



# LibraryLinks

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## A NEW ERA: HOW TECHNOLOGY IS TRANSFORMING YOUR LIBRARY



Could you pass the librarian exam  
from 1903? *Find out on page 12*

*The Girl on the Train* author Paula Hawkins  
is coming to Cincinnati! *Details on page 5*



# Here's Why You Should Visit Your Library

*With so many books, movies, magazines, and so much music available to download, you might be wondering why you should actually visit a Library. Here are some great reasons to stop by one of our 41 locations across Hamilton County.*



**Browse the new books arriving daily.** You're sure to find something you'll want to borrow.



**Save your data plan** by using our free Wi-Fi.



**Ask for help from our information experts.** Library staff can assist with finding reliable, accurate, and up-to-date information on any topic.



**Check out the newest movie** on new movie Tuesdays. Most DVDs are released on Tuesdays, and we have them at the Library the same day you can buy them.



**Learn something new.** The Library offers thousands of great programs, classes, and workshops every month for all ages and interests.



**Share your love of reading** with others by joining or starting a book club.



**Find a new favorite author.** Our staff of enthusiastic readers can recommend writers you'll love.



**Join the maker movement.** The Main Library, St. Bernard, and Reading branch libraries now have MakerSpaces where you can try 3D printing, make a recording, learn robotics, or sew!



**Get a Library card.** Join the more than 600,000 Hamilton County residents who already have a Library card.



**See your friends.** The Library, visited more than 7 million times in 2014, is a great place to connect with people in your community.



**Learn to use your eReader.** We've seen them all and can help you get started on digital reading, music, or streaming movies.



**Use one of more than 700 computers.** Sure you've got your tablet or phone for email and social media, but our computers have the software you need for work or school.



**Hold a meeting.** Meeting rooms are available for free, unless you're having a party or selling stuff, at 30 of our locations.



Did I mention we have 41 locations? So no matter where you are, a Library branch is nearby. All are open six days a week, including evening hours, and seven locations are also open Sundays 1-5 p.m. For more information visit [CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://CincinnatiLibrary.org) or better yet, stop at that building down the street with the red Library sign in front. We'll see you there.

# Residents in Clifton, Reading, and St. Bernard enjoying new Library branches

Library customers in three Cincinnati neighborhoods are enjoying beautiful new buildings! More than 1,000 people attended the grand opening ceremonies for the new Clifton, Reading, and St. Bernard branch libraries.



The Clifton Branch Library is located at 3400 Brookline Ave. The 10-thousand-square-foot location opened in the historic Parkview Manor on Thursday, May 28. It boasts RFID check-in and check-out, a state-of-the-art tech lab, a children's storytime solarium, meeting rooms, a bike rack with built-in tire pump, a covered porch with built-in chess and checker tables, and special lockers that allow customers to pick up holds when the Library is closed.



The St. Bernard Branch Library is located at 10 McClelland Ave. The 8-thousand-square-foot facility officially opened on Monday, June 22 and is more than four times the size of the old branch. It features a MakerSpace, RFID check-in and check-out, a desk-free mobile service model, a larger staff, plenty of parking, and is open seven days a week. There is also

more space for reading, more computers, and a generous meeting room. It features geothermal heating and cooling and is LEED Silver certified.



The Reading Branch Library is located at 8740 Reading Road. The 12-thousand-square-foot building officially opened on Tuesday, June 23 and is more than six times the size of the old branch. The new branch has a MakerSpace, RFID check-in and check-out, a desk-free mobile service model, a larger staff, a drive-thru window, plenty of parking, and is open seven days a week. There

is also expanded space for reading, a generous meeting room, and 10 times the number of computers available to the public compared with the old branch. The new branch includes geothermal heating and cooling and is LEED Silver certified.



## VERTIGO CAFÉ NOW OFFERS DISCOUNT TO FRIENDS OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Members of the Friends of the Public Library can now get a 10 percent discount on any purchase at Vertigo Café, located inside the Main Library on the Mezzanine level, next to the Friends' Shop! Vertigo Café is open 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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## VERTIGO CAFÉ BOURBON BACON CARAMEL POPCORN

- 3 strips applewood smoked bacon
- 1 bag plain popcorn popped (10 oz.)
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter
- 1 cup dark brown sugar
- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 2 tbsp vanilla extract
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp baking soda
- 1/3 cup bourbon

Heat oven to 250 degrees. Fry bacon and set aside on papered tray to cool.

