Books

POP-UP at the Main Library

Wonderful World of Pop-Ups Exhibit from the collection of Carolyn S. Hughes April 5–June 27, Cincinnati Room, 3rd floor

Noted Paper Engineer & Designer Bruce Foster Discussion & Book Signing Sunday, April 11 2:30 p.m., Reading Garden Lounge, Atrium
Carolyn Hughes is an avid book collector, but it was not until she started collecting pop-ups that she found her passion. “I have always had a few in my library, but about eight years ago I joined the Moveable Book Society and after attending my first convention in San Diego, I was totally hooked.” There she had the incredible experience of meeting the engineers, artists, fellow collectors, bookstore owners, and librarians who come together around the art. She soon joined the eclectic group of pop-up devotees (even her license plate reads “POP-UP BK”). “What I find fascinating is that, just like architecture, pop-up books embrace both the science of engineering as well as the beauty of art.” She has now collected more than 550 books.

Pop-up books are for more than just children. With such a wide diversity of subject matter, most of the books in Carolyn’s collection appeal to all ages with only about 20 percent of them considered to be children’s books. Her favorites are engineering wonders designed by Bruce Foster. “His are easy to open. You don’t have to juggle or pry the folds loose, which can take the fun out of the experience. His open and fold back so effortlessly.”

As a volunteer in the Friends’ Shop in the Main Library, Carolyn is well aware of the diverse clientele who frequent the gift shop and the Library. Believing that her collection would appeal to many of them, she decided it was time to share her pop-up treasures with others. So she selected 120 of her favorites to be part of an exhibit, *The Wonderful World of Pop-Ups: From the Collection of Carolyn S. Hughes*, on view in the Main Library’s Cincinnati Room April 5–June 27. “I am thrilled to be sharing my pop-ups with Cincinnatians and I hope they will find them as wonderful as I do.”

Carolyn Hughes

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**Paper Engineer to Visit Main Library April 11, 2:30 p.m.**

Bruce Foster has produced pop-up books for a number of well-known publishing houses. His complex works have also won numerous awards. His widest exposure to date, however, was not in an actual book, but in the hit Disney movie, *Enchanted*, where his pop-up magic is seen throughout the film. To meet this renowned paper engineer and designer and to gain a better understanding of his artistry and skills, visit the Main Library’s Reading Garden Lounge on Sunday, April 11 at 2:30 p.m.

Bruce’s entertaining and informative presentation utilizes movie clips, PowerPoint, show-and-tell and hands-on demonstrations to introduce audiences, young and young-at-heart alike, to the mysteries of movable books. Books will be available for purchase and a signing will follow the presentation. Sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library.

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**Special Reception for Library Friends’ Members April 11, 1:30 p.m.**

Before his presentation, Friends of the Public Library members are invited to a meet & greet with Bruce Foster at 1:30 p.m. as Chicago musician Derrick Stout, who has released many records from solo piano to rock & roll, adds music to the mood. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, contact the Friends of the Public Library at (513) 369-6035 or friendsofplch1@fuse.net. Those interested in becoming new Friends’ members can sign up at the door.
2009 Year in Review

2009 was a very eventful year for the Library. It was a record breaker full of firsts and major achievements. It was also a time of uncertainty, yet despite budget shortages and limited resources, increased demands for Library services were wholeheartedly met. 2009 saw the Library’s first successful operating levy pass with a 73% for vote—an amazing show of support from the community.

Circulation reached an all time high at nearly 16.4 million—a 4.8% increase over 2008. Demand for reference service and program attendance remained strong, visitors to the Library exceeded 6.1 million, and use of the Virtual Library grew by 120%. The number of cardholders stands at more than 271,000, up 15% since 2008, and database use, the count of searches performed on databases purchased by the Library, reached nearly 2-million — an increase of almost 20%.

One of the most fascinating things about this remarkable growth is the unprecedented growth in print circulation, up by 9.1% in 2009 with Library customers borrowing 9,476,093 print items. New initiatives like Featured Book of the Month and expansion of the Summer Reading Program to adults, as well as longstanding programs like On the Same Page, our reading blog, and promoting new titles through our web page have all contributed to this incredible growth.

The Library expanded its services for job seekers, redesigned its website, enabled holds on older feature films, enhanced its kindergarten readiness efforts, introduced the Playaway audiobook, and doubled the computer training programs offered in the TechCenter. Receipt of a $161,852 Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Opportunity Online Hardware Grant is providing funds to upgrade and purchase additional computer equipment for 17 branches.

The Library once again received national recognition as one of the busiest and best public libraries in the nation, ranking among the Hennan top 10 for the fourth consecutive year. However, this is just the start. You can see the Library’s 2009 annual report online at www.CincinnatiLibrary.org.

