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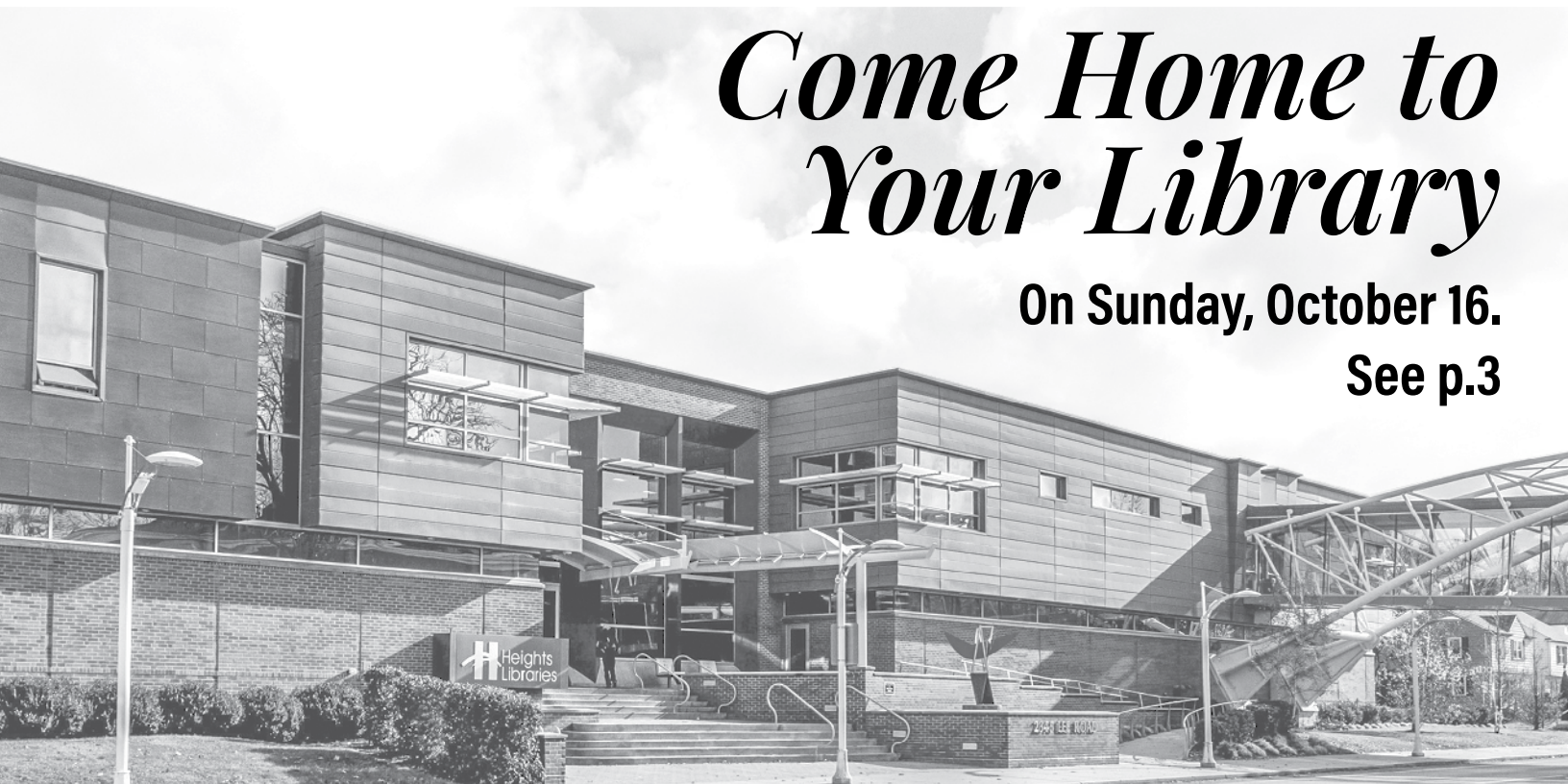
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Your Library*

On Sunday, October 16.

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Opening Doors, Opening Minds

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HONORING:

Chuck Williams, Black Deaf Advocates

Rose Breckenridge, Cleveland Orchestra Music Study Group

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 6:00 PM

Coventry Branch Library

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Come Home to the Library

Fall is the season for homecoming celebrations. High schools, colleges, and universities invite alumni to return to talk with old classmates, visit campuses, and see how their schools (and classmates) have changed. Former students stroll through their old dorms and student centers, then visit the new stadium or the new computer science building. It's a comforting combination of old and new.

Heights Libraries will have its own homecoming celebration on Sunday, October 16 (see details below) to invite all of you to visit your neighborhood branch to meet new staff, reconnect with current staff, and learn about what's new since you last visited us.

Since COVID struck in 2020, our circulation and visitor number have dipped, unsurprisingly, especially considering our buildings were periodically closed to the public. We took advantage of those quieter times to create new resources and services for our community: A new Local History Room at Lee Road, a new STEAM Lab at the HKIC, new meeting rooms at Coventry that feature space for culinary programs, a revitalized children's garden at Noble, weekly take-and-make projects for all ages at University Heights are just a few.

We'll also have refreshments and fun activities for all. Plus, we'll be asking you to help us set a new Sunday Circulation record! Customer who check out more than 10 items will get a free tote bag, while supplies last.

Who says you can't go home again?

Nancy S. Levin, Director

Homecoming
AT HEIGHTS LIBRARIES
SUN • OCT 16 • 1:30–4 PM

**AT EVERY
BRANCH**

Have you been away for a while?
Visit your neighborhood library for a
Homecoming celebration!

Over the past two years, we have been
adding new resources, collections, and
services at every branch. Come check
them out and enjoy refreshments,
raffles, and kids activities, too!

Plus, if you check out 10 or more
items, you'll receive a free tote bag,
while supplies last!

**COME HOME TO
HEIGHTS LIBRARIES.**

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DOBAMA THEATRE COMING SOON

THE THIN PLACE

by lucas hnath
directed by colin anderson

OCT 7 -
OCT 30

The Thin Place is the story of two women: Hilda and Linda. Linda communicates, professionally, with the dead. They are still here, just in a different part of here – in the “thin place.” She can make those who believe hear them, offering peace, closure and meaning. Hilda, a keen listener and observer grappling with loss, takes a great interest in Linda’s abilities. She befriends the veteran medium, seeking answers that lie across the fragile boundary between our world and the next. Hnath’s play transforms the theater into an intimate séance, crafting a haunting testament to the power of the mind.

THE LAND OF OZ

book & lyrics by george brant
music by nathan motta
directed by nathan motta

DEC 2 -
DEC 31



WORLD PREMIERE MUSICAL!

Based on the second book in L. Frank Baum’s Oz series, young Tip escapes an evil witch, then sets out on any adventure to the Emerald City. Along the way he meets the Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, and discovers more about himself than he ever thought possible. With book and lyrics by George Brant and music by Dobama Artistic Director Nathan Motta, this World Premiere musical will come to the Dobama stage in December 2022.

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WINTER MEGA BOOK SALE

FRI • DEC 2 – SUN • DEC 4 At the Lee Road Branch
during regular library hours.

Members Only*
Special Preview Night
Thurs, Dec 1, 5–8:45 pm

*memberships available at
the door for \$10!

Sunday Clearance Sale • Fill-A-Bag for \$5

- Books, CDs & Audio Books - \$1
- Mass Market Paperbacks - 10/\$1
- Children’s & Teen Books - 2/\$1



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Storytimes and Programs

For Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers

Not sure which program is right for your little one? **Look for age guidance in BOLD.**



Baby Bonanza

Mon, Sept 12 - Nov 28, 10 a.m. at Lee Road

Bring your babies and blankets in for books, bopping and bouncing at this fun lap-sit program. **For children birth through walking.**

Outdoor Baby Bonanza

Wed, Sept 7 - Oct 26, 9:30 a.m. at Coventry

Bring your babies and blankets to the Coventry PEACE Park for books, bopping, and bouncing at our outdoor lap-sit program. Weather permitting. **For children birth through walking.**

Waddlers

Thurs, Sept 1 - Nov 17, 10 a.m. at Lee

Join us as we sing songs, read stories, do a few rhymes, and engage in some well-deserved playtime. Shaking, jumping, and wiggling are strongly advised. Space is limited and will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. **For toddlers who are walking - 30 months.**

Story Stop

Mon, Sept 12 - Nov 28, 11 a.m. at Lee

Tues, Sept 6 - Nov 29, 10 a.m. at Lee

Fri, Sept 2 - Nov 18, 10:30 a.m. at Noble

Sat, Sept 3 - Nov 26, 10:30 a.m. at Lee

Hear stories, sing songs, and do a little dancing too! Books, music, and activities help develop early literacy skills during our weekly reading adventure. Space is limited

and will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. **For preschoolers of all ages.**

Stay and Play

Fri, Sept 2 - Nov 18, 11 a.m. at Noble

Stay after storytime each week for a simple craft or activity.

