



# MECHANICSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## January New Shelves

Hours of operation:  
Monday – Thursday:  
10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

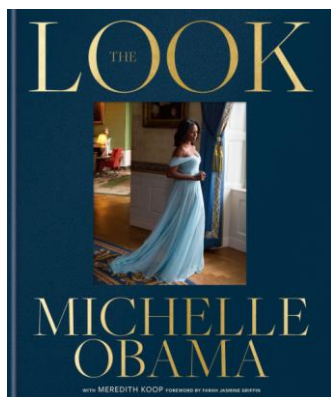
## DVD



### Tron: Ares

"Tron: Ares" follows a highly sophisticated Program, Ares, who is sent from the digital world into the real world on a dangerous mission, marking humankind's first encounter with A.I. beings. The feature film is directed by Joachim Rønning and stars Jared Leto, Greta Lee, Evan Peters, Hasan Minhaj, Jodie Turner-Smith, Arturo Castro, Cameron Monaghan, with Gillian Anderson, and Jeff Bridges. Sean Bailey, Jeffrey Silver, Justin Springer, Jared Leto, Emma Ludbrook and Steven Lisberger are the producers, with Russell Allen...  
-Synopsis Disney

## Best Seller

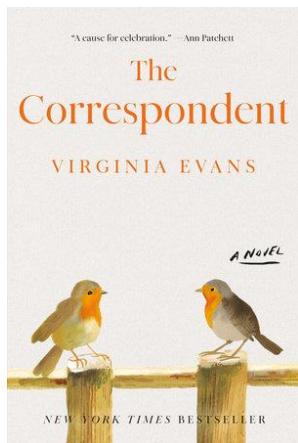


### The Look by Michelle Obama

In this celebration of style, from the moment she entered the public eye during her husband's U.S. Senate campaign through her time as the first Black First Lady and today as one of this country's most influential figures, Michelle Obama shares how she uses the beauty and intrigue of fashion to draw attention to her message. Featuring the voices of Meredith Koop, ...  
-Synopsis Crown

### The Correspondent by Virginia Evans

Sybil Van Antwerp has throughout her life used letters to make sense of the world and her place in it. Most mornings, around half past ten, Sybil sits down to write letters-to her brother, to her best friend, to the president of the university who will not allow her to audit a class she desperately wants to take, to Joan Didion and Larry McMurtry to tell them what she thinks of their...  
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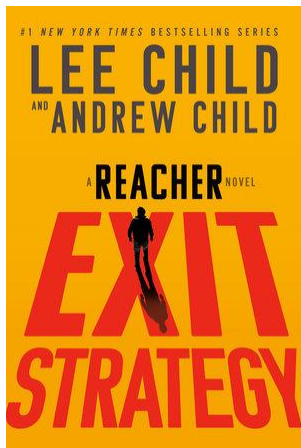


## New Shelf Non-fiction

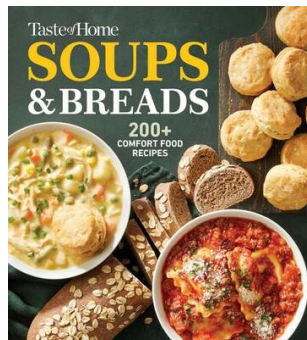
## New Shelf Fiction

### Exit Strategy by Lee Child

First-a Baltimore coffee shop. A seat in the corner, facing the door. Black coffee, two refills, no messing around. A minor interruption from two of the customers, but nothing he can't deal with swiftly. As he leaves, a young guy brushes against him in the doorway. Instinctively Reacher checks the pocket holding his cash and passport. There's no problem. Nothing is missing. Second- a store to buy a coat. Nothing fancy. Something he can ditch when he...  
- Synopsis Bantam Books

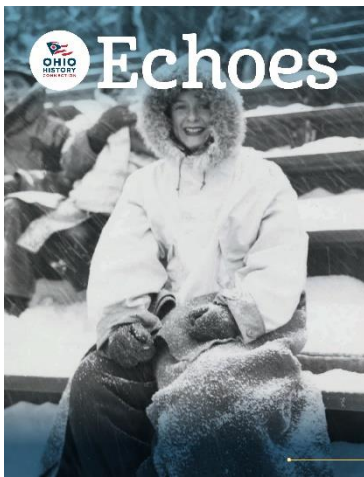


### Taste of Home Soups & Breads by Mark Hagen



Start with the essentials-learn to create homemade broths, store soups safely, and use pantry staples to whip up a hearty meal anytime. From timeless classics like Grandma's Tomato Soup and Yummy Chicken & Dumpling Soup to modern delights like Cheeseburger Soup and Italian Sausage Pizza Soup, there's something to please every palate. Busy week?  
-Synopsis Taste of Home Books