2009 was a landmark year for the Library. With community use and support at record levels we are ready to take on the new challenges 2010 presents. Having solved our most pressing financial problems we will turn our attention to planning for the future and are excited about the many opportunities available to us now.

I would like to thank the Board, the community, and the staff for their support. When faced with a dire financial situation, the Board acted decisively, voting to seek a levy in the worst economic times seen in a generation. The community heard that need and despite the economy, supported the Library and its mission. With use growing so rapidly and no funds to hire additional help to meet the demand, the staff served our community and showed our customers the true value of an excellent Library system. I cannot thank you all enough!

Kimber L. Fender, Executive Director

Check out the Library’s Pop-Up Collection

It’s hard to resist the appeal of a good pop-up book. There’s something about the way the bookish format conceals unbookish characteristics—open one, pull on a tab or lever, and a surprise unfolds. They’ve become increasingly complex with sophisticated illustrations and intricate mechanical devices. The Library’s collection contains a wide range of titles for everyone from infants to adults by paper engineering extraordinaires such as Bruce Foster, Robert Sabuda, Matthew Reinhart, and David Carter. Even Oh, the Places You’ll Go, Pop-up!, Dr. Seuss’s classic ode to finding one’s path through the maze of life, celebrates its 20th anniversary with a new pop-up edition recently added to the Library’s extensive collection.
celebrate national poetry month

Poetry in the Garden

Reading Garden Lounge Tuesdays in April at 7:00 p.m.

The Poetry in the Garden series, sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library, returns to the Main Library’s Reading Garden Lounge during National Poetry Month every Tuesday in April at 7:00 p.m. Talented poets from around the Tristate will read from their work and share their love of poetry.

• April 6 | Jerry Judge & Don Begen

Jerry Judge is the author of six collections of poetry. His latest works are Luna Moth and Outlaw Poet. His poems have been published in several anthologies and a variety of journals, including the New York Quarterly, Pudding, and Main Street Rag. He is a former President of the Greater Cincinnati Writers’ League, and he’s active in writing events around the region.

Don Bogen is a professor at the University of Cincinnati and the author of three books of poetry—After the Splendid Display, The Known World, and Luster—and a critical book, A Necessary Order: Theodore Roethke and the Writing Process. Along with writing poetry, he has been a reviewer and translator, and has collaborated with composers from the U.S. and abroad.

• April 13 | Poets from the Greater Cincinnati Writers’ League & Little Pocket Poetry

Greater Cincinnati Writers’ League is a group of writers whose focus is poetry. Over the years they have been changing and growing, trying modern as well as traditional approaches to the writing of poetry. Though many of their members are published writers of poetry, prose, and plays, the focus in this group is on reading, writing, critiquing, and promoting poetry in the Cincinnati area.

Little Pocket Poetry is a simple, no-frills website created to encourage and celebrate the slow enjoyment of poetry—one poem at a time. Its philosophy is rooted in the global notion that poems “come to life” largely by paying close attention to them.

• April 20 | Steve Kissing & Norman Finkelstein

Steve Kissing is an advertising creative director and copywriter by day for Barefoot Proximity. He occasionally writes for general and special-interest magazines, but his focus is a monthly column for Cincinnati Magazine, which has been recognized as outstanding by the Ohio Association of Professional Journalists.

Norman Finkelstein teaches modern and contemporary American literature, Jewish American literature, literary theory, and creative writing at Xavier University. He has published several volumes of poetry including Restless Messengers and the three-volume serial poem Track: Track, Columns, and Powers.

• April 27 | Dana Ward & Michael Hennessey

Dana Ward, author of Roseland & the Drought, lives in Cincinnati, edits Cy Press, and works as an advocate for adult literacy at the Over-the-Rhine Learning Center.

Michael S. Hennessey is the Managing Editor of PennSound and a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Cincinnati. Born and raised in Philadelphia, he earned his Master of Fine Arts in creative writing from Emerson College. His debut chapbook, Last Days in the Bomb Shelter, was published in 2008.

Kids & Teens Enjoy Poetry at the Library

For Teens — To take part in the Library’s 8th Annual Random Acts of Poetry Contest from April 1—30, teens ages 12-18 are invited to commit their random-est acts of poetry. They can e-mail their entries to TeenSpot@CincinnatiLibrary.org or turn their typed or handwritten poems into any Library location for their shot at first prize: a $25 gift card to Chipotle! Visit teenspace.CincinnatiLibrary.org for more details. It’s all part of Young People’s Poetry Week, sponsored by the Children’s Book Council, in collaboration with the American Academy of Poets and the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress.