Outdoor Story Stop

Wed, Sept 7 - Oct 26, 10:30 a.m. at Coventry

Bring a blanket to sit on, and join us in the Coventry PEACE Park for stories, songs, and dancing! Weather permitting. **For preschoolers of all ages.**

Summer Storytime at the Walt

Fri, Sept 2 - 30, 11 a.m. at University Heights

Summer means outside storytime at Walter Stinson Park! Bring your blanket to sit on and join us for stories, songs, rhymes and dancing. No storytime Fri Sept 23. **Ages 0-6.**

StoryCraft

Thurs, Sept 1 - Nov 17, 11 a.m. at Lee

Join us for stories, rhymes, and play, followed by an arts and crafts activity. Space is limited and will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. **Ages 2-5.**

Explorastory

Fri, Sept 2 - Nov 18, 10:30 a.m. at Coventry

Join us in the Coventry PEACE Park for stories, rhymes, play, and exploration. Inspired by the work of Reggio Emilia educators, we will engage our hearts, hands, and minds in activities that connect us to stories, one another, and the world around us. **Ages 2-5.**

Turtle Storytime

Tues, Sept 20, 10:30 a.m. at Turtle Park

It's turtle time! Bring the whole family to Turtle Park on the corner of Euclid Heights Boulevard and Overlook Road for a special turtle storytime. Hear our favorite turtle stories, learn our favorite turtle facts, hear our favorite turtle songs, and meet a special turtle guest! Weather permitting. **For preschoolers of all ages.**

Stay & Play Nature Story Time

Wed, Oct 12, 10:30 a.m. at Lee

Join us for storytime, then stay to explore the outdoors in fall with loose parts play. Every outdoor adventure will involve reading and play that enhances sensory development, fine motor skills, and literacy skills through engagement with nature. Activities will be held outside in the Children's Garden (Lee/Ormond). In case of rain, we will meet indoors. **Registration begins Sept 28. For preschoolers of all ages.**

Preschool Cooking Club

Tues, 2 p.m. at Coventry

Join us in our new lab for monthly cooking classes. Each class will explore a theme around food through stories and hands-on cooking activities. Children will follow simple recipes, get familiar with basic cooking equipment, and leave with a tasty treat! Wear clothing that can get messy! **Registration begins two weeks prior to each program. For preschoolers of all ages.**

Sept 13: All About Apples

Oct 18: Bread, Bread, Bread!

Nov 15: Spoonful of Soup

Harvest Party

Fri, Sept 16, 11 a.m. at Noble

Join us in the garden after a harvest-themed Story Stop to celebrate the sights, sounds, smells and tastes of the beginning of fall.

Salty September @ Walter Stinson Park

Wed, Sept 7 - 28, 10:30 a.m. at University Heights

Stop by the Walt for some fun activities with salt! We will use salt for an art project, to explore science concepts, and help with pre writing skills! Pop over to the park for some fun salt activities! **For ages 2-6 with adult supervision.**

Registration begins Aug 24. Weather permitting.

Peter Potamus Sleepover Birthday Party

Fri, Sept 30, 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Peter Potamus, our Children's Room mascot, is having a birthday and he wants to celebrate with a stuffed animal sleepover! Drop off your stuffed friend on Friday, September 30, between 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. in the Children's Room. Pick up your friend on Saturday, October 1, between 11:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Don't worry, we will take lots of pictures of all the fun so you don't miss a thing! **Preschool and school-aged children.**

Pumpkins in the Park @ Walter Stinson Park

Wed, Oct 5 - 26, 10:30 a.m. at University Heights

Pumpkins are back at the Walt! Join the library at the park for some fun pumpkin activities. There will be pumpkin decorating, pumpkin scooping, pumpkin pounding and weaving and more! **Ages 2-6 with adult supervision.**

Registration begins Sept 21. Weather permitting.

Food Fine Motor Skills

Fri, Oct 7 - 28, 10 a.m. at University Heights

Here is a program for our littlest foodies! Let your little ones practice fine motors skills with these fun food activities. Activities will include painted toast, googly eye cookie decoration, and a peeling picnic with veggies, fruits and cheese. **Ages 2-5. Registration begins Sept 23.**

Paint and Sippy Cups

Fri, Oct 21, 11 a.m. at Lee

Come create to your "art's content." We'll provide the paint supplies (and juice). You bring your own sippy cups. Come dressed to get messy. **For families with children 1-3 years old. Registration begins Sept 30.**

Water Wednesday @ The Library

Wed, Nov 2 - 30, 11 a.m. at University Heights

As the weather changes, let not stop playing! Drop into the library for some fun water play that will help your little one practice fine motor skills! Activities include: window washing, a pour station, "bobbing" for apples, washing/drying clothes and more! Socialize and play at the library. **Ages 2-5. Registration begins Oct 19.**

Scissor Skills

Sat, Nov 12 & 26, All Day at University Heights

Sun, Nov 13 & 27, All Day at University Heights

Time to practice our scissor skills. The library will provide fun and unique items like yarn, playdough, cooked pasta and more for your little ones to practice their scissor skills. Stop by the library and ask for your scissor skills tray and get ready to have fun! **Ages 3-6 with parental supervision.**

Take and Make Pinecone Place Cards

Wed, Nov 16, All Day at University Heights

Create one of a kind name cards for your family dinner table with pinecones and yarn. Use the name cards at family dinners, holidays, or birthdays to add a little fun to your meals! **Ages 3-6 years old. Registration begins Nov 2.**



Explore Heights Libraries' upcoming programs, early literacy tips, book recommendations, and more with our monthly eNewsletter for caregivers of children ages 0 to grade 5.

Sign up at <https://heightslibrary.org/services/enewsletters>

Banned Book Family Bingo Challenge

Every day in September at all Branches

Join the Books Unite Us Family Bingo Challenge and celebrate the right to read with Heights Libraries. Book bans and challenges are on the rise, but you can pick up your Banned Book Bingo card in the Youth Services Department of any branch to track how many frequently banned and challenged books you can read this month. Banned Book swag for all participants who complete the challenge, and each entry earns a chance at a Banned Book prize pack.

Learning Lunchbox Dinosaur Take Home Kit

Beginning Nov. 1 at all Branches

This DINOVember, become a paleontologist with this fun take home kit! Make your own model fossils, excavate one of them, and even document a REAL fossil! Each Kit comes with a collectible pin, colorful and engaging activity book for the learner complete with activity instructions, career connections, space to record their findings, activity pages, and more. The Ohio Library Council has joined forces with the Center of Science and Industry (COSI) to provide these STEAM learning opportunities. Stop by the Youth Services Department at any branch to pick up a kit. Supplies are limited and will be given out on a first-come-first-served basis. **Recommended grades: 2-6.**

COVENTRY

Garden Gatherings

Thurs, 4 p.m.

Join us in the Coventry PEACE Park every other Thursday for hands-on learning experiences up in the garden and down in the dirt. Wear clothing that can get messy! Weather permitting. **Ages 4 to 11.**

Sept 1: Learn about changing seasons and build your own weather station.

Sept 15: Turn apples into delicious, spiced treats.

Sept 29: Learn about the life cycles of trees and make art with fallen leaves.

Oct 13: Learn about the parts of the pumpkin and harvest our pumpkin patch.

Oct 27: Learn about bulbs and plant our spring garden for next year.

Hoop and Hang

Thurs, Sept 8 & 22, Oct 6 & 20 4 p.m.

Drop by the Coventry PEACE Park lower parking lot for snacks, a safe place to hang, and a little basketball. Hoop and Hang will be held every other Thurs through the end of Oct. Weather permitting **Ages 8 to 18.**

Life-Size Scrabble

Mon, Sept 26, 6:30 p.m.

Do you like ordinary, small Scrabble? Then you will love playing our life-size, giant Scrabble! Join us in the Coventry PEACE Park to practice your spelling skills in a big way. Weather permitting. **Ages 6 to 11.**

Circuit Night

Mon, Oct 10, 7 p.m.

Have you ever wondered how electricity works? Stop by and have your own light-bulb moment through hands-on experiments with our kid-safe circuit boards. Adult supervision required. **Ages 5 to 11.**

Harvest Fest

Saturday, Oct 22, 1 p.m.

Bring the whole family to the Coventry PEACE Park for an afternoon of fall fun! Enjoy crafts, games, sweet and spiced treats, spooky storytelling, and more! Weather permitting.

Glow in the Dark Party

Thurs, Nov 10, 6:30

The night time is the right time! Celebrate the end of daylight savings and an extra hour of night time with a glow in the dark party. Try out glow in the dark bowling, tic tac toe, and other games.

LEE

After School Homework Help

Starting late September, afterschool homework help will be offered in partnership with Cleveland State University's America Reads tutoring services and Case's Center for Civic Engagement & Learning. Tutoring in Math, Science, History, and Language Arts will be available to learners in **grades K-8**. Hours and availability vary Mon-Thurs. Contact the Lee Road Branch for available times, (216) 932-3600.

Maker Workshop: Grandparents' Day Collage Craft-Together

Tues, Sept 6, 6 p.m.

Looking for a fun activity to do with your grandparents

Programs for Children

LAF: Library Afterschool Fun at Lee

Wed, 4 p.m.

Registration begins two weeks before each program date.
For Grades K-5

Sept 7: Candy Science

Who says science can't be sweet? We'll try fun and tasty experiments and activities.

Sept 14: Sidewalk Chalk Painting

Come join us for some creative outdoor fun! We'll be making homemade chalk paint and decorating our parking lot off Ormond Road with beautiful paintings. Chalk paint may stain clothing, so please dress for mess. Weather permitting.

Sept 21: Make it Like Mondrian

Channel the Dutch modern artist Piet Mondrian and create your own cubist masterpiece using tape and sponges. Explore lines and symmetry with your art or simply come and paint a piece as unique as you.

Sept 28: Apple Afternoon!

We'll have crafts, games, and books all about the glorious apple!

Oct 12: Mystery LAF

We might have a craft, we might play a game. Who knows what we'll do? Find out when you show up for Mystery LAF!

Oct 19: Mystery STEAM Stations

Calling all junior scientists to report to our fall STEAM stations! Join us for an hour of jam-packed science fun where the possibilities are endless. Marble roller coasters?