## Magazine

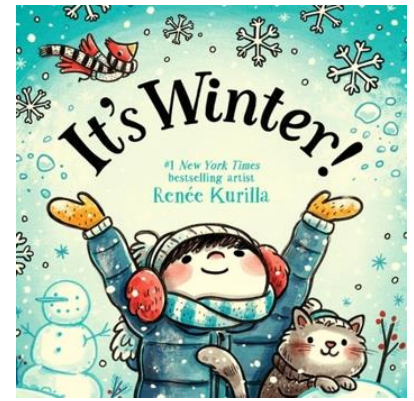


### Echoes

Echoes, by the Ohio History Connection, offers readers a wide array of articles on the people, places, sites, events, and sights of Ohio. Read, learn, and live Ohio history! Your source for current news and features about Ohio history, including a comprehensive calendar of events to help you plan your history adventures across the state.

-Synopsis Ohio Historical Society and Johnson Pub. Company

## Featured Book

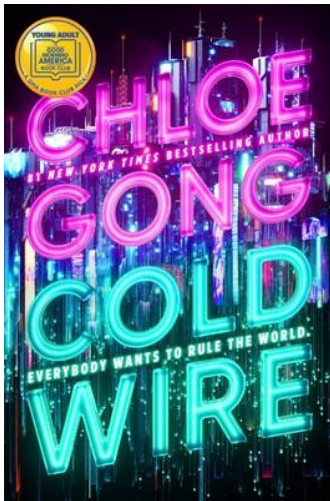


### It's Winter! By Renée Kurilla

Put out your warmest coat, mittens, and scarf! It's time for sledding, skating, and snowmen! And don't forget the hot chocolate, decorations, and special time with family and friends-it's winter! From Hanukkah and Kwanzaa to Christmas and Valentine's Day, get in the spirit of the season with this joyful rhyming follow-up to *It's...*

-Synopsis Little, Brown and Company

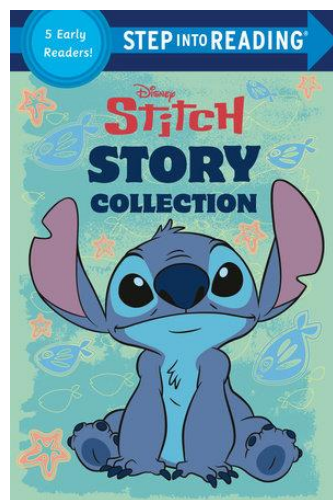
## Youth



### Coldwire by Chloe Gong

To escape rising seas and rampant epidemics, most of society lives "upcountry" in glistening virtual reality, while those who can't afford the subscription are forced to remain in crumbling "downcountry." But upcountry isn't perfect. A cold war rages between two powerful nations, Medaluo and Atahua-and no one suffers for it more than the Medan orphans in Atahua. Their enrollment at Nile Military....

-Synopsis Margaret K. McElderry Books

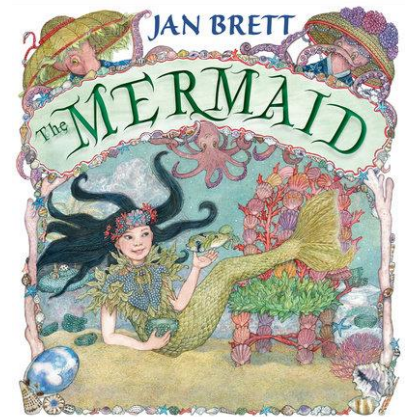


### Disney Stitch Story Collection by RH Disney

This Disney Stitch Step into Reading collection features five Step 2 leveled reader stories in one book: *Go Stitch, Go!*, *Stitch Goes to School*, *Stitch-or-Treat*, *Spring Fever*, and *The Dog Show*. This is the perfect gift for Disney Stitch fans and children ages 4 to 6. **Step 2 readers** use basic vocabulary and short sentences to tell simple...

-Synopsis Random House

## Memorial/Honor Book



### The Mermaid by Jan Brett

*This book is in memory of Carol Ann Daniels.* When Kiri, a young mermaid, comes upon a gorgeous house made of seashells and coral, she is so curious that she goes inside. She's thrilled to find a just-right breakfast, pretty little chair, and, best of all, a comfy bed that rocks in the current. But when the Octopus family returns home, they are not happy to find that...

