

The McKinley Times



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Dear McKinley Memorial Library Patron,

McKinley Memorial Library is not immune to the budget woes being experienced by the State of Ohio and its residents. The State of Ohio provides the majority of the funding for McKinley Memorial Library and most of the public libraries in the State through the Public Library Fund. The Public Library Fund receives most of its funding through the State income tax and sales tax.

The high unemployment rate throughout the State and the decline in the sales tax receipts lead to an expected 20% reduction in the amount of funds that McKinley Memorial Library was to receive from the Public Library Fund in 2009. McKinley Memorial Library had already budgeted for the 20% reduction in revenue in 2009. Unlike the federal government, McKinley Memorial Library has to balance its revenue and expenses each year so that its expenses do not exceed its revenues. McKinley Memorial Library took the following actions in the Spring to reduce our expenditures by 20%. Sunday hours were eliminated starting in September. Staff positions that were vacant because of staff members leaving were not filled. The library materials budget including books, DVDs, music etc... was reduced.

Governor Strickland in June proposed reducing library funding by another 30% to balance the State budget. Thanks to the outcry from the residents of Ohio, libraries in the State received another reduction of 12% in funding. The total reduction in library funding to public libraries in Ohio was 32% for 2009. The 2010 funding to libraries in Ohio is projected to be even lower than the 2009 funding because of the dismal economy. The additional reduction in funding in 2009 and 2010 led the library to implement the following measures. The library now closes at 5:00 pm on Wednesdays instead of 8:00 pm.

The library closes at 5:00 pm instead of 5:30 pm on Friday and Saturday. McKinley Memorial Library is still open the most hours of any single site library in Trumbull County. The library materials budget was further reduced. The staff of the library was reduced by another three and a half positions.

The users of McKinley Memorial Library can expect the following when you now visit. Please remember that the library is no longer open on Sundays and is no longer open on Wednesday evenings. The library will close earlier on Friday and Saturday. There will be a longer wait for popular books and DVDs because we are not buying as many copies. We may no longer be purchasing a book or DVD that you wish to read or view. If there is a book or DVD that you wish us to purchase, please bring it to the attention of a library staff member for consideration.

I would like to thank you on behalf of the Trustees and staff of McKinley Memorial Library for your continued support of the library. It is our pledge to continue to provide quality library service within our budget.

Sincerely,

Patrick E. Finin, Library Director

Book clubs



Love to Talk About Books?

Adults who like to read and love to talk about what they read are invited to join the adult discussion group, **Book Chat**.

Book Chat will discuss the following books for our autumn sessions:

- October 8** *Ghost*
by Alan Lightman
- November 5** *Garden Spells*
by Sarah Addison Allen
- December 3** *The Virgin of Small Plains*
by Nancy Pickard

Meetings begin at **6:30 PM** in the Memorial Auditorium. All participants must have a valid library card, with no fines. For more information or to register for **Book Chat**, please contact Stephanie, club moderator, at 330.652.1704 ext. 214.

Computer Classes



Adult Computer Classes

Adult Computer classes will be offered in October and November. A nonrefundable materials fee of \$5 will be charged for each class. As soon as the computer class schedule is finalized, it will be posted on the Library's website www.mckinley.lib.us.oh. Basic Computers, Beginning Microsoft Word, Beginning Excel and Intermediate Excel are some of the courses that will be offered.

All McKinley Memorial Library adult computer classes are open to the public as long as you have a valid McKinley Memorial Library card or a TiPL card with a fine under \$5.

Prior registration is mandatory since seating is limited in the Computer Lab (located in the lower level of the McKinley Birthplace Home). To register for a class, you'll need to contact a staff member at the Reference Desk while visiting the Library or call 330.652.1704 ext. 212 for more information.

WARNING: If you register for a class, are unable to attend a class, and do not contact us to cancel your reservation prior to the scheduled class time, you may be restricted from registering for another class for two months.

Make Time for Romance with Daring Heroines & Handsome Heroes

If you love to read stories (contemporary or historical) about daring heroines, handsome heroes, adventure, romance, and, of course, happy endings, join the members of the **Romance Readers' Book Club** for lively, fun, and interesting discussions.

Meetings are usually held every month on the third **Thursday at 6:30 PM** in the Memorial Auditorium. Members select the books read every month. If you have any questions or would like to register to attend the meetings, please call Theresa, club moderator, at 330.652.1704 ext. 205.

