

Our Mission Statement: We will serve our community by providing fun and educational experiences through our customer-focused staff and technology.

From the Director



Goodbye winter, hello spring and welcome unlimited possibilities at your library. 2014 was an exciting year, full of anticipation. Would the community support the

library and vote for the renewal of the 1 mil operating levy? YES! Thank you for supporting the library on November 4 and keeping the momentum going.

As we head into spring and National Library Week (April 12-18), the theme "Unlimited Possibilities @ Your Library" could not be more appropriate. We continue to provide the extraordinary in terms of customer service, resources, materials and programs. Unique additions to the circulating materials collection include the opportunity to check out an acoustic or electric guitar as well as Roku devices that give you the opportunity to stream movies and TV shows at home. Premiering this spring will be a collection of ukuleles to check out. A new format for our traditional summer reading program is in the works, and our seed library continues to "blossom."

The Friends of the Licking County Library are just getting started. This library support group, led by President Marilyn Donahue, will further enhance the possibilities at your library as they fundraise and provide grant money for unique projects as well as assist with funding traditional library programs. Look for more details about this group, how to become a member along with all the unlimited possibilities that you can experience at our six library locations and on the bookmobile.

Put away those snow boots and head to the location nearest you. We look forward to serving you.

Warmly,
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National Library Week, April 12 - 18

In celebration of National Library Week the Licking County Library has several wonderful programs to highlight this year's theme:

"Unlimited Possibilities @ Your Library."

We are pleased to offer a Local Author Fair on April 18. This is a unique opportunity to support local authors. We will provide a venue where you, our local readers, can connect with them. We have several authors lined up to attend, but if you know of a local author or illustrator please send them our way as we would love for them to be part of this event.



Also on April 18, the Friends of the Licking County Library will host a book sale from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the garage next door to the Main Library. If you have any books you would like to donate, please drop them off before that date at the Main Library.

Save the date, tell everyone you know, and join us for a celebration of National Library Week. For more information, call 740-349-5553.

Local Author Fair

April 18
1-4PM

Local Author Fair

Sat., April 18, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

National Library Week

Local authors representing fiction, nonfiction, local history and children's books will be available on all three levels of the Main Library. Authors will feature copies of selected works available for purchasing and signing. For more information please call: 740-349-5500.

The many Friends Groups that support the Licking County Library:

Friends of the Licking County Library: Est. 2014.

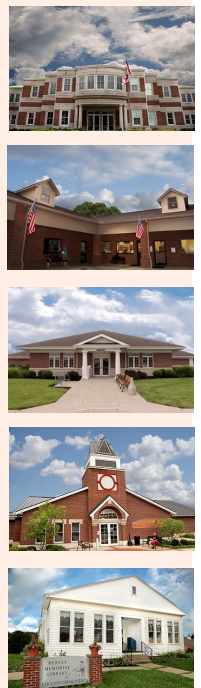
Friends of the Buckeye Lake Library: Est. 2005. This group raises funds to pay the building expenses. The Friends must raise over \$25,000 per year to support this location.

Village of Hebron: The Hebron Library is located in the Village Administrative Offices, which provides the space and maintains the building.

Mary E. Babcock Library, Inc.: Est. 1996. This organization raised over 1 million dollars to build a new library (Mary E. Babcock Library) in Johnstown which opened in 2004.

Hervey Memorial Trust: Est. 1937. This trust was created to support the building and maintenance of the Hervey Memorial Library in Utica.

The Licking County Library provides staffing, library materials, programs, services, computers, WiFi, data lines and other equipment needed to provide library service at all the branches. The only branch location that the Library owns is the Emerson R. Miller location at 990 West Main Street in Newark.



Friends of the
Licking County Library


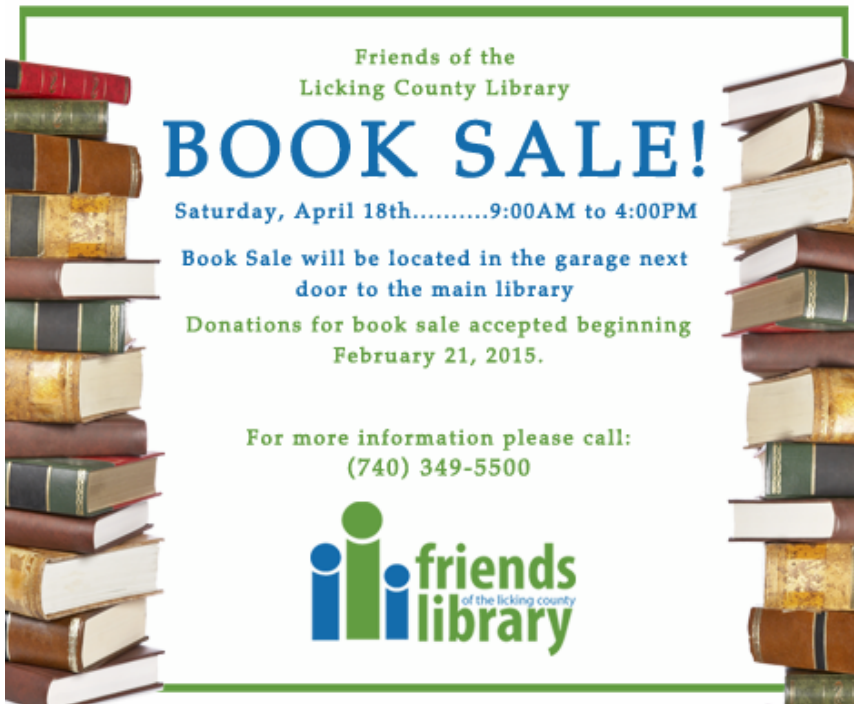
BOOK SALE!

Saturday, April 18th.....9:00AM to 4:00PM

Book Sale will be located in the garage next door to the main library

Donations for book sale accepted beginning February 21, 2015.

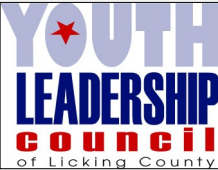
For more information please call:
(740) 349-5500

Arbor Day Festival at Dawes Arboretum

Apr. 25, 10:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.