-Synopsis Putnam's Sons

## Upcoming Releases

### Adult Fiction

1/13 *Woman Down* by Colleen Hoover

1/27 *Dear Debbie* by Freida McFadden

### Youth

2/3 *Decoy Saves Opening Day* by Shohei Ohtani

2/24 *An Anthology of Flowers* by DK



# January Programs

**Thursday, January 1, 2026 All Day:** Library is closed in observance of New Year's Day.

**Saturdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2026 from 10 am-3 pm:**  
***Snowman Book Folding Ages 13 +.*** This snowman is perfect for the winter months! It would look cute on a mantel or just about anywhere in your house or make a great gift.

**Saturday, January 3, 2026 from 1 pm-2 pm:** ***Mocktail Tasting Ages 18 +.*** It's dry January! Or is your resolution to quit drinking? Come join Heather as she will demonstrate how to make popular mocktails!

**Join us anytime we are open from January 5 to January 10 for:**  
***Light Bulb Snowmen Ages 18 +.*** These snowmen are perfect for the winter months! They would look cute on a mantel or just about anywhere in your house.

**Tuesdays, January 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2026 from 4 pm-5 pm:**  
***Coding Club Ages Grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.*** Want to build robots, video games, or websites? Join our coding club on Tuesdays at 4 PM! Bring your own computer and email [mhenderson.trainer@gmail.com](mailto:mhenderson.trainer@gmail.com) for more information.

**Tuesday, January 6, 2026 from 6 pm-7 pm:** ***First from every State Kahoot Trivia Ages 18 +.*** What happened in each stat before it happened anywhere else? Please download the Kahoot app before coming!

**Thursday, January 8, 2026 from 2 pm-3 pm** ***Age Well: Tackling Clutter Before It Tackles Your Family Ages 18 +.*** Clutter can take a toll on both your space and your peace of mind, but it doesn't have to. This Age Well lecture explores practical strategies for managing belongings before they overwhelm your home and your family.

**Thursday, January 8, 2026 from 4 pm-5 pm:** ***Lego Club Ages 5 – 12.*** Imagine it. Build it. Legos will be provided. Donations of new Legos or money to purchase additional Legos are welcome.

**Join us anytime we are open from January 12 to January 17 for:**  
***Winter Charm Bracelet All Ages.*** Make 'em and share 'em with family or friends! This winter beaded charm bracelet makes a fun project for frosty winter days! *\*WARNING: Choking Hazard\**

**Monday, January 12, 2026 from 4 pm-5 pm:** ***STEAM Team Ages 6 (Kindergarten) – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade.*** Explorer's Club/STEAM Team meets on the

second Monday of every month from 4-5 PM. In January we will explore penny boats. How many pennies can you float in a foil boat?!

**Tuesday, January 13, 2026 from 11 am-12 pm: *Helpful Apps for the New Year Ages 18 +.*** Learn how to use your phone to stick with your New Year's Resolutions!

**Wednesdays, January 14, 21, and 28 2026 from 11 am-11:45 am: *Story Time Ages 2 – 5.*** These programs are intended to support early learning in a group setting. Join us for a mixture of stories and activities that provide enjoyable opportunities for the children to practice skills that prepare them for reading. Light snacks will be served. Donations of nutritional snacks are appreciated.

**Thursday, January 15, 2026 from 4 pm-5 pm: *Slime Society Ages 5 – 12.*** Slime Society meets the third Thursday of every month from 4 - 5 PM. Each month we will make a different slime recipe. In January we will make toothpaste slime!

**Friday, January 16, 2026 from 1 pm-2 pm: *Helpful Apps for the New Year Ages 18 +.*** Learn how to use your phone to stick with your New Year's Resolutions!

**Monday, January 26, 2026 from 2 pm-3 pm *Explore the World from your Home Series Ages 18 +.*** Join us every month for a free online lecture featuring Road Scholar instructors from around the world. January is Georgia O'Keeffe — Visions of an American Pioneer.

**Monday, January 26, 2026 6 pm-7 pm: *Cookbook Club Ages 18 +.*** Each month we will highlight a cookbook and encourage everyone to prepare a dish to share and discuss from that cookbook. Come share your experience of both trials and successes with a new recipe. Plates, napkins, and silverware will be provided. January's book is "Ohio Bicentennial 1803-2003 Collector's Cookbook" by Sue Ann Fouche.

