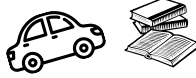




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Service Spotlight

Curbside Pickup:



Did you know?! The library provides curbside pickup! Let us make it easier for you to get the items you want.

Call ahead and we will select books & other items for you, and let us know when you arrive in the parking lot and we will bring them out to you. No need to leave your car! Call us at 401-822-6200.

Girl Scouts Display:



Stop by the library and check out our display case to see a display from the Girl Scouts!

Book Clubs:



Studies in Crime *FULL*
Wednesday, Dec. 18th @ 5:30 p.m.
The Art Thief by Michael Finkel

The true story of the world's most prolific art thief—a spellbinding portrait of obsession and flawed genius, from the bestselling author of *The Stranger in the Woods*. Carrying out more than 200 heists over nearly 10 years—in museums and cathedrals all over Europe—Breitwieser, along with his girlfriend, stole more than 300 objects, until it all fell apart in spectacular fashion.

The Studies in Crime Book Group is currently full. Please contact Kiki Butler at kbutler@coventrylibrary.org or 822-9105 for further information.

Daytime Book Group
Monday, Dec. 16th @ 1 p.m.
Goodnight, Irene by Luis Alberto Urrea



In 1943, Irene Woodward abandons an abusive fiancé to enlist with the Red Cross and head to Europe. She makes fast friends in training with Dorothy Dunford, a towering Midwesterner with a ferocious wit. Together they are part of an elite group of women, nicknamed Donut Dollies, who command military vehicles called Clubmobiles at the front line, providing camaraderie and a taste of home that may be the only solace before troops head into battle. After D-Day, these two intrepid friends join the Allied soldiers streaming into France. Their time in Europe will see them embroiled in danger, from the Battle of the Bulge to the liberation of Buchenwald. Her most fervent hope, which becomes more...

...precarious by the day, is for them to survive the war intact.

For more info, contact Jessica at 822-9104 or jcarsten@coventrylibrary.org.

Evening Book Group
Monday, Dec. 30th @ 6:30 p.m.
A Little Life (continued)
by Hanya Yanagihara



When four classmates from a small Massachusetts college move to New York to make their way, they're broke, adrift, and buoyed only by their friendship and ambition. Over the decades, their relationships deepen and darken, tinged by addiction, success, and pride. Yet their greatest challenge, each comes to realize, is Jude, by midlife a terrifyingly talented litigator yet an increasingly broken man, his mind and body scarred by an unspeakable childhood, and haunted by what he fears is a degree of trauma that he'll not only be unable to overcome - but that will define his life forever.

For more information, please contact Kiki Butler at kbutler@coventrylibrary.org or 822-9105.

Staff Picks Book Group
Monday, Jan. 6th @ 6 p.m.
Fellowship of the Ring by J.R.R. Tolkien
Reference Assistant Emily will be hosting.



In ancient times the Rings of Power were crafted by the Elven-smiths, and Sauron, the Dark Lord, forged the One Ring, filling it with his own power so that he could rule all others. But the One Ring was taken from him, and though he sought it throughout Middle-Earth still it remained lost to him. After many ages it fell, by chance, into the hands of the Hobbit, Bilbo Baggins. On his eleventy-first birthday, Bilbo disappeared, bequeathing to his young cousin, Frodo, the Ruling Ring, and a perilous quest: to journey across Middle-Earth, deep into the shadow of the Dark Lord and destroy the Ring by casting it into the Cracks of Doom

If you'd like to join, please contact reference@coventrylibrary.org or 822-9105.

“I have found the most valuable thing in my wallet is my library card.”
— Laura Bush

Library Hours

Mon - Thu: 9am - 8pm
Fri - Sat: 9am - 5pm
Sun: 12pm - 4pm



SUNDAYS

Holidays & Closings:

CLOSED:
Dec. 24th & 25th
and
Closing early at 12 p.m. on Dec. 31st



Staff Picks

Brenda's Picks

Technical Services Librarian



The Plot
by Jean Hanff Korelitz
Brenda says: “Korelitz has skillfully created a few storylines all within one novel: the reader is eventually told the plot of Parker’s novel, interspersed with Bonner’s adaptation, all interlaced with real-life events related to the plot. Complex characters are well-developed and believable. You’ll be surprised by a very big twist in the final pages!”



Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers
by Jesse Q. Sutanto
“This cozy mystery is more about building new friendships than solving the murder. Readers will find themselves chuckling out loud at some of Vera’s theories. The audio version of this book is absolutely delightful.”



A Fever in the Heartland: the Ku Klux Klan's Plot to Take over America, and the Woman who Stopped Them
by Timothy Egan
“A well-researched piece of nonfiction that reads like a novel. Although Stephenson presented himself as a pillar of society, he was a violent alcoholic and sexual predator who enriched himself through Klan activities, with ambitions for a presidential run.”