It's Arbor Day, a celebration of trees and nature. We will be bringing our Seed, Spout and Share Seed Library so you can check out seeds to grow this summer, and we will have a fun craft for the kids. We are also bringing the bookmobile so you can checkout books. Be sure to stop by and see us for a day of fun.

Family Day (All Ages)

Apr. 9, 5:30 - 7:00 p. m.

Family Day is provided by all Licking County Library locations along with Pataskala and Alexandria Public Libraries, Our Futures in LC, Youth Leadership Council of LC, and Pathways of Central Ohio.

Visit the following locations for their special events:

- ◆ Main Library: Life-size games of Kerplunk, Tic Tac Toe, puzzle challenges and family fun and games with Comic Shop Plus.
- ◆ Buckeye Lake Library: Board games and refreshments.
- ◆ Hebron Library: Crafts and Sensory Box.
- ◆ Mary E. Babcock Library (Johnstown): Smash journals to hold all your ideas, inspirations and cool stuff. Bring any photos or special items you'd like to include. Journals, decorating supplies and snacks will be provided.
- ◆ Emerson R. Miller Library: Family fun and games with *Comic Shop Plus*.
- ◆ Hervey Memorial Library (Utica): Board games, puzzles and snacks.
- ◆ Alexandria Public Library: Board games, activities and snacks.
- ◆ Pataskala Public Library: Crafts and family board games.


NEWARK FAMFEST

A COMMUNITY FESTIVAL
Film Arts Music
MAY 1-3 2015

The Licking County Library will collaborate with The Works, Earthworks Recording Studio, Project Main Street and many others to bring a variety of art to you on May 1-3. See www.newarkfamfest.com for more information.

In preparation for the event, art experiences will be available Saturdays in April at various locations in Licking County. Locally produced documentary films will be screened, and a song-writing competition will be part of the event. Stay tuned for more details.

Food for Fines Week, March 1 - 7



In support of the Operation Feed Fundraiser sponsored by the Food Pantry Network of Licking County, all Licking County Library locations will collect canned food donations in exchange for overdue fines. Each canned food item donated will remove \$1 of overdue fines. Even if you do not have any overdue fines, your food and personal care donations are still welcome. Drop them off at any LCL location. Cash donations may be sent directly to the Licking County Food Pantry Network, 1035 Brice St., Newark, OH, 43055.

Some priority items needed include: Canned meat, stews, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, packs of diapers, baby wipes, shampoo, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, juice, personal care items, muffin mix, pasta, canned pork & beans, tuna, macaroni & cheese, and canned soups.
No items requiring refrigeration, rusted or damaged cans, open packages or homemade food will be accepted. Thank you for participating in this annual event.



Cruise-In

Come to the Main Library parking lot in May (watch for more information) to check out classic cars and enjoy great food and music. If you would like to enter a car in the Cruise-In, no pre-registration is required. The first 50 classic cars at the Cruise-In will receive a dash plaque, and three choice awards will be given at the end of the evening.

National Bookmobile Day, Apr. 10

Here come the bookmobiles! Join the Licking County Library, Holmes County Library, Coshocton County Library and Kate Love Simpson Library bookmobiles at the Main Library from 1:00 - 4:00 on April 10 for a National Bookmobile Day celebration. Board each of the bookmobiles, check out some books and movies and enjoy food from a few local food truck vendors.

Did You Know?...

The Licking County Library is a sub-lending agency for the State Library of Ohio's *Talking Book Program*. This is a free program for visually impaired, physically challenged and reading disabled Ohio residents. After completing an application, participants receive a free digital player from the Main Library and then they are mailed book cartridges to their home from the Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled in Cleveland. For more information call the Library at 349-5553.



Surrender at Appomattox: The Licking County Connection

presented by Kevin Bennett

March 24, 2015 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Main Library, Meeting Room A



With the surrender of General Lee's Confederate Army at Appomattox on April 9, 1865, the Civil War effectively ended. While this historic event is generally remembered, less known is the key role played by a native of Licking County, Major General Charles Griffin. Not only did Griffin perform in the critical battlefield role as the commander of the V Corps of the victorious Union Army, he also was appointed by U.S. Grant as the Surrender Commissioner to oversee the actual capitulation of the Confederates.

Retired Army officer and local historian Kevin Bennett will present this talk covering the meteoric career of this remarkable officer and outline the strong local connection to this national historic event.

The Assassination of Lincoln and the Pursuit of Booth,

presented by Steve Long

Apr. 28, 2015 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Main Library Meeting Room A

Days after the surrender of Robert E. Lee and the Army of Northern Virginia, the nation was rocked by the assassination of President Lincoln. This program will start at the church down the street from Ford's Theatre, to the theater where Lincoln was shot and then to the hunt for John Wilkes Booth. Steve will talk about why Lincoln's guard was at a tavern at the time of the shooting and what happened to 18 pages from Booth's diary, and how a brothel led to Booth's capture.

Steve Long lives in Zoarville, Ohio and retired from the New Philadelphia Times-Reporter in 2006 as the editorial page editor. He has been interested in the Civil War since he was 16 and gives programs on various battles and aspects. Steve's major local project has been a visual history of the 51st Ohio Volunteer Infantry, which mostly came from Tuscarawas County.



Emerging Technologies and Digital Content

What's New: Roku

Curious about streaming movies, TV shows and more, but don't have a smart TV? Check a Roku box from the Library and discover if streaming is for you. Using your home's WiFi, a Roku will turn any "dumb" TV into a smart TV. They come pre-loaded with Netflix, PBS, PBS Kids, Crunchyroll, TEDTalks and much more. Rokus check out for 7 days and are available at all of our Library locations. [Put a hold on one](#) today.



Steaming Video Class

Curious about the streaming services out there? Come to Main Library for our Streaming Video class and learn about the services you can watch on your phone, tablet, computer and smart TV. We will also demonstrate how to use a Roku.

March 16, 6:30 p.m.
Main Library, Meeting Room B

Beginners Computer Classes

*These classes are free but registration is required.
Call 740-349-5553 to register*

Computer Basics

Wed., April 8, 1 - 3 p.m.