Spread popcorn on papered tray and crumble bacon over top.

In a medium saucepan, add butter, brown sugar, and maple syrup. Bring to boil, stirring constantly. Reduce heat and simmer for five minutes.

Remove from heat and add the bourbon, vanilla extract, salt, and baking soda and stir until thoroughly mixed. Pour the caramel mixture over the popcorn and stir to coat.

Bake for 15 minutes. When timer goes off, stir the popcorn and bake an additional 15 minutes. Repeat this process two more times. Remove from oven and allow to cool. Store in airtight bags for up to three days.

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Find tips, tricks, and more from us—the information experts.

## YouTube

Your home for Library videos - including tutorials, fun things happening around the Library, and more.

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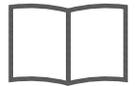
Discover career advice, business tips, and free resources that will help you succeed at work.

## Tumblr

Not exactly Twitter. Not quite Facebook. It's something in-between!

# READ >

**EBOOKS**  
Overdrive, Freeding  
**MAGAZINES**  
Flipster, Zinio, Overdrive



# WATCH >

**STREAMING MOVIES & TV**  
Overdrive, IndieFlix, Hoopla



# LISTEN >

**MUSIC**  
Freegal, Hoopla  
**AUDIOBOOKS**  
Overdrive, OneClick Digital, Hoopla,  
Scholastic BookFlix, TumbleBooks



## eBranch puts the entire collection of digital material at your fingertips



This spring, the Library launched the eBranch, allowing you easier access to thousands of popular books, magazines, movies, and TV shows on your tablet, eReader, or smartphone anytime, even when the Library is closed! You'll find everything in one place, organized for easy use and searchable by format (eBooks, eAudiobooks, streaming movies and TV shows, music, and magazines) and by the service provider (Overdrive, Hoopla, Freegal, etc.).



Love the award-winning in-depth reporting and interactive features on the *New York Times* but hate the monthly fees? Through the Library's "Group Pass" account, cardholders can enjoy free and unlimited access to the *New York Times*. Visit our *New York Times* Group Pass webpage for instructions on getting started: [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/NewYorkTimes](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/NewYorkTimes).



## BOOKS BY THE BANKS SPOTLIGHTS MORE THAN 100 AUTHORS UNDER ONE ROOF



It's a dream come true for any book lover: more than 100 authors under one roof ready to greet fans, talk about their work, and sign books. The ninth annual Books by the Banks Cincinnati USA Book Festival, presented this year by Ohio Humanities, will make that dream a reality this fall in downtown Cincinnati. Books by the Banks is **Saturday, Oct. 17, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.** at the Duke Energy Convention Center. The Library is proud to once again join the festival as an official partner.

This year, the festival boasts appearances by many bestselling national authors, including Rainbow Rowell, the wildly popular author of books such as *Eleanor & Park* and *Landline*; Sharon Draper, National Teacher of the Year and author of *Stella by Starlight*; Anthony Marra, the *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Constellation of Vital Phenomena*; and Cleary Wolters, the real-life inspiration for the character Alex Vause from *Orange Is the New Black*, who has written her own tell-all memoir about prison life.

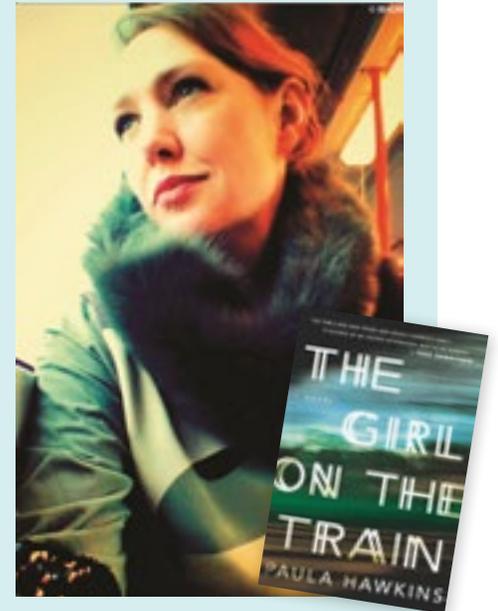
For the first time ever, the festival will award cash prizes as part of its inaugural Author Awards, sponsored by the Scripps Howard Foundation. Separate awards will be given for a writing contest sponsored by The George and Margaret McLane Foundation. And don't forget to look for the Library's booth at the festival for fun giveaways and information.