For Kids — Poetry appreciation and writing activities for kids are taking place at various branches across the Library system. Visit www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/programs for a complete list of poetry programs.
Jazz in the Main Library

In addition to the Library’s regular Jazz of the month club programs, we’re celebrating Jazz Appreciation Month in April with a series of free jazz concerts as well as related books, recordings, play-a-longs and other jazz materials to be on display during April in the Popular Library Reading Lounge at the Main Library.

These concerts are made possible by a generous donation from internationally known saxophonist and authority on jazz education Jamey Aebersold. Mr. Aebersold is one of the most significant innovators in jazz education. A strong believer in the role of improvisation in education, he has been a driving force in America’s native art form and continues to kindle the fires of musical imagination in those with whom he comes in contact.

April 3 · Garin Webb Trio  
*Popular Library Reading Lounge*  
Actively involved in the Tri-state arts scene for over five years, the Garin Webb Trio consists of saxophone, piano or guitar, and acoustic bass.

April 10 ·  
**Marc Fields Trio**  
*Popular Library Reading Lounge*  
After touring with Ray Charles, Marc Fields returned home to Cincinnati in 1994, where he took a position as adjunct professor of jazz trombone and combos at his alma mater, the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. He challenges his students to understand the great qualities of the trombone.

April 24 ·  
**Dave Ridenour Duo**  
*Popular Library Reading Lounge*  
Recognized as one of Cincinnati’s most talented guitarists, Dave Ridenour has played for such greats as Ray Charles, Joan Baez, and Maynard Ferguson.

Jazz of the Month

April 17 ·  
**Rick VanMatre Quintet**  
*Atrium Reading Garden Lounge*  
This Jazz of the Month Club Concert features Rick VanMatre, Director of Jazz Studies Program at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, on saxophone.

Become a Part of the 2010 Butterfly Show!

Spread your wings this spring as the Krohn Conservatory celebrates the treasures of Japan with its 2010 Butterfly Show: Butterflies of Japan. As part of a Library partnership, kids can create origami butterflies and insects and write Japanese haiku poems at the Library, and then see their work on display in the Butterfly Show! Each child who participates in these Library programs will receive complimentary passes to attend the 2010 Butterfly Show with their families, courtesy of the Krohn Conservatory.

The 2010 Butterfly Show: Butterflies of Japan (April 17–June 20) marks the 15th year of the Butterfly Show at the Krohn Conservatory. Since 1996, the Butterfly Show has entertained and educated more than 750,000 people of all ages. Whether you’re young or young-at-heart, you’ll be dazzled by butterflies flying free among vibrant, colorful flowers and fascinating cultural artifacts. For more information, visit [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org).
Meet the New Library Friends’ Shop Manager Tracy Lanham

Tracy Lanham is the new Manager of the Library Friends’ Shop at the Main Library downtown. She previously served as the shop’s assistant manager for a year and a half, and brings with her more than 25 years of retail experience. Ms. Lanham holds a B.S. in Retailing from Miami University.

“I’m excited about this opportunity to manage a store that offers high quality items, so much diversity in merchandise, and has such a long history,” she said. Tracy previously served as a recruiter for the Procter & Gamble Consumer Village, Store Manager and Buyer for Woodbourne Gallery, and a Sales Representative for Laurel Burch, Inc. and Swatch Watch. She has also held positions as a buyer for Stewart Dry Goods/Shillito-Rikes, and Elder-Beerman in Dayton.

Tracy has big plans for the shop in 2010. “We’re going to participate in a Showcase and Sale at Sharon Woods Village on June 26 and 27, and introduce a gondola display in the Main Library Atrium prior to the Friends June used book sale,” she said. She is also planning on extending hours during certain holidays and at the June book sale, and will continue to promote exclusive Friends’ merchandise in the shop, such as the Dickens’ holiday cards based on rare book illustrations from the Library’s collection.

Tracy is grateful for a key core of volunteers that assist at the shop year-round. Since it opened in 1983, volunteers have contributed more than 51,000 hours of service. “We’re extremely grateful for the dedication of our volunteers who give their time and expertise to the shop,” she said. “Five of our volunteers have worked at the shop for 20 or more years: Ted Appel, Rosemary Auer, Lora Kaufman, Roberta Mattimiro, and Janet Smith.”

Profits from the shop are used to help fund programs sponsored by the Friends of the Public Library, including the annual Summer Reading Program. For more information about the Friends’ Shop call (513) 369-6020 or email friendsofplch1@fuse.net and for upcoming Friends’ sales, visit friends.CincinnatiLibrary.org.

