



## Staff Spotlight: Meet Cassie!

I've been a patron of the Galion Public Library since I was in my mother's womb. My parents were frequent visitors and didn't slow down when they had me. I would get huge stacks of picture books on our weekly, sometimes bi-weekly, trips. I quickly progressed through reading levels and started reading my mom's books when she was done with them in elementary school.

I loved the library and all of the amazing library staff. I job shadowed my personal hero, Ellen Buherer, when she was still the Children's Librarian; She told me I picked up on things a lot faster than the Shelves she had trained (a complement I still appreciate to this day!) My friends and I used the library as one of our main hangouts, were enthusiastic members of Anime Club, and helped Miss Chris with her programs.

My first job was here as a shelver, I moved up as the Publicity and Adult Programming Coordinator, worked at Mansfield/Richland County Main Library for a little over a year, and then came back full-time to, among other things, process Interlibrary Loans, Periodicals, and work on the Circulation Desk every day.

I used to shy away from realistic fiction and nonfiction and could be caught reading mostly Graphic Novels, Fantasy, Paranormal, and Scifi. Anything involving witches or fairy tales were my cup of tea and still are. I haven't been reading as much fiction lately and have been spending a lot of my time reading non-fiction, mostly for personal growth, hobbies, and learning new things. I also still read Children's books, especially picture books and graphic novels.

I'm currently a fiancé, plant mom, cat mom - I have two sassy Calico cats (Cleo & Midna), and am teaching myself how to be an illustrator. One of my favorite things about working here is that I get to help people everyday with more unique situations than I ever expected before. I learn something new every day, strive to find ways to make this library an even better place, and to make everyone's day just a little bit brighter- just like the staff made me feel every time I made a trip to this beautiful library.



Cassie recently donated over 30 in. of hair to Wigs for Kids!



# Galion Public Library

## *Between the Stacks Newsletter*

### Spring 2019

## Director's Note

It's State of Ohio budget time again! Usually I write about the budget and bemoan the fact it's being cut again. Luckily, Governor DeWine is a good friend of the public libraries. At present, public libraries are supposed to, by permanent law, receive 1.66% of Ohio's General revenue. Governor Kasich raised us temporarily to 1.68% which was supposed to expire at the end of this June. Governor DeWine's budget keeps us at 1.68% (temporarily) but that's much better than a cut or returning to a lower percentage. Now if it can just get through the House of Representatives review without a change, we'll be OK for the next two years.

Education is the key to library funding. So many of our elected officials are unaware of what public libraries really have to offer. As a result, they will try to cut us thinking we're obsolete and no one cares. People love their libraries! That's why we're grateful when our state officials recognize our worth. If they don't, the people will tell them. Whenever public libraries are threatened, people respond. When state representatives wanted to cut the libraries funding by 33% awhile back, Ohio residents responded and crashed the State House phone system. When Forbes printed an editorial recommending that public libraries should close because Amazon did it better, Forbes had to pull the article and print a retraction.

My favorite library quote is from Michael Moore. I think it applies to library patrons as well as librarians: "I really didn't realize the librarians were, you know, such a dangerous group. They are subversive. You think they're just sitting there at the desk, all quiet and everything. They're like plotting the revolution, man. I wouldn't mess with them."



## COOL Libraries App Released

The Consortium of Ohio Libraries has released a new app! You can find it by searching for *COOL Libraries* in either Google Play or the Apple App Store.

### **What does the app allow patrons to do?**

- Search the online catalog - for materials located at Galion or at the other 11 Consortium libraries
- Place holds on books and media and view or cancel hold requests
- Create lists of library materials
- View and renew items that are checked out on your account
- View fines

And if you forget your card, no problem! You can use the “Show Card” feature on the app and use it the same way you would your physical card. Please note, this is the only digital form of your library card that the library can accept.

Download the app today to take advantage of these great features!

## Support Galion Public Library on Amazon

Did you know that Galion Public Library is a registered charitable organization on AmazonSmile? AmazonSmile has the same prices, large selection, and easy shopping experience as amazon.com, with the bonus of donating a part of your purchase to your favorite charitable organization, like us!

Simply go to smile.amazon.com, log in as you normally would, and select Galion Public Library as your preferred charity! Items that are eligible for the AmazonSmile donation will be marked as “Eligible for AmazonSmile donation” on their product detail pages. Your account settings from your regular Amazon account will also carry over to your AmazonSmile account, including your shopping cart, registries, etc.

If you would like more information on AmazonSmile, check the Amazon website or speak to any of the Galion Public Library staff!



## Upcoming Adult Programs

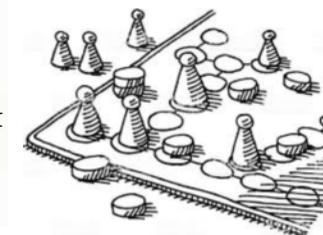


<b>Event</b>	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>
Get Crafty: Scrabble Tile Coasters	May 2 <sup>nd</sup> at 4:30 PM
Herbal Healing Teas	May 4 <sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM
New Movie Night	May 23 <sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM
Foxes in Folklore	May 25 <sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM
Trivia Night at The Gill House	June 7 <sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM
Bingo for Books	June 13 <sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM



## Upcoming Teen Programs

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>
Anime Club	May 14 <sup>th</sup> & June 11 <sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM
Teen Board & Games Night	April 18 <sup>th</sup> , May 16 <sup>th</sup> , & June 20 <sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM
Teen Bingo	June 6 <sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM



## Upcoming Children's Programs

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>
Science Geeks	April 23 <sup>rd</sup> & May 28 <sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM
Art Attack	May 13 <sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM
Lego Club	May 14 <sup>th</sup> & June 11 <sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM
Life-Size Clue	May 18 <sup>th</sup> at 1 PM
Party on the Lawn	June 5 <sup>th</sup> at 1 PM
Mad Science	June 12 <sup>th</sup> at 2 PM