Children

Getting Ready for Kindergarten! First Tuesday of every month @ 6 p.m.

Children who will be entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2025 are invited to attend this series of story times. We will be counting down to Kindergarten with stories, activities and crafts! Getting Ready for Kindergarten will meet monthly from January to June 2025, at 6 pm, on the first Tuesday of the month. The first Getting Ready for Kindergarten story time will be on January 7th at 6 pm.

Registration is required and opens on December 9th. Please register by calling Youth Services at 822-9102.

Winter Story Time Registration

Registration for the winter session of story times will begin on December 16th and continue until story times are full. Winter story times will be held for Library Babies (ages 0 to 23 months) on Mondays at 10am, Tales for Twos (children two years of age) on Thursdays at 10am and Preschool story time (ages 3-6) on Fridays at 10am. To register, please call Youth Services at 822-9102. The winter session of story times will run from January 6th to February 28th.

Family Evening Story Time Tuesday, Dec. 17th @ 5:30 p.m.

This fall, families with children ages 3-8 can join us at the library for Family Evening Story Time. On December 17th at 5:30 pm, children will listen to stories and songs at the library. Each child will receive a fun craft kit to complete at home! Registration is required and begins on December 2nd. Please call Youth Services at 822-9102 to register.

School Vacation Activities: The Magic of Tommy James Friday, Dec. 27th @ 11 a.m.

Families with children ages 4 to 5th grade can join us for this fun and interactive magic show! Registration is required and opens on December 2nd. To register, please visit the library's website at coventrylibrary.org.

New Years' Celebration! Monday, Dec. 30th @ 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Children ages 3 to 5th grade can visit the library and use the provided materials to create a New Years' craft! This is a drop-in children's program. Please call Youth Services at 822-9102 with any questions.

Children's Display Case

Would you like to display a collection special to you, at the library, for other children to see? Call 822-9102 or see a librarian in the Children's Room. Each collection in the youth services display case is on display for 2 weeks.

Teens

December Scavenger Hunt

During the month of December, teens in grades 6-12 will be able to participate in our Broadway Musical Scavenger Hunt.

Teens who complete the scavenger hunt, will get a fun snowflake squish! This scavenger hunt is intended for teens. Please see Youth Services for their winter scavenger hunt.

Safesitter Course

Monday, Dec. 23rd @ 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Join us December 23rd for our SafeSitter program. This is for ages 11-15 and registration is required.

Due to the increase in cost of the program for the library, there is a \$25 fee for teens to attend in either cash or a check made out to "Town of Coventry".

If you would like to attend, but are not able to make the payment, please see the Teen Librarian. Space is extremely limited, so register as soon as possible.

Laser Tag

Friday, Dec. 27th @ 6 p.m.

Join us during Winter Break on December 27th for After Hours Laser Tag!

This is for grades 6-12 only. If you have any questions, please contact the Teen Librarian.

Hobbit Movie & Craft Night

Friday, Jan. 17th @ 5:30 p.m.

Join us January 17th at 5:30pm to watch The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey while also making a hobbit door wreath! This is for grades 6-12 only.

Registration is required and begins December 16th. If you have any questions, please contact the Teen Librarian.

Teen Media Reviews

Don't have time to volunteer at the library or can only volunteer on weekends? We will be starting Teen Media Reviews where teens can submit reviews on different types of media to earn a maximum of 10 hours of community service.

If you have any questions, please contact the Teen Librarian.

Adults

Winter is Coming - Adult Bookworm Box

Each box will include a library book to be returned and some treats for while you read. Boxes are limited and sign up is only for this box. Space is limited. To register please ask at the Information desk.

Join us at the Winter Wonderland! Saturday, Dec. 7th @ 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Join the Library and Parks & Recreation from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. for a day of winter fun! Come enjoy holiday craft vendors, food trucks, free pictures with Santa, & more!

Warm up inside the library to shop our book sale, purchase a tote & mug to support the library, or visit the Children's Area for a winter drop-in craft and scavenger hunt!

Support the library by purchasing a bundle:

- \$12 for a book tote *or* mug + Sweenor's chocolate bar + 3 Book Nook items;
- or*
- \$20 for a book tote + mug + Sweenor's chocolate bar + 3 Book Nook items!

Please note that parking will be limited to across the street on this date, as the Winter Wonderland will be taking place in the library parking lot.

Drop In Senior Tech Help Mondays, Dec. 9th @ 1 - 3 p.m.

Drop in and see us if you are looking for help using your electronic devices. In partnership with ATEL and Cyber Seniors @ URI.

Adults Only Storytime Monday, Dec. 16th @ 6pm

Longing for the simpler days of childhood? When you had so much less to worry about? Well, join us for an hour to return to those times with our adult only story time. Come have juice, a cookie, listen to a story and color!

Register online on the library website.

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