Hot air balloons? What will we do next?! There will be different activities to choose from to test your science and engineering skills so bring your best brain and let's have some fun!

Oct 26: Frankensteam

In Mary Shelley's legendary story, scientist Victor Frankenstein brings a monster to life. Step inside the laboratory with us to explore these powerful forces at work...art and electricity.

Nov 2: Hello Crafty

Celebrate Hello Kitty's birthday with crafts and activities.

Nov 9: Sharpie Tie-Dye Tile Coaster

We'll be making cool tie-dyed coasters with sharpies and rubbing alcohol.

Nov 16: Mystery STEAM Stations

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Nov 30: Tape-a-Palooza

Get the tape out! What can you make with tape—Scotch tape, masking tape, painter's tape, duct tape, washi tape? Could it be a new wallet? A hair bow? A ball? A pair of shoes or maybe some wall art or a gift for someone special. Come get wrapped up in a project.

or favorite adult for Grandparents' Day? Join us as we use Canva and craft supplies to create mixed media collages to print and take home with you. Bring your favorite digital family photos on a flash drive or other storage device to add a personal touch to your creations.

Afterschool STEAM

Mon, 4 p.m.

Join us in the HKIC's new STEAM Lab for fun and educational programs.

Sept 12: Celebrate National Video Games Day by playing video games, both new and old!

Sept 26: It's Free Make! Use your imagination, ingenuity, and design skills to make whatever you want, using craft materials!

Oct 10: Get ready for spooky season by designing your own spooky and cool fridge magnets! We're using our 3D printer and 3D pens along with TinkerCAD to create magnets to

take home and stick on the refrigerator. Make an autumn leaf, creepy orange pumpkin, spine-chilling ghost! Designs that are modeled and 3D printed may not finish printing during the workshop and can be picked up at a later time.

Oct 24: It's Free Make! Use your imagination, ingenuity, and design skills to make whatever you want, using craft materials!

Nov 28: Are you ready for the Sphero Roll-Around? Stop by after school to explore coding with the Sphero robots, play a game of Sphero bowling, or navigate an obstacle course!

Tech for Kids Workshop

Sun 2 p.m.

Sept 18: Design a City in 3D

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to design your own world? Come learn about designing and modeling a world using 3D modeling software!

Registration begins Sept 4.

Oct 16: 3D Modeling and Printing

If you can imagine it, you can print it! Learn about the process of creating an object for printing. We're using TinkerCAD, an online 3D modeling program to design objects to print in our 3D printers. Projects created in class will be printed for pickup at a later date. **Best for ages 6-11. Registration begins Oct 2.**

Nov 13: Sphero Battle Bots!

Kids, bring your favorite adult as you design, create, and battle your own robots! Learn about the engineering and design processes to make sure your battle bot comes out on top! **Registration begins Oct 30.**

Dumpling Day Celebration

Mon, Sept 26, 1 p.m.

Do you love tasty dumplings and you just can't get enough? Come celebrate the beloved dumpling this International Dumpling Day with stories, activities, a craft, and a special feature, the Pixar short "Bao." **For families with children ages 5-10.**

Peter Potamus Sleepover Birthday Party

Fri, Sept 30, 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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DINovember

Tues, Nov 1, All Day Event

Look out! Mischievous dinosaurs are invading Heights Libraries all month long. Visit the Children's Department to see where they might be hiding, and maybe you'll catch some random acts of dinosaur.

NOBLE

Back to School Bash

Thurs, Sept 8, 6:00 p.m.

Join us on Thursday, September 8 at 6 pm for snacks, crafts, and games. Play for a chance to win cool back-to-school supplies. Visit the Noble Children's and Teen reference desks to learn about our exciting Fall programs and get registered before they fill up. Check out the Back to School selfie station, up all month long, and show off your favorite back to school looks.

Bike Bonanza

Wed, Sept 14, 3:30 p.m.

Get your ride ready to roll this Fall with educators from Bike Cleveland. Learn all about bike safety, tune-ups, tire changes, and route planning. **Registration begins Sept 1.**

Noble Naturalists: Neighborhood Stroll

Thurs, Sept 15, 6:00 p.m.

Take a gentle walk with us as we identify plants, animals, insects and other sights and sounds. We will meet at the library garden at 6:00 pm. The walking route is accessible to strollers and wheelchairs. **Registration required.**

Noble Naturalists: Family Hike

Sat, Oct 1, 11 a.m.

Join us at Forest Hill Park for a fun Fall saunter! Route is accessible to strollers and wheelchairs. **Registration required; Please register to receive more details.**

Be Internet Awesome: Youth Internet Safety and Digital Literacy

Wed, Oct 5, 3:30 p.m.

Join us as we cover the basics of Internet safety and digital citizenship through games, interactive activities, and take-home material to aid in preparing kids to live in an increasingly online world. Best for kids ages 8 and up. **Registration begins Sept 21.**

Turning Red Watch Party

Mon, Oct 24, 6 p.m.

Join us for a screening of Disney's Turning Red at the Noble Library. We will watch the movie together, while enjoying a snack and themed craft.

Noble Naturalists: Owl Night

Thurs, Oct 27, 6 p.m.

Help us wrap up Owl-tober with a night of owl discovery and artistry. Learn all about these majestic and mysterious creatures with a series of STEAM activities. **Registration required.**

Read with a Librarian

Tues, Nov 1-15, 5 p.m.

Thurs, Nov 3-17, 5 p.m.

Fri, Nov 4-18, 3:30 p.m.

Caregivers of **children grades K-5** are encouraged to sign their children up to practice reading out loud with a librarian trained in early literacy techniques. Bring your favorite books or choose from a selection hand-picked by our children's librarians. Individualized reading sessions are 20 minutes long and include a prize for participating. Please call the Noble Neighborhood Branch Children's Department at (216) 291-5665, ext. 1330 to make a reservation.

Programs for Children

Noble Picture Book Appreciation Society Presents: A Book "Tasting"

Mon, Nov 7, 6 p.m.

The Noble Picture Book Appreciation Society cordially invites you and your family to "taste test" some of our new and classic favorite picture books. Attendees will have a chance to sample several picture books and give a star rating. You can even write a short review of your favorites to share with other Noble readers. Light refreshments will be served.

Noble Picture Book Appreciation Society Presents: Picture Book Week

Mon - Mon, Nov 7 - 14, All Day Event

Stop by all week long for activities, crafts and recommendations all honoring picture books as an art form.

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

Sunday Game Day

Sun, Sept 4, Oct 2, Nov 13, 1 p.m.

Bring your family and friends and enjoy our selection of board games. **All ages are welcome** with adult supervision.

Culinary Cooking Kits

Fri, Sept 9, Oct 14, Nov 11, All Day

Attention all cooks and bakers! Culinary Creators is packing up and moving the party to your house. Stop by the University Hts. branch each month to pick up your very own culinary cooking kit complete with almost everything you need to make a meal for 2 or a sample for more.

Registration begins Sept 2. Ages 7 and up.

Sphero Science Challenge

Mon, Sept 19, 6 p.m.

Do you enjoy solving challenges? Do you like playing with robots? Then we have a program for you! Join us Sept 19th for a fun robot challenge. **Registration begins Sept. 5. Ages 7 and up.**

Colored Salt Art Jars Craft

Tues, Sept 20, 6:30 p.m.

Create beautiful colorful salt art jars at the library. These colorful pieces of artwork will brighten up any windowsill or desk. **For children ages 6-11. Registration begins Tuesday Sept 6th.**

Scrappy Gardening Take and Make Kit

Wed, Sept 21, All Day

We are not done growing at the library yet! Did you know you can grow food from food scraps? Stop by the library for a kit that provides you with everything you need to start your own scrappy garden. Your kit will contain a head of lettuce, green onions, bean sprouts. This program is designed for **children ages 6-12** but is also available for families with small children as well. **Registration begins Sept 7.**

Oktoberfest

Mon, Oct 3, 4 p.m.

Celebrate Oktoberfest with games, snacks, crafts and more. Prost!

Popcorn Take and Make Mystery Bag

Tues, Oct 4 - 25, All Day

It's popcorn time! Each Tuesday we will be offering a different popcorn themed bag. It might be a science demonstration, it might be a math demonstration, or it might just be plain old fun. You won't know what will pop up in your bag each week. **Registration begins Sept 20.**

Harry Potter Baking Challenge

Fri, Oct 14, All Day

Attention, Harry Potter Fans and bakers! Do you have the skills to make Luna Lovegood's glasses cookies? Pick up everything you need to complete this challenge and send us a picture so we can see your magical creation. **Registration begins Oct 1. Ages 7 and up.**

Cozy Candle Making

Thurs, Nov. 10, 6 pm

Make this fall a little cozier with a beautiful candle that you made yourself. Join us on November 10th as we get creative using different herbs, scents, and dried fruit to make a candle that can brighten up your winter. **Age 7 and up. Registration begins Oct 27.**

DIY Lip Balm Kits

Fri, Nov. 18, All Day

Pucker up! Make your own flavored lip balm with these DIY kits. All supplies included. Kosher flavoring. **Age 7 and up. Registration begins Nov 4.**

COVENTRY

Hoop and Hang

Thurs, Sept 8 & 22, Oct 6 & 20, 4 p.m.

Drop by the Coventry PEACE park lower parking lot for snacks, a safe place to hang, and a little basketball. **Weather permitting Ages 8 to 18.**

Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

Mon, Nov 14, 7 p.m.

