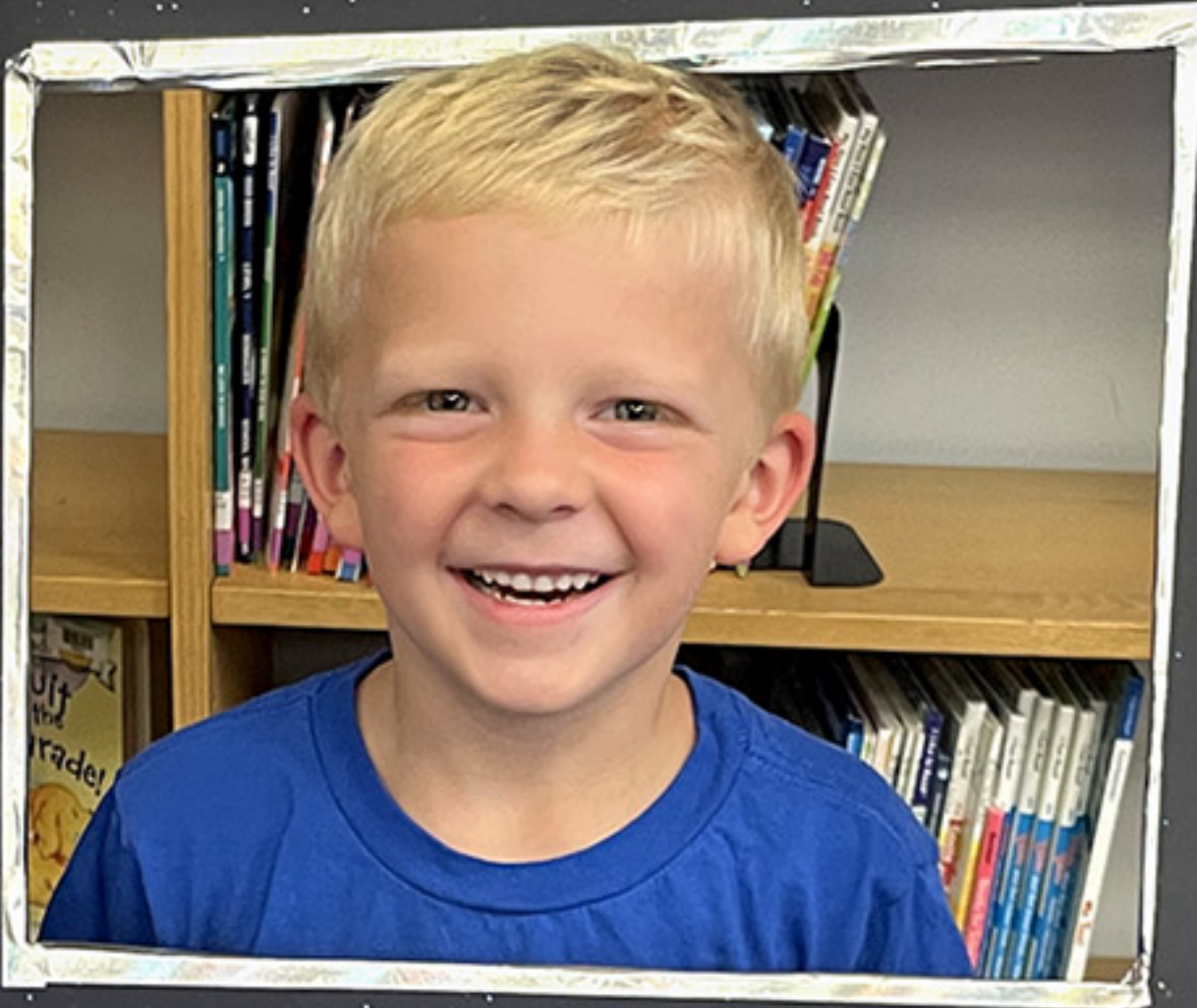
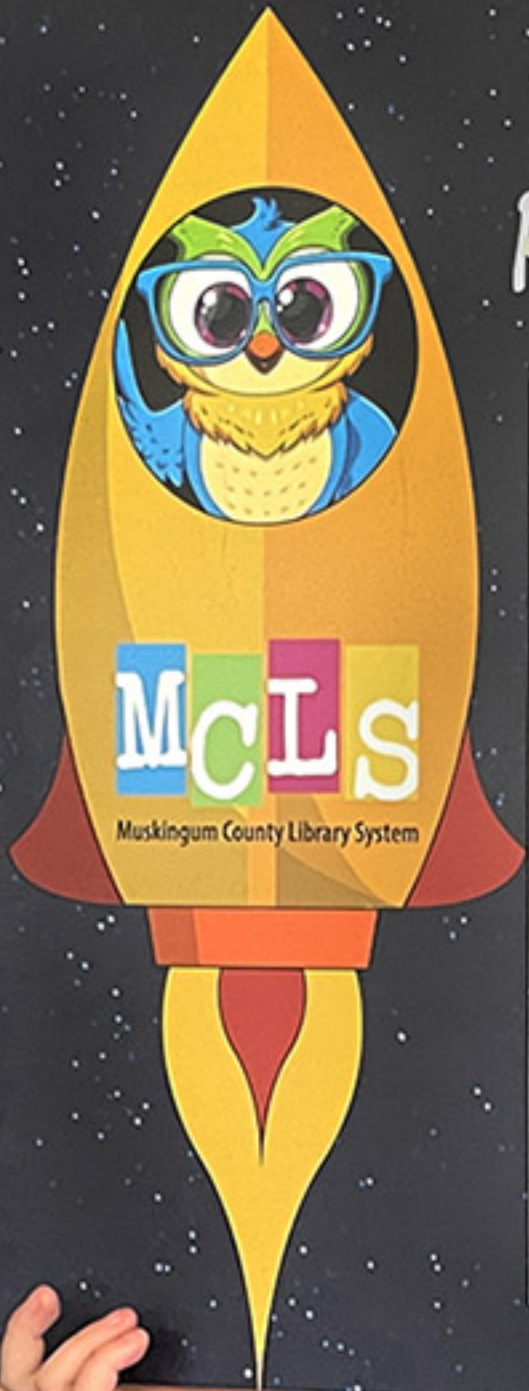


