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EPL Celebrates Black History Month

African-American Voices FEBRUARY 13 / 6:30 PM

Yolonda Tonette Sanders is the author of six published books including the Protective Detective Series and is the founder and CEO of Yo Productions, an independent publishing company. In this workshop, she will guide new or aspiring writers to begin the process of writing. Yolonda takes writers on a journey to discover their voice and passion. *Please call 261-5300 ext.0 to make a reservation.*

Carl and Louis Stokes: From Projects to Politics

FEBRUARY 22 / 6:30 PM



Two brothers from Cleveland helped reshape American history. Carl Stokes became the first African-

American mayor of a major American city. His brother Louis was the first African-American U.S. Congressman from Ohio. Together, they, along with others, created policies and programs that advanced civil rights and promoted urban issues.

Presented by the Western Reserve Historical Society.

Message from the Director, Kacie Armstrong



February will continue to be a busy month for the Euclid Public Library. Because of you, our library is truly transforming. Library staff have been actively engaged in conversations with our local schools and city officials to discuss after school options for students, we have processed numerous passport applications and the new meeScan self-check service is proving to be very popular with library patrons. The Board of Trustees recently met to discuss the 2017-2020 Strategic Plan and are seeking to have

the plan approved by March. The Board welcomes your input before final approval and encourage you to share any additional thoughts and ideas at our upcoming Tuesday, February 7 Committee meeting or Tuesday, February 14 Board meeting.

Ohio Public Libraries Transform

PROTECT THE PLF: to learn more about this critical campaign, go to libraryfunding.olc.org

Why Do Ohio Libraries Need State Funding?

ACCESS: All Ohioans can use any public library in the state regardless of where they live.

EQUAL FUNDING: Ensures that Ohio provides a high standard of library service to its citizens in ALL counties, regardless of economic factors.

INTERNET ACCESS: The Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN) is a state-funded service that provides Internet access to Ohioans via Ohio's 251 public libraries.

**BECAUSE OF YOU.
LIBRARIES
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American Library Association Announces 2017 Youth Media Award Winners

The American Library Association (ALA) announced the top books, video and audio books for children and young adults – including the Caldecott, Coretta Scott King, Newbery and Printz awards – at its Midwinter Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. Euclid Public Library Director Kacie Armstrong served on this year's Coretta Scott King Book Award panel and represented EPL at this year's ALA Midwinter Meeting.



Director Armstrong with civil rights leader, *March* co-author, and winner, Congressman John Lewis.

A list of all the 2017 award winners follows:

John Newbery Medal for the most outstanding contribution to children's literature: ***The Girl Who Drank the Moon*** written by Kelly Barnhill.

Randolph Caldecott Medal for the most distinguished American picture book for children: ***Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat*** illustrated by Javaka Steptoe.

Coretta Scott King (Author) Book Award, recognizing an African-American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults: ***March: Book Three*** written by John Lewis and Andrew Aydin.

Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Author Award: ***The Sun Is Also a Star*** written by Nicola Yoon.

Coretta Scott King – Virginia Hamilton Award for Lifetime Achievement: **Dr. Rudine Sims Bishop**. The award pays tribute to the quality and magnitude of beloved children's author Virginia Hamilton.

Michael L. Printz Award for excellence in literature written for young adults: ***March: Book Three*** created by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell.

For a complete listing of this year's winners, please visit: ala.unikron.com/2017



Euclid Public Library Foundation Hosts Sold-Out Beer Tasting & Talk Event

On Friday, January 27, the EPL Foundation hosted an after-hours Beer Tasting and Talk Fundraiser presented by John Staunton of Merchant du Vin. The sold-out event featured pours of the finest beers from some of the oldest breweries in the world. Guests enjoyed an interactive presentation of a variety of beers from world-class breweries with more than 1,800 years of brewing excellence. All proceeds from the event went to the Euclid Public Library Foundation, an endowment fund established to support and enhance the services, activities, and facilities of the Euclid Public Library.

The Euclid Public Library Foundation would like to thank all the guests who attended and donated to the event, including:

John Staunton, Merchant Du Vin / Chris Cipriani, Shore Cultural Centre / Chef Daniel Esquivel, Euclid Culinary Bistro / Christine Siarka, Shore Oasis / Chris Hammer, Paragon Wine Bar / Euclid Symphony Orchestra / Lake Erie Folk Fest

For more information about the Euclid Public Library Foundation, visit www.euclidpubliclibraryfoundation.org

Upcoming Programs!

Fireside Chat Series

Join us on **Tuesday, February 7 at 6:30 PM** for a conversation with Superintendent Dr. Charles Smialek of the Euclid City Schools as he discusses the district and its next steps.

Small Business Administration Programs and Networking Event

Learn information about various SBA lending programs, government contracting programs, and other small business resources on **Thursday, February 9 from 8:30 – 11:00 AM**. The event is presented by the Small Business Development Center at Lakeland Community College and the Euclid Chamber of Commerce. *Register at www.lakelandcc.edu/sbdc under "Classes and Seminars" or call (440) 525-7706.*



Dessert with Rosa Parks

Join the Friends of the Library on **Wednesday, February 15 at 7 PM** for a special evening with "the first lady of civil rights," Rosa Parks. Meet the woman the United States Congress called, "the mother of the freedom movement," through a special reenactment while enjoying dessert. Tickets are available at the library for \$7 per person. Call (216) 261-5300 for more information.

Protect Your Heart

Come hear Dr. Michael Koch, cardiologist, Euclid Hospital, as he reviews risk factors, discusses the importance of a healthy lifestyle, and preventative strategies to help you protect your heart on **Tuesday, February 28 at 7 PM**. Please register online at clevelandclinic.org/communitycalendar.

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