Internet & Web Searching

Wed., April 15, 1 - 3 p.m.

This class will cover information about internet browsers, search engines and toolbar buttons. It also covers how to evaluate a website. *Basic computer skills are required for this class.*

Exploring Google

Wed., April 22, 1 - 3 p.m.

This class will explore the most popular products that Google has to offer including Gmail, Drive, Earth and much more. *Basic computer skills are required for this class.*

Windows 8

Wed., April 29, 1 - 3 p.m.

This class will help you discover how to navigate in Windows 8. You will tour the Start screen and experiment with touch gestures, live tiles and charms. *Basic computer skills are required for this class.*



Curious about the new operating system being released this spring? Watch a Windows 10 demonstration and learn more about it.

May 21, 6:30 p.m.
Main Library, Meeting Room A

Your Smart Home



Have you always wanted your own Rosie the Robot from the Jetsons? Learn about the Internet of Things and how to change your home into a Smart Home. We will discuss the new technologies available right now and some coming out soon.

March 19, 6:30 p.m.
Main Library, Meeting Room B

Serious Serial Withdrawal?

Did you binge listen and now want more? Julia Walden from Granville Public Library will join us to discuss the hit NPR podcast, "Serial." Come with your theories, thoughts, and questions. We'll also have suggestions for what to watch, more podcasts to listen to, and what to read to fill your time till Season 2.



Apr. 2, 6:30 p.m.
Main Library, Meeting Room B

Fitness Tracking

Get fit this spring with technology. Come learn about the apps for your smartphone and all of the available fitness trackers to help you maximize your workouts.



May 13, 6:30 p.m.
Main Library, Meeting Room A

Don't forget to check out our [online calendar](#) for a full list of events.

KIDS @ the Main Library

Upcoming Children's Activities & Events

All programs and activities are free. Be sure to check the events calendar on the Library's web site to find more great programs for children and families

Active Family Story Time

Tuesdays, Mar. 3 & 17, Apr. 7 & 21

Ages 2 - 6, 6:30 - 7:15 p.m., Story Time Room

Stories and lots of hands-on activity stations will give your toddler or preschooler plenty to explore. Join us every other Tuesday for this fun-filled family program.

Movin' to Music

Tuesdays, Mar. 10, 24, Apr. 14 & 28

6:30 - 7:15 p.m., Story Time Room

Kids ages 3 - 6 will sing, dance and move to the beat with their caregivers in this active musical adventure for the entire family. Get ready to play with rhythm instruments, scarves, beanbags, bubbles, the parachute and more.

Little Tots Story Time

Wednesdays at 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. in the Story Time Room,

Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25, Apr. 1 & 8

and Thursdays, Mar. 5, 12, 19 & 26, Apr. 2 & 9

at 11:30 - 12:15 p.m. Ages 6 - 36 months for both groups.

Toddlers and their caregivers will enjoy stories, songs and rhymes followed by special activities and playtime in this weekly story time.

Preschool Story Time

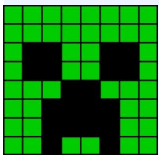
Thursdays, Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, Apr. 2 & 9, 10:00 - 10:45 a.m.

Story Time Room. For ages 3 - 5. Preschoolers and their caregivers will enjoy stories, songs and rhymes followed by a craft in this weekly story time.

Family Story Time

Every Saturday, 11:00 - 11:45 a.m., Story Time Room

For all ages—stories, songs, rhymes and activities for the whole family.



It's a TWEEN Thing

Saturdays, Mar. 7, Apr. 4, May 2, 13, 20, 27

Grades 4 - 8, 2 - 3:30 p.m., Story Time Room

Join other like-minded crafters & let the creativity flow. A different project each month. Registration is required.

Who Gives a Hoot: Tween Gardening

Apr. 8, 15, 22 & 29, May 6

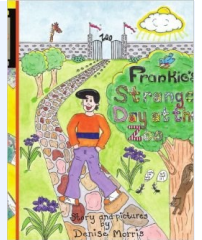
Grades 4 - 8, 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Story Time Room



Have you ever wanted to create your own pizza or salsa garden? Join others interested in gardening at this weekly program. Different activities are planned for each meeting so don't miss out. Registration is required.

Mar. 10 *Frankie's Strange Adventures*, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., Story Time Room. Home-school Program for school age children. Join local author and illustrator Denise Morris as she introduces her book and shares Frankie's adventures.



Mar. 28 *Exploring Energy*, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m., Story Time Room, grades 3 - 5. Learn about electricity while creating your own battery using fruits and vegetables. Registration is required.



Mar. 31 *Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss Party*, 6:30 - 7:15 p.m., Story Time Room. All ages may join the Cat in the Hat to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with games and crafts. Registration is required.

Apr. 11 *Create an ArtBot*, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m., Story Time Room, grades 3 - 5.

Create a motorized drawing robot using an electric toothbrush motor and markers. Parent assistance is requested for this program, and registration is required.



Apr. 14 *Create an ArtBot*, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., Story Time Room. See Apr. 11. Homeschool program for school age children.

May 5 *Puppet Show*, 10:00 - 10:45 a.m., Story Time Room. For all ages. Join the youth services staff for our spring puppet show. Giggles guaranteed.

May 12 *Escape the Ordinary: Summer Reading, Summer Doing*, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., Story Time Room. Homeschool program for school age children. Prepare to become a superhero by making a super zapper. Get a sneak peak at the 2015 Summer Reading Program and all of the exciting changes ahead.

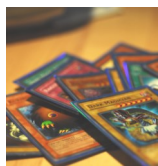
May 19 *What is Augmented Reality?*, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Story Time Room, grades 1 - 5. Using an iPad we will explore various augmented reality apps. Limited iPads available, please bring your own if you have one. Registration is required.



Calling all collectors! Hey kids, do you have a special collection that you'd like to share with the library? We want to display your collection. Kids in grades K-5 can fill out an information form at the children's desk in the main library.

Teens @ the Main Library

Teen Calendar: Programs and Events for Grades 6 - 12 unless otherwise noted. Book groups on p. 9.



