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The Friends of the Library Board meets the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM. Friends are welcome to attend.

JANUARY 3
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Message from the President *Camilla Smith*



In the event a Board of Trustee member is unable to complete their 3-yr term, the Board of Trustees appoints an individual to fill the seat to expiration of the term.

We are proud to introduce Simone Gatewood who is filling the seat of retired Trustee Elaine Zielinski thru 2023.

Simone Gatewood, an early learning advocate, believes libraries offer essential services and resources that enhance learning experiences and connect communities. A resident of Euclid for over twenty-five years, she and her husband have raised a family. Two of their children graduated from Euclid, and one graduated from VASJ. As a participant or spectator in Euclid recreations as well as a childcare provider attending library programs and events, she fosters some lifelong friendships.



Simone received her early education degree from the University of Cincinnati and a Masters in Educational Research and Assessment from Cleveland State University.

Between 2007 and 2021 she operated a licensed type B childcare program.

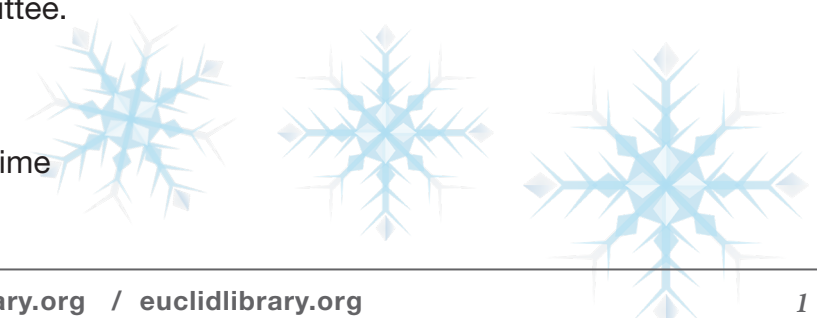
Hobbies include early morning walks and working with members of Sistar Circle, a women's empowerment group of which she is a part.

Each year she looks forward to spending time with her two grandchildren in California.

Simone has hit the ground running and is hard at work having joined the membership committee.

Welcome Simone.

I'll talk to you next time



Opening a book opens doors...

Friends Membership

Renew your membership if it has expired or start hunting around now for that misplaced membership card.

Membership envelopes are available at the library and they can be returned any time.

Book Lover - \$50.00

Book Conservator - \$75.00

Book Connoisseur - \$100

Individual/Family - \$5.00

Book Collector - \$10.00

Special Friend - \$25.00



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To join, pick up a membership envelope at the library or address one to:

The Friends of the Euclid Public Library
631 East 222nd Street, Euclid, Ohio 44123



Upcoming Virtual Library Programs

JANUARY

- 6 Virtual Program Beatles in Cleveland - 6:30 PM
- 8 Virtual Yoga with Melissa - 10:00 AM
- 11 Instagram Live Booktalks: Our Best Reads of 2021 - 6:00 PM
- 13 Virtual Winter Reading Kick-Off - 6:30 PM
- 20 Virtual Book Discussion: The Kindest Lie - 2:00 PM
- 24 Virtual Class: Streaming Services - 10:00 AM

FEBRUARY

- 7 Virtual Class: Cloud Computing - 2:30 PM
- 10 Instagram Live: Documentary Edition - 6:00 PM
- 14 Instagram Book Talks: Valentine's Day - 6:00 PM
- 16 Virtual Program: Stories from the Underground Railroad - 6:30 PM
- 17 Virtual Book Discussion: The Final Revival of Opal & Nev - 6:30 PM

MARCH

- 1 Armchair Travel - 2:00 PM
- 2 A Funny Program About Funny Programs: The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time - 6:30 PM
- 5 Seed Swap with Euclid Community Garden - 1:00 PM
- 9 Virtual Program: Publishing with Amazon - 6:30 PM
- 15 Armchair Travel - 2:00 PM

APRIL

- 2 Virtual Yoga with Melissa - 10:00 AM
- 5 Author Event: Spotlight on Local History: Lost Restaurants of Downtown Cleveland - 6:30 PM
- 12 Armchair Travel - 2:00 PM
- 12 Virtual Program Egg Decorating: the Eastern European Way - 6:30 PM

Visit euclidlibrary.org/libcalendar for more information and to register for virtual programs.