Have you ever wanted to contribute to the world's largest free source of information? We will help you create a Wikipedia account and show you how to make edits. Soon you will be adding your research skills to this amazing resource.

LEE

Programs are for ages 13 – 18

Welcome Back Party

Thurs, Sept 1, 3:30 p.m.

Summer is over but don't let the back-to-school blues hit you. Join us for music, activities, and a chance to kick back and relax to enjoy what's left of the summer.

Virtual Reality at the Library!

Thurs, Sept 1, 6 p.m.

Tues, Nov 8, 6 p.m.

Take our new Oculus headsets for a spin in the HKIC! We'll be demonstrating experiences, playing games, and answering questions about the uses and future of virtual reality. Participants must be over the age of 13 and sign (or have a parent/guardian sign) a waiver to use the headsets. First come, first served. **Registration encouraged, but not required.**

Teen Spot

Mon-Fri, Sept 2 - Nov 30, 3 p.m.

Join us in the Teen Room every weekday after school to watch movies, participate in fun activities, or just hang out with friends!

Teen Gaming Mondays

Mon, Sept 12 - Nov 28, 3:30 p.m.

Get your game on every Monday in the Teen Room after school on our PS4 or Switch.

Blind Date with a Book

Thurs, Sept 8, 3:30 p.m.

Take yourself out on a blind date—with a book! Stop by the teen room to pick up a new book to read—without ever

seeing the title! We all know how easy it is to judge a book by its cover... but not this time!

Mystery Spot

Thurs, Sept 15 & 22, 3:30 p.m.

What are we doing? Is it a craft? Or maybe it's a game? Well, we aren't going to tell you. It's a mystery after all. Come join us in the Spot to find out.

Escape the Spot

Thurs, Sept 29, 4 p.m.

Are you a detective in the making? Great with puzzles and problem solving? The Spot is hosting an Escape Room! Put your skills to the test and be crowned the ultimate Spot Escape Artist.

VOICE

Mon, Oct 3 & Nov 7, 4 p.m.

Want to be the next American Idol? Always wondered what it would be like to be in a recording studio? Sing along to your favorite track in our sound booth in the HKIC and make a recording. Then take it home to share with your friends and family! **Registration is required and begins Sept. 19. Ages 10-18.**

Library Clue!

Thurs, Oct 6, 3:30 p.m.

A heinous crime has been committed in the Library!! Will you be able to track down all the clues and crack the case? Come find out and put your detective skills to the test at our very own Clue-style Mystery event.

Scoob Fest

Fri, Oct 7, 3:30 p.m.

Zoinks! Join the ghosts and monsters at the Library and solve the case, enjoy some Scooby Snacks, and watch an episode or two of everyone's favorite mystery-solving dog. **Ages 11-17.**

Zine Time

Thurs, Oct 13, 4 p.m.



Self-publish a magazine with a twist! Design and create a zine of brilliance and print with Lake Erie Ink.

Cosplay Costume Workshop

Thurs, Oct 20, 3:30 p.m.

Join us to work on all your cosplay and costume creations! Finish up those final details on your perfect costume or come be inspired to create something new - just in time to debut them at our Spooky Fest on Oct 27, and at all of your spooky celebrations!

Programs for Teens

Spooky Fest

Thurs, Oct 27, 3:30 p.m.

Spooky season is here which means it's time to dim the lights, watch a spooky movie, enjoy some spooky crafts, and have a spooky ole time in the Spot. Come dressed as your favorite book character for a special treat!

The Ultimate Marvel Cinematic Universe Trivia

Thurs, Nov 3, 3:30 p.m.

Calling all Marvel Cinematic Universe fans! The Spot will be hosting an MCU trivia afternoon where the winner takes it all (and by all we mean a super cool MCU themed prize!). This is for fans, old and new, that want to test their MCU knowledge and earn the title as the Spot MCU expert!

NaNoWriMo Write In

Thurs, Nov 10, 3:30 p.m.

Join us in the Teen room to celebrate NaNoWriMo! Share your progress and ideas with other writers, work on your projects, and keep those creative ideas flowing!

Find Your Zen

Thurs, Nov 17, 3:30 p.m.

It's time to decompress and take a moment to just be still and chill out. There will be calming music and other stress-free activities to help slow down your thoughts and find your inner Zen.

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Programs are for grades 6 - 12

Teen Afterschool Zone

Mon-Fri, Sept 1 - Nov 30, 3:30 p.m.

Drop by every weekday afternoon from 3:30-5:30 to hang out with your friends, play games and have fun!

Back to School Bash

Thursday, Sept 8, 6 p.m.

Join us on Thursday, for snacks, crafts, and games. Play for a chance to win cool back-to-school supplies! Visit the Noble Children's and Teen reference desks to learn about our exciting Fall programs and get registered before they fill up. Check out the Back to School selfie station, up all month long, and show off your favorite back to school looks.

Yoga for Teens

Thurs, Sept 15 - Oct 20, 6 p.m.

Dianne Williams, certified Yoga instructor and owner of Big Zen, Little Zen, will lead teens in a 6-week yoga and mindfulness journey. Yoga mats and journals will be provided. **Registration begins Sept 1.**

It's My Business

Tues, Sept 20 - Oct 25, 4 p.m.

Have you ever thought about starting your own business? Learn what it takes to be an entrepreneur, practice design thinking, and experience the first steps of starting a business in this 6-week series. This program is presented in partnership with Junior Achievement of Greater Cleveland. **Registration begins Sept 5.**

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Culinary Cooking Kits

Fri, Sept 9, Oct 14, Nov 11, All Day

Attention all cooks and bakers! Pick up your very own culinary cooking kit complete with almost everything you need to make a meal for 2 or a sample for more. **Registration begins Sept 2. Ages 7 and up.**

Sphero Science Challenge

Mon, Sept 19, 6 p.m.

Do you enjoy solving challenges? Do you like playing with robots? Join us September 19th for a fun robot challenge. **Registration begins Sept. 5. Ages 7 and up.**

Zombie Barbie Makeunders

Thurs, Oct 13, 4pm

Zombify your old dolls with paint, glue, scissors, and more. It's time to give Barbie the ultimate make-under. Six feet to be exact! BYO Barbie or use some of our old ones.

Harry Potter Baking Challenge

Fri, Oct 14, All Day

Attention, Harry Potter fans and bakers! Do you have the skills to make Luna Lovegood's glasses cookies? Pick up everything you need to complete this challenge and send us a picture so we can see your magical creation. **Registration begins Oct. 1. Ages 7 and up.**

Cozy Candle Making

Thurs, Nov. 10, 6 pm

Make this fall a little cozier with a beautiful candle that you made yourself. Join us on November 10th as we get creative using different herbs, scents, and dried fruit to make a candle that can brighten up your winter. **Age 7 and up. Registration begins Oct. 27.**

DIY Lip Balm Kits

Fri, Nov. 18, All Day

Pucker up! Make your own flavored lip balm with these DIY kits. All supplies included. Kosher flavoring. **Age 7 and up. Registration begins Nov 4.**

COVENTRY

Basic Introduction to American Sign Language

Sat, Oct 1 - Nov 12, 1 p.m.

Learn the basics in communicating in American Sign Language. Refresh and build upon your skills in the use of American Sign Language.

Deaf Culture Film Night

Mon, Nov 7, 7 p.m.

Deaf and hearing audiences alike will learn something new during this film series. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Deaf Gathering

Mon, Sept 26, Oct 24, Nov 28, 6:30 p.m.

Are you Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing? Are you interested in learning more about Deaf Culture? Come gather for this open social hour. An interpreter will be provided.

Intermediate American Sign Language Class

Sat, Oct 1 - Nov 12, 2:30 p.m.

Description: Go beyond the basics of American Sign Language, with an emphasis on conversational skills and using classifiers.

Coventry Village Author Series

Thurs, 7 p.m.

Northeast Ohio is home to incredible authors. Join us, with partner Mac's Backs on Coventry, for three evenings of engaging author events. Check out our website for October and November authors.

Sept 1: W. Dennis Keating

W. Dennis Keating presents his newest book, *Cleveland and the Civil War*, a detailed account of the active role the city played in national events before, during and after the Civil War. Emeritus Professor Keating is the past president of the Cleveland Civil War Roundtable. Book signing to follow.

Registration required.

Heartfulness Meditation with Christine Valadon

Tues, Sept 20 - Nov 29, 6 p.m.

The physical and mental benefits of meditation are significant and well documented. Christine Valadon will present a weekly Heartfulness meditation, in-person once again, a simple, effective form of meditation focused on opening the heart and practiced in over 120 countries around the world.

Origami with Adam

Sat, Nov 12, 11:30 a.m.

Experience the ancient art of Origami. Adam Brumma will

guide us through the art of Japanese paper folding with a workshop suitable for all skill levels.



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Heights Art Lectures:

From the Sublime to the Uncanny (plus Mummies!)

Thurs, 7 p.m.

Meeting ID: 823 648 5349

Passcode: 691353

Sept 1: Looking at Silence: the Uncanny Work of Hammershoi

The homes in artist Vilhelm Hammershoi's paintings are anything but homely. Explore the beautiful, haunting, and mysterious images of this Danish artist, including "Strandgade, Sunshine," featured in the Cleveland Museum of Art's upcoming exhibition "Impressionism to Modernism: The Keithley Collection."

Oct 6: Mummies! The Art of Death in Ancient Egypt

Just in time for Halloween, learn the true fascinating, complex, and sometimes strange history of Egyptian mummies, from the earliest burial practices to posthumous misadventures in 19th century Europe. **Appropriate for ages 12 to 120.**

1619 Project Discussion

Thurs, 7 p.m.

