



New book drop now open

After beginning construction on the new book drop earlier this year, Greenville Public Library is proud to announce that it is now open and available for patron use.

Books now drop directly into the building into a bin located behind the Circulation Desk. It is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. All library materials may be returned through it, with the exception of the telescope!

Money from the Friends of the Library got the ball rolling for the new book drop, which was completed thanks to a generous donation from Alex and Kathy Warner. The old drop box has been moved to its new home at the J.R. Clarke Public Library in Covington.



Dede Wissman, Friends of the Library representative, is pictured above with the inside portion of the new book drop, while Alex & Kathy Warner are shown at left with the outside opening.

GPL bids fond farewell to three beloved employees



Caitlyn Clark

The end of March saw Caitlyn Clark, Julie Kennett, and Amber Kenworthy walking out our doors as employees a final time, each leaving for new positions in a variety of fields.

Caitlyn Clark began as a Reference Assistant back in 2017. Along the way she assisted patrons at the Reference Desk, as well as helped out with Adult Programming. She is leaving behind her position as Coordinator of the Growing Harvest Seed Library and the nursing home division of Extension Services for a new, exciting life in Arizona, where she will be fulfilling a life-long dream of wrangling mules at Grand Canyon National Park. Her travel



Julie Kennett

stories, quick wit, and infectious laughter will be sorely missed.

The longest-standing employee leaving at the end of March was no doubt Julie Kennett, who was only a few months shy of celebrating her 19th year on the library staff. Julie has served GPL patrons in many different capacities over the years, with her most recent contributions being as Circulation Supervisor and Head of the Children's Department. She will still be serving the public in her new position as Deputy Director of the Darke County Board of Elections. Julie's passion for creating fun, interactive programming for the Children's Department will be fondly



Amber Kenworthy

remembered for years to come.

Last but not least, Amber Kenworthy is leaving us for a full-time position at Farmers State Bank. Known for her hard work, kind smile, and calming demeanor, she was a perfect fit for her position at the Reference Desk, where she could be found most evenings. Her patience and ability to help patrons find an answer to even the most difficult questions make her shoes that much harder to fill.

The library wishes all three ladies the best of luck in their future endeavors. We can't wait to see what amazing things Caitlyn, Julie, and Amber do next!

Brown to replace Kennett in Children's Department

While Julie Kennett's departure from the library will leave a huge void, most notably in the Children's Department, her shoes are being filled by a very capable and competent replacement.

Joanna Brown, Kennett's assistant in Children's, will be taking her place at the helm in addition to taking her place as Circulation Supervisor.

"I'm excited to accept this new position and look forward to working with everyone," Joanna said. "I can't wait to start having programs and in-person Story Times again."



Friends of the Library once again accepting donations

The Friends of the Library are once again accepting donations for their year-round book sale located in the Computer Lab. They are asking for donations of well-kept, fairly recent books, CDs, and DVDs to ensure they are providing patrons with quality, timely materials.

While the Friends are grateful for any and all donations, there are things they do not want. Some of the things they don't want are listed at right.

They also request that donations be given a box or two at a time. Larger donations must be approved in advance by calling the library at (937) 548-3915.

Please avoid donating the following:

- **Textbooks of any kind**
- **Encyclopedias or dictionaries of any language**
- **Magazines**
- **VHS or audio cassette tapes**
- **"How to" books and manuals over 10 years old, especially outdated materials on computers, technology, finance, medical, or home repair**
- **Any item that is soiled, yellowed or musty**

Doors open to the public for first time since 2020

When the Covid-19 virus burst onto the scene in early 2020, no one was prepared for the changes it made to our everyday lives. The library was no exception.

But now, after locking the doors on March 16, 2020, the library is open to the public once more!

While the doors will be unlocked and open for patrons to visit at their leisure, there will still be restrictions going forward.

Masks must still be worn by anyone entering the building. Patrons are encouraged to practice social distancing at all times, as well as browse and use computers no longer than necessary.

Computer use will be limited to one hour per patron, though exceptions may be made in special circumstances. Video games will be unavailable for use at this time.

We look forward to seeing everyone back at the library soon!



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