Director's Report *Kacie V. Armstrong*

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that it is 2022. As a kid, I grew up watching Terminator movies. Did you know that the cyborg assassin Arnold Schwarzenegger was from the year 2029? It's pretty wild to think that's only seven years from now. Starting a new year is always a good time to take a moment to reflect on the past and prepare for the future. During my nine years as Director, the Friends have supported the library in our 2013 renovation, helped the Euclid Public Library purchase a new Outreach van, and of course, supported

our many programs, especially the library's annual Winter and Summer Reading programs. As we look ahead, Euclid Public Library will start a facilities assessment, update our strategic plan, and hopefully prepare for a library world "post" COVID-19 Pandemic.

Friends, times have changed due to technology a just natural growth and progression. The 21st Century library must provide books and access to information, but it will look slightly different from the past. We invite you to continue this journey with us as we plan for the future. This year, we will meet with all our stakeholders to have critical discussions about what the "new" library looks like. What types of services, programs, and resources should we offer? Your support has been crucial, and we look forward to working with you as we develop answers to these and many more questions. Thank you for your support, and please remember to stay safe, get your vaccine/booster, and visit us online at euclidlibrary.org for more information.

Friends Favorites

This is a new feature in our newsletter where one of the Friends Board Members will share a recent favorite read from the library. We hope it inspires you!



The Euclid Public Library offers so many amazing books. I usually prefer non fiction reading, including food and travel books. My current favorite is not a book but a service the library offers through the E-Media Overdrive program. It is called Libby and offers close to 3,000 American and International online magazines. It is completely free and you can explore news, food, culture, fashion, etc. from all over the Globe! As an added benefit, once you set up your account on a tablet or phone with your library card, and you choose a magazine you enjoy, Libby will send you a message each time a new issue is available. I am planning to try some newly discovered Australian Christmas recipes this year!

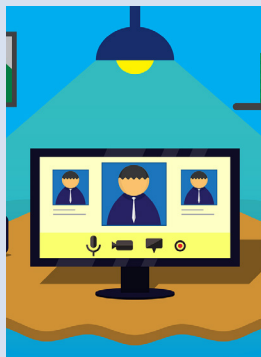
Happy reading,
Betty

EPL Virtual Programs

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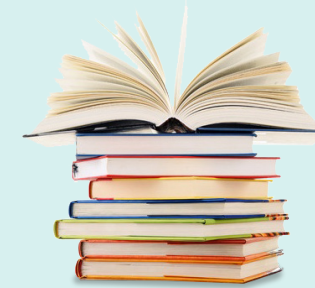
SCAN ME



1. Visit euclidlibrary.org/libcalendar
2. Select the program you would like to attend
3. Click on the Zoom link in the description
4. Fill out the 'Meeting Registration' form, including your name and email address
5. Click 'Register'
6. Check your e-mail for a confirmation message with the Zoom link and login information

Spring Book Sale

It hasn't yet been determined if we will be holding the April book sale. We are still monitoring and assessing the situation. Information will be forthcoming on the library's website and Constant Contact e-mails. Our goal is to provide a safe book sale for our volunteers and shoppers.



EPL is offering free at-home COVID-19 rapid testing kits to Patrons.

To use the kit, customers must have access to the following: Windows or Mac/Apple laptop with webcam (or a desktop computer with an adjustable/moveable webcam), microphone, and speaker.

- An Apple phone/tablet or an Android phone/tablet
- An email address
- An internet connection



Covid test kits will be located at the Circulation desk. Patrons can ask a Circulation clerk for the tests.

*** We're limiting the number of Covid test kits to 3 kits per patron.**

EUCLID PUBLIC LIBRARY
WINTER READING
2022
JANUARY 18 – FEBRUARY 26

2021 FOEPL Annual Report

As of Nov 17, 2021

TOTAL RECEIPTS	3861.50
-Membership	1890.00
-Donations	93.09
-Fall Book Sale	237.27
-Spring Book Sale	1641.14

TOTAL EXPENSES	6908.02
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PUBLIC PROGRAMS	5589.02
-Programs	800.00
-Gaming	1625.00
-Summer Reading	3164.02
-Winter Reading	

LIBRARY STAFF	725.00
-Newspaper	
-Page Awards	500.00
-Staff Donations	225.00

ADMINISTRATION	594.00
-Supplies Membership	189.00
-Postage Membership	
-Postage Newsletter	330.00
-Dues, fees, taxes, etc	75.00

Programs

Temperatures are dropping and snow will soon be falling. Time to get cozy and curl up with a good book. Which means it is time to sign up for the Friends sponsored Winter Reading Program. You can sign up through the library's website at euclidlibrary.org. The program will be online and will run from January 18 through February 26. Once you have signed up to participate, stop by the Help Desk in the library to pick up a browser book bag. There will be a grand prize awarded at the end of the program.

The Friends will be sponsoring other programs in the new year. Check the library's calendar or the Library Liaison Newsletter for coming events.