For the upcoming discussion, we are continuing our chapter-by-chapter reading of *The 1619 Project: A New Origin Story*, edited by Nikole Hannah-Jones.

Sept 8: Race, Medicine and Health Care

Oct 13: Slavery, Police, and Self-Defense

Nov 10: Race, Politics, and Progress

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Lee Road Knitting Night

Tues, Sept 13 & 27, Oct 11, Nov 8 & 22 6:30 p.m.

Come and learn how to knit or work on a project! Experienced knitters, newcomers, and crocheters are welcome. Please bring your own needles and yarn.

Take-and-Make a Surprise Kit

Sat, Sept 3, Oct 1, Nov 5, All Day

Looking for an arts and crafts project to do at home, but not sure what you want? Stop by and pick up a mystery activity! Kits will be available at the Lee Road branch the first Saturday of each month, while supplies last. Registration begins two weeks before each date

Jane Austen Deep-Dive Book Club: Mansfield Park

Mon, 7 p.m.

Join our three-part series: a deep dive into Jane Austen's third published novel, *Mansfield Park*. Originally published in three volumes, we will devote each meeting to one volume. Come for the discussion; leave with a deeper understanding of the genius of Jane Austen.

Sept 12: Volume 1: Chapters 1 – 18

Sept 26: Volume 2: Chapters 19 – 31

Oct 10: Volume 3: Chapters 32 – 48

Financial Wellness Series

Tues, 7 p.m.

Join us this fall for a series of financial workshops presented by ESOP, a subsidiary of Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging. No registration required. Maximum 25 attendees per workshop.

Sept 13: Recognizing Scams, Frauds and Financial Exploitation

Oct 25: Estate Planning and Preparing for the Future

Nov 22: Understanding Credit and Debt

Pioneers of Science Fiction

Thurs, 7 p.m.

Exploring the works of authors who pushed the genre forward.

Sept 15: Neuromancer by William Gibson

Oct 20: Ancillary Justice by Ann Leckie

Nov 17: Childhood's End by Arthur C. Clarke

Medicare 101

Mon, Sept 19, 7 p.m.

Are you turning 65? Are you retiring? Do you know how to enroll in Medicare? Do you understand your Medicare plan options? To answer these questions and more, please join

Marcy Rosenthal, a licensed Medicare insurance consultant, for an educational "Medicare 101".

Health and Wellness Book Club

Tues, 7 p.m.

Join us each month as we explore a variety of health and wellness topics.

Sept 20: Inheritance, by Dani Shapiro

Oct 18: The Five invitations, by Frank Ostaseski

Nov 15: Atomic Habits, by James Clear

Aging with a Plan: How a Little Thought Today can Improve your Tomorrow

Wed, Sept 21, 7 p.m.

We will discuss the book *Aging with a Plan: How a Little Thought Today can Improve your Tomorrow* by Sharona Hoffman. The book is "...a concise and comprehensive resource for people who are middle-aged and beyond and are facing the prospects of their own aging and of caring for elderly relatives—an often overwhelming task for which little in life prepares us."

Books Unite Us: Censorship and You Panel

Thurs, Sept 22, 5:30 p.m.

Book challenges are on the rise around the U.S. and here in Ohio, and they often target youth literature reflecting diverse identities and experiences. What can parents, educators, community members, and families do to support inclusion and access to diverse materials? Build your advocacy toolkit with Heights Libraries as we welcome local panelists from the ACLU of Ohio, the LGBT Community Center, and Colors + Youth. Strengthen your skills and become an advocate for diverse voices and inclusion in your community. **Registration is encouraged and begins September 8. Recommended for adults and teens.**

The Silent Natural

Sat, Sept 24, 1pm

Celebrate the start of Deaf Awareness Week as we partner with Cleveland Hearing & Speech Center's Community Center for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing to present the film, "The Silent Natural." This inspirational story tells of the trials and tribulations of Dummy Hoy, the first deaf Major League Baseball star. Learn where the hand signals in baseball came from, and the history of one of the greatest players of his time. Dummy Hoy didn't just break records, he made them. Records that still stand in baseball today.

Z's Tea: Introductions to Teas

Sun, Sept 25, 2 p.m. on Zoom

Join us on Zoom for exploration of teas. In this session we will cover:

What distinguishes the different types of tea? How can I distinguish quality and why is that important? How should I store tea? What equipment is best for serving tea? A raffle prize will be given to one lucky attendee.

Greater Cleveland Food Bank Drive-Through Mobile Pantry

Mon, Sept 26, Oct 24, Nov 28, 5 p.m.

FREE fresh produce drive-through pick up at the Lee Road Branch for families and individuals in need. Must be 18 years or older. Please bring photo ID and make sure your car trunk is clean. First come first served. Line starts on Ormond Ave. Rain or shine. For questions contact Community Engagement Associate, 216-932-3600 x1250.

Local History Program

Restoration Cleveland: Mid-Century Homes

Wed, Oct 12, 7 p.m.

This program will explore Mid-Century Modern and more recent historic housing types of the 1950s, 60s and 70s, placing them in historic context, examining character-defining features and addressing how to make improvements and repairs specific to these homes.

Prose + Poetry

Oct, 16, 2 p.m.

Inspired by the Favorite Poem Project, please join us for an afternoon of prose and poetry reading in the lobby: Participants will read a favorite poem or short prose piece and share why it is meaningful to them. **Registration is required for readers only, and begins Oct 2.**

Writer's Workshops with Literary Cleveland

Tues, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 20: Developing the Writing Habit

Oct 18: Introduction to Creative Nonfiction Writing

Nov 1: Introduction to Poetry Writing

Nov 15: How to Publish Your Writing

Knit, Purl, Read

Tues, Oct 25, 6:30 p.m.

The Heights Matchmakers meets the Lee Road Knitting Night for an evening of knitting and book talk. Experienced knitters, newcomers, and crocheters are welcome. The Matchmakers team will present short book talks and provide copies of our suggested books. Please bring your own needles, yarn, and your library card so you can check out some new reads!

Resume Workshop

Thurs, Oct 27, 7 p.m.

Transform your resume into a powerful tool that will get

you interviews! This workshop will help you create or update a powerful and polished resume and cover letter using Microsoft Word. If you have an existing resume or cover letter please bring it to class. **Registration begins Oct 13.**

Maker Workshop: 3D Printing and Modeling Basics

Tues, Nov 1, 6 p.m.

This hands-on, introductory workshop covers the basics of simple modeling in TinkerCAD and preparing designs to be sent to a 3D printer! No previous 3D printing experience is required. Projects completed in class will be printed and ready for pickup at a later date. **Registration begins Oct 18.**

Online Graphic Design Alternatives

Tues, Nov 15, 6:30 p.m.

If you're interested in pursuing graphic design, trying free online programs might be a great place to start! Join us to learn the basics of websites like Canva, Pixlr, and Vectr, and start designing today! **Registration begins Nov 1.**

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ASPIRE ESOL Classes

Tues, Weds, Thurs, Sept - Nov, 9:30 a.m.

Formal English Language lessons for non-English speakers provided through Cuyahoga Community College. Classes are held three days a week, and are available at all levels, from beginners to advanced speakers. Students must register for the classes at Tri-C ASPIRE websites or by calling the Delisle Operations Center at (216) 371-7138. Classes follow the Tri-C Calendar.

US Citizenship Classes

Sun, Sept. 4 - Nov. 27, 1 p.m.

A free class to help anyone seeking to earn citizenship to the United States. No registration required. Walk-ins welcomed.

Noble Needles Knitting Circle

Thurs, Sept 8 & 22, Oct 6 & 20, Nov 3 & 17, 6:30 p.m.

Come and knit with the Noble Knitters. Bring a current project to work on, or bring a ball of worsted yarn and size 8 or 9 needles to learn.

Noble Plant Swap

Thurs, Sept 8, 1 p.m.

Sat, Sept 10, 1 p.m.

Before fall arrives, grab some more plants for your house or garden at the second Noble Plant Swap. Cuttings of houseplants, herbs, and flowers are all welcome, rooted or not, and we'll have supplies on hand to make cuttings day-of. Even if you don't have a plant to bring, you're welcome to

Programs for Adults

come take one home! In the event of inclement weather, this event will be held inside.

Green Noble Discussion and Action Group

Sun, Sept 11, Oct 9, Nov 13, at 3 p.m.

Come join Green Noble as we discuss various topics on gardening, environmental issues, community building, and other green initiatives going on in the Noble neighborhood. No registration required.

Banned Book Trivia Night

Tues, Sept 20, 7 p.m.

In celebration of Banned Book week, come compete with your friends and learn why books have been censored, banned, burned, and otherwise detested. Check online event for location info. **Registration begins Sept 6.**

Customers of all ages can enjoy these events at the Noble Branch!

Freedom to Read Giveaway

Sun-Sat, Sept 18-24, All Day

Visitors can celebrate Banned Book Week by submitting entries to win one of two banned books-themed gift baskets. Each basket will include a \$25 Mac's Backs gift card along with other themed items. (One entry slip per person per day; winners will be contacted the week of Sept. 25.)

Tiny Art Take-and-Make (and Return)

Mon-Fri, Sept 26-Oct 14, All Day

Create a mini masterpiece to display at Noble's Tiny Art Show! Stop by the Noble Neighborhood Branch to pick up a miniature canvas and paint supplies, then let your imagination run wild. Return your masterpiece by Fri, Oct 14, to have it displayed in our gallery. Don't worry—your tiny canvas will be handled with care and returned to you once the show is over. All ages are encouraged to participate.

