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Friends of the Rocky River Public Library

Fall/Winter Newsletter

December 2018

Dear Friends of the Rocky River Public Library,

Your Friends group has been very busy! We celebrated our library's 90th Anniversary on November 17th. As part of the celebration, we created commemorative tote bags to raise money for the Friends. We are always looking for new ways to expand our income to better underwrite more library programs, so next time you stop by the library, offer your support by buying a tote bag. It really helps the library and you don't want to be seen here in River without one! When they were shown at a recent board meeting, members lined up to get theirs.



Joy Praznik Sweeney

Speaking of board meetings, we can always use a few more folks on our board. This is an exciting experience with a group that really gets things done. I have served on many boards and have never seen one that tackles projects so enthusiastically and with smiles. Our meetings are the first Tuesday morning of each month at 9:15 am, and are usually held in the community room downstairs at the library. If you would like to find out more or attend a meeting, call me at 440-331-6829 or send me an email at lhachfc@yahoo.com.

Do you get a kick out of recalling events, people or just observations out of your past? If you do (and even if you don't) attend our second annual trivia night. This year we will be at Burntwood Tavern on Detroit Road. Our event will be held January 26, 2019 starting at 6:30. Teams are welcome and we hope you, your book club, or just some friends will form teams to compete. Tickets are available at the library and include light food and non-alcoholic beverages. There will also be an array of very unique gift baskets. This event is simply a lot of fun, so mark your calendars now and start sharpening your trivia skills.

Len Abrams, President

Director's Message

Happy New Year!

Before looking ahead to 2019, I want to reflect for a moment on the year that was...and commemorating 90 years of service to this community was certainly something to celebrate. It was a day filled with activities, music, and memories for the community. Our dedicated staff and support groups, like the Friends, worked diligently to make it a memorable celebration and I think they succeeded in every way.

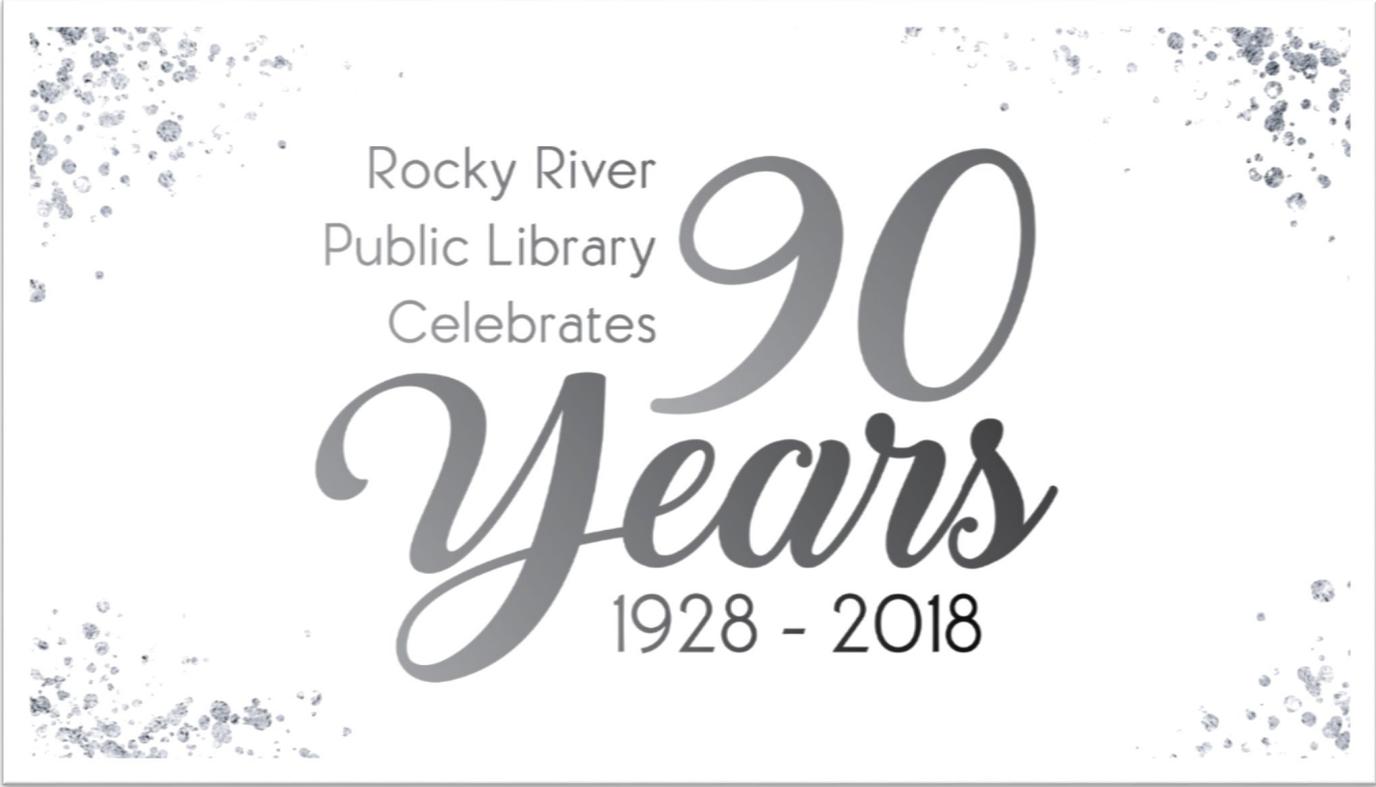
The coming year will be full of interesting programming for all ages, much of which is made possible by the support of the Friends of the Library. Please take a look at our new and improved newsletter, *Inside View*, arriving in your mailbox at the end of December for more details. There's something for everyone!

