

Distinguished Speaker Series



The Geauga County Library Foundation presents Chuck Schodowski, also known as "Big Chuck" on Cleveland television. His new book *Big Chuck! My Favorite Stories from 47 Years on Cleveland TV* gives us the inside scoop on The Ghoulardi Show, Bob "Hoolihan" Wells, and the still present duo of "Big Chuck and Lil' John" Rinaldi. The 12th Annual Distinguished Speaker Series will be held on Saturday, November 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Notre Dame Educational Center, 13000 Auburn Road in Munson. Pastry will be served. Tickets for the program and a 6:30 p.m. reception with appetizers are \$25.00. Tickets for just the program are \$5.00. All tickets can be purchased in advanced at any GCPL library.

2010 Geauga County Senior Supporter Award

The Geauga County Department on Aging will present this award to the Library at the Great Geauga County Fair on Friday, September 3 during the noon event at the Fair Grounds. This honor acknowledges the library's Homebound Delivery Service.

Book Sales

Bainbridge Sponsored by the Bainbridge Women's Club		
Wednesday, September 8	4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Members Only Preview*
	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Open to the Public
Thursday, September 9	10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Open to the Public
Friday, September 10	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Open to the Public
Saturday, September 11	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Open to the Public, Bag day!
Chardon Cuddle-up-for-Winter Sponsored by Chardon Friends of the Library		
Saturday, November 6	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Members Only Preview*
	11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Open to the Public
Sunday, November 7	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Open to the Public, Bag day!
Geauga West Sponsored by the West Geauga Friends of the Library		
Wednesday, November 10	4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Members Only Preview*
	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Open to the Public
Thursday, November 11	10:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Open to the Public
Friday, November 12	10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Open to the Public
Saturday, November 13	10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Open to the Public, Bag day!

*You may join or renew your membership at the door.

Middlefield East Geauga Friends of the library book sales. Please stop in our Friends Room and take a look at our ongoing book sale.

Holiday Silent Auctions

Bainbridge

Holiday Trees to Decorate

October 2 ----- trees available
November 6 -- trees returned and ready for silent bids
December 4 -- bidding ends at 5:00 p.m.

Chardon

Holiday Trees to Decorate

October 12 --- trees available
November 12 - trees returned and ready for silent bids
December 12 - bidding ends at 5:00 p.m.

Geauga West

Holiday Swags and Trees

September 26 - swags and trees available
November 6 -- swags and trees returned and ready for silent bids
December 5 -- bidding ends at 5:00 p.m.

Free Speech Forum, Fall 2010

Look for details soon in the newspapers and in the libraries.

SUNDAY HOURS RESUME ON SEPTEMBER 12.

Libraries will be Closed on -

Labor Day, September 6
Thanksgiving, November 25
Christmas Eve, December 24
Christmas Day, December 25
New Years Eve, December 31
New Years Day, January 1

Closing at 5:00 p.m., November 24

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(440) 543-5611

Chardon Library
110 East Park Street
Chardon, Ohio 44024
(440) 285-7601

Geauga West Library
13455 Chillicothe Road
Chesterland, Ohio 44026
(440) 729-4250

Middlefield Library
16167 East High Street
Middlefield, Ohio 44062
(440) 632-1961

Newbury Public Library Station
14775 Auburn Road
Newbury, Ohio 44065
(440) 564-7552

Thompson Public Library Station
16700 Thompson Road
Thompson, Ohio 44086
(440) 298-3831

Bookmobile
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Middlefield, Ohio 44062
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Lines & Links

GCPL Ranks Highest in Use and Service

Geauga County is a great place to live. We have beautiful surroundings, a mixture of rural and suburban communities, and residents devoted to using their libraries. Once again, Geauga County has the highest per capita library borrowing in Ohio. The 2008 figures, most recent available, show Geauga's per capita circulation at 27.7; the state of Ohio is 17.7 and the national average is 7.7. With triple the national average and more than one and a half times the state average, we here in Geauga have great cause to be proud of our library and our residents. I have always said that there are two reasons our county ranks number one year after year – our great readers everywhere in Geauga and our great libraries determined to satisfy local interests and demands. The Geauga County Public Library has also been recognized nationally for its excellence by the two national ranking services that evaluate libraries. In addition to appearing on the "Hennen Top Ten" list several times, GCPL has also been included in both annual rankings of star libraries in all of the United States.