The popular Kids' Corner showcases day-long activities, includes free balloon sculptures, face painting, and acts by top-notch children's performers. There is also an area for teens with special activities. The Writing & Getting Published series returns this year with panel discussions covering hot topics for writers and workshops to help hone the craft of writing.

Visit [BooksbytheBanks.org](http://BooksbytheBanks.org) for festival news, a complete list of participating authors, and the schedule of events.

## "THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN" AUTHOR TO SPEAK AT MAIN LIBRARY



Meet Paula Hawkins, author of the No. 1 *New York Times* bestseller *The Girl on the Train*. Hawkins will visit the Main Library on **Thursday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m.** to discuss her life and work. Books will be available for purchase and a book signing will follow Hawkins' appearance, which is made possible in partnership with Joseph-Beth Booksellers.

## Honor the sacrifice of veterans at Main Library commemoration



When the Main Library opened in 1955, it was dedicated as a war memorial to honor the servicemen and servicewomen from Hamilton County who gave their lives for our country since World War I. Each year, the Library holds a Veterans Day Commemoration to pay tribute to the immeasurable debt we owe our veterans.

Join us **Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 10:45 a.m.** for the 61st Annual Veterans Day Commemoration. The program will feature keynote remarks, patriotic music, presentation of Memorial Wreaths, lighting of the Flame of Remembrance, and Taps.

### LEST WE FORGET: RESEARCHING MILITARY RECORDS

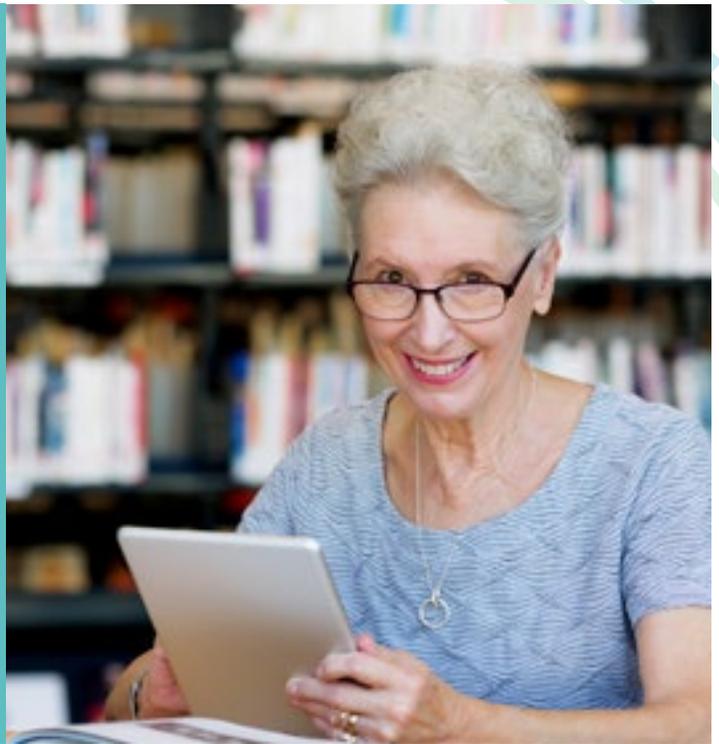
Air Force veteran and Veterans History Project interviewer Raymond Hughes will share case studies and resources for searching military ancestors at the Main Library on **Saturday, Nov. 14 at 11 a.m.** This program is co-sponsored by the Hamilton County Genealogical Society.

# A NEW ERA

## How technology is transforming your Library

You may not realize it, but as a Library cardholder, you are witnessing a historic shift in Library services. Think back to the way you used your Library card 10 years ago. You had to show up at a building, card in hand, to check out materials. If the Library was closed, you had to wait until the next day to check out books or do research. You had to stand in a line at the reference desk to have your questions answered.

Technology is making it easier than ever to use the Library, bringing you closer to ideas and information and saving you time and money. Now you can get your hands on the books, movies, and music you love more quickly and when it's convenient for you. Here's how!



