

GINGERBREAD HOUSE PARTY

We are happy to announce that our very popular gingerbread program is back! This year's Gingerbread House Party will be held on Saturday, December 9 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room.

This program is open to all ages! Come as a family, a pair,

or by yourself. We'll supply the graham crackers and all the fixins you'll need to make the best house on the block. All you need to bring is your creativity!

And rumor has it, Santa will be stopping by during the event, so make sure to bring kids' Christmas lists for this fun, festive event!

To ensure we have enough graham crackers and goodies for everyone, registration is required. To register, stop by the library or give us a call.

The Friends of the Library will also be hosting their annual Holiday Open House this day, so be sure to leave room for cookies and punch. For more on this event, look inside!

DECEMBER
2023

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9 AM - 6 PM

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Embrace Your Best Self on December 7

On Thursday, December 7 join us for 'Embrace Your Best Self: A Journey of Self-Care' and discover the transformative power of prioritizing your well-being. This free event will be held in the Third Floor Conference Room at 1 p.m. The program will also include a make and take bath salts, so registration is required.

Pamela Graves, the creative force behind Unbelievable Skin Care, will help you unlock the secrets to inner balance and outer radiance through the art of embracing a fulfilling and balanced lifestyle.

Pamela's journey with therapeutic-grade essential oils began in 2011, sparking a profound personal transformation that inspired her to extend that same joy to others.

"During this period, my disillusionment with store-bought skincare products deepened," she says on her website. "Engaging in extensive research, I uncovered the vital truth that the skin acts as a gateway to our bodies, absorbing everything we apply to it.

"Fueled by this revelation, I embarked on the path of crafting my own skincare solutions. The decision to create these products for myself marked a turning point that eventually led to the inception of Unbelievable Skin Care," she concludes.



Pamela Graves, founder of Unbelievable Skin Care, will be stopping by the library on Dec. 7 for an informative and transformative event on self-care.

To register, call the library or stop by the Reference Desk. Space is limited to 20 participants, so be sure to get your name on the list today! If you have questions about this program,

please contact Kelly. For more on Pamela and her Unbelievable Skin Care products, check out her Facebook page or her website, www.unbelievableskincare.com.

**The Library
will be closed
December
25 & 26 and
January 1 & 2**

**Sound Bath &
Mandala Creation**
with
Michelle

Tues. Dec. 19 ~ 11 a.m.
Greenville Public Library

In case you missed the first event, here's your chance to experience a singing bowl sound bath and create a personal mandala. Michelle Hickman will be returning for this encore event, which is open to 20 individuals. Registration is required, so contact the library at (937) 548-3915 to reserve your spot before it fills up!

Ken McCoy music scores digitized

Ken McCoy got his start in music under his dad, John McCoy, who was a very popular band and orchestra teacher at GHS for many years. Ken followed in his Dad's footsteps, earning a degree in music education then teaching for four years in Greenville schools. In 1977 he accepted a position that was life-changing, to work as staff arranger for the United States Army Field Band. Later he was promoted to Chief Arranger.



McCoy's arrangements and compositions have been performed in all 50 U.S. states and in several foreign countries. In 1995, he joined the Ohio State University Marching Band Staff and arranged at least one full halftime show per year for the band culminating with his 23rd show in 2017. Ken passed away January 11, 2018.

Thanks to his widow, Brenda, his original scores are now part of the Library's digital collection. Brenda gave permission to Rachel Brock, Genealogy & Preservation Department, to digitize all of Ken's sheet music and to make it accessible to the public.

It can be found on the Library website: click on Services, choose the Genealogy page, look under Digital Exhibits.

For more information on this important piece of Greenville history, contact Rachel Brock.

Elite Club honors Oliver with book donation

The members of the Elite Book Club recently made a donation to the Greenville Public Library in remembrance of Jerilyn Younkman Oliver. Each member donated \$10 towards the purchase of the book, *The Cottage Garden* by Claus Dalby, with the remaining amount being given to the library. Members include (front) Shirla Neff, Donna Johnson, and Charlotte Wright; (back) Marty Schipfer, Marty Davis, Barbara Anthony, Judy Eikenberry and Leigh Fletcher. Not pictured: Becky Luce and Karen Saunders.