The Library Friends’ Shop Offers a Unique Selection:

- New books and other items pertaining to Cincinnati and the surrounding area.
- Unique boxed sets and individual greeting cards.
- Literary-themed products such as bookmarks, key chains, and t-shirts.
- Genealogy materials to aid researchers and family historians.
- Materials which complement Library programs.
- Interesting gift items including hand-crafted jewelry
- Toys for children of all ages.

Members of The Friends receive a 10% discount on all items purchased at the Friends’ Shop.

The Library Friends’ Shop

Hours: Monday–Saturday
10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Main Library—Mezzanine Level
(513) 369–6920

Friends Members You’re Invited

Library Friends’ Annual Meeting
Friday, April 23 at 1:00 p.m.
Main Library—Huenefeld Tower Room
3rd floor south building
RSVP to (513) 369–6035
or friendsofplch1@fuse.net
Special thanks to our members who joined or renewed between November 1, 2009 and January 31, 2010. Due to space limitations, only memberships of $25 and up are listed.

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Opera 90th Anniversary
Popular Library Program Ties

The Cincinnati Opera celebrates its 90th anniversary in June and July 2010. To commemorate this milestone, the Popular Library will host an Italian language class for opera lovers on Saturday, May 8, at 1:00 p.m., in the Popular Library Reading Lounge in the Main Library.

Experience the grace and charm of the Italian language through the beauty of the aria at a program presented by Cincinnati’s Italian School Amici. Professor David Bezona, former German and European opera tenor, and currently a music and theatre-arts educator at Wilmington College of Cincinnati, will lead a one hour discussion and demonstration of the use of the Italian language from its inception and through the history of Italian opera. He will be joined by former Metropolitan Opera soprano, Blythe Walker. For more information please see www.schoolamici.com, where students have been learning Italian from Italians for over 20 years in Cincinnati.

The Popular Library recently reorganized its collection of more than 600 opera titles on CD. Your favorite opera is now easier than ever to find and borrow. Visit the Popular Library on the first floor of the Main Library today!

Cincinnati Opera Archives at the Library!

The Library is proud to be the custodian of the Cincinnati Opera Archives, a responsibility it inherited in 2006 from the Cincinnati Historical Society. The archives, which extend from 1883 to 1994, include a wealth of material chronicling the history of the Opera. It contains photographs of the many legendary stars and conductors who performed with the company along with historic programs, posters, scores, librettos, scrapbooks, newspaper articles and clippings, and other documents. To see treasures from the archives, ask at the Genealogy & Local History Department service desk for The Cincinnati Opera, 1883–1994, a highly detailed catalog of the contents. In addition, the department maintains a card index to the Opera’s productions as well as bound programs from past productions.

Show Your Stuff!

Does your group or organization have some interesting creative work or material of historical or educational significance that it would like to share? Last year 1.4 million people visited the Main Library. While they were there they may have viewed one or more of a dozen exhibits ranging from art by Cincinnati Public School students to artifacts commemorating Abraham Lincoln. These exhibits are an integral component of library service that provide opportunities for information, learning, and entertainment. Exhibit space is available to community groups when the space is not being used for Library purposes. Priority is given to those exhibits that attract a wide audience and provide a diversity of viewpoints in a variety of civic, educational, cultural, or intellectual activities.

If you have a suggestion for an exhibit, please send an email or letter with your name, the name of your organization, daytime phone number, and a brief description of your exhibit idea and the reason you think it should be featured at the Library, including the approximate scope of items to be shown. Send to: Programs & Exhibits Coordinator Kate Lawrence at the Main Library, 800 Vine Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202-2009 or Kate.Lawrence@cincinnatilibrary.org.

Adult Education Fair at the Main Library April 7

The Library will be partnering with the Regional Association of Adult Higher Education in Cincinnati, a consortium of regionally accredited local colleges and universities that offer degree programs specifically designed to meet the needs of working adults, to present an education fair for working adults. On Wednesday, April 7, from 4:00–6:00 p.m., a number of partner colleges and universities will be on hand at the Main Library to discuss how working adults can continue their education, to distribute information on the degree programs that are available, and to let them know how to obtain financial assistance.
Hamilton & Kenton County Libraries Celebrate El Día on April 25

El Día de los Niños/El Día de los Libros or “Children’s Book Day” is an exciting bilingual literacy fiesta presented in partnership with the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County and Kenton County Public Library. The celebration rotates between libraries from Cincinnati’s side of the river to Kentucky’s side. This year, families can head for the Kenton County Public Library’s Erlanger Branch on Sunday, April 25 from 1:00—4:00 p.m. for a storytime that goes around the world in 180 minutes!