Intro to Yu-Gi-Oh

Apr. 20, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Meeting Room B
Learn the popular and ever-growing collectable card game, *Yu-Gi-Oh*. Cards, instruction, and prizes will be provided.



Guitar Anatomy: Beginning to Play

Wed., Apr. 8, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.,
Lower Level Meeting Room

Are you a note-playing novice who wants to start your journey to being a guitar guru? We can help you take those first steps. Bring your own guitar or share one of our new circulating instruments, and learn the basics while having fun.

TLC: Teen Library Council

Meets last Monday monthly at 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Join TLC and help plan teen activities in the Teen Zone

Mar. 30 What are your interests and dreams? Barb with Ohio Means Jobs will be here to help you plan for your future.



Apr. 27 Enjoy some laid-back competition time with the Doctor Who Trivia challenge.



May 18 Hello to Hoopla. Learn how to borrow free digital movies, TV shows and music using your library card.



Teen Tech Week:

"Libraries are for making..."
March 8 - 14



Mar. 9, Adventures in Green Screen. Take photos using GS Tech. 3:30 - 5:30 p.m., Lower Level Meeting Room.

Mar. 11, Minecraft Party. Join our server and build your world 3:30 - 5:30 p.m., Teen Zone.

Mar. 12, Divergent/Insurgent Party. Join us for a feature film & fun. 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., Teen Zone, permission slip required.

Mar. 14 COSI presents "Intermediate Robotics," 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., Meeting Room A.



National Library Week 2015

April 12 - 18, Teen Zone

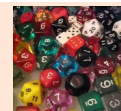
Unlimited Possibilities @ Your Library

"Celebrate Teen Literature Day" at our Book

Tasting event, April 16 at 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Browse a book menu, choose your favorite book tastes (including e-books), see what materials are available, and hear about library events. Hot chocolate will be served while supplies last.

Pathfinder

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Lower Level Meeting Room



Join us for adventure with other teens, and play the world's most popular pen and paper RPG. No experience or materials required. Meeting dates: Mar. 9, Apr. 13, May 11.

Teen Poetry Contest: Call for Entries

Share Your Writing with the Community

Gift cards will be awarded for each of these 3 categories: 7 & 8th grades, 9th & 10th grades, and 11th & 12th grades.

1st Place = \$20; 2nd = \$15; 3rd = \$10



Entries Accepted: Feb. 16 - Mar. 20

Pick up guidelines at any Licking County Library location or call 740-349-5550 for more information. The *Teen Poetry Celebration*: will be April 7 at 6:30 p.m., Meeting Room A.

Green Teens

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Starting March 3

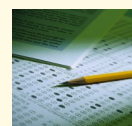


Green Teens is an environmentally focused group of teens who collaboratively work to help the library and the community to reduce, reuse and recycle. Teens will be participating in recycling efforts within the library in addition to service projects within the downtown area. Green Teens is a service based program for students looking to complete hours for school. Information packets and permission slips will be distributed at our first meeting in the Teen Zone.

Dates are Mar. 3, Mar. 17, Apr. 7, Apr. 21, May 5, May 19

Kaplan's FREE ACT/SAT Combo Test:

Mar. 8, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.,
Meeting Room A



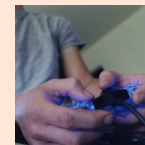
Take Kaplan's free ACT/SAT Combo Test to help you practice and prepare. Register by visiting Kaplan's website, www.kaptest.com and enter the following code: AKKU150118. Call 740-349-5550 for more information.

Teen Gaming Night

5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Teen Zone

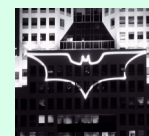
Want to battle for gamer glory with other teens?
Play Xbox 360, PS3, Wii & board games.

Mar. 18, Apr. 15, May 20



Free Comic Book Day, Main Floor Lobby

Saturday, May 2, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Comic Shop Plus will be providing free comic books to ALL AGES while supplies last.



Adults @ the Main Library

All programs and activities are FREE. Visit our Event Calendar for more details.
Unless otherwise noted, adult programs take place in Meeting Room A.



Movie Night for Adults

Come spend the night out and watch the hottest new movie releases. Must be 18 years or older and have photo ID.

All shows start at 6:00 p.m. The movie and popcorn are free.

Mar. 5 Apr. 2 May 5*

(*Special date due to Library closing on May 7)



Irish Dancer with Live Music

Mar. 7, 2:00 p.m.

Upper Level Under the Cupola

Champion step-dancer, Molly Trainor from Millennium Academy of Irish Dance & Music will step to the lively music of

Nationally recognized fiddler Deborah Colon and guitarist Karl Colon.

Crafternoon: Book Page Egg Wreath

Mar. 21, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.



Help us welcome spring with a creative make-and-take project. Join your fellow crafters as we create an egg-tastic inspired wreath. All materials will be provided.

Registration is required and will be limited to the first 20 participants



Yoga @ Your Library

Take time to relax with certified yoga instructor Lenise Alexander. Meets the 3rd Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Mar. 21 Apr. 18 May 16

What's It Worth?

Mar. 28, 1:30 p.m.

Is there something you own that you've always wondered if it is a priceless gem? Do you want to price your items before selling them at an auction? Join us for an afternoon with **Price It!**-a resource that helps you price and find information on antiques and collectibles, as well as information about appraisers, clubs, repair and restoration services, and more. Attendees may bring one small item to appraise. Registration is required.



Free Tax Preparation presented by The Licking County Coalition for Housing

Apr. 1 and 8, 12:30 - 7:30 p.m.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program uses IRS-certified volunteers to prepare and e-file federal, state and school district tax returns for income-eligible citizens, at no cost to them. Most taxpayers with an Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) of \$53,000 or less are eligible.

Photo ID and Social Security cards are required from all taxpayers, as well as W-2s and other tax documents. Both taxpayers must be present for a joint return.

Tax payers can call LCCH at

740-345-1970, ext. 200 to schedule an appointment.



