



**Way Public Library**  
**August 2023**  
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And just like that summer is coming to an end. School supplies are back in the stores and it's time for summer vacations to wrap up. It's been a busy summer for us here at Way Library. Our Summer Reading Program is just about done with everything officially ending on Monday, July 31. Over 700 children and teens signed up and recorded over 440,000 minutes of reading using ReadSquared! Hopefully, you were able to stop in for one of our many programs offered this summer. We had over 2,000 children and teens attend fun events like outdoor family story times, bubble extravaganza, and a fairy terrariums workshop. Thank you for making this summer one of the best! And special thanks to the Way Library Foundation & Friends for sponsoring this year's Summer Reading Program.



After almost 10 years at Way Library, Youth Services Coordinator Melissa Tallis is leaving Way to work at the Twinsburg Public Library as the Children's Services Manager. Miss Melissa revealed, "I've really enjoyed my time here at Way and I'm truly going to miss all of the families I've met over the years. I have made memories here that will stick with me forever. I've had the great privilege of witnessing a baby's first steps in story time, shook out thousands of sillies in toddler time and popped even more bubbles, and was told by a 6-year-old that they never knew they could have this much fun in the library in my Storybook Spotlight program. It's been a great honor to watch your families grow and be a part of it."

**Please stop in to say "goodbye" to Miss Melissa at an Open House on Tuesday, August 8 from 10 am to noon in the Mercy Health Activity Room (aka the story time room). Miss Melissa would love to see everyone one more time before she leaves for Twinsburg.**

**Happening at Way Library**

# Outdoor Family Storytime

**Tuesday, August 1 at 10 am**

Stories, songs, and more on the Commodore Lawn. Perfect for the whole family! **All ages are welcome and no registration is required.** In case of rain, we'll post on our Facebook page if story time is canceled.

## 6th Biennial Veterans Exhibit Invitational at Way Library

### Call for Artists

Way Library is pleased to announce the 2023 Veterans Art Exhibition: "Love of Country." The exhibit will be on display in Way Library's lower-level gallery from November 5, 2023, until January 3, 2024. This art show is an invitational exhibition to showcase the talents of all honorably discharged U.S. veterans while recognizing them for their service. Veterans, as well as family members who wish to commemorate them, are invited to submit artwork for the show. Entry details and the official application are available online at [waylibrary.info](http://waylibrary.info) or at the library at 101 E. Indiana Ave, Perrysburg OH 43551.

## American Red Cross Blood Drive

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**American  
Red Cross**



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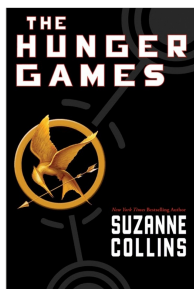


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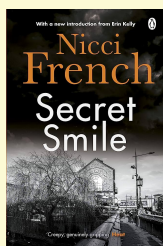
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# EXPLORING THE CURRENT STATE OF

# AI

## DEMOS OF PUBLICLY AVAILABLE PLATFORMS

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**Monthly Board Game Night**

**Wednesday, August 16 at 5:30 pm**

Join us for an evening to try out our selection of board games from our Beyond Books and Beyond Books Jr. Collections. Food and fun will be provided!



**Historic Perrysburg Architectural Scavenger Hunt  
packets can be picked up  
at the Way Library Information Desk.**

September's  
Spice of  
the Month

# MACE

The pit of the fruit that grows on the nutmeg tree is nutmeg, and the covering on the seeds of the fruit is mace. While mace and nutmeg come from the same tree, they're very different spices.



