

MAY 2025

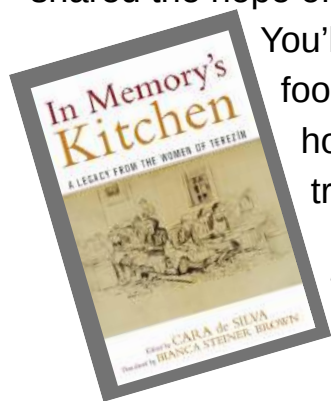
COVER TO COVER

Upper Sandusky Community Library



Recipes and Resistance

USCL invites you to an evening honoring the brave women who defied Hitler by preserving a part of their heritage and a part of themselves. Patti Davidson will share the stories of these undernourished and starving Czechoslovakian women consigned to the Nazi's "model" ghetto/concentration camp of Terezín, and their collection of beloved recipes as collected and written in the book **In Memory's Kitchen: a Legacy of the Women of Terezin**. You'll discover that the recipes penned in faltering handwriting were more than ways of sharing the meals of their endangered culture. Each one shared the hope of a brighter future.



You'll discuss the legacy and importance of food culture and the bravery that it takes to hope. Taste their recipes and learn their traditions in this very special program

Thursday, May 15th @ 6:00 p.m.

There is no registration for this program

May Events

8th: Craft Party

15th: In Memory's Kitchen

19th: Lunch Bunch

19th: Taste of the Decades

20th: Common Readers

22nd: Bring Beauty to Your
Life with Flowers

26th: Closed

28th: Inglorious Bookworms

31st: Donut Day

Yarn Bombing

Bring Beauty to Your Life

Spring is here, bringing with it the wonderful expectation of flowers. If you'd like to get the most out of this season and the explosion of color that it can bring, join Sarah Brodman of Shuster's Flowers on Thursday, May 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Sarah will share valuable information about our local growing season, soil conditions and how they affect your plants, and an instructive discussion about different types of flowers and how to grow them. If you love to garden or are just a beginner gardener, you can bring beauty into your life with flowers!

May is Pet Month

Celebrate Pet Month with USCL by supporting the Wyandot Humane Society. Look for our collection box near the front desk and consider donating items like canned cat and dog food, dry cat and dog food, or scoopable cat litter.

A complete list of their needs can be found on their website.

wyhumane.org



Connect with us! www.usclibrary.org or uscl@seolibraries.org

Mon.- Thurs. 9:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m. Fri. 9:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. Sat. 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Taste of the Decades

Patti and Tony Davidson are back to bring you the flavors of the past!

This month, return to the 1940s and experience the taste of WWII war ration recipes such as Spam and eggs.

Learn about the culinary challenges of the era and how they made each ingredient count on Monday, May 19th at 6:00 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room.

This popular program fills up quickly so be sure to register online, in person, or by phone starting Monday, May 12th.



Get Out Your Needles

Calling all yarn enthusiasts! USCL will be creating an explosion of color in our front yard with yarn creations in celebration of our Summer Reading theme "Color Your World." You can help by donating granny squares (singles or strips), strips of crochet/ knit work, pom poms, tassels, doilies, etc.

Then, on May 31st at noon, we will "bomb" the front yard with your colorful donations and create an art installation like you've never seen before!



Craft Party

Celebrate the fruits of spring by trying something new on Thursday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m.

Join other crafters in making a Cherry Picking Basket. You'll use jute cord and floral wire to make a cute and useful basket complete with a lid and cheerful felt cherry decoration.



There's no cost and all supplies and snacks are provided so all you need to do is register beginning April 28th.

Lunch Bunch

Join Cheryl on Monday, May 19th at noon in USCL's large meeting room for Lunch Bunch, where the community meets to share a meal. This month's theme is Your Mom's Recipes.

Honey Ginger Soy Chicken

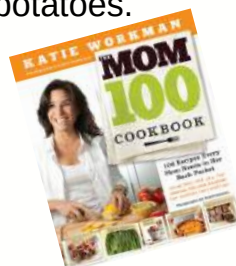
1 cup honey at room temperature
¾ cup low-sodium soy sauce
½ cup finely minced, peeled fresh ginger
¼ cup minced garlic (8 to 12 cloves)
2 chickens (3 to 3.5 lbs. a piece), trimmed of excess fat and cut into 8 pieces each.
5 scallions, trimmed and cut into 1 inch pieces, from the white to about halfway up the green.

Place the honey, soy sauce, ginger, and garlic in a small bowl and whisk until well blended.

Arrange the chicken in a single layer in a large shallow baking pan lined with aluminum foil, skin side down. Add the scallions, evenly scattering them over the chicken. Pour the honey ginger sauce on top and stir to mix so the marinade coats the chicken completely. Cover the pan with foil and let the chicken marinate over night.

Preheat the oven to 350°. Bake the chicken in the covered pan for 30 minutes. Uncover the pan, turn the chicken skin side up, and increase the oven temperature to 375°.

Continue baking until the juices run clear when you cut into a piece and the sauce is a rich, dark brown, 30 to 40 minutes longer. Serve the chicken with the pan sauce with rice or mashed potatoes.