Introduction to Finding Grants

Apr. 6, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Are you looking for foundation grants? You will learn the 10 most important things you need to know about finding grants including:

- Who funds nonprofits and what are their motivations?
- What do funders really want to know about the organizations they are interested in funding?
- How do you identify potential funders and make the first approach?

An optional 30 minutes will be provided after class for guided online grant research. It is advisable, but not necessary, to bring a laptop or tablet for this portion of the class.

Please register online or by calling 740-349-5553.



An Evening of Poetry at River Road Coffeehouse on the Square

Apr. 9, 6:00 p.m., River Road Coffeehouse

Celebrate National Poetry Month with an evening of poetry. Bring your original poetry or a favorite by another poet to read. Readers are asked to limit their readings to 5 minutes unless time permits. Poetry listeners are also welcome; reading is not mandatory. Some refreshments will be provided.



All our locations will be closed:

April 5, Easter Sunday
May 7, Staff Development Day
May 25, Memorial Day

Adults @ the Main Library

All programs and activities are FREE. Visit our Event Calendar for more details.
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Skype Interview With Cozy Mystery Author Amanda Flower

Apr. 13, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Meeting Room B

Agatha Award-nominated author Amanda Flower will talk about her popular mystery series set in Ohio Amish country: *The Appleseed Creek Mysteries* and the *Ohio Quilt Shop Mysteries*, written as Isabella Alan. Bring your questions and join us.



Terrarium Creations Workshop

Apr. 21, 6:00 p.m., Main Level

Celebrate Earth Day by crafting your very own terrarium. Bring your own gloves and a creative spirit. Master gardeners will be on site to share ideas and help with any questions. Event will last until supplies are gone.



Smart Money Choices: Budgeting and Credit & Debt

Apr. 22, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Need help getting a handle on your financial goals? Eddie Moore, Education and Outreach Director for Trinity Debt Management, will present an interactive class on effective budgeting techniques and provide useful tips for getting your credit and debt under control.



Music Under the Cupola Heath High School's Symphonic Choir and Concert Choir -Advanced Women's Chorus

Apr. 25, 2:00 p.m., upper level



Sit back and relax under the cupola, as the Heath High School choirs enchant us with a variety of musical selections. Benjamin Marteney, Director.

LCL Seed, Sprout and Share Events

Growing a Recycled Container Garden

Apr. 29, 6:00 p.m.

Discover how to grow a recycled container garden. Verdi Abel, Educational Coordinator for Licking County Recycling, will demonstrate how to make decorative, but useful, containers for your plants. Get tips and tricks on growing in your container garden. Registration is appreciated, but not required.

Get Your Plants In the Ground

May 12, 6:00 p.m.

Are you ready to put your plants in the ground? Get the scoop on transplanting your plants into the ground from a Master Gardener volunteer. Weather and time permitting, we will go into our demonstration garden for some practical experience. While you are at the Library, don't forget to visit our Seed, Sprout and Share Seed Library to check out your seeds and get started growing.



Meet the Grantmakers

May 14, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Representatives from local grant programs will participate in a helpful panel discussion. Organizations will provide information on available funding programs and tips for writing a winning proposal followed by a Q & A session.



Trivia on Tuesdays at Allison's Pub & Grub

May 19, 6:30 p.m., Allison's Pub & Grub

Do you think you know it all? Prove it. It's time to test your useless knowledge, eat and drink while you think, and compete for prizes. Registration isn't necessary, just show up as teams or on your own.

*Event will last an hour at Allison's Pub & Grub on 1486 Granville Road.





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Book Groups @ the Main Library

March 2015 through May 2015

For questions about these book groups, please call 740-349-5582
or consult our web page at www.lickingcountylibrary.info



Booked to Death Mystery Book Club

Meets the 4th Wed., 6:30 p.m.
Upper Level Conference Room

Mar. 25 *The Ranger* (Quinn Colson, #1) by Ace Atkins

Apr. 22 *Blindsighted* (Grant County series, #1)
by Karin Slaughter

May 27 *Corrupt Practices* (Parker Stern, #1)
by Robert Rotstein



Paranormal Romance and Urban Fantasy Group

Meets the 3rd Sat., 2:30 p.m.
Upper Level Conference Room

Mar. 21 *Death and the Girl Next Door* by Darynda Jones

Apr. 18 *Once Bitten Twice Shy* by Jennifer Rardin

May 16 *Fated* by Benedict Jacka

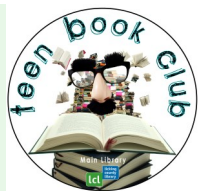


Read to Red Carpet

Read the book, then come and watch
the movie based on the book
and discuss both.

Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn
Mon., Mar. 2
5:45 to 8:00 p.m.

Wild by Cheryl Strayed
Mon., May 4
5:45 to 8:00 p.m.



Teen Book Club

Meets the 1st Thur.,
5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Upper Level Conference Room

Mar. 5 *Fairest* by Marissa Meyer

Apr. 2 Stephanie Perkins selections

May 14 *Red Queen* by Victoria Aveyard

Next Chapter Book Club

1st & 3rd Tues.,
1:00 - 2:00 p.m., Teen Zone

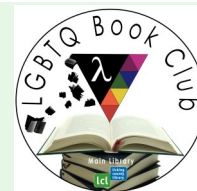


Welcome to The Next Chapter Book Club

High school students and adults
with developmental disabilities are
invited to join us in reading and learning, making friends and
enjoying a fun community gathering place at the Main Library.
NCBC members improve literacy skills while having fun. The
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sity's Nisonger Center. We will vote on future books to read.
For more information, call 740-349-5552 or go to
www.nextchapterbookclub.org.

LGBTQ Book Club

Meets the last Thur., 6:30 p.m.
Upper Level Conference Room



Mar. 26 *The Lost Child of Philomena Lee*
by Martin Sixsmith

Apr. 23 *Annie on My Mind* by Nancy Garden

May 28 *Love Means...No Fear* by Andrew Grey

Fiction Discussion Group

Meets the 1st Wed., 6:30 p.m.
Upper Level Conference Room



Mar. 4 *Constellation of Vital Phenomena*
by Anthony Marra

Apr. 1 *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel

May 6 *Storied Life of A. J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin

Hear Me Out (Audiobook Club)

Last Mon. at 6:00 p.m.
Upper Level Conference Room
(location subject to change monthly)



Mar. 30 Audie Winners—choose any award-
winning audiobook to listen to and discuss.