### MOBILE SERVICE MEANS NO MORE WAITING IN LINE

We are one of the first libraries in the country to offer the "desk-free mobile service model" to customers. At the Clifton, Reading, and St. Bernard branch libraries, as well as in certain areas of the Main Library, you will find no desk. Rather, our staff members carry mobile tablets with them as they walk through the branch, so they can offer help to customers wherever they need it. "We pursued the idea because we're a forward-thinking institution with a history of applying advances in technology for the benefit of our users," says Information and Reference manager Ben Lathrop. "One of our strategic goals is to excel in customer service by making the Library more convenient to use, exceeding customer expectations, and providing a welcoming environment for all Library customers. Mobile service does that." Your Library's mobile service model is being studied and implemented by other library systems across the country.



### RFID MAKES CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT OF ITEMS EASIER AND FASTER



RFID stands for Radio Frequency Identification. The technology allows your Library to move materials around more quickly. By the end of 2015, at many of our branches, our cardholders will be able to set a small pile of materials on an RFID pad and have them checked out all at once! At our new branch libraries, (Clifton, Reading, and St. Bernard) RFID check-in will remove items from your account as soon as you put them into the book drop. RFID also lets the Library do inventory, sort holds, and distribute items faster and more accurately, meaning we can get your favorite book, movie, or CD to you more quickly! "The primary benefit goes directly to our customers," says System-wide Services manager Holbrook Sample. "The ease of checking out materials is remarkable. The speed of checking in materials makes customer information more accurate and consistent with our goal of immediate, excellent service."

### DIGITAL LIBRARY GIVES YOU ACCESS TO RARE AND UNIQUE COLLECTIONS ANYTIME, ANYWHERE

Your Library has a collection of nearly nine million items, one of the oldest and largest collections of any library in the country. We're committed to digitizing those items using equipment purchased with grants provided by the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) through the State Library of Ohio. The digitization of valuable documents like photographs, letters, diary entries, shipping and trade directories, school yearbooks, and slides allows people from all over the world to have access to these items for professional and personal research.



1937 Flood: The Digital Library includes hundreds of lantern slides, including this photo of flood damage in Lawrenceburg, IN.

The recent additions of MakerSpaces at the Main Library, St. Bernard, and Reading branch libraries are the beginning of a new era for Library cardholders. The Library is no longer just a place of refuge, research, or entertainment—it's now a stepping stone to new aspirations and dreams.

## MAKERSPACE INSPIRES CREATIVITY FOR HOMESCHOOLING FAMILIES

Homeschooling parents and students use the MakerSpace at the Main Library for Home School Meet-up. Each Friday, the program features a themed activity. The idea came directly from the parents, says MakerSpace Team Leader Ella Mulford. "Some of the homeschooling families were talking to me about their co-ops and how the MakerSpace would be a perfect fit," says Mulford. "Many co-ops do not meet on Fridays, so this was a good opportunity to fill in a gap in their schedules."

### PAST PROGRAMS HAVE INCLUDED:

**Circuits101** – Learning the inputs and outputs of circuitry through various combinations.

**Hack My House** – Using pre-designed templates, craft materials, and snap circuits to create different buildings.

**Drawing Bots** – Creating machines that can create drawings and paintings independently.

**Synth Orchestra** – Getting creative with your musical side using our synth circuit kit.

"I like the MakerSpace because it's opening their eyes to what's out there and inspiring creativity," says Britt Maher, whose four oldest children are homeschooled. "We want to encourage them to think outside the box."

Another homeschooling parent, Sarah Bowman, says, "It's awesome. They get to experience real technology and use their imagination in a cutting-edge sort of way, which is amazing. The Makerbots are still capturing their imaginations three weeks later."

## FROM RHINESTONES TO THE RUNWAY

How **one man** used the **Library's MakerSpace** to **launch his dreams**



Da'Mon Butler, a Cincinnati jewelry and accessories designer, always hoped to break into fashion design. He had the creativity and drive, but lacked one essential technical skill—Butler didn't know how to sew. Fortunately, Butler was a regular at the Main Library's TechCenter and learned about the new state-of-the-art MakerSpace that would include sewing machines and instruction.

