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**September Is Literacy Month
Over 20 Literacy Agencies to Participate in FAMILY LITERACY FAIR
at the Main Library on Saturday, September 25– 1:30-4:00 p.m.**

September is National Literacy Month, a time to focus attention on the fundamental role of literacy in all areas of our lives. In recognition of this important theme, the Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County will host its fifth annual Family Literacy Fair on Saturday, September 25 from 1:30-4:00 p.m. at the Main Library, 800 Vine Street.

Whether seeking help with learning initial reading or language skills, improving current reading or language skills, exploring educational opportunities as a returning student, or information on volunteer opportunities, the Family Literacy Fair is an opportunity for individuals and families alike to find out about free literacy help including:

- Agencies that provide literacy and educational services to youth and adults
- Free Literacy Help and Volunteer Opportunities in the Area
- Information on Volunteering Opportunities
- Information on Screen and Classes for Children and Adults with Profound Reading Difficulties
- GED Preparation Classes
- English as a Second Language

The Cincinnati Reds have gone to bat for literacy!

Anyone attending the fair can register to win a set of four tickets for the Cincinnati Reds' Saturday, October 2 game against the Pittsburgh Pirates at 1:15 p.m. (80 tickets will be awarded).

For more information, contact the Literacy Director at (513) 369-4570.

Participating Agencies

Pick up information about educational and volunteering opportunities at the Family Literacy Fair held at the Main Library on Saturday, September 25, 2004 from 1:30–4:00 p.m.

ACT

CET Learning Services

Children's Learning Center of the Public Library

Cincinnati Public Schools

Cincinnati Public Schools Early Childhood Education

Cincinnati Public Schools ABLE Program

Cincinnati Reads

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

Cincinnati-Hamilton County CAA Head Start

College Advantage

Education & Religion Department of the Public Library

Educational Opportunity Center

Envision Learning Center

First Book – Greater Cincinnati

Great Oaks Institute of Technology and Career Development

International Family Resource Center

Literacy Network of Greater Cincinnati

Literature & Languages Department of the Public Library

Lower Price Hill Community School

Media Bridges

Reading for Life Inc.

Urban Appalachian Council ABLE/GED

YWCA LEARN

The Main Library and some branches offer regular programs on GED Practice Testing, ESL classes, and taking the GED test.

OCTOBER 2004 LITERACY PROGRAMS

SATURDAY 2

Main Library, 800 Vine Street, 369-6900

GED Practice Testing - Determine if you are ready to take the official GED test and earn a fee waiver to save the \$55 official test charge. Call 369-4570 to register, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Groesbeck, 2994 W. Galbraith Rd., 369-4454

ESOL Classes: English for Speakers of Other Languages with Great Oaks, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 5

Harrison, 10398 New Haven Road, 369-4442

Adult Education Classes - Prepare for the GED Test and improve your basic skills with Great Oaks, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

West End, 805 Ezzard Charles Dr., 369-6026

Beginner's English Conversation Group for Speakers of Other Languages, 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 6

Main Library, 800 Vine Street, 369-6940

Educational Opportunity Center - Free advice and assistance to anyone interested in attending college. Includes assistance with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), college selection counseling, technology training and more! 12:00-2:00 p.m., Ages 19 years & up. Call to register.

Harrison, 10398 New Haven Road, 369-4442

Adult Education Classes - Prepare for the GED Test and improve your basic skills with Great Oaks, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 9

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Norwood, 4325 Montgomery Rd., 369-6037

GED Practice Testing - Determine if you are ready to take the official GED test and earn a fee waiver to save the \$55 official test charge, 12:30-5:30 p.m. Call 369-4570 to register.

SATURDAY 16

Groesbeck, 2994 W. Galbraith Rd., 369-4454

ESOL Classes: English for Speakers of Other Languages with Great Oaks, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 19

West End, 805 Ezzard Charles Dr., 369-6026

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SATURDAY 23

Groesbeck, 2994 W. Galbraith Rd., 369-4454

ESOL Classes: English for Speakers of Other Languages with Great Oaks, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 26

College Hill, 1400 W. North Bend Rd., 369-6036

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Adult Education Classes - Prepare for the GED Test and improve your basic skills with Great Oaks, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 30

Groesbeck, 2994 W. Galbraith Rd., 369-4454

ESOL Classes: English for Speakers of Other Languages with Great Oaks, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

✓ **Our goal is to make our programs accessible to everyone. Please request ADA services one week in advance at 513-369-4406 (TDD 369-4409).**

✓ **Information about events at the Main Library and 41 branch libraries is available on the Internet site: www.CincinnatiLibrary.org.**