2019 also brings another round of renovations. We will be completely renovating the public restrooms on the Main and the Children's floors of the Library in the coming months. While we will do our best to make the process as seamless as possible for our patrons, I will be asking you for your patience as we work to improve the facilities in the building.

See you at the Library!

Jamie L. Mason, Director





On November 24, 2018, the Library celebrated its 90th anniversary! In 1924, the Rocky River Public Library opened in a second-floor room of the Rocky River Senior High School but quickly outgrew the space. The Library's original structure was made possible through a city bond issue and personal donation from Thomas and Emily Macbeth. Rocky River Public Library opened its doors on November 24, 1928 with a focus on serving our community. With a continued emphasis on patron satisfaction, the Library has found a way to offer traditional services along-side innovative technology, digital materials, and programs for all ages.



Rocky River Public Library Tote Bag

Help celebrate the Library's 90th anniversary while also supporting the Friends!

Our one-of-a-kind commemorative tote bag is available now.

- \$20 at the circulation desk
- Cash or check only
- Makes a great gift or gift bag
- Benefits the Friends of the Library

Supplies are limited. Get yours today before they sell out!





**Saturday, January 26, 2019 • 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Burntwood Tavern, 19304 Detroit Road, Rocky River**

Join the Friends of the Rocky River Library for food, fun, prizes and trivia questions! Test your general knowledge and have a fun-filled evening with your friends and neighbors. Form a team if you want (bring your book club!). This is a great way to spend a January winter evening!

- Tickets are \$30.00 each and are available at the Circulation Desk starting January 2nd
- Cash or check only

The ticket price includes a one-year \$10 tax-deductible Friends membership!

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Elected Officers

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Kids' Membership

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the RRPL!

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KIDS' MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP FEE \$5.00

Please join and become a Kids' Member of the Friends. Memberships provide funds for library programs and teaches children and young adults the importance of philanthropy and giving back to their community. Benefits are a *free scoop certificate for Mitchell's Ice Cream, Bookmark/Membership Card and a Friends' pencil.*

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1600 Hampton Road, Rocky River, OH 44116

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Your Bookmark, Pencil, and Mitchell's Scoop Certificate will be available at the Greeter's Desk. Great Gift Idea!!! Ages 16 and under. (To be completed by RRPL) Card issued _____

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FRIENDS OF THE ROCKY RIVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please join us to help provide special support and additional programming at the Library. Your continued membership provides funds to enhance library programs for all age groups. Benefits include 10% off all library fines, Friends' Newsletters, and a free scoop certificate for Mitchell's Ice Cream. Join today for a worthwhile cause. We thank you for your support. Please fill out this form and drop off or mail checks payable to:

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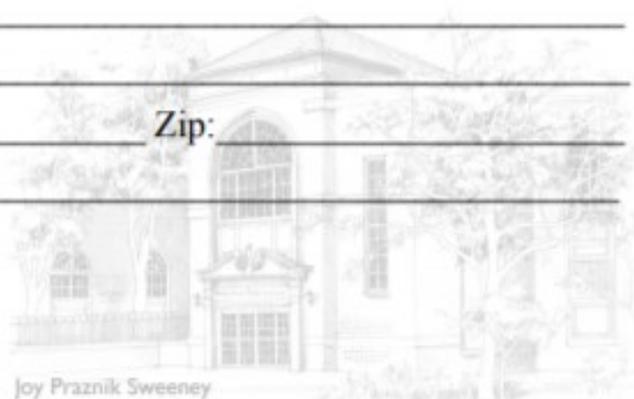
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Pick up your free
scoop certificate at
the Greeter's desk
after you join.



Joy Praznik Sweeney

About the Friends

The Friends of the Rocky River Public Library, a nonprofit organization founded in 1971, provides financial support and volunteer services to the library.

Through membership dues and fundraising activities, the Friends make programs and services possible that the library could not otherwise afford, such as furniture and equipment purchases. The Friends enhance the library's ability to serve children, teens, families, seniors and the whole community.

Everyone is welcome to join the Friends, including individuals, families, businesses and organizations who value the library as a community asset.

Interested in becoming a member?

We have memberships available for adults, kids and families. Simply complete the appropriate form on the previous page and return it to the library in person or by mail. Be sure to include your membership fee. Checks should be made payable to Friends of the RRPL, Inc.

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