Butler worked closely with MakerSpace Senior Library Services Assistant Beth Thomas to learn how to run the sewing machine. "He's (Butler) very independent and creates his own designs," says Thomas. "He isn't following traditional patterns or sewing instructions. He is just going along. When he gets stuck, he will work with me to find the missing background information."

Butler found himself stitching seams in no time. "Da'Mon taught himself how to sew a zipper in," says Thomas. "He has been able to create many things on his own. His willingness to figure many things out on his own attributes to his success."

After learning the sewing basics, Butler felt comfortable enough to connect his artistic vision with his new skill. In just a few short months, Butler made the transition from jewelry designer to fashion designer.

Butler's tribal and eclectic designs hit the runway April 18 during the Spring Fashion Show VII presented by the African American Studies Department at the University of Cincinnati. Twelve models strutted across the stage in Butler's designs. All the clothing

used in the collection was upcycled using upholstery fabric from Mill End Draperies. "The MakerSpace has so much to offer—the only restriction is your imagination," says Butler.

Butler's fashion and jewelry designs are available for purchase. He uses the handle Nomad3176 on social media. Butler also sells articles of clothing, accessories, and jewelry during Second Sundays on Main, through October, noon to 5 p.m.

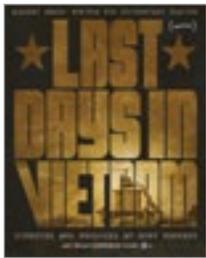
For more about MakerSpace and its programs, go to [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/MakerSpace](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/MakerSpace).

## GIFT FROM GRIEVING PARENTS TRANSFORMED INTO EXHIBIT OF CLASSIC CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

When 7-year-old Jean Alva Goldsmith passed away in 1929, her parents donated her books to the Library and established a trust fund which the Library used to amass a treasure trove of the finest examples of children's literature. The highlights of this collection will be on display **Sept. 9 through Jan. 4, 2016** in the atrium of the Main Library.



## WATCH AND DISCUSS LAST DAYS IN VIETNAM



The Library is partnering with CET for five preview screening and discussion programs centered on Rory Kennedy's documentary *Last Days in Vietnam*.

Groesbeck Branch Library:  
**Wednesday, Sept. 16, 7 p.m.**

Reading Branch Library:  
**Monday, Sept. 21, 6:30 p.m.**

St. Bernard Branch Library:  
**Saturday, Oct. 24, 2 p.m.**

Westwood Branch Library:  
**Monday, Nov. 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Harrison Branch Library:  
**Wednesday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m.**

## CELEBRATE FREEDOM AND AMERICAN MUSIC DURING ONE CITY, ONE SYMPHONY

This November, celebrate the theme of freedom and American music with the Library and One City, One Symphony, the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra's community-wide project. This year's concerts feature a new CSO commission of music set to the poetry of Dr. Maya Angelou. Check out Angelou's classic autobiography, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* and download or stream another featured work, Dvořák's *New World Symphony*, from our eBranch or check it out on CD. The Library will be hosting listening parties throughout the month. Visit [CincinnatiSymphony.org/OneCity](http://CincinnatiSymphony.org/OneCity) for details.

## CELEBRATE FAMILY HISTORY MONTH IN OCTOBER AT THE LIBRARY

All programs are free and co-sponsored by the Hamilton County Genealogical Society. For more information call (513) 369-6905 or visit [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org).

### DAY WITH GENEALOGY EXPERTS KICK-OFF EVENT

Main Library  
**Saturday, Oct. 3, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**

Attend seminars, take advantage of free one-on-one consultations with more than 20 experts, and tour the Library's nationally ranked genealogy collections. This year's seminars focus on *Diseases of our Ancestors* and how they impacted the lives of our ancestors and the records they generated.



Inspections during the 1918 Flu Pandemic

### MINING CINCINNATI'S DIGITAL LIBRARY FOR GENEALOGY

Main Library  
Join the librarians of the Genealogy & Local History Department as they present these workshops:

Overview of the Digital Library and Search Strategies: **Saturday, Oct. 17, 11 a.m.**

Hands-on Computer Searching in the Digital Library: **Saturday, Oct., 17, 1 p.m.** (bring your own laptop) and **Saturday, Oct. 24, 1 p.m.** (use the Library's computers, reservation required).

