In a world where our schedules dictate most of our time and there is noise all around us, nothing is quite as soothing as taking a quiet journey through a loved book. As cooler winds blow, we take to our homes, libraries and coffee shops to curl up with a good book.

Reading takes us away from the stresses of life. Few things can do that. As children, books can take us to imaginary places even though we are safely tucked into bed. But as adults in a real world, don’t forget that you can still experience that magic. How many times do you find yourself waiting in a car or the waiting room of a doctor’s office? When you go to bed at night, do you find yourself tossing and turning? These are the various times when books can help. And at no cost as long as you bring them back on time. :)

Some titles can make us smile by taking us back to our childhood. Others can help us to imagine possible future adventures. Reading books can help us to be more organized, decorate our homes and learn to cook, (we even have cake pans to check out for that). The possibilities are endless. It’s right there in front of you… just turn the pages.

Do you have too many books? If you or someone you know needs to cut back on the amount of books they own, we are now accepting book donations. Books donated to the library are used for various purposes. If we don’t have a particular title, we add it to our circulation. If the book donated is in better condition than the one we have, we replace it with the best copy. If you donate a hard cover and we only have a soft cover edition, we upgrade for the more durable cover.

Remember that any book that we cannot use is added to either The Friends Bookstore or our Annual Book Sale. In that way, your donations help us as we offer those books at a greatly reduced price to patrons and the money earned helps us to buy more books! Everyone wins!

Thank you in advance for your book donations.
OPEN CALL FOR VENDORS

2018

CHRISTMAS MARKETPLACE

It’s time to claim your table for Grove City Library’s Annual Christmas Marketplace

Held on the second Saturday in November

Indoor table fee is $25.00 per spot
Outdoor fee is $15.00 per spot

This year’s marketplace is November 10th from 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Halloween Party 2018

October 26th
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Masonic Lodge

DONATIONS GO TO GROVE CITY AREA PET RESCUE!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CLOSED: October 6th (Grove Fest)
EARLY CLOSING: October 20th, closing at noon (Star Wars Day)
EARLY CLOSING: October 26th, closing at 5:00 p.m. (Halloween Party)
OPEN FOR CHRISTMAS MARKETPLACE ONLY on November 10th
EARLY CLOSING: November 21st, closing at 1:00 p.m.
CLOSED: November 22nd (Thanksgiving Day)
CLOSED: November 23rd (Black Friday)
EARLY CLOSING: December 22nd, closing at 1:00 p.m.
CLOSED: December 24th (Christmas Eve)
CLOSED: December 25th (Christmas Day)
EARLY CLOSING: December 31st, closing at 1:00 p.m.
**7TH ANNUAL FAMILY STAR WARS EVENT**

**Saturday, October 20th from 3:00—5:00 p.m.**

Darth Vader’s 501st Legion will be visiting and will be available for pictures & fun refreshments. There will also be activities & snacks!

**Children and adults are encouraged to dress as their favorite Star Wars Character!**

Join us for a fun afternoon when the Darkside invades the library!

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**Grove City Library’s “Blizzards for Books”**

**Dairy Queen Fundraiser Night**

Stop by for a cool treat and help out the Grove City Library’s Children’s Department!

**Wednesday, October 3rd**

**6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.**

At the local Grove City Dairy Queen

Located at 904 W. Main Street

**10% of all sales** (any treat you want) will go towards the Children’s Department!

Hope to see you there!
Make a Difference Knitting and Crochet Group
Thursday, October 11th @ 1:30 p.m.

Do you like crocheting, knitting, and other needlework? Do you want to make a difference in our community? Join the knitting and crochet group at the Grove City Community Library. This casual group is open to members of any age, gender or ability! Works created can go to women’s shelters in Mercer County run by the Mercer Aware Program, or for your own favorite charity. Come and kick back with your needles, hooks and yarn and Make a Difference in our community!

Bits and Bytes

On September 20, 2018, Grove City Community Library began transition to a new library system, Evolve. As of this writing, the data migration is ongoing. Currently you are able to view our holdings by searching our Webopac at https://evolveopac.infovisionsoftware.com/grovecity/. In the next few weeks our goal is to provide you online access to your account so you are able to view and renew what you have checked-out and see your check-out history as well as any outstanding fines. We also hope to complete the set-up for direct integration with OverDrive which will provide you with one username and password to access both your Evolve and Overdrive account. Finally, we will continue to tweak how the Webopac searches and displays our holdings information.