**Tuesday, January 27, 2026 from 2 pm-3 pm: *Mobile Device Basics Ages 18 +.*** Get to know your smartphone or tablet!

**Thursday, January 29, 2026 from 12 pm-1 pm *Age Well: NOURISH-Small Steps for Big Health Benefits Ages 18 +.*** Feeling overwhelmed by dieting? Join Pam VanKampen to discover NOURISH Step — a fun, practical mindset to boost energy, health and well-being.

**Friday, January 30, 2026 from 11 am-12 pm: *Mobile Device Basics Ages 18 +.*** Get to know your smartphone or tablet!

**Board of Trustees Meeting!** The Board of Trustees' regular meeting time is 5:30 pm on the third Wednesday of the month at the Library. The Mechanicsburg Public Library Board of Trustees can be reached at the Library's mailing address

**Cake Pans!** You can now borrow cake pans! The cake pans check out for 7 days with four renewals if no holds are on the pan. More cake pans will be available soon!

**Culture Passes!** Mechanicsburg Public Library is excited to partner with the **Columbus Museum of Art** to offer Culture Passes to our library cardholders! What's included? · Free admission for up to eight people · Free parking · A discount at CMA's store and café How do I get this pass? · Passes may be picked up at the library. An adult cardholder may borrow one pass at a time. What else should I know? · Before visiting CMA, we recommend contacting the museum or visiting their website to verify hours or special exhibition restrictions.

**4th Grade History Pass** The America-250 Ohio Commission has announced the 4th Grade History Pass – a free pass for every fourth-grade student in Ohio to visit participating history-related museums and sites free of charge when accompanied by a paying adult. What's included? · Free admission for every fourth-grade student with a paying adult. How do I get this pass? · Visit <https://america250-ohio.org/fourth-grade-pass/> to download and print a pass. What else should I know? · The full list of participating museums can be found at [www.America250-Ohio.org/fourth-grade-pass](http://www.America250-Ohio.org/fourth-grade-pass). Regular admission fees apply for accompanying family members, and passes are not valid for field trips or other group visits. This program will remain valid for any Ohio fourth-grade student now through December 31, 2026. · Passes are not available for pickup at the Library, but may be printed from our public computers.

**Curbside Click & Collect Service!** A service through the SEO Libraries app. Curbside Click & Collect is an easy way to pick up items on hold via curbside service. Look for the Click & Collect button on the Holds section of your app. You can begin the process for eligible items and let us know when you arrive at the library all through the app - no phone call required! Visit our website <https://www.mechanicsburg.lib.oh.us/> or call 937-834-2004 for more information!

**Digitized Mechanicsburg High School Yearbooks!** Mechanicsburg Public Library is happy to announce that select Mechanicsburg High School yearbooks have been digitized and are now available anywhere through a website, at the library on DVDs and USB drives, and to check out on DVDs and USB drives. Visit <https://mechanicsburglibrary.wixsite.com/yearbooks> to view and search select yearbooks from 1954 to 1987. Portions of 1990-2021 are coming soon!

**Disc Golf Kit!** You can now borrow discs to use for the new [Disc Golf Course](#) at Goshen Park! Reserve your kit now: <http://bit.ly/4duND9f>. Kits include one driver disc for maximum distance, one mid-range disc for maximum control, and one putter disc for maximum precision in a drawstring backpack with a laminated instruction sheet/map.



**Friends of the Library!** Everyone is welcome to join the Friends at any of our meetings held every other month on the third Tuesday at 5:00 PM in the meeting room. For more information, visit our website or call (937) 834-2004.

**Homework Help! All Ages!** The Mechanicsburg Public Library offers HOMEWORK HELP for all ages! This service is FREE! Visit our website <https://www.mechanicsburg.lib.oh.us/> or call 937-834-2004 for more information!

**Hoopla Digital!** Hoopla Digital is a service that includes instant access to over 500,000 eBooks, audiobooks, comics, streaming video (movies & television shows), and streaming music. Mechanicsburg patrons can borrow 10 items per month. Download the Hoopla Digital app or visit the [Hoopla website](#) to make an account with your library card! If you don't have a library card, you can [get a digital card online](#). Hoopla is also compatible with [Apple TV](#), [Fire TV](#), [Chromecast](#), and [Roku](#). Please call or stop by the library if you have questions about Hoopla.

