

Galion Public Library

Between the Stacks Newsletter

Fall 2015

NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

In our February newsletter, I released my usual biannual rant about public library funding. As our State Budget bill worked through all the different stages, I expected, as usual, libraries would end up being cut once again. Surprisingly, public libraries fared pretty well this time.

With Governor Kasich's initial budget and the economic growth, his budget version would have given us about a 5.3% increase. When the House deliberated their version, they increased library funding from 1.66% of the General Revenue Fund to 1.7%. It wasn't a great increase, but it would have meant about 14% more in funding. The Budget then went to the Senate for their version. Luckily the Senate agreed to keep the 1.7% which meant it would automatically survive the Joint House-Senate version as well. Governor Kasich also did not line item veto the 1.7% so the increase stayed in!

Yea! Time to throw up confetti and celebrate! ... Well, kinda. Unfortunately, anything that decreases the General Revenue Fund (like decreasing income tax), also decreases the money we get. Then there's the pesky realization that we've lost 24% of our state funding since 2001. Yes, there were some behind the scenes cuts this year, but all in all, we turned out all right. July's PLF (Public Library Fund) was about 9% higher than July of last year so hopefully we will continue to see growth.

What does this mean for the Galion Public Library? Actually, it means that we will pretty much break even. Over the past two or three years, we have been concerned because all the costs and utilities have been going up while our funding has been going down. This 1.7% doesn't seem like much, but it's enough to make up for some of those losses and keep us in the black. Thanks to this 0.3% increase, we will be able to continue to provide our patrons the great library service they expect. A genuine thank you to the legislators of the State of Ohio.

Our Student Shelves (Casey, Kayla, Sara, and Tiffany) will be leaving us very soon. We are very sad to see them go, but wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors! Please give our new Student Shelves (Farrah, Hope, Madysen, and Tristan) a warm welcome!

TEEN PROGRAMMING

SOCIAL MEDIA



See what teens thought of the books they read this fall! Reviews are posted at: goodreads.com/galionteens



Follow us on Twitter: @GalionLibraryYa



Join our group on Facebook: facebook.com/groups/gplteens

Anime Club

Tuesday nights @ 6:30 - 8 pm

Open to ages 12 - 18

no registration required

Tuesday, Sept. 8th

Tuesday, Oct. 13th

Tuesday, Nov. 10th



Games Club

Thursday nights @ 6:30 - 8 pm

Open to grades 6 - 12

no registration required

Thursday, Sept. 17th

Thursday, Oct. 15th

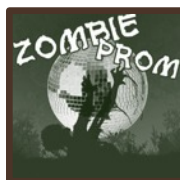
Thursday, November 19th



Games Club & Teen Board are canceled for Thursday, August 20th due to Community Room renovation.

New members are always welcome!

Movie - Avengers: Age of Ultron
Saturday, October 3rd @ 2:00pm
Ages 12+ (Teens & adults welcome)



4th Annual Zombie Prom
Saturday, October 31st @ 7pm
Open to ages 12-18 only.
Registration is required.

Throwback Thursday
Thursday, November 5th @ 6pm
Ages 12-18. Join us for a celebration of days-gone-by with games and crafts from history. Costumes encouraged but not required. Registration is required.



Teen Board Meeting
Thursday nights @ 5:30 - 6 pm
Open to grades 7 - 12
no registration required
Thursday, Sept. 17th
Thursday, Oct. 15th
Thursday, November 19th

We need 1 or 2 adult volunteers to occasionally help with Saturday afternoon programs for school-age children. If you would be available and willing to help, please talk to someone in the Children's Room.

A Historical Tour of England Tuesday, September 15 @ 6 pm

Take a virtual trip of England with Kathy Simcox! Learn about her experience of touring various historical and religious sites in England.



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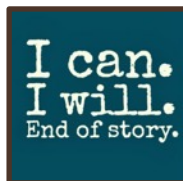
Bingo For Books

Tuesday, Sept. 29 @ 6:00 - 7:30 pm

If you are age 18 or older, come play for your chance to win free copies of books by popular authors, including best-selling novels as well as non-fiction titles. Refreshments will be served. Registration is required.

National Novel Writing Month

National Novel Writing Month ("NaNoWriMo") is the challenge of writing a 50,000 word NOVEL in only 30 days (November)! GPL will hold "Write-ins" to help participating writers stay inspired and KEEP WRITING! Write-ins include mini-workshops with different local authors, a quiet space to write, and refreshments. Write-in dates will be announced closer to November.



All ages are welcome!



Halloween Movie Marathon Sat., Oct. 31 @ 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Drop in anytime on Halloween for our movie marathon. We will be showing Halloween movies in the Community Room all day. The movies are: Beetlejuice, Ghostbusters, Labyrinth, and Frankenweenie. Come hear our new sound system and have some fresh popcorn!

ADULT PROGRAMMING

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING



Family Movie Day - Cinderella

For grades K - 6
Sat., Sept. 19 @ 2:30 pm

The children's department will be showing the newly released PG-rated feature film, Cinderella. Remember to bring your blanket and pillow! Registration is required.



Star Wars Reads Day! Sat., Oct. 10

Drop in the children's room any time throughout the day and help us celebrate Star Wars Reads Day! There will be fun activities for children of all ages. No registration is required.



Happy Halloween! Sat., Oct. 31 @ 10am - 4pm

Visit the children's room any time between 10-4 for family friendly Halloween crafts and activities. Costumes are welcome! No registration is required.



My Little Pony Party

For grades K-2
Sat., Nov. 7 @ 2 - 3:30 pm

Join us for an afternoon of My Little Pony crafts, games and other activities! Registration is



Life Size Monopoly

For Grades 3-6
Sat., Nov. 21 @ 2- 3:30pm

"Do not pass go" and head straight to the library for our Life Size Monopoly game! The team with the most money after one hour of game play wins. Registration is required.

storytime

Monday @ 6:30pm

Tuesday & Wednesday @ 10:30 am

~in the Community Room~

We are hoping to start a kids' LEGO Club, but we need more LEGOs. If you would like to donate new or gently used LEGOs, we would very much appreciate them!

Preschool children and their families are invited to join us for stories, songs, crafts, and fun activities!