During this transition phase, you are able to call or come to the library to renew and check-out your items. If you registered for a library card with us before September 19, 2018, you can continue to access the electronic resources available on our Overdrive platform using your library card number and your last name. If you are registering for a new card with us or changing your existing registration information (barcode or last name) and would like to access Overdrive, please let library staff know so that we can manually add your information to Overdrive.

We appreciate your continued patience as we move forward to provide you an improved library experience. If at any time you have any question or need assistance, please don’t hesitate to let us know.

CHECK OUT THE INTERNET

GCCL now has SIX!!! mobile hotspots available for check-out! If you are interested in checking-out a hotspot, stop by the library!

Hotspot Check-Out Guidelines:

• Patron must be age 18 or older.
• Patron must have a current library card in good standing.
• Hotspot circulates for 1 week.
• Hotspot cannot be renewed.
• Overdue fines are $20.00 per day.
• If hotspot or packaging is lost or damaged, patron pays the cost to replace.
• Please return the hotspot fully charged to the circulation desk. Do not return the hotspot in the book drop.
Each participant should “reserve” a specific recipe in order to avoid duplications and can copy the recipe page(s) free of charge from this month’s featured cookbook.

The next Friends of the Library meeting is Tuesday, October 9th at 6:00 p.m. Open to anyone wanting to help with fundraising for the library including: helping with the yearly book sale, Christmas basket raffle, Library Bookstore and other events.

COOKING THE BOOKS
October 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Featuring Fall Family Recipes
by Gooseberry Patch

It's fall! Farm stands are bursting with just-picked produce to share with family & friends. Celebrate this glorious season with back-to-school lunches, chilly-day soup suppers, tailgating parties, trick-or-treat goodies and Thanksgiving turkey with all the trimmings!

Kindred Spirits Book Club
October 25th from 10:30—11:30 a.m.

Feature title: While My Sister Sleeps by Barbara Delinsky

The novels featured in this book club led by Nancy Perschke, incorporate religious, inspirational themes and Christian characters into stories that can range in genre from mainstream fiction, science fiction, historical romance or mystery. These stories do not contain profanity, strong violence, or explicit sexual content.

Everyone who has read the book is invited to attend. If you need a copy of the book, please stop by the front desk, call, or email the library to reserve a copy.

Pub Trivia Night HALLOWEEN EDITION
Thursday, October 25th at 6:00 p.m.

Bring a Snack to Share
B.Y.O.B

Lighting Round: Halloween and spooky trivia
(Please come in your Halloween Costumes!)

Must be 21 years & up to attend
Sci-Fi Book Club!

Monday, October 15th from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

We will be discussing Dune By Frank Herbert.

Ages 18 & Up

Stop in and pick up a copy at the front desk.

Get ready to explore the many realms of the Science-Fiction genre, from Space and other universes. These explorations through one of the lesser known literary genres will take place right here at the Grove City Community Library.
Mystery Lovers’ Book Club

3rd Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m.

This month’s book is The Black Book by James Patterson & David Ellis

Our next meeting is October 17th. If you would like a copy of this book, please ask at the front desk!

Billy Harney was born to be a cop. As the son of Chicago’s chief of detectives with a twin sister on the force, Billy plays it by the book. Teaming up with his adrenaline-junkie partner, Detective Kate Fenton, there’s nothing he wouldn’t sacrifice for his job. Enter Amy Lentini, a hard-charging assistant attorney hell-bent on making a name for herself who suspects Billy isn't the cop he claims to be. They’re about to be linked by more than their careers. A horrifying murder leads investigators to an unexpected address—an exclusive brothel that caters to Chicago’s most powerful citizens. There’s plenty of incriminating evidence on the scene, but what matters most is what’s missing: the madam’s black book. Now with shock waves rippling through the city's elite, everyone's desperate to find it. As Chicago’s elite scramble to get their hands on the elusive black book, no one’s motives can be trusted. An ingenious, inventive thriller about power, corruption, and the secrets that can destroy a city, The Black Book is James Patterson at his page-turning best.

Intro to Tech Drop-In Hour

Wednesdays from 1:00—2:00 p.m.