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Muskingum County Library System
August–September 2022 Newsletter

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Late-Fine-Free

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A Letter from Stacey about *Fine-Free*

Hopefully by now, you've heard our exciting news: we are late-fine-free! The Muskingum County Library System (MCLS) has a history of removing barriers to resources dating back to our time as the Zanesville Athenaeum. In the 1870s, the John McIntire Estate gave money to the Athenaeum with the condition that high school students be able to use the library free of charge. In 1904, the taxpayers of the city of Zanesville felt they should also be entitled to free library service. The "subscription library" model changed to a free one in 1905, and any resident of the city of Zanesville could check out materials. In 1914, the Board President made a radical suggestion that the library should be open to farmers in the county. Anyone in Muskingum County could then become a library cardholder by paying one dollar per year. Finally, in 1932, all residents of Muskingum County could patronize the library for free.

As you can see, we have a history dating back over 150 years of removing barriers to library materials for Muskingum County residents. Being late-fine-free is one more step to providing access to library materials and resources for everyone in Muskingum County!

Why is this important? Even though the library and library materials and services are free to the community, overdue fines can keep people away from the library and inequitably restrict access to library resources. Going late-fine-free will remove barriers for our customers, so more people can enjoy the library!

What does this mean to you? Due dates still apply. However, it means if you are a day or so late, it's okay! But it is not okay to never return library materials or to return them damaged. Library customers will still be responsible for lost or damaged items so we can share them with others in the community

If you would like more information about late-fine-free, please visit our website at www.muskingumlibrary.org/finefree/.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stacey L. Russell".