Apr. 27 BYOB: Bring Your Own Book. What book do you just
have to share?

May 18* Surprise read: Random audiobooks will be
wrapped up at the circulation desk for you to pick up.

*Special date due to Memorial Day.


Book Groups @ the Branches

March 2015 through May 2015

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Hebron Bookmark Book Club

Meets the last Thursday, 2:00 p.m.



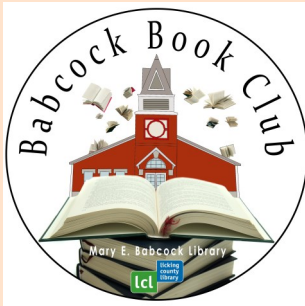
Mar. 26 *Bird Box*
by Josh Malerman

Apr. 30 *Interpreter of Maladies*
by Jhumpa Lahiri

May 28 *Daughters for a Time*
by Jennifer Handford

Babcock Book Club

Just read the month's selection and fill out a brief survey

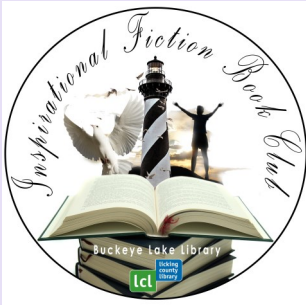


Mar. *The Last Runaway*
by Tracy Chevalier

Apr. *At Home in Mitford*
by Jan Karon

May *The Angels of Morgan Hill*
by Donna VanLiere

Buckeye Lake



Inspirational Fiction Book Club

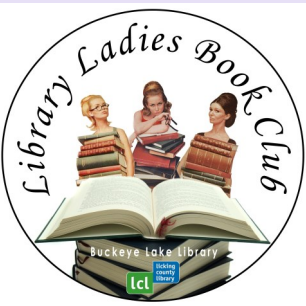
Meets the 1st Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.

Mar. 3 *Leota's Garden* by Francine Rivers
Apr. 7 *Fifteen Minutes* by Karen Kingsbury
May 5* *A Promise Kept* by Robin Lee Hatcher

*special date due to scheduling conflict

Library Ladies Book Club

No meetings—just read the current month's selection
and fill out a brief survey card.




Mar. *The Boston Girl*
by Anita Diamant

Apr. *Bridge to Haven*
by Francine Rivers

May *Island Girls*
by Nancy Thayer

Miller Branch




Brit Lit Book Club

Meets the 3rd Wednesday 6:00 p.m. at Miller Branch

Mar. 18 Agatha Christie Surprise Mix
Apr. 15 *Tara Road* by Maeve Binchy
May 20 *Agnes Grey* by Anne Bronte

Miller Book Group

Meets the 2nd Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.



Mar. 11 *Empty Mansions*
by Bill Dedman

Apr. 8 *Euphoria*
by Lily King

May 13 *Stoner*
by John Williams



Children's and Family Programs

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. through Apr. 8. Children ages 3 - 5 are invited to join us for a story, snack and craft.



Apr. 2 *The Great Easter Egg Coloring Program*, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Join us for a fun evening of coloring Easter eggs. This is open to the whole family. Snacks will be provided while supplies last.

Apr. 9 *Family Day*. We are participating with the system-wide event by offering board games and refreshments. Come join us for some old-fashioned fun.

Buckeye Lake Homeschool Program (3rd Monday monthly at 1:00 p.m.)

Mar. 16 *Civil War program for school age homeschoolers.*

Apr. 20 *Fun with Legos®.*

May 18 *Gardening at the Library.* The Licking County Mobile Seed Library will be on hand at this meeting for homeschoolers who wish to start a garden of their very own.

Adult Programs

Come Share Your Gardening Tips

For the entire month of April we will have an interactive gardening display where gardeners can share their favorite tips and tricks. Each time you share you will be entered to win a prize.



Teen & Tween Programs



Mar. 14 *Intermediate Robotics presented by COSI*, 12:00 p.m. Teens and Tweens in grades 4 - 8 will gain a greater understanding of robots, their uses and limitations.



You Tell Us. There will be interactive displays the entire month of May for teens in grades 6 - 12. Fill out a ticket with your favorite book, author or book character. Each ticket gets you registered to win a prize.

Children's and Family Programs

Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. through April 7.

Children ages 3 - 5 are invited to join us for a story and craft.

Mar. 25 *Magic Show with Dave Lehman*, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

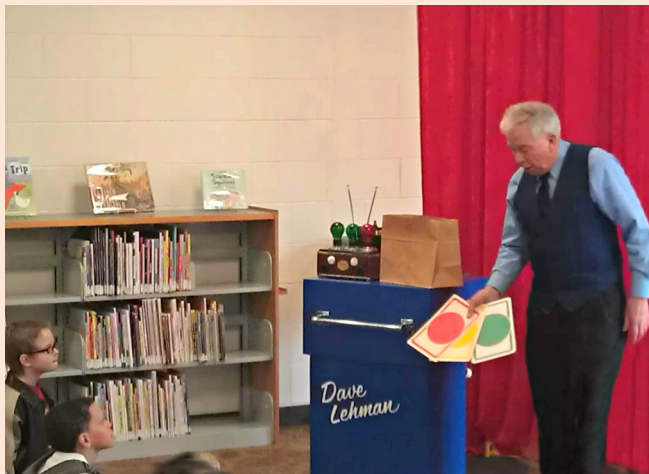
Please join us for a magical evening with our favorite magician, Dave Lehman. For all ages.

Apr. 9 *Family Game Night*, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Join us and Comic Shop Plus for a night of family fun and games. For all ages.

May 30 *Everything is AWESOME*, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Come and use your imagination. Hang out with us and have fun with LEGOS.® For all ages.



Teen Programs

Japanamania Club – Join us the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. for all things anime. Grades 6 - 12 are welcome with parental permission slip. Spring meeting dates: March 19, April 16, May 21.