One-on-one assistance is offered for those interested in becoming more confident using computers, navigating the Internet, or just figuring out how to use your own e-Reader or smart phone. Two laptops will be available for patrons to use during this time on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is encouraged if you have very specific topics or programs unique to your device to cover; otherwise, please just drop in by the front desk!

Have you noticed the display case at the entrance of our library? Every month it is filled with items from one of our patrons. If you have a collection that you would like to share for one month, we would love to place it in our display case. It is a secure case that is locked before you leave to ensure your items are untouchable.

Last month’s display case featured Boy Scout and Girl Scout items. Thank you to The Grove City Area Historical Society for allowing us to share your items with our library!

The Grove City Area Historical Society has a much larger collection of Boy Scout and Girl Scout items. They are right across the street from our library. Stop in!
GROVE CITY WRITERS’ GROUP

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1ST AT 6:30 P.M.

SEE WHAT AWaits YOU AT OUR NEXT MEETING...

MY PRETTIES, IT’S TIME TO MOVE INTO THE UNKNOWN
YOUR WRITING PROMPT FOR OUR NEXT MEETING
IS TO CREATE A STORY

THAT STARTS WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES:
1) I OPENED THE DOOR OF THE HAUNTED HOUSE AND WALKED IN.
2) UNTIL THAT NIGHT, I NEVER BELIEVED THAT GHOSTS EXISTED.
3) I THOUGHT IT WAS A TRICK BUT IT WAS A TREAT. (OR VISA-VERSA)

KEEP YOUR SUBMISSION AT A 500 WORD COUNT
THINK CREAKY DOORS, SPIDER WEBS AND CREEPY CHARACTERS
WE WILL SHARE OUR STORIES AT THIS HALLOWEEN-THEMED MEETING
SEE YOU THERE... IF YOU DARE...

This is an adult group. You must be 18 or older to participate.

MONDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB

A Catered Halloween by Isis Crawford

Second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Next Meeting is October 8th

Ages 18 & Up

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Ask for this book at the front desk

This book includes recipes… please let Linda know if you are bringing something so there are no duplicates.

With the promise of a hefty commission and some valuable word-of-mouth for their catering business, A Little Taste of Heaven, sisters Bernadette and Libby Simmons agree to cater the charity haunted house being staged at the old Peabody School. But when wealthy socialite Amethyst Applegate is found dead in the haunted house, Bernie and Libby wonder if a murderer might also be lurking about Peabody’s gloomy halls…

While almost everyone Amethyst ever met might have a motive for killing her, not everyone had access to the Peabody School. All Bernie and Libby know is if they don’t solve this mystery soon, they might become the next stars in a real-life horror flick…

“Fun…well-plotted…. A selection of delectable seasonal recipes rounds out the volume.”

--Publishers Weekly
American Girl Doll Club

Girls in grades 1st thru 5th are invited to join our American Girl Club. Enjoy activities, crafts, food, history, and more. Please bring your doll or any doll of your choice.

Each month will feature a different American Girl. There will be 15 mins of free play at end of each meeting.

** Remember … when signing up for the club, you are making a commitment to attend. Crafts, food, and other items are prepared in advance. Please let us know if you have signed up and are unable to attend.

October 24th  Lea (meeting at 3:00)
November 14th  Mary Ellen (meeting at 3:00)
December 12th  Samantha (meeting at 3:00)

NEW! Graphic Novel Book Club for kids in grades 4th thru 7th!

Each month we will feature a different type of graphic novel along with activities such as creating and drawing our own graphic novel stories. Registration required.

October 31st  Reading 2 books
Lunch Lady and The Lightning Thief
3:30—4:30 p.m. (after school)
Storytime is a great way to introduce 3 - 6 year old children to the library. Each 30 minute session consists of a special theme and sometimes a related craft. Occasionally a snack is provided. We also have special costume events and holiday parties. Your child will be introduced to group participation, new books and authors, and gain some independence before going to pre-school and/or kindergarten. Children must be 3 years old to attend. Registration is not required.

MEETS EVERY TUESDAY at 10:00 a.m.

Fall Bookworm Babies

Class for toddlers 18 months up to 3 years of age and their adult caregiver. There is a limit of 15 children per class.

Those living outside of our free service area (Liberty Twp., Pine Twp., Wolf Creek Twp. and Springfield Twp.) pay a $10.00 fee to attend.