[Register here for September's Spice of the Month - Mace beginning on Monday, August 21.](#)

## Adult Craft Class

### Sunshine Yarn Canvas

Tuesday, August 22 at 6:30 pm

Use yarn, glue, and scissors to create happy art! *A \$10 fee is required when registering at the Information Desk.*



Show Me the  
**M O V I E**

for contemporary film fans



## 80 for Brady (PG-13)

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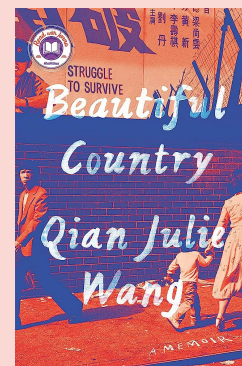
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## Third Monday Night Book Club

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In August, this book club will read and discuss *Beautiful Country* by Qian Julie Wang.





**Last Splendor by Carol Sicha**



**White Petunias by Ellie Miller**

## **Opening Reception for Toledo Women's Art League Exhibit Sunday, August 27 from 2 to 4 pm**

**A Brush with Art** exhibit features around 50 original two-dimensional and three-dimensional works by area artists. This exhibit includes oil, acrylic, and watercolor paintings, soft pastel works, and 3D creations. Awards for the winning art will be presented at the opening reception with many of the show's artists in attendance. Refreshments will be provided. Many pieces will also be available for sale directly from the artists. This juried show will be on display in the Way Gallery from Sunday, August 27 through Wednesday, October 25 during the library's regular hours.

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## **Weekender Food Bags Continue in August**

The library will continue to work with the **Islamic Food Bank** to provide bags of food to people in need in August. The food will be supplied and packed by the food bank and distributed at the library once a week. Bags will be available on a first-come, first-served basis outside of the Mercy Family Activity Center in the library on Fridays, August 4, 11, 18, and 25 at 3 pm.



# ***Coming in September!***

## Telling Your Life Story

**Thursdays, September 7, 14 & 21 from 10:30 am to 12 pm**

In this three-session class, Dorothy Stanton will guide you as you document your life story. She will offer helpful examples, inspiration, and resources to get you off to a good start on your literary journey. All you need is a notebook, a pen or pencil, and your memories. ***Required registration begins September 1. The class size is limited to 8.***

## Cruising Norway with Judy Pfaffenberger

**Tuesday, September 19 at 2 pm**

Cruise the beautiful fiords of coastal Norway with Judy Pfaffenberger. For a special treat, bike with Judy downhill from a glacier to the waterfront village of Flam. You will then walk through the quaint city of Bergen, and then as we sail from the city, hear the 3000 voices on the P&O ship Britannia singing "God Save the Queen."

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Our **CALENDAR OF EVENTS** is where you'll find a searchable, chronological list of all library events for children, teens, and adults.

The calendar includes all of the important event details you need, *plus* an easy link to registration if necessary. Registration began June 1.

Adult programs this summer are sponsored by  
our friends at Directions Credit Union.



**Adults** (Click this link to see **ALL** upcoming programs for adults.)

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## **Ultimate PuzzlePalooza**

**Saturday, August 12 at 10 am**

Join us for some friendly competition! You'll participate as a team to complete a puzzle — the first team to finish wins. The maximum amount of team members is 4 and there will be two levels of competition — 300 pieces or 500 pieces. But wait, this session is different from regular PuzzlePalooza! The winning team from the 300-piece level will face the winning team from the 500-piece level in the ultimate puzzle showdown. REGISTRATION IS FULL, but spectators are encouraged!

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## **Beyond Book Board Game Bonanza**

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Our library goes BEYOND just books and DVDs. We have a collection of fascinating items that are useful and fun, including many exciting board games! Join us for an evening to try out our selection of board games from our Beyond Books and Beyond Books Jr. Collections. Food and fun will be provided!

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**August 23 at 12 pm**

In August, this book club is reading and discussing *The Sunday Potluck Club* by Melissa Storm.