Some of the highlights of this year’s program include performances by David Kisor, the North Avondale Montessori Drum and Choir Group, the Lion of Babylon Dancers, and salsa dancing with Rayza Ramirez. An international storytime, with stories read in many languages, including Spanish, Chinese, Portuguese, Arabic, Hindi, Tagalog, French, and Bulgarian will be one of the highlights. Children will also be invited to participate in a wide variety of related festivities, including international games and crafts, piñatas, and free books and snacks. El Día is an American Library Association sponsored annual event that celebrates reading for all children and families, regardless of linguistic or cultural background.

SCORE Partners with Public Library to offer Series of Free Workshops

SCORE, America’s Counselors to Small Business, has teamed up for the seventh consecutive year with the Information & Reference Department of the Main Library to offer the program “Your Business—It Starts with a Plan” for new and prospective business owners. This three-part series of instructional workshops focused on writing business plans will take place in the Huenefeld Tower Room (3rd Floor) on Saturdays, May 22 & 29, and June 5, from 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Guest speakers from various fields in the business world will give an insiders’ take on organizational and legal structure, marketing and financial plans, and effectively managing a small business. In addition, the Public Library’s subject specialists will demonstrate how to use the Library’s resources to support small business development.

There is no charge for attending the workshops and those present receive a workbook with the highlights and notes from each session and a Certificate of Achievement for completing the program. Due to the popularity of these workshops, advance registration is required. To reserve your place, or to get additional information, call the Main Library’s Information & Reference Department at (513) 369-6900.
**what’s new online**

**fifty•five +**

The Library is pleased to announce that *Fifty-Five Plus*, a new online resource dedicated to meeting the needs and interests of customers 55 years and older, has been added to our website. The site includes recommended resources on topics such as retirement planning, volunteering, health and wellness, technology, and genealogy. *Fifty-Five Plus* also highlights our large-print collection, related programs and services, and resources such as the Veterans History Project.

In preparation for developing this new online resource, a survey was distributed to Library customers via eLinks. More than 600 respondents took the time to offer us a wide variety of thoughtful suggestions and comments, many of which have been incorporated into the design of *Fifty-Five Plus*. We plan to continue adding content every month, so check back regularly!

You’ll find a link to *Fifty-Five Plus* on our homepage, or you can navigate to the site directly by typing [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/fiftyfiveplus/](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/fiftyfiveplus/) into your browser.

**New Databases**

The Library recently added some exciting new resources to our collection of Research Databases!

**Career Transitions** is a guided, self-paced resource that walks you through the job application process—assessing strengths and interests, preparing a resume, finding educational opportunities and networking advice, performing a job search, and applying online. It is organized into five different areas that allow you to:

- Assess yourself and match your interests with career paths that will make you happy and productive.
- Explore hundreds of career paths and industries to see how they compare in your state.
- Build, save, retrieve, and update a professional resume and a list of references.
- Find educational opportunities and take classes to brush up on skills and increase hiring chances.
- Access job listings from around the country and an application wizard.

**JobNow** provides access to live career coaching, expert resume assistance, and a vast library of material to assist you at every stage of the job hunt. Here are just a few of the features that make **JobNow** unique:

- Resume analysis by a **JobNow** expert within 24 hours of submission.
- Downloadable resume templates for the most common resume types.
- Live, one-on-one interview coaching from online instructors, including simulated interview practice.
Byki Online allows you to learn a foreign language from the comfort of home! The Byki (“Before You Know It”) personalized online language instruction program uses flashcards to help you memorize words and phrases in a new language, including their meanings and proper pronunciation. In addition to building your vocabulary, Byki offers specialized tools to help you perfect your pronunciation skills and provides individual progress reports and proficiency tests. Over 70 foreign and ESL languages are represented in Byki, including Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Japanese, Russian, and Spanish.

Literature Criticism Online combines all ten of Gale’s award-winning, multi-volume reference sources into one cross-searchable database. Coverage spans the centuries from Classical to Contemporary, and includes every major literary genre, including poetry, drama, short stories, and children’s literature. Besides providing access to over 200,000 hard-to-find essays on authors and their works, Literature Criticism Online also provides content on more than 600 remarkably diverse topics of literary interest such as “American Transcendentalism,” “Cuban Exile Literature,” “Nineteenth Century Science Fiction,” and “Polish Romanticism.”

To access these and other databases available for free from your Public Library, log on to www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/resources/ and click on “Research Databases.” Connect from home with your Library Card number and PIN, or use computers with free Internet access available at any of the Library’s 41 locations throughout Hamilton County.