Quarterly Doctor Who Club – Tuesday, April 21 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Our Teen Doctor Who Club is changing to quarterly meetings, so that we can cram lots of fun into a longer time. That kinda means the club is bigger on the inside. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday April 21. From 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. we will explore the world of the coolest Timey Wimey show around.

Adult Programs

Downton Abbey Discussion Group

Mar. 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for the Season 5 grand finale discussion.

The group discusses each episode and shares our thoughts. We also have tea and English treats. Fun for everyone interested in Downton Abbey.



DIY Not? - Craft Time for Grown-ups

First Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

Mar. 2 Fiber art

Apr. 6 Arm knitting with t-shirt yarn

May 4 Paper art: tunnel cards

Sewing Circle at Miller Library

First and third Thursdays of the month at 6:00 p.m.

Bring a current hand-sewing, knitting or crochet project or learn the art of smocking from an expert while enjoying the company of other makers.



Selfie Yourself! Creative Teen Photos for Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat...

On Thursday March 12 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., teens in grades 6 - 12 are invited to the library to explore new and creative ideas for fun self-portraits, or "selfies." We bet we have some fun ways to take your picture that you might never have thought of before. Bring your cell phone, camera, or other device. (Part of Teen Tech Week, March 8 - 14).

LCL Branches — Hebron Library

Children and Family Programs



Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. through April 7. Preschoolers ages 3 - 5 and their caregivers are invited to join us for story time and a craft.

Apr. 9 The Hebron Library is participating in the system-wide *Family Day* program by providing crafts and a Sensory Box. This is a container filled with various kinds of tactile materials for kids to explore with their hands. They use sight, touch and smell to identify items.

Hebron Homeschoolers Program

(1st Tuesday monthly at 2:00 p.m.)

Mar. 3
Erin Go Bragh— Ireland Forever
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
We will sample food common in Ireland and have a demonstration by Irish dancers, hosted by Ireland native, Deirdre McIntyre.



Apr. 7
Cupcake Garden Art/LCL Mobile Seed Library, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
We will decorate cupcakes with a spring twist. Come enjoy the cupcakes and check out our mobile seed catalog that will let you start your garden for free.

May 5
Cinco de Mayo Celebration, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Celebrate with us, enjoy tasty treats and participate in traditional activities of the Mexican culture.



Teen and Tween Programs

Mar. 11 *Say Hello to Hoopla*, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
The library's streaming movie and TV service. You can also download ebooks, audiobooks and music.



Teen Game Night

(Last Wed. monthly, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.)

We provide the games and snacks - you bring your friends.

Mar. 25 and Apr. 29

(No game night in May. See you again in the fall)

Adult Programs

Mar. 3 *Celebrate Ireland*, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Come listen to Irish music and enjoy authentic delicacies, such as Irish cheese and butter, and homemade "brown bread."



Mar. 18 *Hoopla*, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
The library's streaming movie and TV service. You can also download ebooks, audiobooks and music.



May 7 *Our Library Foundation Directory: Grants for Your Non-Profit*, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Discover ways to obtain funding for your non-profit in this informative one-hour program.

May 19 *Hoopla*, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
The library's streaming movie and TV service. You can also download ebooks, audiobooks and music.

Children's and Family Programs

Preschool Story Time

Wednesday mornings at 10:30 through April 8. Children ages 3 - 5 will enjoy stories, songs and simple crafts during a 45 minute session. Come join the fun, and don't forget to bring your imagination.



First Thursdays: Meets the first Thursday of the month from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. The program is for home schooled children who have not started their high school curriculum. Registration is required. Spring meeting dates:

Mar. 5 from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Apr. 2 from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

No meeting in May, see you in the fall

Mar. 23 Family Game Night, 5 - 6:30 p.m. Come join us for a fun evening of board games, PS3 video games, and refreshments. All ages welcome.

Apr. 9 The Hervey Memorial Library is participating in the system-wide *Family Day* by providing board games and snacks for all ages. Come in for some old-fashioned fun.

Apr. 20 Family Game Night, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. See Mar. 23.

May 6 Spring Puppet Show: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Come see a fun puppet show presented by your library. All ages welcome.



Teen and Tween Programs

Pathfinder RPG

Join us in playing the RPG that has become an instant classic. Use wits, determination, teamwork and a bit of luck to navigate dungeons, unravel puzzling stories and battle fierce monsters. This free program is for students in grades 6 - 12. Spring meeting dates: Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. on Mar. 3, Apr. 7 and May 5.

Comic Book Teens

A comic book discussion group for teens in grades 6 - 12. If you love to read comics and want to find some kindred spirits to discuss them with, come join us. Be sure you stop in the week before to check out a copy of this month's selection. Spring meeting dates: Mondays at 3:30 p.m. on Mar. 9, Apr. 13, and May 11.

Mar. 8 - 14 Teen Tech Week: What Would the Character in the Book You're Reading Post on Their Facebook Status? Write what you think one of the characters in the book you are reading would post on their Facebook status on a post-it note and add it to our white board. If you add a "post" to our board, you will receive a small prize. For grades 4 - 12.

Apr. 27 Tween and Teen Video Game Night, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Join us for PS3 video games and snacks. For students in grades 4 - 12.

Adult Programs

Seed Library: Available from Mar. 9 through Mar. 21. The Licking County Library Seed, Sprout, and Share Mobile Seed Library will be here. Come "borrow" some seeds for planting this spring.

Mar. 12 Computer Basics Class: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. This class is great for beginners and gives information about computer hardware as well as skills that will help you become comfortable using the computer.

Missing Downton Abbey? Keep Calm and Read On

This program runs from Apr. 6 through May 2. Choose a book from our collection of titles that will help relieve your *Downton* withdrawal symptoms. For every book you read, turn in a rating slip for an entry in a prize drawing.

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Children and Family Programs

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. through April 8. The whole family can enjoy stories, songs, puppets, finger plays, crafts and more during this 30 - 45 minute session.

Little Tots Story Time

Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. through April 9. We will share stories, songs, rhymes and more in this 20 - 30 minute session. Geared toward children ages 0 - 36 months with a caregiver.