### GENEALOGY LOCK-IN

Main Library  
**Saturday, Oct. 31, 6:30-11:30 p.m.**  
Join fellow genealogists for an after-hours research event. During the lock-in, five optional mini-tech instructional sessions will be offered. Registration required.

### INTRODUCTION TO GENEALOGY AT BRANCH LIBRARIES

Focusing on "how-to" and online resources. Sessions for beginners and more experienced researchers.

Loveland Branch Library:  
**Monday, Oct. 5, 6 p.m.**

Northside Branch Library:  
**Tuesday, Oct. 13, 6 p.m.**

Wyoming Branch Library:  
**Tuesday, Oct. 27, 6 p.m.**

## C'MON ALONG: TAKE A RIVERBOAT CRUISE

Relive the days of river excursion travel through *C'mon Along: Take A Riverboat Cruise* on display in the Joseph S. Stern, Jr. Cincinnati Room from **Aug. 7-Nov. 15**.



## LIBRARY FRIENDS' SHOP SEARCHES HIGH AND LOW FOR UNIQUE CARDS AND STATIONERY



The Library Friends' Shop is known for its unique, colorful card and stationery selections. But do you know where the Shop discovers these treasures?

In May, the shop manager visited the National Stationery Show in New York City to curate new lines of cards and stationery from up-and-coming designers. More than 10,000 buyers and exhibitors came from all around the world to this annual festival to celebrate paper in all of its forms.

Stop by the Friends' Shop inside the Main Library to find new cards from paper artisans including: clever eco-friendly Stormy Knight from the UK, Louie Award-winning Easy

Tiger, and whimsically vintage Writeables. The shop stocks cards for any occasion so you can add a personal and thoughtful touch to all of life's moments. The shop is up the ramp inside the Vine Street entrance to the Main Library, next to Vertigo Café and is open 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

## FIND A TREASURE TROVE OF GREAT DEALS AT THE FRIENDS' WAREHOUSE



The Friends' Warehouse, located at 8456 Vine St., Hartwell, is open every Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday so you can find deals on fantastic treasures. The warehouse stocks hardback and paperback books in every genre of fiction and nonfiction. CDs, DVDs, and albums are also for sale. The collection includes recent releases and hard-to-find older books and materials. All items are sold at bargain prices. The Friends' Warehouse accepts cash, check, MasterCard, and Visa.

### SHOP THE WAREHOUSE

Mondays from 5:30–7:30 p.m.;  
Wednesdays from 10 a.m.–1 p.m.; or  
Saturdays from 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Find out more about the Friends' Shop and the Friends' Warehouse at [Friends.CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://Friends.CincinnatiLibrary.org).

## HOLIDAY SHOPPING BEGINS AT THE ATLA HOLIDAY & NEARLY NEW USED BOOK SALE

The Anderson Township Library Association will hold its annual holiday sale **Nov. 5–7** at the Anderson Branch Library. You will find rare books, DVDs and CDs, audiobooks, fiction, cookbooks, gardening books, and children's books! ATLA accepts cash or check only, and sales go to support programs and activities at the Anderson and Mt. Washington branch libraries.

**Thursday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m.–8 p.m.**

**Friday, Nov. 6, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.**

**Saturday, Nov. 7, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.**

Learn more about ATLA at [CincinnatiLibrary.org/ATLA](http://CincinnatiLibrary.org/ATLA).



# Thank you...

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 services and the availability of the widest possible range of informational resources for all ages. For inquiries regarding contributions, please contact Melissa H. Deters, Library Foundation Executive Director, at (513) 369-4595.

The following gifts were received between March 14 and June 12, 2015. For more information about donating to the Library Foundation, visit our website at [Foundation.CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://Foundation.CincinnatiLibrary.org).

## Gifts to the Library, Foundation, and Friends

### Homework Helper Grant 2014-2015 School Year

Marge and Charles J. Schott Foundation, \$96,000

### Bequest/Torch Society Gifts

Estate of Carol Meyer-Keener, Legacy gift for the St. Bernard Branch, \$132,010.49

### Summer Learning Sponsors

#### Library Foundation

Anderson Township Library Association; Dollar General; Duke Energy; Gold Star; the Hamilton County Juvenile Court Advisory Council; The Kroger Co.; The Library Foundation; Newman's Own Foundation; PNC Charitable Trust; PNC Grow Up Great; Sam's Club; Sunny Delight; Western & Southern Financial Group; Wing Eye Care; The William Dally Foundation; Zaring Family Foundation

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### Annual Fund

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Sharon Welte

#### \$50 and below

Jonathan Barber  
Elizabeth A. Batcheller  
Sharon and Ronald Buhr  
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James Cira  
Karen A. Clumpner  
Malcolm Macgillivray  
Jodie McKinley  
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Leslie Pavelka  
Mr. and Mrs. Mario Pellegrini

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#### Honor and Memorial Gifts

Martha G. Anness in memory of Clifford P. Weiss and Robert J. Crosset, Jr.