The books chosen for the October 15 meeting are ***Tempt Me at Twilight*** by Lisa Kleypas, ***Make Her Pay*** by Roxanne St. Claire and ***Lucky Break*** by Carly Phillips. Books to be discussed during the November meeting will be determined at the October meeting and will be posted on the library's website. Watch the library's website for more information about selections and dates for the coming months.

Teen Animé

MML Teen Animé Club

The Teen Animé Club will meet from 3:30pm - 4:30pm in the Memorial Auditorium on the following **Thursdays** this Fall:

- October:** 22nd & 29th
November: 12th & 19th
December: 10th

The Club is for teens between the ages 12-17. The Club watches and discusses various animé features as well as popular manga. If you would like to join, please contact Stephanie at 330.652.1704 x214 for more details. You may also visit us on MySpace for more information.

Upcoming Programs

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Here are a few of the future programs sponsored by the McKinley Memorial Library and the Friends of the Library:



Niles Union Cemetery Tour

Sunday, October 18, 2009 at 5:00 pm

Learn the history of past area residents as Wendell Lauth leads your walk around their final resting place!



Musical Event at Memorial Auditorium

Saturday, November 21, 2009

1:00 pm – 1:45 pm

Music and fun will be had by all who attend this program featuring a performance by the Lakeview Madrigal Singers!



Thank You Notes - Summer Concert Series

For more than a decade, the McKinley Memorial Library has hosted a series of summer lawn concerts every year. We would not have been able to do it this year without the help of our co-sponsors, Farmers National Bank and Friends of the McKinley Memorial Library. Thank you for making this wonderful concert series possible.

Take a Break

Join us for these FREE programs held from 1:00-2:00 PM on the first Wednesday of the following months at the **Memorial Auditorium**.

Feel free to bring your lunch or a light snack!

Wed., Oct. 28 Getting Started with Medicare**
****Special time: 2:00-4:00 PM****

Presented by Laura Mutsko
Mutsko Insurance Services

Medicare...what is it, when can you sign up to receive it, what does it cover? Find out these and other facts at this special two-hour program.

Wed., Nov. 4 Native American Suitcase

Presented by Rebecca Whittenberger,
Curator for Education for the Mahoning Valley Historical Society

Attend this fascinating program about the first inhabitants of our Valley and hear the answers to these questions: which Native American tribes lived in the Mahoning Valley? What type of food did they eat? How did they live?

Wed., Dec. 2 Bows & Gift Wrapping 101

Presented by Bill Billion, Floral Division Manager
for Creative Design & Floral, Inc.

If you want your presents to "wow" the recipients this holiday season, this workshop is for you!

Those attending the Bows & Gifts workshop will need to bring their wrapping paper, gift to wrap, ribbon, scissors and scotch tape.

Registration is requested, but not required, to attend for all **Take a Break** programs. Please call 330.652.1704, ext. 212 or visit the Reference Desk and speak with a Library staff member.

Thank you Notes

Take a Break

Reading Building Blocks

Story times are special times for everyone! Children learn to enjoy books while developing the preliteracy skills that are the building blocks that make learning to read possible. The Library offers a variety of developmentally appropriate story time programs. Read on to find out more about specific programs suited to your child's age. These programs are held in the **Memorial Auditorium**. For more information, contact Stephanie at 330.652.1704, ext 214.

Baby Bounce

Baby Bounce is designed especially for caregivers with infants between the ages of 6 months and 18 months old. Stimulate the mind and body with this exciting combination of books and music. No registration required. **Baby Bounce** occurs at 10 am on the following dates:

October: 10th, 16th & 24th

November: 7th, 13th & 21st

December: 11th

1-2-3 Look at Me

1-2-3 Look at Me is designed especially for caregivers with children between the ages of 18 months and 36 months old. Get ready for literary journeys and creative expression with activities for little hands, too! No registration required. **1, 2, 3 Look at Me** occurs at 10:30 am on the following dates:

October: 10th, 16th & 24th

November: 7th, 13th & 21st

December: 11th

StoryTime

Children between the ages of 3 and 5 years old and their caregivers may join the Children's Staff for stories, fingerplays and other activities. No registration required. **StoryTimes** occur at 6:30 pm each Tuesday. There is no **StoryTime** November 24th. The last **StoryTime** for the Fall session occurs Tuesday, December 15th.



Library receives a grant from Target!