Stacey L. Russell
Executive Director

John McIntire Library

Monday–Thursday 10 AM–7 PM, Friday 10 AM–6 PM,
& Saturday 10 AM–4 PM



John McIntire Library

220 North 5th Street, Zanesville, OH 43701
740.453.0391

Branch Libraries

Monday–Thursday 11 AM–7 PM, Friday 11 AM–6 PM,
& Saturday 10 AM–2 PM



Dresden Branch Library

816 Main Street, Dresden, OH 43821
740.754.1003



Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library

222 Main Street, Duncan Falls, OH 43734
740.674.7100



New Concord Branch Library

77 West Main Street, New Concord, OH 43762
740.826.4184



Roseville Branch Library

41 North Main Street, Roseville, OH 43777
740.697.0237



South Branch Library

2530 Maysville Pike, Zanesville, OH 43701
740.454.1511

All MCLS locations are closed
Monday, September 5 for Labor Day.


Book Discussions


Please visit our online events calendar for full event listings, descriptions, and registration at events.muskingumlibrary.org.





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 **West with Giraffes** by Lynda Rutledge
Wednesday, August 10 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+


 **Where the Crawdads Sing** by Delia Owens
Monday, August 15 at 4:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+


 **The Grimrose Girls** by Laura Pohl
(LGBTQA+ Book Club)
Saturday, August 20 at 2 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room A | Ages 18+


 **Big Lies in a Small Town**
by Diane Chamberlain
Wednesday, September 14 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+

 **Light from Uncommon Stars** by Ryka Aoki
(LGBTQA+ Book Club)
Saturday, September 17 at 2 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room A | Ages 18+

 **The Return** by Nicholas Sparks
Monday, September 19 at 4:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+

 **Where the Crawdads Sing** by Delia Owens
Friday, September 23 at 4 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 18+

 **Wonder** by R.J. Palacio
Monday, September 26 at 5:30 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 18+

 **The Vanished Collection**
by Pauline Baer de Perignon
Thursday, September 29 at 6 PM | Please visit website for location details | Ages 18+

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Staff Picks

Back to School!



Garfield and the Teacher Creature by Jim Davis



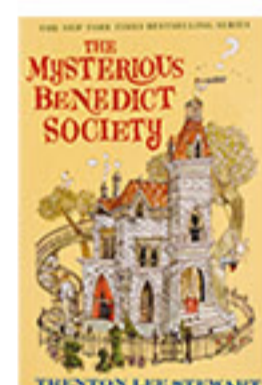
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Emerging Technologies Assistant
John McIntire Library



Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling



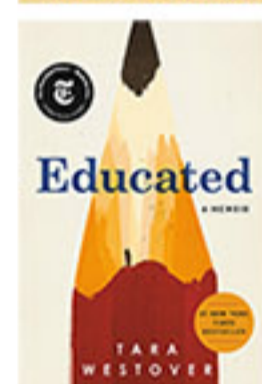
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John McIntire Library



The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart



Lana
Customer Service Assistant
South Branch Library



Educated by Tara Westover



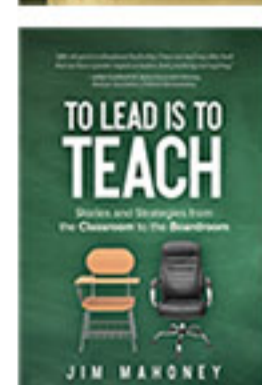
Stephanie
Assistant Director
John McIntire Library



The Secret History by Donna Tartt



Sean
Marketing & Community Relations Director
John McIntire Library



To Lead is to Teach by Jim Mahoney



Stacey
Executive Director
John McIntire Library



Ninth House by Leigh Bardugo



Sarah
Outreach Services Assistant
John McIntire Library



Late-Fine-Free Q&A

Question: Won't people just not return items?

Answer: Many public libraries across the country have moved to a fine-free model, and there has not been a significant increase in the number of lost items. This is mostly due to the fact that lost items on a patron's account result in lost fees and suspension of their library card privileges. We also use our Materials Recovery Program to get checked-out items back on the shelf quickly for the next library patron.

Q: Don't late fines provide funding to the library?

A: In the past three years, less than one percent (0.34%) of the budget was from fines, and the cost of collecting fines comes close to exceeding the amount collected.