Antoinette and Richard Asimus in memory of Jack VanderVen

Lauren Bergstresser in memory of Doris Sturzenberger



The Downtown Residents' Council celebrated its 13th year of making Summer Arts for Children possible at the Main Library. Pictured from left are Children's Learning Center manager Garrette Smith, former DRC President Conrad Thiede, retiring Children's Librarian Carolyn Janssen, Central Service Operations manager Angela Farmer, and Summer Arts Children's Librarian Betsy Wernert. Special tribute was paid to Janssen for 12 years of successful Summer Arts programming.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Brown,  
Mr. and Mrs. Steve McKinley,  
Mr. and Mrs. Eric Davenport,  
Ms. Karyn McKinley, and Mrs. Marilyn Caudell in memory of David F. Strubbe

Janet L. Broz in memory of Clara Segrist

Melissa H. Deters in memory of James Barrett "Barry" Buse

Lissy, Ellie, Bill, Dana, and Melissa Fabe in memory of Margery Beaver

Kimber L. Fender in memory of Eden Rose Farmer, granddaughter of Angela Farmer

Kathleen and Bill Gallagher in memory of Laura Vaughan Hamilton

Debbie Hansell in memory of Steve Hansell

Dale Hunt in memory of Mary Lou Hunt

Donald Hunziker in appreciation of Kenneth Ferrell Stories

Christine Jolley in memory of Mary Lou Hunt

Jessica Kolkmeier in memory of Dorothy Fischer

Cynthia Kuhr in memory of Steve Hansell

Eugene Lane in memory of Steve Hansell

Jean Muldoon's co-workers at CCHMC in memory of Clara Segrist

Dan Segrist in memory of Clara Ann Segrist

Charlotte Simonson in memory of Mary Lou Hunt

Carolyn Skiba in memory of Clara Ann Segrist

Helen Robinson in memory of Mary Lou Hunt

Marjorie Smith in memory of Donald J. Loyd

### Pet Memorial Gifts

Lisa Arnett in memory of her cat Pinky

Cathleen Arnold in memory of Homerun, beloved cat of Irene Friedman

Stephanie Bricking in memory of Eddie, beloved pet of Delana, Rob, and Grace Sanders

Melissa H. Deters in memory of Lucy, beloved dog of the Kerry and Russ Mock Family

Jennifer Nerone Donahue in memory of Cliffy, beloved pet of Heather and Ed Nardini, and in memory of Scout, beloved pet of Joe and Nicole Rouse, and in memory of Lucy, beloved pet of Mary Hamad Kenkel—given with the Nerone sisters

Doug and Carolyn Goldberg in memory of Sam, beloved pet of Carolyn and Doug Goldberg

Carolyn Gutjahr in memory of Meghan, beloved dog of Kevin Curtis and Allee Thompson; in memory of Lily, beloved dog of Chuck Brown and Linda Seiter; in memory of Chewy, beloved dog of Guy Michael Davis and Katie Parker

Paul and Marcia Hendrick in memory of Siena, beloved dog of Beverly and Michael Ramundo

The Mark Huffman Family in memory of Sookie Louise, beloved dog of Mark, Nadine, Becky, Lisa, and Peter Huffman

Pamela Jacobson and Ginger Gandy in memory of Zayla, beloved pet of the Piller Family

Kathi Kinnett in memory of Kaiya, beloved pet of Kasi Kinnett

Jim Lang in memory of Molly, Max, and Milo, beloved pets of the James E. Lang Family

M. Kay Lawler in memory of Dexter, beloved dachshund of Dr. Diane Schainost

Carolyn Lindsley in memory of Dottie, beloved dog of John Cobey and Jan Frankel

Robin Lippelman in memory of her cat Ollie

Andrea Lippelman in memory of Ollie, beloved dog of Robin Lippelman

Maureen and Gene Mello in memory of Rowdy, beloved dog of Denny and Patty Lewis family