New this Year Online Sign-ups for Summer Reading

It’s Showtime! The spotlight is on reading this summer as the Library presents “Lights, Camera, READ!” The 2010 Summer Reading Program kicks off on May 29 (2:00 to 4:00 p.m.) at all 41 Library locations and continues through July 31. As part of the script, everyone is invited to be a “star” at your Library. Preschoolers, kids, teens, and adults (as well as entire families) can play a leading role in the reading scene.

Programs & Prizes: An exciting line-up of free programs sets the stage for fun. There’s enough to make anyone “star-struck.” From page to box office hit, many programs will be based on your favorite books that have made it to the big screen. Plus, you can win prizes just for reading. The more you read the more chances to win.

Participating is easy! On April 15, the Library will launch a new web-based summer reading log that will allow customers to sign-up, keep track of their progress and prizes, and share book reviews online! Participants of all ages — preschoolers, kids, teens, and adults — can register as individuals, families, or groups.

Visit www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/summerread after April 15 to register. And then, track your reading online from June 1—July 31. Come to any Library location to claim your prizes!
The Library is deeply grateful for the generosity of our community and welcomes gifts of all sizes. Your donations are essential to ensuring delivery of excellent Library service and availability of the widest possible range of informational resources for all ages. For inquiries regarding contributions, please contact John Reusing, Development Director, at (513) 369—4591 or John.Reusing@CincinnatiLibrary.org. The following gifts of $25 or more were received between November 19, 2009 and February 10, 2010.

**Gifts to the Library & Foundation**

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- Jean F. Bergstein

**Partner $1,000+**
- Cord Foundation
- Downtown Residents’ Council
- Mr. & Mrs. Thomas E. Huenefeld
- Dr. & Mrs. Robert Preston
- John & Sandy Reusing
- Wal-Mart Foundation

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- Katheryn Thomas & Michael Beeby
- Cincinnati Mineral Society
- Deliaan Gettler
- Mr. & Mrs. David Lopez (to benefit the Monfort Heights Branch Library)
- Monfort Heights White Oak Community Association

**Sustaining $250+**
- Burges & Burges Strategists, Inc.
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- Mr. & Mrs. A. Eugene Bertke
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- Montgomery Woman’s Club, Inc.
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- Marilyn & Bill Thiemann
- Third Tuesday Book Club

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- Ellen Hartke Baker
- Susan K. Cogan

**Joseph G. Constantini**
- Christmas gift in honor of Dr. & Mrs. Jim Dahmann: Thomas A. & Kay E. Dahmann
- Jeffrey T. Grothaus & Stephanie M. Kovalcik
- Stephanie Lo

**Miniature Society of Cincinnati**
- Carmen Prech

**In Memory**
- George McIlveen

**In Memoriam**

**Joseph S. Stern, Jr. 1918—2010**

On September 8, 2003, Joe Stern attended his last meeting of the Library Board as a Trustee after 42 years of service. The former chairman of U.S. Shoe Corporation was not only a successful businessman but also a recognized community leader honored with a Great Living Cincinnatian award for his myriad civic contributions. Among the many organizations he was involved with were the Cincinnati May Festival, Cincinnati Historical Society, Western-Southern Life Insurance Co., and the Isaac M. Wise Temple. He chaired the 1988 Bicentennial Commission and endowed a bone marrow transplant unit at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center. A great lover of books and supporter of the Public Library, Mr. Stern was also one of the founders of the Friends of the Public Library in 1957, serving as its first Vice President and as President for two years.

During his more than four decades of devoted service as a member of the Board of Library Trustees, Joe Stern used his business acumen, intellect, personal ties to the community, and his lifelong love of books to provide guidance and input in making key decisions that made and kept the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County one of the premier public libraries in the country. It was in recognition for this devoted service that Mr. Stern was conferred the lifetime honorary title of Trustee Emeritus. His support was invaluable to the Library and will always be remembered and appreciated. Joseph S. Stern, Jr. passed away on January 2, 2010.

**In Memory of Joseph S. Stern, Jr.**
- Martha G. Anness; Mr. & Mrs. Thomas E. Huenefeld; Steve & Lisa Ribar

**Commemorative Gifts**
- In memory of Anthony Covatta: Susan & James Marrs
- In memory of R. Jayne Craven, Jacob S. Epstein, Robert Hudzik, Pearl E. Portnoy, Annette Russell, Joseph S. Stern, Jr. & Jane E. Wagner: George E. Ferguson
- In memory of John Dankenbring: L. John Sanlorenzo
- In memory of Mary Ann Faelten: Robert Faelten
- In memory of Dorothy Heinlein: Virginia McCune
In memory of Dale Ivey: Co-Workers & Friend of Lois Ivey at Deaconess Hospital
In memory of Catherine Schlomer: Mary Mallardi
In memory of Mary Theresa Thien: Helen Mangelsdorf
In Memory of Robert C. Schiff: Martha G. Anness