While outside recognition is nice, the Library Board and administration take the greatest pride in constantly adapting, changing, and moving forward to continue to meet the ever-increasing appetite for library service in the county. The staff and board have responded immediately to the changing needs of our residents, especially those most affected by the significantly national economic decline. Some of the most significant responses have included:

- Assisting patrons who can no longer afford Internet access or to repair outdated computer equipment at home.
- Job search, resume, email and application assistance for our neighbors who have lost their jobs.
- Books, audio-visual materials, and electronic information that assist patrons with maximizing their remaining financial resources – appliance, automobile, tractor and home repair and maintenance, for example.
- Hosting work sessions for unemployed residents to learn new job skills, network with one

another, go online to check unemployment compensation, and hear speakers who aid in job searches.

- Provide opportunities for family enjoyment and entertainment by visiting the libraries, borrowing materials and sharing new ideas.

Cuts in state funding have had a significant impact on the library's ability to provide its traditional services, yet alone meet the ever increasing needs of our residents for information and resources to manage their greatly-changed lives. Between 2000 and 2009, state funding for GCPL has decreased 26% while circulation has increased 22%. Circulation figures are not yet available for 2010, but state funding is down another 8% for a total decrease of 34%. In 2010, the library has been told it will receive \$1,218,000 less than it received in 2000. State funding for 2011 is predicted to decline even further. So far, the cumulative loss since 2000 has been \$4,213,000.

The Library Board has responded to these cuts in many ways. Library staff has been significantly curtailed, with layoffs of 12 staff members; reduced hours for 43 more and a 2% cut in salary for all employees except those paid the minimum wage. GCPL wages continue to be among the lowest in the area. Reduction in staff hours resulted in a loss of 10% of the library hours throughout the county. The materials budget was cut to its lowest level since the 1990's, resulting in empty shelves and much longer waiting time for

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Youth Services Classes

For more information, stop by your library or go to www.geaugalibrary.net

Bainbridge

R **Registration is required and begins on:**
Tuesday, September 7.
Call 440-543-5611.

Babytimes

Fridays, October 1, 8; November 5, 12; December 3, 10.
Sessions limited to 18 babies.

Ages 3 – 12 months (pre-walkers) with adult 10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Ages 12 – 24 months (walkers) with adult 11:30 a.m. – 12 noon

Storytimes

September 21 - November 4

Toddler Storytimes

2 – 3 years with caregiver.
Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Thursday, 10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Preschool Storytimes Ages 3+
Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Thursdays, 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

PJs and Puppets Storytime

Children ages 4 and up
Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Family Programs

Sponsored by
Friends of Bainbridge Library

Family Holiday Storytimes

Ages 2-7 with family.
Thursday, December 2, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.



Chardon

R **Storytimes**
September 13 – October 22
Registration begins Tuesday,
August 31. Call 440-285-7601.

Babytime

Birth – 24 months (with caregiver)
Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Wednesdays,
10:15 a.m.

Time for Two's

24 months – 36 months (with care-giver.) Child must be 2 by
September 13. Wednesdays,
11:00 a.m., Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.,
Fridays, 10:30 a.m.

Babies AND/OR Twos

Children under age 3. Fridays,
11:30 a.m.

Just for Three's

3 years old (with caregiver)
Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

3 years – Kindergarten Mondays,
10:30 a.m., Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.

Storytime Specials

Sponsored by the
Chardon Friends of the Library

Pajama Family Storytime

Ages 6 and under with families
Thursdays, September 16, October
21, November 18, 7:00 p.m.

Boo at the Library

Ages 3 through kindergarten with family
Wednesday, October 27, 7:00 p.m.
and Thursday, October 28, 10:30 a.m.

Babies and Two's Pumpkin Party

Under age 3 with family. Thursday,
October 28, 6:30 p.m.
or Friday, October 29, 10:30 a.m.

M-e-r-r-y Christmas Storytime

Ages 3 through kindergarten with
family. Monday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.
or Tuesday, December 7, 10:30 a.m.

Babies and Two's Christmas Special

Under age 3 with family. Tuesday,
December 7, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 8, 10:30 a.m.

Family Specials

Sponsored by the
Chardon Friends of the Library

Annual Youth Services Puppet Show

Ages 3 and up with families.
Monday, November 15, 7:00 p.m.

Annual Family Christmas Program

Featuring Banjo the Clown and Santa
Claus! Sunday, December 12, 1:30 p.m.

Geauga West

R Storytimes

September 13 to October 29
Registration required and
begins on September 1.
Call 440-729-4250.

Interim Storytime

November 29 to December 17.
Registration begins November 1.