North Central and Reading branch libraries in memory of Daubie, beloved dog of the Tales to Tails program

Debbie and Bobby Oliver in memory of Toby, beloved cat of Rodger and Lisa Brown

Playhouse in the Park Development Team in memory of Dodger, beloved pet of Buzz Ward

Retha Reedy in memory of Truman, beloved pet of Damon, Iris, and Miles Cavitt

Gwen and Joshua Roth in memory of Murry, beloved pet of Glen and Lynn White, and in memory of Pete, the best family dog of Jason and Anna Husk

Ellie and Matt Singleton in memory of Lily, beloved pet of Linda Seiter and Chuck Brown



The VanHemert family donated a framed Loren Long print to the Loveland Branch Library. Pictured from left to right are: Dale, Marissa, and Mitchell VanHemert and Children's Librarian Sharon Sentney.

### Pi Kappa Alpha Clifton Preview Event

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Dr. Michael D. Privitera and Marcia Kaplan

Scott M. Richards

Margaret and Peter Schneider

Pat Sheppard

Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Sittenfeld

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Trauth

Jayne Zuberbuhler

### Befriend a Branch

Ramon Cardona for the Symmes Township Branch Library

Country Club Acres Women's Club for the Madeira Branch Library, in honor of the children in their neighborhood

Forest Park Women's Club for the Forest Park Branch Library

Marjorie M. Isaacs for the Pleasant Ridge Branch Library

Kenneth Scheffel for the Mt. Healthy Branch Library

Westwood Woman's Club for the Westwood Branch Library

Westwood Woman's Club Forum Department for the Westwood Branch Library

Westwood Woman's Club Garden Dept. for the Green Township Branch Library



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TALES FROM THE ARCHIVES

## Could you pass an early 20th-century librarian examination?



According to Bernice Ussery's *A History of the Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County 1802-1961*, when Nathaniel D. C. Hodges became Head Librarian in 1900, a number of changes were made to the Library. Hodges believed "The success of the library as an educational institution depended primarily on the intelligence and training of the staff." In May of 1901, according to Ussery, three catalogers, who were graduates of library schools, were hired. "Since so few among the applicants were qualified for library work, an examination, a very thorough one, was given. The six highest were appointed as apprentices, with the idea that two years of supervised experience would equal two years in a library school. This was the first training class held in the Public Library."

The exam included the following questions:

- *What was the massacre of St. Bartholomew?*
- *Write on one of the following subjects (at least one page): Turkey and the Balkan states; Tariff policy of Great Britain; Open door in China; Gothenburg system.*
- *What were the Alabama claims and how were they adjusted?*
- *Name three oratorios and five operas, giving the composers of each.*
- *Give an account of the Invincible Armada.*
- *Name two Norwegian, two Russian, one Polish, three Italian, two Spanish, and two French writers of note and mention two works by each.*
- *Who wrote: Battle of the books; Hermann and Dorothea; Hudibras; Knickerbocker's History of New York; Il Peneoso; Prometheus Bound; Quentin Durward; Ralph Roister Doister; Rivals; Sir Roger de Coverley; Snow image; Télémaque; A Tale of Two Cities; Tristram Shandy; Via Crucis?*
- *Give a brief outline of the story of the Iliad, or of the Aeneid.*
- *Name five English poets of the 18th century and one work by each.*
- *Who were the Troubadours?*
- *In what works do the following characters appear: Becky Sharp; Brian de Bois-Guilbert; Captain Cuttle; Corporal Trim; Giant Despair; Jean Valjean; Jeanie Deans; Long Tom Coffin; Meg Merrilies; Mrs. Malaprop; Samuel Weller; Sancho Panza; Sir John Falstaff; Topsy.*

Test-takers were also asked to translate into English a passage in French, German, Italian, Latin or Spanish.

**ALL LIBRARY LOCATIONS WILL BE CLOSED** Monday, Sept. 7 in observance of the Labor Day holiday and Thursday, Nov. 26, in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

**ALL LIBRARY LOCATIONS WILL BE OPEN** Columbus Day, Monday, Oct. 12.