Honor with Books
In memory of Robert Ashby & in memory of Carole Ashby’s aunt: Nancy L. Tanner
In honor of Tali Bailes’ Bat Mitzvah: The Finestone Family
In honor of Amy Baker: Les & Pauline Gajus
In memory of Charles L. Bovier: Charlotte Knepper
In memory of Carol Daniel, James Noakes & Annette Russell: Kim Fender
In memory of Mary Helen Enneking: Betty & Rich Tedesco

In memory of Dorothy Heinlein: Carol & Catherine Thompson
In memory of Donna Gail Hoffman: The Malagari Family
In honor of Anthony M. Lucic: Karen Lucic
In memory of Dean Martini: The Malagari Family
In honor of the birthday of Maddox Tad Miller: Julia Ann Miller
In honor of Janet Morgan: Joan Joy
In honor of Carol Schaljo: Dr. Clyde Parrish
In honor of J. Harry Stagaman, M.D.: Joan & Robert Goddard
In honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Carol & Jerry Tedesco: Rich & Betty Tedesco

Susan Alexander

Memorial Nature Education Wildlife Program
Marianne Bickell; Esly & Judith Caldwell; Tollie H. Chavis; Betsy Connell; William J. Creasey; Kathryn Emerson Grover; Marilyn A. Galvin; Mary Raymond Grover & Kate A. Harvey; Nancy Hurst; Pamela Shaw; Andrew D. Smith; Lynn T. Stroud; Ann Taylor Tommelein; Jan Weigel; Judith Wilson; Mary Wilson; Robert & Judy Wilson

Special Honors
Montgomery Woman’s Club, Inc. in honor of Kathleen Takanen

Non–Cash gifts
Adele P. Blanton John Bowman Brainfuse, Inc.
Nancy Broermann George E. Brown Cincinnati Bell Inc.

Susan Alexander, a 13-year-old seventh grader at Sycamore Junior High, contributed $500 to the Books for Girls Fund at the Deer Park Branch in honor of her becoming a bat mitzvah. Tali’s family established the fund 11-years ago in memory of her grandma Rhoda S. Feldman, a former Library employee and lifelong lover of books. Before her death in 1999, Mrs. Feldman would take her grandkids on field trips to the Deer Park Branch. “I love to read,” Tali wrote in the letter that accompanied her generous gift, “and I want to make this donation to the fund.”

Cincinnati MacDowell Society
Patricia Donaldson-Mills
Ann Berger Frutkin
Hamilton County Genealogical Society
Housing Opportunities Made Equal
Daniel T. Jungclas LaRosa’s, Inc.
Katherine Presnell
Jane & Harvey Zwerin

Pet Memorials
Siglhe Brackman in memory of Cheryl Miller’s cat Kit Kat
Karen S. Deye in memory of her cat Comet
Mary Flicker in memory of Alan Gebhardt’s rabbit Snowflake
Dave & Linda Gallagher in memory of Midge & John Hines’ cat Michael
Jeff & Marsha Grady in memory of Dr. & Mrs. Auvil’s cat Patches and in memory of The Williams’ Family dog Shellby
In 1960, Library employee Eugenia Rhein celebrated the life of her beloved cat Trixie with a donation. This single donation established a unique and long-standing tradition of giving to the Library—The Pet Memorial Fund. These memorial donations have allowed the Library to purchase thousands of pet-related materials for animal lovers of all ages and books for children to enjoy from the collection.

Throughout the last fifty years, the Library has received gifts in remembrance of cats, dogs, guinea pigs, horses, snakes ... even the memory of Zoo animals like Emi the rhino and Angel the cheetah live on in the pages of books at the Library. Grady Veterinary Hospital celebrates the lives of its patients with donations to The Pet Memorial Fund. Grady Veterinary Hospital staff members, pictured above with Rufus the Library Reading Dog, said that clients are deeply touched by the memorial gifts. “We receive a thank you note or phone call from almost every one,” said Dr. Jeff Grady. “It’s a wonderful way to remember a special friend.”

When his grandmother asked him to select a charity he’d like to support, five-year old Alan thought long and hard about where to donate his money. His grandmother wanted him to understand what it means to give to organizations and people that help the world. After a month of thinking, Alan decided to give the money to his Public Library. He became a member of the Friends, made a donation to the “Honor with Books” program, and purchased a commemorative brick with his name on it. Alan is pictured here with his sister Abby and the brick he bought to support the Library.