## **Show Me the Movie Contemporary Film Series - 80 for Brady**

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**Children** *(Click this link to see ALL upcoming programs for children.)*  
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## New Books

### New Fiction Books

*Click a title to place a hold. You*

**The Invisible Hour**  
by Alice Hoffman  
August 15

**After That Night**

*must be logged into your library account to place a hold.*

**Tom Lake**

by Ann Patchett  
August 1

**The Bone Hacker**

by Kathy Reichs  
August 1

**None of This is True**

by Lisa Jewell  
August 8

**Happiness**

by Danielle Steel  
August 8

**Canary Girls**

by Jennifer Chiaverini  
August 8

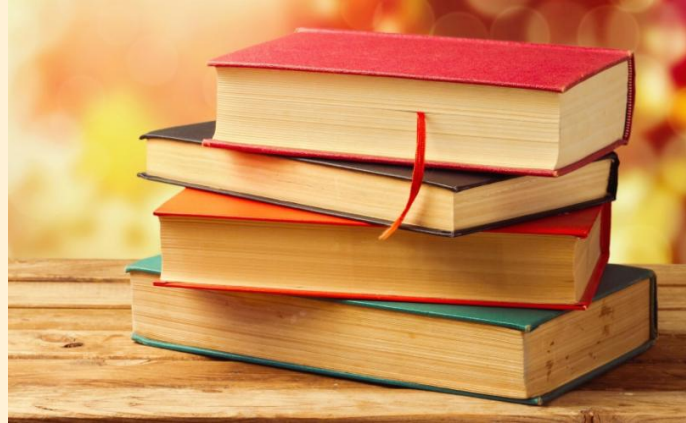
by Karin Slaughter  
August 22

**The Breakaway**

by Jennifer Weiner  
August 29

**Learned by Heart**

by Emma Donoghue  
August 29



## **New Nonfiction Books**

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**Valiant Women: The Extraordinary American Servicewomen Who Helped Win World War II**

by Lena Andrews  
August 1

**A Pocketful of Happiness: A Memoir**

by Richard E. Grant  
August 1

**Tangled Vines: Power, Privilege, and the Murdaugh Family Murders**

by John Glatt  
August 8

**The Perfection Trap: Embracing the Power of Good Enough**

by Thomas Curran  
August 8

**Congratulations, the Best Is Over!: Essays**

by R. Eric Thomas  
August 8

**Althea: The Life of Tennis Champion Althea Gibson**

by Sally H. Jacobs  
August 15

Everything  
you need  
in one app



## Get the App!

If you are an Apple or Android user, you can now get access to your library account with one click! Download the Way Library app on the App Store or Google Play.

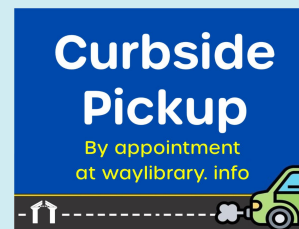
You can manage checkouts and holds on your account, search the catalog, browse book recommendations, quickly access the Curbside Pickup feature, connect to social media, and more!

If you need a little guidance, **take our video tour with step-by-step instructions** for downloading and using the app.

## Convenient Curbside Pickup

Curbside pickup remains popular at Way for its safety and convenience. Any patron can pick up books and other physical materials using our contactless service.

Read more **here** or set your appointment now at **curbside.waylibrary.info**.



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Gifts made to the Way Public Library Foundation & Friends provide a long-lasting and positive impact on the community.

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## Social Media



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on Facebook!

We post library news, announcements, and service updates on our page. We also share photos and feature fun, engaging content.

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Follow us on Twitter!

Are you on Twitter?  
Follow us there for fun updates on library happenings!

**We're @WayLibrary.**



### Watch our videos!

If you are looking for our instructional videos, head over to our YouTube channel. That's where you'll find original tutorials, children's storytime videos, and more.

[Visit and subscribe!](#)



### We're now on TikTok!

Can you believe it? Way Library is now on TikTok and creating fun, short reels about the library. Follow us and join in the fun!

[We're @waypubliclibrary.](#)

## Contact Information



Summer is almost over. Some people are getting into back-to-school mode. This is the time to pick up some summer reads before the summer escapes you!

**I'd love to get your feedback on this newsletter!**

**Contact us:** 419-874-3135

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116- Youth/Teen Services  
354 - Technology



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