Find more recipes like this in **The Mom 100 Cookbook** in the 641 section of our non-fiction area.

In memory... Freda Browne

by Carolynn Jolliff



Just Keep Reading!



You've been reading non-stop for months and you're so close to the finish line. The deadline to turn in your 100 Book Club book tracker is almost here!

The final day to log the books you've read is Saturday, May 31st and the final day to turn in your log is June 7th. Be sure that all your information is complete and you have entered the desired size for your awesome new 100 Book Club t-shirt.

Don't forget to save the date for our 100 Book Club reception on July 17th. Your reading accomplishments will be celebrated with awards, free books, and appetizers. We can't wait!



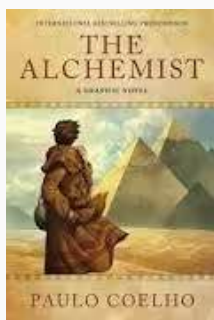
COMMON READERS

Everyone is welcome to join Krystal and the Common Readers Book Club on May 20th at 6:30 p.m. as they discuss this month's featured book, *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho. Copies of this month's book are available at the front desk and on Libby.

The Alchemist is the magical story of Santiago, an Andalusian shepherd boy who yearns to travel in search of a worldly treasure as extravagant as any ever found. From his home in Spain he journeys to the markets of Tangiers and across the Egyptian desert to a fateful encounter with the alchemist.

The story of the treasures Santiago finds along the way teaches us, as only a few stories have done, about the essential wisdom of listening to our hearts, learning to read the omens strewn along life's path, and, above all, following our dreams.

Paulo Coelho's charming fable, now available in English for the first time, will enchant and inspire an even wider audience of readers for generations to come.



Sweet Beginings

Start your summer off right by signing up for USCL's Color Your World Summer Reading Program at our kick-off event on Saturday, May 31st from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Everyone who signs up will get a free donut and an entry for one of our grand prizes. And that's not all!

The first 75 adults who sign-up for the Summer Reading Program will also get a color changing, lidded stadium cup with a color changing straw! Let the reading begin!



INGLORIOUS BOOKWORMS

Share your thoughts about *Recursion* by Blake Crouch and the Science Fiction genre Wednesday, May 28th at 6:00 p.m. at Don Tomasso's Restaurant. Copies of this month's book are available at the front desk, Hoopla, and Libby. **Please RSVP on our website to confirm your attendance.**

Reality is broken. At first, it looks like a disease. An epidemic that spreads through no known means, driving its victims mad with memories of a life they never lived. But the force that's sweeping the world is no pathogen. It's just the first shock wave, unleashed by a stunning discovery—and what's in jeopardy is not our minds but the very fabric of time itself.

In New York City, Detective Barry Sutton is closing in on the truth—and in a remote laboratory, neuroscientist Helena Smith is unaware that she alone holds the key to this mystery . . . and the tools for fighting back.

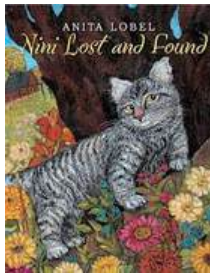
Together, Barry and Helena will have to confront their enemy—before they are trapped in a loop of ever-growing chaos.



Take a Storywalk!

If you love to read and love the outdoors, go on a Storywalk! In the windows uptown this month you'll read the story of Nini, a little tabby cat.

One day, Nini sees that the door is open. The outdoors seem to beckon her to explore. Nini thinks being outside is really nice . . . until night falls and strange animals begin sniffing and hooting



and lurking about. Suddenly there is no place like home. This warm and reassuring picture book speaks to children whose curiosity has tempted them to "run away" from home.

To begin your walk, get a Coded Storywalk sheet by the front desk and read the first page of the book in the library's front window. Write down the code letter then head downtown to continue the story. Your next stop will be listed on the storyboard. When you finish the story, bring your completed sheet back to the library for a prize!

You can also enjoy our Storywalk at Stepping Stones Park. This month read about Sam. His dad says that he is too small to fly their new



kite, but when Dad, the postman, a bank robber, and some zoo animals get pulled up into the sky, only Sam can save them.

Middle School Storytime

This is NOT your little brother's storytime! Miss Lisa invites Middle School students to interact with books in a new way through Reader's Theater, which allows you to become part of the story!

Meetings take place in the children's section by Miss Lisa's office at 3:00 p.m. on every Monday that school is in session.

Peep-A-Palooza Winners

Age 18+:

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Concessions

Age 11-17:

Isabella Smith

Age 10 and under:

Leandra Culver



**Tiny Tots
(ages 0-3):**

Monday 10:00 a.m.,
Tuesday 5:30 p.m.,
and Wednesday 11:00 a.m.

Storytime

with Miss Jill



**Preschool
(ages 3-6):**

Monday 11:00 a.m.

THAT THURSDAY THING

Every Thursday that school is in session, kids of all ages are invited to attend That Thursday Thing from 3:00-4:00.

Each week, the children's and youth department team up to host games and activities that encourage kids to interact in positive and creative ways with each other and our staff. There's fun snacks and plenty of time to hang out with friends. They won't want to miss it!