Tiny Art Opening

Tues, Oct 18, 6 p.m.

Enjoy an art-filled evening as our Tiny Art Show Opens to the public! Refreshments will be served. All ages are welcome to attend. Art will remain on display at the library through Oct 31. Tiny Art Show creators may pick up their canvases starting Nov 1.

Craft-ober Take and Make

Sat, Oct 1, All Day

Get into the spooky spirit and add an extra touch of haunted to your house with this seasonal craft kit! Kits will be available at the Noble branch starting Oct. 1.

Beginning the Caregiving Journey

Mon, Oct 3, 6 p.m.

Looking after a loved one can be overwhelming, but you don't need to go through it alone. In this program, a community liaison from McGregor will provide information and resources for your caregiving journey. This program focuses on caring for older adults, but will also discuss older adult who are caring for young children.

Write-In Night at Noble

Tues, Nov 1, 5 p.m.

Join your fellow wordsmiths for a Write-In at the library. Novel or business plan, paper or journal entry: whatever you're working on, we'll have snacks and solidarity to support your writing goal!

Writers' Support Kit Take-and-Make

Tues, Nov 1, All Day

Need a fresh start for your writing habit this month? Start off "write" with a Writers' Support kit! We'll provide notebooks, pens, and other provisions. While supplies last.

Star Ingredient: Holiday Edition Take-and-Make Kit

Tues, Nov. 1, All Day

As the weather gets cold, warm up your kitchen with a Star Ingredient: Holiday Edition kit! Stop by the Noble branch on the first of the month to pick up a kit, while supplies last. Every kit will feature a new ingredient for you to bake or cook with, along with some recipe suggestions to use if you choose. After you've made your dish, let us know how it turned out!

Noble Picture Book Appreciation Society Presents: Why Adults Should Read Children's Picture Books with Dr. Cara Byrne

Mon, Nov. 14, 6 p.m.

Picture books are not just for children; adults can enjoy them, too! Join us as Dr. Cara Byrne, full-time lecturer in English at Case Western Reserve University, guides us through the diversity, delights, and depth of children's picture books. Refreshments will be served.

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Tai Chi/Qigong Classes

Fri, Sept 2 - 30, 10 a.m.

Sat, Sept 3 - Oct 1, 10 a.m.

Instructor-led Tai Chi/Qigong classes. Temporarily relocated to the University Heights Branch during Coventry Branch construction.

Sunday Game Day

Sun, Sept 4, Oct 2, Nov 13, 1 p.m.

Bring your family and friends and enjoy our selection of board games. **All ages are welcome** with adult supervision.

Take and Make Bonsai Starter Kit

Mon, Sept 12, 1 p.m.

Relax this fall with the Japanese art of bonsai care. Each kit contains everything you need to bring the joy of growing bonsai into your life. **Registration begins Sept 29.**

Oscar Winning Movies

Tues, 6 p.m.

Join us in viewing some of 2021's best movies.

Sept 20: West Side Story (2021, 156 minutes, PG-13)

An adaptation of the 1957 musical, West Side Story explores forbidden love and the rivalry between the Jets and the Sharks, two teenage street gangs of different ethnic backgrounds. Ariana DeBose won best supporting actress in this film for her portrayal of Anita.

Oct 18: Belfast (2021, 97 minutes, PG-13)

It is 1969 and nine-year-old Buddy finds his peaceful life disturbed as a national conflict is starting to brew in Northern Ireland between unionists and loyalists. As the tension between these two opposing forces escalates, he and his family must decide whether to stay, or move somewhere safe. This film won Best Original Screenplay.

Nov 15: Cruella (2021, 134 min, PG-13)

Set during the 1970s punk rock revolution in London, Disney's Cruella is a live-action feature film about the rebellious early days of one of cinema's most notorious – and notoriously fashionable – villains, the legendary Cruella de Vil. Cruella won the Oscar for Best Costume Design.

Mulled Apple Cider Kits

Fri, Oct 21, All Day

The weather is getting cooler, so warm up with a mulled apple cider kit! This kit contains everything you need to make and enjoy a delicious drink - a small jug of cider, spices, and a mug. Just heat everything up on the stove, and you'll be ready to cozy up with a spooky book or movie! **Registration is required and begins on Fri, Oct 7.**

Fall Centerpiece Kits

Fri, Nov 11, All Day

Entertaining this fall or looking for the perfect hostess gift? This kit will contain everything you need to give your dining table some pizzazz this fall and beyond! **Registration is required and begins on Fri, Oct 28.**

DRIVE-THROUGH MOBILE PANTRY NOW AT THE LEE RD BRANCH



**Greater Cleveland
Food Bank**



5-7 pm, Sept 26, Oct 24, Nov 28

FREE fresh produce drive-through pick up at the Lee Road Branch for families and individuals in need. Must be 18 years or older. Please bring a photo ID and make sure your car trunk is clean. First come, first served. Rain or shine.

For questions call 216-932-3600 x 1250.

**Free Fresh
PRODUCE**

Registration begins two weeks before the class date and is required for all computer classes. Classes that have part 1, 2, 3, etc. are available for registration two weeks before the first class. Call (216) 932-3600 or visit events.heightslibrary.org.

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Computer Basics

Computer Basics 1 - Using the Mouse

Thurs, Sept 8, 2 p.m.; Tues, Sept 27, 2 p.m.

Computer Basics 2 - Intro to Computers

Thurs, Sept 15, 2 p.m.; Tues, Oct 4, 2 p.m.

Computer Basics 3 - Windows

Thurs, Sept 22, 2 p.m.; Tues, Oct 11, 2 p.m.

Computer Basics 4 - Using the Intranet

Thurs, Sept 29, 2 p.m.; Tues, Oct 18, 2 p.m.

Computer Basics 5 - Internet Access

Thurs, Oct 6, 2 p.m.; Tues, Oct 25, 2 p.m.

Computer Basics 6 - Downloading & Uploading

Thurs, Oct 13, 2 p.m.; Tues, Nov 1, 2 p.m.

Computer Basics 7 - Web Searching

Thurs, Oct 20, 2 p.m.; Tues, Nov 8, 2 p.m.

Computer Basics 8 - Internet Safety Basics

Thurs, Oct 27, 2 p.m.; Tues, Nov 15, 2 p.m.

Email Beyond the Basics

Thurs, Nov 3, 2 p.m. & Thurs, Nov 17, 7 p.m.

Operating System Basics

Windows Basics 1

Thurs, Nov 3, 7 p.m.

Windows Basics 2

Thurs, Nov 10, 7 p.m.

Mac Basics 1 (Virtual Class)

Wed, Nov 9, 7 p.m.

Mac Basics 2 (Virtual Class)

Wed, Nov 16, 7 p.m.

Word

Word 1

Mon, Oct 10, 7 p.m.

Word 2

Mon, Oct 17, 7 p.m.

Word 3

Mon, Oct 24, 7 p.m.

Word 4 - Graphics

Mon, Oct 31, 7 p.m.

Word 5 - Tables

Mon, Nov 7, 7 p.m.

Word 6 - Labels

Mon, Nov 14, 7 p.m.

Excel

Excel Part 1

Wed, Sept 7, 7 p.m.

Excel Part 2

Wed, Sept 14, 7 p.m.

Excel Part 3

Wed, Sept 21, 7 p.m.

Excel Part 4 - Simple Budgets

Wed, Sept 28, 7 p.m.

Excel Part 5 - Chart & Graphs

Wed, Oct 5, 7 p.m.

Excel Part 6 - Formulas

Wed, Oct 12, 7 p.m.

Excel Part 7 - Pivot Tables

Wed, Oct 19, 7 p.m.

PowerPoint

PowerPoint 1

Tues, Sept 13, 7 p.m.

PowerPoint 2

Tues, Sept 20, 7 p.m.

PowerPoint 3

Tues, Sept 27, 7 p.m.

PowerPoint 4 - Creating Effective PowerPoints

Tues, Oct 4, 7 p.m.

Websites

HTML Coding Basics Part 1

Tues, Oct 18, 6 p.m.

HTML Coding Basics Part 2

Tues, Oct 25, 6 p.m.

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Computer Basics Part 1 - Using the Mouse

Wed, Sept 21, 1 p.m.

Computer Basics Part 2 - Intro to Computers

Wed, Sept 28, 1 p.m.

Computer Basics Part 3 - Windows

Wed, Oct 5, 1 p.m.

Computer Basics Part 4 - Using the Internet

Wed, Oct 12, 1 p.m.

Computer Basics Part 5 - Internet Access

Wed, Oct 19, 1 p.m.

Computer Basics Part 6 - Uploading and Downloading

Wed, Oct 26, 1 p.m.

Computer Basics Part 7 - Web Searching

Wed, Nov 2, 1 p.m.

Computer Basics Part 8 - Computer & Internet Safety

Wed, Nov 9, 1 p.m.

TechKnowledge

MONTHLY TECHNOLOGY NEWSLETTER

What's new in tech this month? Keep up with all of Heights Libraries' technology-related resources and activities, straight to your inbox!



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DIGITAL LITERACY

Northstar Digital Literacy defines and tests the basic computer skills necessary for daily life, employment, and higher education. Online, self-guided assessments assess your ability to navigate the internet, use Microsoft Office, search for information online and more! Heights Libraries is a Northstar testing location. Contact testproctor@heightslibrary.org or (216) 932-3600 ext. 1297 to set up a proctoring appointment to earn a certificate! Virtual and in-person appointments are available.