Q: Will we run out of items on the shelf?

A: We will not run out of items on the shelf. In April 2022, only 7.6% of the total MCLS collection was checked out. We also have librarians and assistant librarians who check usage and gaps and then purchase additional copies based on the needs, wants, and trends in our community.

Q: What about teaching people personal responsibility?

A: There are still consequences for not returning library items. Patrons will pay for lost or damaged items or lose library card privileges.

Q: Will I have to wait longer for my holds?

A: Currently 75% of our holds are filled in three days and 87% are filled in ten days. We have our librarians and assistant librarians monitoring and purchasing based on wait times. During this transition, we will be keeping an even closer eye on hold times to ensure they are not negatively impacted.

To learn more about MCLS being late-fine-free, visit muskingumlibrary.org/finefree

Top 5 ★★★★★ Non-Fiction Favorites

To help you find your next great read, we compiled top-five lists based on what other MCLS patrons read the most over the past six months.

Top 5 In-Person Checkouts



Top 5 Libby Checkouts (OverDrive)



Top 5 hoopla Checkouts



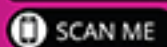
Download the MCLS App or visit our website to find these titles and more.

muskingumlibrary.org



AUGUST 2022 LIBRARY EVENTS

Please visit events.muskingumlibrary.org for event descriptions and registration.



Events with the sign-up icon  require online registration.

Celebrating 80 Years at Roseville

Monday, August 1 at 5:30 PM | Roseville Branch Library | All Ages

Genealogy Workshop: Church Records

Tuesday, August 2 at 6 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+

The Book Was Better: YA Book Club for Adults

Wednesday, August 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31 from 4:30—6 PM | OUZ/Zane State | Ages 18+

Game Club

Thursday, August 4, 18, & 25 from 4—6 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room A | Ages 6-18

New Concord Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, August 6 from 10 AM—1 PM | New Concord Branch Library | All Ages

Discover Your Backyard

Monday, August 8 at 5:30 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 6-18

Lunch & Learn: Mosaic Tile Company

Tuesday, August 9 from 11:30 AM to 1 PM | John McIntire Library, Auditorium | Ages 18+

Fun with Slime

Wednesday, August 10 at 3:30 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 0-11

Camp-In at the Library

Wednesday, August 10 from 5—6:30 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 0-11

Zane's Trace with Gary Allen

Wednesday, August 10 at 5:30 PM | John McIntire Library, Auditorium | Ages 18+

D&D at the Library

Thursday, August 11 at 4 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room A | Ages 6-18

Respect in Action

Thursday, August 11 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 6+

Representative Adam Holmes Office Hours

Friday, August 12 from 12—4 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+

Inkblots Writers Group

Saturday, August 13 & 27 from 11 AM—1 PM | John McIntire Library | Ages 12-18

Use Your Noodle Back to School Event

Saturday, August 13 at 11 AM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 6-11

End of Summer Outdoor Party

Wednesday, August 17 at 3:30 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 0-18

Trivia Night @ Weasel Boy Brewing

Wednesday, August 17 from 6:30—8 PM | Weasel Boy Brewing | Ages 18+

National Bad Poetry Day

Thursday, August 18 at 3 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room B | Ages 12-18

3D Printing Basics

Thursday, August 18 at 5 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 12+

Meet Our Pollinators

Friday, August 19 at 4:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 6-18

Nintendo Switch: Teen Gaming Weekend

Saturday, August 20, All Day | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 12-18

Putnam Underground Railroad Walking Tour

Saturday, August 20 from 10—11:30 AM | Dr. Increase Mathews House & Museum | Ages 18+

Green Cleaning

Monday, August 22 at 5:30 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 18+

Insect Inspector

Monday, August 22 at 5:30 PM | John McIntire Library, Storytime Room | Ages 6-11

Souvenirs of Summer

Monday, August 22 at 5:30 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 18+

BOSS Small Business Class

Tuesday, August 23 at 5:30 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room B | Ages 18+