Registration is required. Class meets every Wednesday from 10:30 -11:00 a.m. starting September 19th thru October 24th.

Kids’ Cooking Club for boys and girls in grades 3rd— 6th. Learn how to make different snacks, decorate cupcakes and cookies, learn basic kitchen rules and much more. Please bring your own apron to wear. Fall/Winter sessions: September 7th, October 5th, November 2nd and December 14th.

Space is limited; Please call to register!

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Featured book will be *The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman*. If you need a copy of the book, it will be available at the front desk.

Bring your lunch with you and be prepared to have a good time discussing the book.

Registration is required.
Jonathan Auxier is the author of *Peter Nimble and His Fantastic Eyes*, *Sophie Quire and the Last Storyguard*, *The Night Gardener*, and his new September release *Sweep: the Story of a Girl and her Monster*.

Meet the author and discuss his books, plus have a question and answer period of what it’s like to write kids’ books, and a book autographing session.

Books may be purchased in advance and autographed the night of the author visit. **Orders must be placed by October 29th.** Books will NOT be available that evening to purchase.

Forms are available at the circulation desk.
Miss Heather’s Charm School
Young ladies in grades 6th - 8th are invited to attend Charm School, which meets monthly.
Charm School basics include: learn how to present yourself confidently in public, how to write a proper thank you note, personal style, grooming, dressing appropriately, how to sit and stand properly, taking care of your skin and make-up application, plus tea and dining etiquette!
Registration is required to participate. Registration begins this month. OCTOBER 17th @ 3:30 Collage Journaling

Weekly Pokémon Club
October 13th and 27th
NO CLUB on Oct. 20th (Star wars Day)
Pokémon Club meets every Saturday!
Club meets at 10:00 a.m.

Brown Bag Book Club
For Kids in grades 3rd - 6th
Friday, October 19th at 5:30 p.m.
Coraline by Neil Gaimen
Plus the movie & dress up for Halloween
Participants are to bring their own supper to book club. We will discuss our book selection while eating supper together! If you need a copy of the book, please contact Miss Heather!

Weekly Chess Club for Kids
Chess Club will now meet every Tuesday after school at 3:30. Bring your chess board or borrow one of ours.
Kids in 1st & up.
October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th

December 3rd thru 8th Scholastic Christmas Book Fair
November 30th Family Build a Gingerbread House night
NEW Fundraiser ... you can win!

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE LIBRARY CHILDREN’S DEPARTMENT

AMERICAN GIRL SUPERSTAR VIP EXPERIENCE Package

$321.00 | value

Performance is located at the Byham Theatre in Pittsburgh, PA

Sunday, February 10, 2019 @ 1:00

Byham Theatre in Pittsburgh
Second Row Orchestra seats

Each American Girl Live SUPERSTAR VIP EXPERIENCE includes:

• One (1) premium ticket in one of the best seats in the theatre
• One (1) reservation for the exclusive Pre-Show Party, scheduled for 90 minutes prior to the performance.
• One (1) exclusive American Girl Live Party Pack
• Access to an exclusive American Girl Live! themed post-show Photo Opportunity.

Winner announced Dec. 7th at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets are on sale NOW!

Just a reminder... Don’t forget to sign-up for programs that require registration. We don’t want you to miss out!

FREE Family Movie Night
Friday, October 12th @ 5:30

Bring your own drinks and we supply the popcorn

United Way
Grove City Area United Way
We don’t just work in an atmosphere of books, we read them, too!

Here’s what our staff is reading this month:

Heather:  *Dorothea’s War, A first World War Nurse Tells her Story* by Richard Crewdson
Joseph:   *Two by Two* by Nicholas Sparks
Linda:    *A Catered Halloween* by Isis Crawford
Matt:     *The Black Book* by James Patterson & David Ellis
Rachel:   *The Power* by Naomi Alderman
Sean:     *Dune* by Frank Herbert
Scott:    *The Merchant of Venice* by William Shakespeare
Wendy:    *War Storm* by Victoria Aveyard
McKinney *The Prisoner of Cell 25* by Michael Vey

Several of the books that our staff reads are selected from our book club books. We invite you to join one of our groups. There are several genres to choose from! All book clubs are featured in each issue of our newsletter.

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