Heights Libraries Annual Report 2021

Dear Cleveland Heights-University Heights Community,

The term “roller coaster” has been overused to describe the COVID years, but we are hard-pressed to find a better one when we look for words to describe 2021 at Heights Libraries.

January of 2021 found our buildings shut down again, after a bumpy, yet cautiously optimistic, ride in 2020. What followed was a similarly wild ride: a return to limited service, then a return to full service (with the addition of full masking), followed by a dizzying about-face to curbside-only services as infections rose again in December of 2021.

It's enough to make a person lose hope. But we didn't lose hope. Instead, we got busy looking for new ways to serve our customers and stay connected to them when they needed us.

The number of Zoom programs we held increased in both quantity and quality, as live storytimes, book talks, cultural discussions, computer classes, and even knitting programs went online.

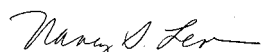
Our book recommendations went online, too, with a new service called Match Me Up, which ensured that customers could still reach our Matchmakers when the buildings were closed.

We held as many outdoor programs as we could, weather and shelter permitting, and discovered that our customers loved it, from the little ones at storytimes in local parks to adults at sunset author talks. The outdoor setting also brought new customers, as passersby wandered over to see what was happening and decided to stay.

We continued to offer curbside pick-up after our buildings reopened, and increased our at-home delivery services, as COVID hit our most vulnerable customers. And we became a distribution site for free COVID tests from the state of Ohio, handing out a whopping 7,150 tests to customers in need.

Through it all, we never forgot the reason we're here: You, our community. Without the Cleveland Heights-University Heights community, there would be no Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library. So many of you wrote, called, and told us in person that you were grateful we continued to offer our services. You dropped off cookies, cakes, and cards. Best of all, you smiled behind your mask and said, “I'm so happy to be here.”

We would like thank you all for your continued support of Heights Libraries. Here's hoping for a smoother ride in 2022! But if it's bumpy, we know we'll get through it together.



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Director, Heights Libraries



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2021 Strategic Plan Highlights

Heights Libraries has a strategic plan that guides our work and reinforces our values. This is a sampling of how staff met current strategic plan goals in 2021. For a complete overview of our strategic plan, past and present, visit heightslibrary.org/locations/heights-libraries-board/strategic-plan.

Foster diversity, equity, and inclusion

- The 1619 Project program series had another active year, with 12 discussions (containing 243 participants), 24 video interviews and 6 bibliographies produced.
- The Bhutanese Community of Greater Cleveland moved into new office space at the Noble Neighborhood Branch.

Seek opportunities to promote an environment of safety and security for the community

- Accessibility audits were conducted at the Lee Road and Coventry Village Branches, in conjunction with MAHO (Maximum Accessible Housing of Ohio). Both locations have taken steps to increase accessibility, including adding touchless access doors and furniture rearrangement.
- The Lee Road Branch continued to provide contactless Food Pantry services in conjunction with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank once a month.



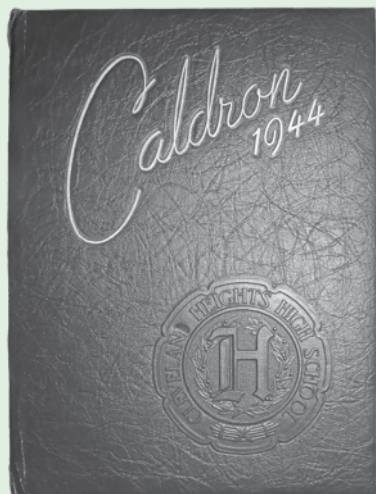
Be proactive in facilitating communication and be a bridge builder for community concerns

- The Dementia Friendly Task Force assembled Memory Kits for circulation, partnered on a large grant, and offered training to the community in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association.
- The Coventry Village Branch partnered with the Cleveland Heights Green Team and hosted the first annual EcoFair in the PEACE park.

Be a bedrock for community workforce development

- The Teen Career section at Lee was created.
- The Continuing Education Department resumed their Job Essentials program series, in addition to the Virtual Reference Review service.

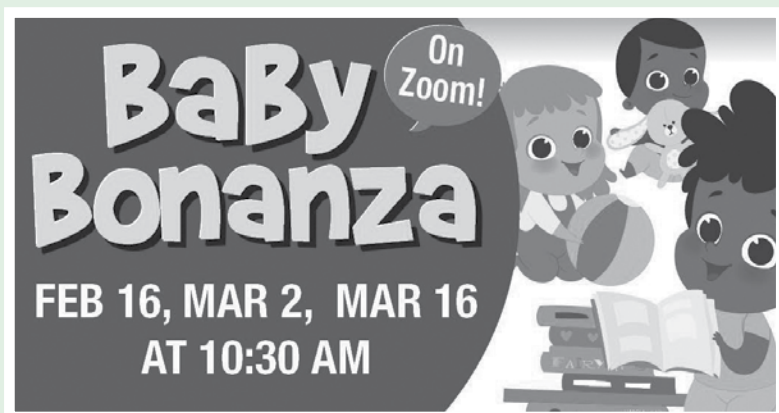
New and Adapted Services in 2021



LOCAL HISTORY ROOM

The new Local History Room opened in October. Located on Lee Road's second floor, it contains the Library's local history reference book collection, City Directories, Heights High yearbooks and alumni directories, Sun Press and Cleveland Press microfilm, and local history lectures and city council meetings on DVD. A new ScanPro 22 — Microfilm reader and KIC Bookeye 4v2 book scanner are also available for public use.

Our Local History page on the Ohio Memory Project increased its traffic and there are now 950 users of the page. Local History Librarian Jessica Robinson finished digitizing the historic Heights High Black and Gold student newspaper series.



YOUTH SERVICES

Youth Services at all Heights branches worked together to provide online programs as we transitioned from in-person services to curbside and back to in-person. These included Zoom storytimes, Facebook Live storytimes, and take-and-make activity packs. During the spring, we offered outdoor storytimes at Fairfax Elementary, Walter Stinson Park, the Coventry PEACE Park, and on the lawn of the HKIC building.

The Children's Garden at Lee Road was registered as a certified habitat with the National Wildlife Federation as a pollinator garden.

Youth Services opened up the Teen Quiet Study Room in November at Lee Road for teens to reserve. The updated room now has sound dampening panels, a cell phone charging station, and bean bag chairs.

New and Adapted Services in 2021

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

The Automatic Materials Handler (AMH) was installed in the Lee Road Circulation Department, which completely changed their workflow. The staff spent several months working with the new sorter, fining-tuning, trouble-shooting, and adjusting workflow. The AMH can handle 2,500 items a day, freeing staff up to help customers.

THE MATCHMAKERS

In November, the Matchmakers introduced the online service “Match Me Up,” in which they customized reading requests. In the first seven weeks of service, they filled 30 requests and received 10 customer compliments.

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Continuing Education Department introduced nine new classes: Mac Basics Parts 1 & 2, Robocalls and Scams, Digital Wellbeing, 3D Printer Technology Workshop, 3D Modeling and Printing, Online Graphic Design Alternatives, Intro to Video Game Programming, Programming on Mars, Circuits and Electronics Workshop

Continuing Education purchased two 3D printers to be used for both adult and youth STEAM programming.

OTHER 2021 HIGHLIGHTS

Starting in August, the Lee Road branch became a designated pick-up location for clients of PCs for People. PCs for People is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that recycles business electronics and provides refurbished tech to low-income households at a reduced cost or no cost at all.

A PCs for People Technology Drive ran from October 1-14 and was met with overwhelming support from the community.

Heights Libraries became a distribution site for free COVID tests from the state of Ohio, handing out 7,150 tests to customers in need.