Eat Your Weeds

Wednesday, August 24 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+

Plants and Pollinators

Saturday, August 27 at 10 AM | John McIntire Library | All Ages

Love Pottery? Roseville/Crooksville Pottery

Monday, August 29 at 5:30 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 18+

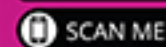
Lunch & Learn: Muskingum County History

Tuesday, August 30 from 11:30 AM—1 PM | John McIntire Library, Auditorium | Ages 18+



SEPTEMBER 2022 LIBRARY EVENTS

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Writing Group

Saturday, September 3 at 10 AM | John McIntire Library | Ages 18+

Page to Stage for Kids

Saturday, September 3 at 12 PM | John McIntire Library, Storytime Room | Ages 6-18

Genealogy Workshop: Family Search Updates

Tuesday, September 6 at 6 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 18+

Library Adventurers' Guild

Thursday, September 8 from 4—6 PM | John McIntire Library, Storytime Room | Ages 6-18

Basic Computer Skills

Saturday, September 10 from 10 AM—12 PM & Thursday, September 15 from 2:30—4:30 PM | John McIntire Library | Ages 18+

Inkblots Writers' Group

Saturday, September 10 & 24 from 11 AM—1 PM | John McIntire Library | Ages 12-18

Cut the Cord

Monday, September 12 at 5 PM | South Branch Library | Ages 18+

Lunch & Learn: How Marketers Program You

Tuesday, September 13 from 11:30 AM—1 PM | John McIntire Library, Auditorium | Ages 18+

Adulting 101

Tuesday, September 13 & 27 at 3 PM | OUZ/Zane State | Ages 18+

Teen Tuesday Back to School Bash

Tuesday, September 13 at 4:30 PM | Duncan Falls/Philo Branch Library | Ages 12-18

STORYTIMES

Family Storytime

Tuesday, September 6 & 20 at 11:30 AM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Tuesday, September 13 & 27 at 11:30 AM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 2-7

Baby Storytime

Wednesday, September 7, 14, 21, & 28 at 10:30 AM | John McIntire Library | Ages 0-2

Toddler Storytime

Tuesday, September 6, 13, 20, & 27 at 10:30 AM | John McIntire Library | Ages 2-3.5

Preschool Storytime

Thursday, September 8, 15, 22, & 29 at 10:30 AM | John McIntire Library | Ages 3.5-5

After School at the Library

Wednesday, September 14 at 3 PM | Dresden Branch Library | Ages 6-18

Kentucky Gateway Museum Program

Wednesday, September 14 at 5:30 PM | John McIntire Library, Auditorium | Ages 18+

Introduction to Cyber Security

Thursday, September 15 at 11 AM & Thursday, September 22 at 2 PM | John McIntire Library, Second Level Meeting Room | Ages 18+

Homeschoolers Explore: Magic with Magnets

Friday, September 16 at 11 AM | John McIntire Library, Storytime Room | Ages 6-11

POUND Fitness Class

Saturday, September 17 at 10 AM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room B | Ages 18+

Fall Fun with Playdough

Saturday, September 17 at 12 PM | Roseville Branch Library | Ages 6-11

Banned Books DIY

Monday, September 19 at 4 PM | John McIntire Library, Storytime Room | Ages 12-18

Small Business Class: Facebook Marketing

Tuesday, September 20 at 5:30 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room B | Ages 18+

Trivia Night @ Weasel Boy Brewing

Wednesday, September 21 from 6:30—8 PM | Weasel Boy Brewing | Ages 18+

Soap Making

Thursday, September 22 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+

Tap Out Negative Emotions

Thursday, September 22 at 5:30 PM | John McIntire Library, Meeting Room B | Ages 18+

PJ Movie Night: "The Bad Guys"

Friday, September 23 at 4 PM | John McIntire Library, Auditorium | Ages 6-11

Monarch Tagging

Saturday, September 24 at 10 AM | John McIntire Library | Ages 6+

Recollections of Ohio History

Wednesday, September 28 from 5:30—7 PM | John McIntire Library, Auditorium | Ages 18+

Squeegee Art

Wednesday, September 28 at 5:30 PM | New Concord Branch Library | Ages 18+