Genealogy Dept. makes an historic home visit

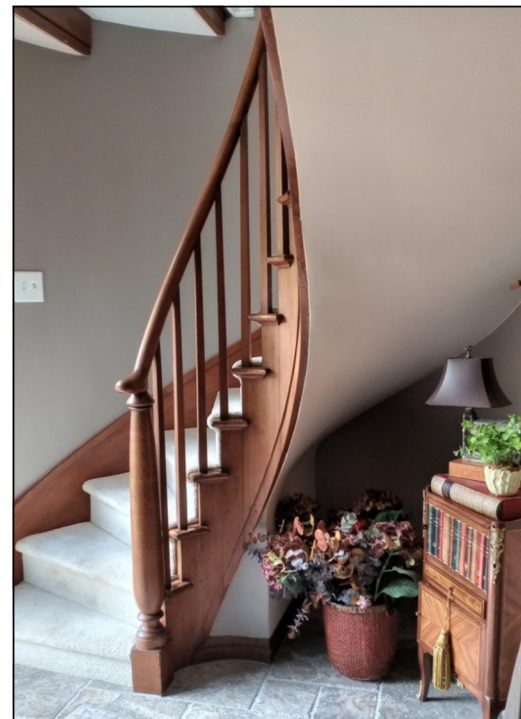
The GPL Genealogy Department recently made a visit to an historic home that was relocated from the corner of Sycamore and Main Streets in Greenville back in 1938.

At the request of the homeowners Ken and Linda Krick, Rachel Brock and Carolyn Fisher assisted in finding out more about the home that is now located near the park.

It was found that the home was moved from its original location to make way for a Marathon gas station. The Richard Birt family were using the home as an antique store at the time of the move. In addition to an antique store, the house has served a wide variety of purposes and has been added on to multiple times during its life. Some of the additions include a solarium, a garage, and a master bedroom.

The Kricks purchased the home in 2015 and have made some renovations of their own. But through it all, the home has retained its natural charm and remains a gorgeous showpiece of Greenville history.

(Top) The historic home at its current location. **(Middle)** The home boasts many unique, original features including a fireplace, curved walls, built-in bookcases, and a grand spiral staircase. **(Bottom, L to R)** Rachel, homeowner Linda, and Carolyn look over the home's blueprints to determine what changes were made and when.



Friends to host Holiday Open House

On Saturday, December 9 the Friends of the Library will be hosting their annual Holiday Open House from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. This free event is open to all ages!

Those attending will be treated to live music, punch, and loads of cookies! There will also be a puppet show performance by the GPL Puppet Pals at 12:30 in the Storytime Room.

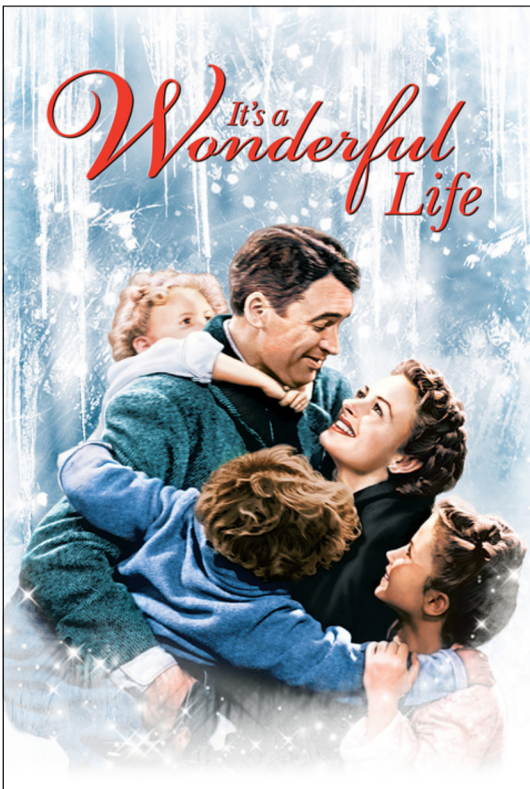
The Friends of the Library are an integral part of helping GPL by sponsoring the Wednesday Summer Reading entertainment. Donations from their year-round book sale also help with the purchasing of items that may be outside the library's



budget, including a laminator, a Cricut, and cloth bags for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program.

For more information on the Friends, pick up their brochure from the slat board in the Holiday Book Room.

Holiday classics on the docket for December



GPL will be showing the 1946 holiday classic, *It's a Wonderful Life* starring James Stewart on Thurs., Dec. 21 at 1 p.m. The film is rated PG with a run time of 2 hr 10 min. Patrons are welcome to bring their own snacks and drinks. Sweaters are also encouraged for those who get chilled easily.

The YA Department will be viewing of the hit comedy, *Home Alone* starring Macaulay Culkin. This event will be held on Thurs., Dec. 21 at 4 p.m. and is only open to ages 11-18. This movie is rated PG with a run time of 1 hr 43 min. Snacks will be provided!



GPL taking donations for FISH Mitten Tree

Greenville Public Library is honored to once again be a FISH Mitten Tree location!

Patrons wishing to donate new mittens or gloves are encouraged to bring their items in during our regular business hours and place them on the tree.

All donated items will be distributed to children enrolled in Darke County Head Start programs, so FISH asks that mittens and gloves be sized to fit children ages 3 to 5.

Other FISH Mitten Trees can be found in Greenville at Montage Cafe and Brethren Retirement Community, as well as Fourman's Variety Store in Arcanum.

FISH will be collecting all donations on Monday, December 18.



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