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OHIO PUBLIC LIBRARIES TRANSFORM

Ohio's public libraries currently receive \$119 million LESS in state funding than what they received in 2001! And yet, Ohio's public libraries are top in the nation with the highest library use per capita in the United States.

Ohioans love their libraries. Nearly four out of five residents are registered library card holders—that's more than 8.7 million Ohioans!

Ohio's public libraries are funded through the Public Library Fund (PLF) which currently receives 1.7% of the state's General Revenue Fund (GRF). The Ohio House passed its version of the state budget lowering the PLF for the next two fiscal years to 1.66%. Once again, Ohio's public libraries face additional cuts, unless the Ohio Senate takes action to protect the PLF.



PROTECT THE PLF
Protect Public Library Funding in Ohio

Message from the Director, Kacie Armstrong



This June, we invite you to join Euclid Public Library for our annual Summer Reading Program. This year's theme, *Build a Better World*, aims to inspire readers to seek ways to transform our world and city through programming, books, music, and movies geared towards building bridges in our community. All ages are welcome to participate.



We are also pleased to announce that the State Library of Ohio awarded an Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant to the Euclid Public Library last month. Thanks to a grant from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), awarded by the State Library of Ohio, the library will offer a Building STEAM program series to children this summer and upcoming school year. Programming will include sessions on robotics, coding, and wind energy. The library will feature STEAM programs during our Build a Better Wednesday series. Families can participate in special Building STEAM skills programs on June 28, July 19, and August 16. For more details, please contact the Children's Department at (216) 261-5300 ext. 5.



Additionally, this summer the library will begin resurfacing pavement in the drive-thru book drop area and restriping in the parking lot. Starting June 5, the library drive-thru book drop area will be unavailable until the resurfacing is completed the second week in June. Respectively, the library will begin its handicapped restriping process the first week in July. Once completed, the lot will have six marked handicapped spaces, one of which will be a van accessible spot. The library will also include new signage to remind everyone that parking is prohibited in the fire zone. Parking lot repairs are scheduled to be completed the first week in July.



CLOSED SUNDAYS
Don't forget, EPL will be closed on Sundays in the summer until October.

New STEAM programming, parking and signage updates are all part of the library's 2017-2020 Strategic Plan, now available at the library or online at www.euclidlibrary.org.

A complete report of the 2016 community survey that steered the strategic plan is online as well. For those who would like to share additional recommendations and suggestions, please feel free to email your ideas to thoughts@euclidlibrary.org.

As you travel this summer, please remember to use our digital resources. Downloading a book, movie, or music is simple and you will not have to worry about late fees while you are enjoying time at the beach or the park. Library materials can be checked out through Overdrive or hoopla any time. We look forward to working with you this summer season!

Summer Reading Program June 5 - July 22

BUILD A BETTER World



This summer, join Euclid Public Library as we *Build A Better World* with this year's Summer Reading Program! Transform your world through programming geared toward building bridges in our community, while fostering a love for reading and prevent summer slide. Summer Reading is for the entire family, and everyone has a chance to win prizes! **Join us for the Summer Reading Kick-Off on MONDAY, JUNE 5 from 1:00 - 4:00 PM in the library gardens!**

EPL in the Community

Join EPL this summer at the E. 200th Street Stroll on **Saturday, June 3 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM** and the Euclid Wind Festival on **Saturday, June 17 from 3:00 - 8:00 PM** at Sims Park.



Art Lovers Unite to Build a Better World!



Michael Albert has done programs at the Smithsonian Museum of American Art, the Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, the New York Book Library and many others. Now he brings his Modern Pop Art Experience to the Euclid Public Library! You will have the opportunity to meet Mr. Albert, hear about his life and art, and see many examples of his collage creations.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 27
6:00 PM / Lake Room**

Children will have the chance to create their own collage using the same materials he uses in this hands-on workshop. All participants will receive a FREE signed poster (with over 20 different ones to choose from) and other goodies compliments of the artist! Children and families are welcome. *No registration required, but space is limited.*

Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult.

Upcoming Programs!



The Path to Wellness Workshop Series
SATURDAYS:
JUNE 3, 10, 24

2:00 PM / Lake & Shore Rooms
A three-part, interactive workshop, created to help you understand what it's like to be well, understand attitudes towards wellness, and gain knowledge and confidence to begin creating wellness in your life. **Please call (216) 261-5300 ext.0 to make a reservation.**

Volunteer Fair
TUESDAY, JUNE 6

4:00 - 7:00 PM / Lake & Shore Rooms

Representatives from local non-profit organizations will be here to meet, greet, and provide information to those interested in offering their time. Meet new and interesting people, strengthen resumes, and obtain new knowledge and skills through volunteering!

Kriya Yoga Meditation
THURSDAYS: JUNE 8, 15, 22, 29
7:00 PM / Lake Room

Meditation can benefit your mind, heart, and body. Join us for a four-part series to learn and practice the scientific technique of Kriya Yoga Meditation with audio recordings of Gurujī Swami Shree Yogi Satyam, facilitated by former Euclid Councilman Scott Lynch. **Please call (216) 261- 5300 ext.0 to make a reservation.**

Refugees: 101
TUESDAY, JUNE 13
6:30 PM / Shore Room

Patrick Kearns, the Executive Director of The Refugee Response, will give a one-hour presentation on the root causes of the global refugee crisis, the process of being recognized as a refugee, and being resettled to the U.S. or another host country.