First Tuesdays for Homeschool Families, 1:00 p.m.

This program is for home schooled children who have not started their high school curriculum. Registration required.

Mar. 3 *Think Green*

Apr. 7 *Egg-citing Egg-speriments*

May 5 *Buggy for Bugs*

Who is Doctor Who?: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Join our Doctor Who Club and you'll find out how much you know, or have yet to learn about this fantastic fandom. Dates are Mar. 10, Apr. 14 and May 12.

Tail Waggin' Tutors: Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. beginning Mar. 5. Visit Murphy's corner to meet with certified therapy dog Murphy (and his owner). They are looking forward to visits from any student looking for a little extra reading practice. Reservations are required.



Mar. 21 *Meet the Author and Illustrator, 1:00 p.m.*

Local author/illustrator duo Fran Cantwell and Will Marcum will be here to talk about getting their children's book published and perform a brief drawing workshop. All ages are welcome.

Mar. 24 *Living Paper Doll Spectacular, 6:00 p.m.* Unleash your inner fashion guru as you create life-size paper doll clothes.

Apr. 9 *Family Day, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.* Join us for a smashingly good time as we create cool smash journals to hold all your ideas, inspirations, cool stuff and more. Bring any photos, trinkets or special items you'd like to include. Journals, decorating supplies and snacks will be provided.

Apr. 28 *Create a Life-Size Fractured Fairytale Board Game, 6:00 p.m.* Feeling fenced in by all the rules of traditional board games? Come create a new, life-sized game. You will create the board and the rules.

May 19 *Polaroid Scavenger Hunt, 6:00 p.m.* You won't want to miss this indoor/outdoor romp around the library with a Polaroid camera. Which team will win?

Teen and Tween Programs

Mar. 19 *Teen Maker Space, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.* Join us for an afternoon of creativity. Bring a project to work on or sort through our supplies for inspiration.

Apr. 30 *DIY Posters, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.* Calling all artists. Try your hand with this layering technique to build a unique poster of your own.

May 21 *Teen Movie Matinee, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.* Come and enjoy an afternoon movie. Relax and munch on some snacks while you're here.

Adult Programs

Babcock Needleheads

Every Thursday from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Bring the needlecraft of your choice to the Library. We will share ideas and get some needlework done. All ages welcome.

Babcock Book Club (See page 10).

Mar. 26 *Triple R Gardening with Licking County Recycling, 6:00 p.m.* You will learn how to create a backyard or porch garden by reusing discarded household materials and other supplies. We will also discuss reducing household waste, recycling and general environmental awareness. Open to all ages but program content will focus on pre-teens to adults. Registration is required.



Apr. 23 *Create a Decorative Planter, 6:00 p.m.* You will create a decorative planter for your home using any medium. Please bring one of the following: a clay pot, pottery, basket, trash can, bucket or any other medium you would like to use. Please register; space is limited.

May 14 *Beginning Genealogy with Technology, 6:00 p.m.* During the first half hour you will learn the basics of research, and then you will be searching online sites for information. Please bring family names, places of birth, and birth dates of those you want to research. This class requires basic computer skills and is limited to 6 participants. Registration is required. For adults only.

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Locations and Hours

Main Library

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Mon. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri., 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sat., 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sun., 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sept. - April)

Buckeye Lake Library

4455 Walnut Rd., Buckeye Lake
740-928-0472
Mon. - Thurs., 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Emerson R. Miller Library

990 W. Main St., Newark • 740-344-2155
Mon. - Thurs., 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Hebron Library

934 W. Main St., Hebron • 740-928-3923
Mon. - Thurs., 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Mon. - Thurs., 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Meet Mary Harmon Head of Adult Services

Mary Harmon was born in Australia and lived there until the age of four. Back in Ohio, she was raised by a scuba diving enthusiast who passed down his love of adventure to her. When Mary is not skydiving, whitewater rafting, diving in the Gulf of Mexico or traversing the wilds of the Licking County Library, she spends time on her quaint five-acre homestead with her husband and young daughter.

After achieving a Bachelor's degree in Sociology and German Literature from Muskingum University in Ohio, Mary spent some time studying in Germany. Following that, she decided to work in public libraries and pursued the Master of Library & Information Science degree from Kent State University, which she achieved in 2009. She then worked in several Ohio libraries, holding a variety of positions, including Circulation Clerk, Youth Outreach Coordinator, Reference Librarian and Adult Services Coordinator.

Mary's first position with Licking County Library was Branch Supervisor at the Hebron Library. She quickly rose to her current position as Head of Adult Services at the Main Library. After two-and-a-half years in that position, Mary has helped refine and expand the scope of what a twenty-first century library is and can be.

Local History Corner

Anna D. Stare; First Female CPA in Ohio

By Dan Fleming, Adult Services Librarian

It's tax time again. Today, we don't think twice about allowing a woman to prepare our taxes, but that was unheard of before the 1930s. Anna Stare was the very first female certified public accountant in Ohio, and she set up shop doing just that in Newark for her father's business and many others.

Anna was born in 1883 to Louis A. and Mary Ann Stare. Louis was a successful cabinet maker and also worked as a contractor with tile and marble. He served six terms on the Newark City Council and was president of its finance committee. Anna followed closely in his footsteps. Both served on community chest fund drives in Newark. After the death of Louis in 1934, Anna took over his business until her own death on November 16, 1938.

She was also a charter member and the first president of the Newark Business and Professional Women's Club as well as a past president of the same group on the state level. She was on the executive board of the American Red Cross, Licking County Chapter, and a member of the Newark Garden Club and the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants..

Anna's father Louis had a brother named Frank L. Stare. Frank and his wife Rhoda had Frank L., Jr. who died in 1983. Yes, as you might have guessed, Frank, Jr. had a son, Frank L. Stare, III who was the first to serve three consecutive 4-year terms as Mayor of Newark from 1992-2003.

Best of all, Anna Stare, who never married, broke ground for other women to enter the CPA profession in Ohio.

[All of the information above was derived from obituaries of the Stare family, housed in the Licking County Genealogical Society on the 2nd floor of the Licking County Library.]

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