Grady Veterinary Hospital
Green Township Branch Staff in memory of Lacey Zillnich & Adam Wehrle’s dog Remshaw
Roy Hardison & Don Baker in memory of Connie Lucas’ dog Jake
Carolyn Hunter in memory of Mike Smith & Mike Newman’s dog Sophie
Cathy Lang in memory of Joy Brady’s cat Bear
Mary Jo McKibben in memory of Erica Heskamp’s dog Monster
Jessie & Geof Modderman in memory of Nelson Troché & Tiyale Hayes’ dog Skittles
Betsy & Paul Sittenfeld in memory of Burd & Jim Schlessinger’s cat Siena
The Tummler Family in memory of Cris Tummler & Mike Hensley’s dog Lily

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upcoming events

Friends of the Public Library Used Book Sales

Keep Materials Longer With Five Renewals

38th Annual Used Book Sale sponsored by The Friends of the Public Library at the Main Library, June 6–11

Sale Hours
- Sunday, June 6, 1:00–5:00 p.m.
- Monday, June 7, 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 8, 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 9, 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 10, 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 11, 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
  (Bag Day)

Friends’ prices can’t be beat! From as little as $0.50 for a paperback, to $2 for hardback fiction...reasonable prices on nonfiction and reference books, DVDs, CDs...there’s something for everyone!

The Friends’ Used Book Sale generates revenues that support the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County. Your Public Library is one of the busiest and best libraries in the nation. A successful book sale will allow The Friends to donate more generously to the Library, thus helping the Library maintain its excellent schedule of free and quality programming for the entire family.

The Friends accept donations of gently used books and audiovisual materials for children and adults. To learn more about donations, membership, benefits, and prices, call (513) 369-6035 or visit friends.CincinnatiLibrary.org.

Other Upcoming Sales:
- Pleasant Ridge Branch Library 6233 Montgomery Road
  - Friday, April 16, 12:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
  - Saturday, April 17, 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Children’s Book Week May 10–16

Since 1919, Children’s Book Week has been celebrated nationally in schools, libraries, bookstores, clubs, homes—any place where there are children and books. Educators, librarians, booksellers, and families have celebrated children’s books and the love of reading with storytelling, parties, author and illustrator appearances, and other book-related events.

The Library is celebrating Children’s Book Week with a number of special events from May 10 to 16. The highlight of the week will be visits from famous characters from children’s literature, including Wild Thing from Maurice Sendak’s classic, Where the Wild Things Are, Froggy from Jonathan London’s Froggy series, Madeline, and the Library’s own Rufus the Reading Dog. A complete list of Children’s Book Week programs can be found at www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/programs/calendar.html.
2010 author series

Authors Discuss New Releases at Main Library

Beauty in the Grove
Author Phil Nuxhall
April 24, 2:00 p.m.
Huenefeld Tower Room

If you only think of cemeteries as places of sadness and gloom, Beauty in the Grove by author and Spring Grove tour guide Phil Nuxhall will forever change your views. The second largest cemetery in the U.S., Spring Grove Cemetery is the birthplace of the landscaped lawn design for rural cemeteries and origin of the American Cemetery Association. It was established in 1845 by members of the Cincinnati Horticultural Society on private farmland that consisted of many natural springs and beautiful groves of trees—thus the name, “Spring Grove.”

Join Phil Nuxhall at the Main Library on Saturday, April 24 at 2:00 p.m. as he discusses this captivating and inspiring visual tribute to our nation’s most beautiful landscaped “Garden of Eden.” Beauty in the Grove is a stunning pictorial of a vast collection of the history, art, architecture, and landscape that make Spring Grove Cemetery and Arboretum an international destination.

Out of Step
Author Jane Heimlich
May 2, 2:00 p.m.
Huenefeld Tower Room

Out of Step is the story of a poor little rich girl, an identical twin, and the daughter of the famous king and queen of ballroom dancing, Arthur and Kathryn Murray. As Arthur builds his dancing empire, shy and quiet Jane is swept along coping with her mother’s attempted suicide, her father’s temper, and moves from coast to coast. Just as she comes into her own as a journalist and is finally out of the limelight, she marries and serendipity thrusts her into the back seat once more as her husband, Henry Heimlich, becomes the darling of the medical world saving thousands with his “maneuver.”

Visit the Main Library on Sunday, May 2 at 2:00 p.m. to hear Jane Heimlich speak about her own dance through life and her new autobiography. For a world now caught up in So You Think You Can Dance and Dancing With The Stars, Jane Heimlich’s story will tell you, in intimate detail, how it all began.

Books will be available for purchase for a book signing after both discussions.