Babytime

Birth to age 2 with caregiver.
Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m. or 11:15 a.m.
Thursdays, 10:15 a.m. or 11:15 a.m.

Toddler Storytime

Ages 2 to 3 with caregiver
Mondays, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m. or 11:15 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3 to entering Kindergarten
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m. or 2:00 p.m.

Family Programs

Sponsored by the Friends of
West Geauga Library

Honey of Grandparent

Sunday, September 12, 2:00 p.m.

Bappy Hirthday, Shel Silverstein

Sunday, October 17, 2:00 pm

Family Game Day

Sunday, November 7, 2:00 p.m.

Carols, Crafts and Cookies

Sunday, December 5, 2:00 p.m.

Middlefield

Storytimes

September 13 - December 10

Babies and Toddlers

Ages 6 months-3 years with parent or
caregiver. Twenty minutes of stories,
songs, and rhymes for babies and
toddlers! Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. and
Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.

The Young and the Restless

Ages 2-5.
A noisy, interactive story program for
active children ages 2-5 together with
their caregivers. Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.
OR Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-6.
Thirty minutes of stories, songs, and
FUN! Parents are welcome to attend
storytime, too, or browse the library!
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. OR 11:30 a.m.

Family Storytime

All ages.
Put on your PJs and bring the whole
family for some stories before bedtime!
Mondays, 7:00 p.m.

Family Program

Sponsored by the
East Geauga Friends of the Library

'Twas the Night Before Christmas...

Thursday, December 16, 7:00 p.m.

Newbury

Storytime

September 9 - October 7
Pre-school children.
Thursdays, 10:30 am.
Registration not required

Thompson

Preschool Storytime

September 20 – November 10
Ages 2 – 6 years
Mondays, 7:00 p.m., Wednesdays,
10:30 a.m.
Registration not required

Special Interest Programs



Bainbridge

25th Anniversary of the Bainbridge Library

Celebrate this milestone anniversary
with the Friends of the Bainbridge
Library on Sunday, October 17 from
2-3 p.m. Refreshments and family
fun will be served!

Quilt Raffle The Chagrin Valley
Quilt Guild has donated two beau-
tiful quilts to the Friends of the
Bainbridge Library. You can win
one or both lap size or wall hang-
ing size quilts by purchasing raffle
tickets @ \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00 from
September until December 4. The
drawing for each quilt will be held
on Sunday, December 5.

New Health Care Law For Seniors

The new health care law brings a
number of benefits to people 50
years old and older. AARP speaker
Gayle Deadwyler will explain what
is in the law. Presented by the
Friends of the Bainbridge Library.
Friday, September 24, 2:00 p.m.

Chardon

Dream Hikes Coast to Coast

Book signing and presentation by
Jack Bennett. See pictures of 30 of
America's best hikes. Books avail-
able for purchase at the program.
Sponsored by the Chardon Friends
of the Library.
Tuesday, October 19, 7:00 p.m.

Geauga County Genealogical Society

GCGS meets the second Tuesday
of the month in the Bostwick
Room at the Chardon Library.
Programs are open to the public
and begin at 7:00 p.m.

Middlefield

Off to Never Never Land with Mary Martin

Take a musical tour of Broadway
with Mary Martin portrayed by
Damaris Peter-Pike. Sponsored by
the East Geauga Friends of the
Library.
Thursday, September 23, 7:00 pm.

The Sounds of the Season

Join us around the fireplace for an
hour of music played by a local pia-
nist. Drink a cup of hot chocolate
and enjoy the sounds of the season!
Sponsored by the East Geauga
Friends of the Library. Friday,
December 10, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 pm.

The Fine Art of Viktor Schreckengost and Art in the Mart Opening Reception

View works by local artists while
enjoying refreshments as the
Geauga Council for Arts and
Culture kicks off Art in the Mart at
the Middlefield Library. At 7:00
p.m. Cheryl McClellan, co-curator
of the recent exhibit "Viktor and
Nadine: an Intimate Portrait," will
discuss the paintings and sculp-
tures of the "American da Vinci."
Thursday, November 18th begin-
ning at 5:30pm.

Geauga West

Downsizing Your Home or

Grandma's Trina Miller, of Spaces
Showroom and Liquidators in
Bainbridge, will share insights on
how to spot treasures before you
take everything to the curb. If you
have a particular item you would
like appraised, mention it when
you call in your registration.
Several items will be selected in
advance for a full appraisal.
Sponsored by both the West
Geauga Friends and The Friends of
the Bainbridge Libraries.
Monday, October 11, 7:00-8:00
p.m. Call 440-729-4250 to register.