The Children's Department received a \$1,000 grant from Target's Community Grant Foundation. The grant will be used to expand the current program with purchases including board books for pre-schoolers and small musical instruments, as well as creating literacy kits for use during programs.

Thank you Target!



Books with Santa

Thanks to our co-sponsor, Friends of the McKinley Memorial Library, the Library will have Books with Santa this year. Registration for Books with Santa begins in the Children's Room on Monday, November 2nd at 9 am. **No phone registrations will be accepted.** Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis and is limited to 75 children and 2 adults per family (no exceptions.) Registration will close once 75 children's tickets have been handed out.

The event itself will be held Saturday, December 5th from 10 am to 11:30 am in the Memorial Auditorium. Attendees will enjoy hot chocolate and some pastries in addition to visiting Santa and making some holiday crafts. For more information, please contact Stephanie at 330.652.1704, ext 214.



*Homebound
Services*



CHANGES

Change in Homebound Services

McKinley Memorial Library for many years has offered homebound library service to individuals who can no longer come to the library because they are physically handicapped, visually impaired, permanently ill or temporary shut-ins. Library staff delivered library materials in the library van to individuals who could no longer come to library. Recent cutbacks in library funding have made it necessary for the library to no longer use library staff or the library van to deliver the library materials.

However, we are pleased to announce that the Warren Trumbull County Public Library has agreed to provide homebound service to the residents of Niles. Warren Trumbull County Public Library provided homebound services to Niles starting in the 1970's before McKinley Memorial Library had a staff and van to provide homebound service.

The staff of the Warren Trumbull County Public Library will be providing the library materials to homebound individuals in Niles on a monthly basis. The individuals will be receiving their library materials in their private home, nursing home, convalescent home, or retirement home. Homebound users will be able to borrow books in regular and large print, popular magazines including large print, audio books on CD/cassette and talking book machines. The homebound user may request specific titles or the homebound staff may choose materials for the user based on their specific interests or favorite authors. Warren library staff will discuss the individual's reading preferences to better meet their need.

If you or someone you know is interested in receiving homebound services, please call the Warren Trumbull County Public Library at 330.399.8807, ext 118 or stop in or call McKinley Memorial Library at 330.652.1704, ext 201.

Library Hours

*Volunteers
needed*



Library hours change

Because of budget reductions in our income from the State of Ohio, our new hours will be:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9am- 8pm
- Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 9am-5pm
- Sunday – CLOSED



Calling all Volunteers!

Would you like to help us at the Library? Individuals who are 18 years old or older, are needed to help shelve books. If you are interested, please contact Patrick Finan, 330.652.1704 ext 204 or pfinan@mcklib.org

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Comments or questions?

Contact Mariann O'Halloran, McKinley Memorial Library, 40 N. Main St., Niles, OH 44446, or by calling 330.652.1704, ext. 203.

Phone Directory

Dial 330.652.1704 and when you hear the voice automated system, you may then press the following extension numbers:

Circulation	201
Reference	212
Adult Program Registration/Info	212
Kids Program Registration/Info	214
Director	204
Tours/General Info	203
Fiscal Officer	203

McKinley Memorial Library Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	9 AM – 8 PM
Wednesday, Friday and Saturday	9 AM – 5 PM
Sunday	Closed

McKinley Memorial Museum Hours

Monday - Saturday	9 AM – 5 PM
Last scheduled tour is 4:30 pm.	

McKinley Birthplace Home & Research Center Fall Hours

Saturdays in October: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	10 AM– 4 PM
First Sunday in: October 4	1– 5 PM
November 1	1– 5 PM

Other than the dates above, the McKinley Home will be open only on an as-needed basis (check our website for the latest hours of operation). Events and classes will still be held at the Home. Tours will be given to those visitors who call to schedule a tour or if someone visits the Library and requests to tour the Home. Please check the Library's websites for updates on the Home's hours.

Holiday Closings

Library, Museum & McKinley Home observance of Thanksgiving Day:

Closed all day on Thursday, November 26

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Christmas Day: Closed all day Thursday, December 24, Friday December 25, and Saturday, December 26.

Library, Museum & McKinley Home observance of

New Year's Day: Closed all day Thursday, December 31, Friday January 1, and Saturday, January 2.

*Visit Niles' Historical Treasures – Free to the People
National McKinley Birthplace Home and McKinley Birthplace Home & Research Center*

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