

# Library



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## OHIO PUBLIC LIBRARIES TRANSFORM

Public libraries play an essential role in the community, improve the quality of life and give everyone a chance to succeed.

Ohio's public libraries are funded through the Public Library Fund which receives 1.7% of the state's General Revenue Fund. State funding for Ohio's public libraries will be automatically cut again on July 1, 2017 unless action is taken to protect the PLF.



**PROTECT  
THE PLF**

*Protect Public  
Library Funding  
in Ohio*

## Message from the Director, Kacie Armstrong



Because of you, Euclid Public Library continues to transform! The first quarter of the year has been very busy. Program attendance has increased, more families are enjoying our Sparkle Spot Early Literacy Center, and our meeting room usage has increased by 32%! Also, it is truly a joy to help you start your vacation plans through our passport service. EPL began offering passport services in the fall of 2016 and on average we are accepting about 40 passport applications per month. We invite you to check out some of our travel resources as you begin your journey.

Last month, we implemented our new limited access policy for children under the age of 18. This decision was made to provide a safe and welcoming space for all. We received feedback from many concerned residents, through our meetings, emails, phone calls, and face-to-face conversations and will spend the next few weeks compiling this information into a usable report. Our hope is to develop solutions for our children after school. The data will be shared with our Board of Trustees, parents, school officials, city leaders, and community members.

As we continue to research options, we want to remind everyone that students may access the library with a parent, guardian or caregiver 21 years of age or older between 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM Monday - Friday. Additionally, children pre-registered for a library program may enter the library fifteen minutes before the start of the event.

Euclid Public Library offers a variety of programs for all ages and this is a great time to enjoy a gardening program such as Botanical Fairy Flowerpots on Wednesday, April 12 or celebrate National Poetry Month with our Open Mic Poetry Night on Monday, April 24, sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

## Breakfast with Euclid Schools Superintendent



**TUESDAY, MAY 9  
at 8:30 AM**

Education is always a hot topic: new tests, curriculum changes, and facility updates. Join Euclid Public Library and Euclid City Schools Superintendent Dr. Charles Smialek for an

informal breakfast and discussion about the schools, education, and new building plan. *Please call (216) 261-5300 ext. 0 to register beginning April 17.*

## Friends of the Library Book Sale

Book lovers and bargain hunters alike are in for a treat when the Friends of the Euclid Public Library host their annual Spring Book Sale. Thousands of gently used books, audiobooks, DVDs, CDs and more will be available.

**FRIENDS of epl** Proceeds from the Friends Book Sale help provide many arts and literary programs at the library to benefit the community. The Book Sale is the Friends' largest fundraiser of the year.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 28 / 6:30 – 8:30 PM**

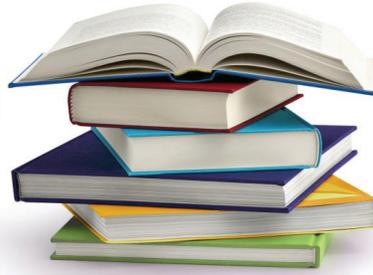
Members only preview sale. *Join tonight!*

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29 / 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

You'll find a huge selection of books, DVDs, and CDs for all ages.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 30 / 1:00 – 4:00 PM**

Purchase a bag for \$3 and fill it full with book sale materials. There's sure to be something for everyone! No outside bags permitted.



## April is national poetry month

### Celebrate National Poetry Month with Sara Holbrook and Michael Salinger

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5  
7:00 PM / Lake Room**



Sara Holbrook and Michael Salinger are partners in rhyme and will visit EPL for National Poetry Month! Learn how to write a poem, how to perform a poem, and just have some fun! Ms. Holbrook has published several books including *What's So Big About Cleveland, OH?*, *More Than Friends: Poems From Him and Her*, and *The Enemy*. All ages welcome. Register today!

### Open Mic Poetry Night

Join us once again as we celebrate National Poetry Month with an Open Mic Poetry Night! Bring an original poem to share or just come ready to listen. Readings are for poets ages 16 and older, but the event is open to all poetry lovers! Sign-ups start at 6:30 PM; Poetry readings begin at 7:00 PM. Light refreshments and a welcoming atmosphere will be provided! Sponsored by our Friends of the Euclid Public Library.

**MONDAY, APRIL 24  
6:30 PM / Lake Room**



## Upcoming Programs!

### Resumes That Get Results

**MONDAY, APRIL 10**

**6:30 PM / Shore Room**

Your most valuable sales tool is a well-designed, targeted resume. Attend this workshop to learn how to catch an employer's attention and make them want to interview you. *Please call 261- 5300 ext.0 to make a reservation.*

### Botanical Fairy Flowerpots

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12**

**7:00 PM / Erie Room**

Celebrate spring with fun, creative, hands-on project! Create your fairy flower pot to add a touch of whimsy to your home or garden. All materials will be provided. *Please call 261-5300 ext.0 to make a reservation.*

### Author Visit: Diane Stresing

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19**

**7:00 PM / Shore Room**

Join Diane Stresing, author of *60 Hikes within 60 Miles of Cleveland*, for a lively virtual tour of some of NE Ohio's best hiking trails. As your guide, Diane talks about different types of terrain, hikes that are good for kids, urban hikes, adventurous hikes, and why even just plain strolling is good for you. Bring your questions and tales from your trail adventures to share with fellow hikers.



### Cooking with Young Chefs Academy

**MONDAY, APRIL 24**

**6:30 – 7:30 PM / Shore Room**

Young Chefs Academy will teach us some basic preparation and cooking skills. Come and enjoy this interactive culinary experience. Space is limited, and registration begins April 10. **(Grades 2 – 8 ONLY)**

**Check Library Lines for a complete list of programs for all ages!**