**Hotspots!** Mechanicsburg Public Library is pleased to announce our Mobile Wi-Fi Hotspot lending program which will help make information more accessible to community members. The Mobile Hotspot lending collection provides patrons greater access to the Internet away from the library. Hotspots may be checked out for two weeks (14 days) by patrons age 18 and older. To request a Hotspot, please call or stop by the library.

**Kanopy!** New Streaming Video Service Available! Using your Mechanicsburg Public Library card, you can now access Kanopy. With an extensive collection of narrative and documentary films, as well as TV series and kids content, we're pleased to bring this streaming service to our community. Go to [www.kanopy.com/mechanicsburg](http://www.kanopy.com/mechanicsburg) to get started today. Patrons will receive 15 tickets per month. Checking out items can range from 1-5 tickets, depending on length of running time. The viewing period is 3-21 days, depending on length of running time. Kids content does not require tickets; checking out a 30 day pass will let you access all kids content. Please contact the library if you have questions about using Kanopy and stay tuned for future library programs about using Kanopy.

**Memorial/Honor Book Donations!** A memorial book makes a fitting tribute to the memory of a family member or friend. An Honor Book is a wonderful way to celebrate and honor friends and family on a special occasion, such as a birthday, anniversary, retirement or friendship. You can choose to donate any amount of money for the purchase of one or more books or designate the memorial or honor donation be used at the discretion of the library. Donors may specify a subject or genre for the donated book(s). The titles selected are subject to the library's collection policy and will be chosen by librarians. Each donation is handled personally. Acknowledgements will be sent to both the donor and the person or family being remembered or honored. A special bookplate inside the book will note the name of the person in whose memory or honor the book has been given and the donor's name. Memorial/Honor Gift Donation forms are available at the library.



**Memory Kits!** The Mechanicsburg Public Library recently purchased thirteen memory kits thanks to a generous grant from the Champaign County Memorial Foundation. These kits are able to be checked out and used for reminiscence therapy by people with dementia or Alzheimer's. The themed kits include a DVD and photo activity cards. The kit themes include the four seasons, dogs and cats, farm, the great outdoors, patriotic, handyman and homemaker, and the 1950s and 1960s. Please call the library at 937-834-2004 if you have any questions or would like to request a kit.

**Northstar Digital Literacy Training!** Northstar Digital Literacy Training is now available at Mechanicsburg Public Library! Training topics include Essential Computer Skills, Essential Software Skills, and Using Technology in Daily Life. Visit <https://www.digitalliteracyassessment.org/launch-from/13401-KZZ2-mechanicsburg-public-library-oh0140> to make an account. Call the library at 937-834-2004 to register for a proctored assessment and earn a certificate you can show potential employers.

**Rokus!** Roku Express 4K+ devices are streaming dongles that connect to televisions via an HDMI port. They require a power source from a wall outlet and a Wi-Fi network that is connected to the internet. Homes with internet service but without a Wi-Fi router cannot use these devices; however, Rokus may be able to be checked out along with a Wi-Fi mobile hotspot, pending availability. Each Roku Express 4K+ device will have access to one of the following premium subscription services: Netflix, Hulu, or Disney+. Rokus are also equipped with several free apps. The Roku Express 4K+ devices will circulate for two weeks with no renewals. Patrons may only check out one Roku device per library card. Stop in to try one today, or [place one on hold](#) if not currently available!

**Story Walk!** Enjoy our Story Walk, located at Goshen Park. The current story is *Squirrel's New Year's Resolution* by Pat Miller. What is a Story Walk? The Mechanicsburg Public Library StoryWalk® is a delightful, innovative way for children — and adults — to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time.

**Technology Trainer!** Need help using your laptop or iPad? Want to create a Facebook profile but don't know how to get started? Did you get a new smartphone and don't know how to use it? We can help! Our Technology Trainer will be available on Tuesdays 10:00 AM-6:00 PM, and Fridays, 10:00 AM-2:00 PM to help with your technology troubles. At this time, you can just drop in during the times they are at the library. There may be times they are not available due to scheduled programs, vacation or other obligations, so you may want to call 937-834-2004 to confirm they are working before you make a trip to the library. When possible, this will be indicated on the event calendar.

**Wireless Printing!** We are pleased to announce that we have installed Princh, a wireless document! Visit our website <https://www.mechanicsburg.lib.oh.us/> or call 937-834-2004 for more information!

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