The 2021 Numbers



11,081

**Number of
Hours all 4
Branches
Were Open**



86

Outreach Visits
Reaching a total of
3,798 people



2,358

Items Delivered
to home-bound
individuals



1,393,277

Items Circulated



3,942

**Study Room
Reservations**



1,272

**Youth Summer
Reading
Participants**



265,374

Electronic
downloadable
film, music, audio
books, ebooks,
magazines



402,185

Visitors



44,563

**Library Card
Holders**



1,072

Library Programs
with a total of
17,395 attendance



365,924

**Reference
Transactions**
phone and
in-person



54,641

Computer Usage

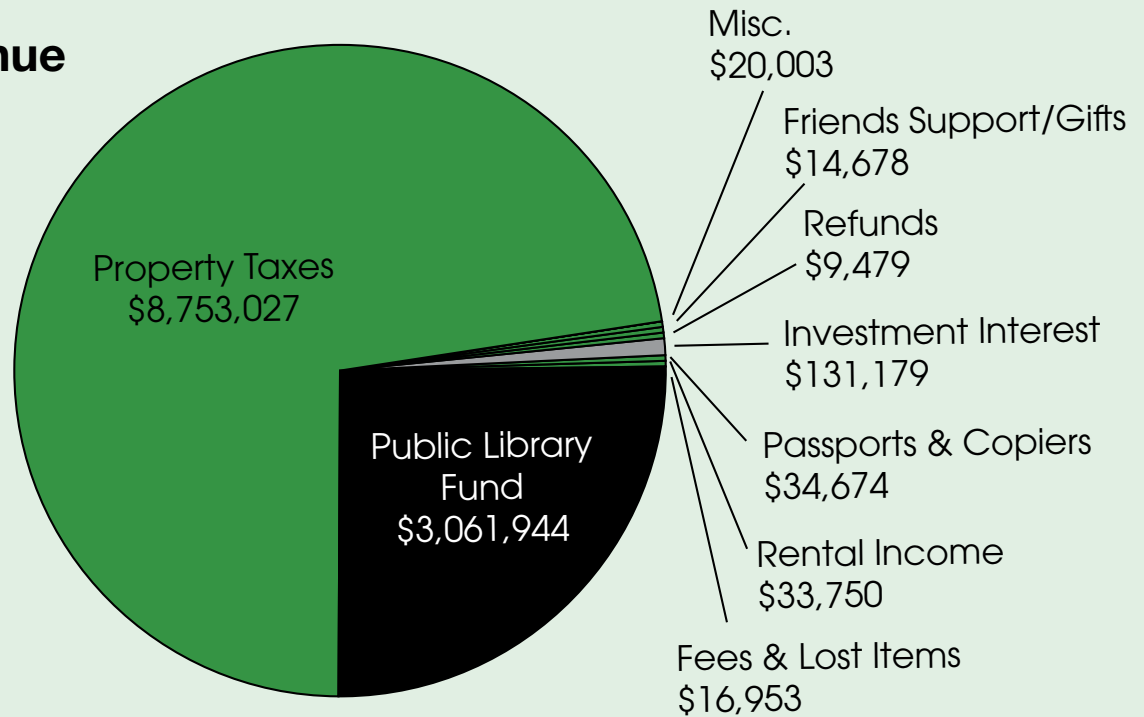


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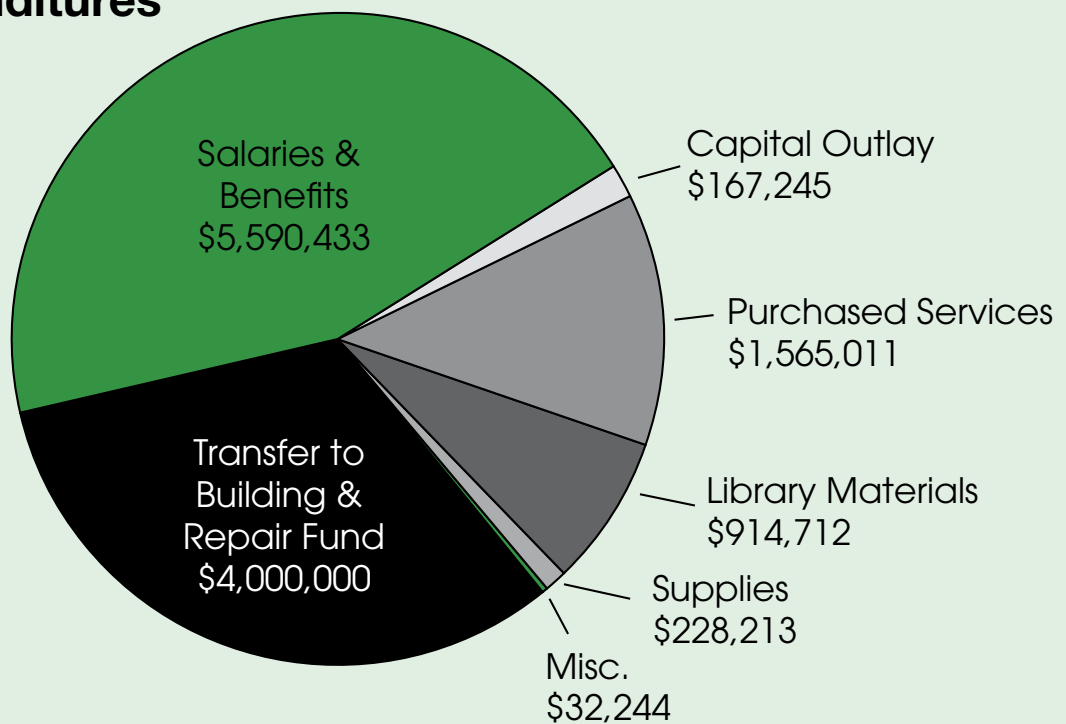
**COVID Tests
Distributed**

Financials

2021 Revenue



2021 Expenditures



Friends of the Heights Libraries 2020–2021



Volunteers

Volunteer Hours: 3,914

Volunteers: 142

Membership

393 active FRIENDS members

| | | | |
|--------------|-----|-----------------------|----|
| • Individual | 194 | • Patron | 39 |
| • Family | 36 | • Individual Lifetime | 65 |
| • Couple | 59 | | |

Activities and Sponsorships

- Mega Book Sales
- First Friday Book Sales
- Reaching Heights Spelling Bee
- Scholarships for Heights Library Science Students
- Citizenship Classes at the Noble Branch
- Welcome Hub at Noble Branch
- Coventry Peace Park Planning Supplies
- Coventry Seed Bank
- Harvey and FRIENDS Prizes provided to Adult Summer Reading Program

- Library Staff Rewards & Recognition
- Library Staff National Travel/conference support for professional development
- Book Donations to: Cleveland Food Bank, Better World Books, Little Free Libraries, Metro Health, Lorain County Correctional Institute, Sisters of Charity, Juvenile Detention Center, the Cleveland Women's Homeless Shelter, Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry Men's Shelter, Seeds of Literacy, St Philomena's Food Program, Noble Branch Book Giveaway, Cleveland Hts. Small Business Celebration, Cleveland and CH-UH Schools, Veteran's Hospital, Rainey Institute, University Settlement, and many others.

Financials for Fiscal Year 2020–21

Total Income was \$48,777. Earned income was \$37,161, which included book sales of \$36,869. Merchandise sales, vending commissions, interest income and FRIENDS events provided the balance. Our contributed income total of \$11,616 came from membership dues and donations.

Total expenses and grants totaled \$33,314 in FY 2020-21. Donations to the library and library related entities of \$22,459 were allocated as follows:

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| • Library Staff Support, Development & Recognition: \$3,000 | • Noble Outreach Program: \$3,500 |
| • General Library programming: \$7,000 | • Coventry Peace Park Planning Supplies: \$209 |
| • Library Levy Committee: \$2,000 | • Coventry Seed Bank: \$500 |
| • Reaching Heights Spelling Bee: \$250 | |
| • Scholarship Awards for Library Science Students: \$6,000 | |

Fund for the Future of Heights Libraries 2021



As of December 31, 2021, the FFHL assets were \$89,497.38 in its Cleveland Foundation fund and \$8,586.73 in its Key Bank account. In January, the FFHL added \$1000 to Key Bank a balance of \$9,586.73. FFHL's total assets were \$98,084.11. This is an \$18,032.53 increase over last year.

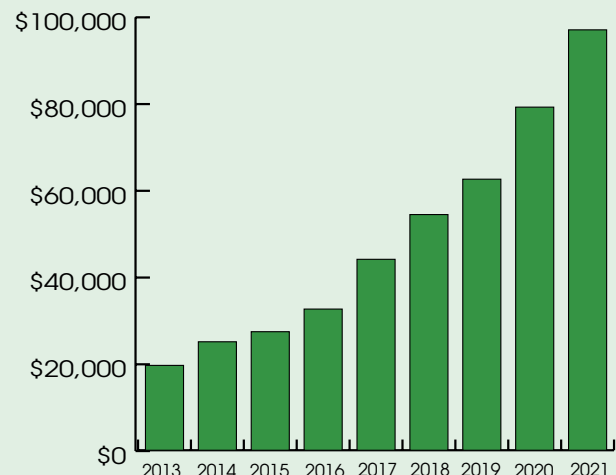
We did not hold our annual Honor Roll event in 2021 due to the COVID Pandemic. However, we were honored by numerous gifts in memory of former Heights Libraries Directors Stephen David Wood and Rachel Wayne Nelson. In addition, gifts were made in memory of former Librarian Gwendolyn Turner.

Much of our activity in 2021 was preparation for a Capital Campaign for the renovation of the Coventry PEACE playground and Park.

2021 Board of Directors

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Fund for the Future of Heights Libraries Assets



Mission:

Creating a legacy to support Heights Libraries buildings, property and services for future generations. There are three ways to give your tax deductible contribution:

1. Cleveland Foundation:

Gifts are invested for secure and conservative growth within the Cleveland Foundation. <https://www.iphiview.com/tcf/GiveNow/GivingOpportunities/tabid/832/Default.aspx>

Planned giving is an option that can be arranged by Cleveland Foundation support staff. Call Michelle at 216-615-7145.

2. Mail a check to:

FFHL c/o Lee Road Branch
2345 Lee Road
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118

3. Online:

<https://heightslibrary.org/services/fund-for-the-future-of-heights-libraries/>

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Closings

Mon, Sept 5, Labor Day
Fri, Sept 23, Staff Day
Thurs & Fri, Nov 24 & 25
Thanksgiving Holiday



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Civic Engagement

Heights Libraries Board Meetings

Mon, 6:30 p.m.

Sept 19 at the Coventry Branch

Oct 17 at the Noble Branch

Nov 21 at the University Heights Branch

Election Day

Tues, Nov 8 General Election

Hours & Locations

Lee Road

2345 Lee Rd.
(216) 932-3600
Weekdays, 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Sat, 9 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Sun, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

Coventry Village

1925 Coventry Rd.
(216) 321-3400 Voice
(216) 321-0739 TTY
Mon, Tues & Thurs,
1 p.m.–9 p.m.
Wed, Fri & Sat,
9 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Sun, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

Noble Neighborhood

2800 Noble Rd.
(216) 291-5665
Mon, Tues & Thurs,
1 p.m.–9 p.m.
Wed, Fri & Sat,
9 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Sun, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

University Heights

13866 Cedar Rd.
(216) 321-4700
Mon, Tues & Thurs,
1 p.m.–9 p.m.
Wed, Fri & Sat,
9 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Sun, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.