PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

The Friends continue to participate in many library activities. The best news, of course, is that our library just keeps getting better. That is principally because of the fine group of people who run the library and never stop looking for ways to make it better. Our hats are off to them, and that’s why the Friends of the Rocky River Public Library said thanks by sponsoring a lunch to honor Library employees in April.

June will bring with it the annual Kids’ Membership Day and a chance to sign up for the Summer Reading Program. The kickoff will take place, and is partially sponsored by, Mitchell’s Ice Cream on Detroit Avenue on Thursday, June 13th from 11 AM to 2 PM. There will be face painting, magic tricks with The Magic Man and much more. Memberships are $5 for kids and $10 for adults. Each membership comes with a coupon for a free scoop of Mitchell’s famous ice cream, as well as a pencil and bookmark! This is a fun event and we hope you will bring your bring all the children in your lives and help get them reading during the summer.

Friends sponsored many programs this year, including guest authors. Be sure to checkout the new Inside View to keep up to date on programs that might be of value and interest to you.

Our Annual Meeting is on June 10th at 1:00 p.m. in the Library’s Community Room and all are invited! Afterward, head on over to the Summer Reading Blastoff at 2:00 p.m. If you have ever thought about doing something to support your Library, please attend the Annual Meeting and consider becoming a member of the Friends of the Rocky River Library and volunteering.

Len Abrams, President

DIRECTOR’S MESSAGE

Warmer weather is certainly around the corner. With that brings many of our favorite outdoor activities including gardening, backyard barbeques, vacations, and beach reads. These are all activities in which the Library can help you have a GREAT SUMMER. Going on vacation? Check out a mobile Hotspot for internet access wherever you go! Need a beach read? We have paperbacks, books on CD, and of course, thousands of eBooks and audiobooks available through OverDrive. Need a recipe from your favorite magazine? Aside from the magazines-to-go inside the Library, we have a large digital selection of popular magazines you can check out anytime. Ready to get to work on your garden? We have a bumper crop of gardening books available for check out.

Sandwiched between our many engaging programs, many sponsored by the Friends of the Library, is our ever growing Summer Reading Program for all ages. The Summer Reading kick-off begins June 10!

Also, don’t forget about our Friends of the Library Kids’ Membership Day on June 13 at Mitchell’s Ice Cream (19700 Detroit Road). Stop in the Library and enter to win one of our awesome weekly prize baskets.

Phase II of the library’s restroom renovation project is finished. The lower level restrooms were completed in the fall of 2018. The Main Floor and Children’s restrooms should be “open for business” by the time you are reading this. Thank you to the Foundation of RRPL for their generous financial support of this project and thank YOU for your patience!

See you at the Library!

Jamie L. Mason, Director
We would like to recognize our dear FRIEND, out-going board member Diane Beer for her 13 years of service to the Friends of the Rocky River Public Library. Diane served on the Friends board in many capacities, including Vice President and most recently as Recording Secretary. With deep gratitude and appreciation we thank you, Diane, for the time, energy, and dedication you have given to the Friends and to the Library. We will miss your good sense, dry wit and institutional memory. We wish you the best of luck in all that you do!

THANK YOU, DIANE BEER!

12TH ANNUAL ANTIQUE APPRAISAL FAIR

Sunday, July 14, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Hamilton Ice Arena—21018 Hilliard Blvd., Rocky River, Ohio

Learn more about your family heirlooms and other treasures!
Expert appraisers answer your questions with free, informal appraisals. Limit: two items or set per person. This event is presented by Rocky River Public Library in conjunction with the City of Rocky River as part of Rocky River Days (July 13-14, 2019).

Also, during the Appraisal Fair, Cowan Pottery Museum Associates will host a summer fundraiser, “Cowan Tag Sale.”

All of the funds raised will be committed to the Museum Support and Acquisition Fund. Pieces to be priced in the $20-$100 range.

KIDS’ MEMBERSHIP DAY

Featuring:
- Magic & Balloon Twisting with “The Magic Man”
- Face Painting
- Story Time with a Librarian

Celebrate RRPL’s Summer Reading Program:

A Universe of Stories

Thursday June 13, 2019 - 11 AM TO 2 PM
Mitchell’s Ice Cream, Rocky River

- Are you 16 years old or younger?
- Do you want to make a difference in our community?
- Do you want to raise money for children’s programs at the Rocky River Public Library?

Become a Kids’ Member of Friends of the Rocky River Public Library!

Your $5 membership fee gets you a year-long Friends of the RRPL Kids’ Membership, a bookmark/membership card, a certificate for a free scoop of Mitchell’s Ice Cream, and an RRPL Kids’ Membership pencil.

New & returning members receive a free Mitchell’s Scoop Certificate*!

Summer Reading Activities with RRPL Children’s Librarians and Teen Volunteers – Sign up for Summer Reading

*Redeem anytime for a free scoop or use toward any item of greater value.
We cannot thank the following folks enough for all their support that helped make our 2019 Trivia Night event possible. Please keep all these places in mind the next time you are heading out in town in need of a product or service.

**Special thanks to Burntwood Tavern for hosting this hugely successful event!**

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**LIBRARY STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**

**Save the date!**

**RRPL Trivia Night**

**January 25, 2020**

**Staff members enjoying the Staff Appreciation Luncheon, sponsored by the Friends.**

**Members of the Friends of the Rocky River Library.**
WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE FRIENDS?

The following positions are currently open:

- Board-Recording Secretary
- Historian

We are also forming a sub-committee to plan our major fundraiser for January 2020. We would welcome individuals who are interested in supporting our event in the following areas:

- Raffle prize solicitation
- Basket assembly
- Invitation design
- On-site event support

Participation time commitment would be from September through January. Interested individuals should contact sharon.fruchey26@gmail.com

2018/2019 OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

President - Len Abrams
Vice President - Stacey Gerrity
Treasurer - Kate Leslie
Recording Secretary – Diane Beer
Historian - Kelly Sharp
Media Outreach - Julie Drellishak
Membership - Kelly Sharp
Corresponding Secretary -
Members-at-Large - Denise Wheeler, Ellen Leamon
Event Support - Sharon Fruchey
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President - Len Abrams
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Kids' Membership

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Friends of the Rocky River Public Library

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.

Friends of the RRPL, Inc.
1600 Hampton Road, Rocky River, OH 44116

Name: ________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ Zip: __________________________
Phone: ___________________________ Age __________________________

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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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:

Friends of the RRPL, Inc.
1600 Hampton Road, Rocky River, OH 44116

Individual: $10.00 Family: $15.00 Sponsor: $25.00 Patron: $50.00 Honored Donor: $100.00

Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ Zip: __________________________
Phone: ___________________________ email address: ____________________________

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