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**Sent:** 7/1/2021 10:22:15 AM  
**To:** Sandi Branham  
**Cc:** Kristina Lininger  
**Subject:** RE: Facility Request

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Hi Sandi,

I am starting to confirm speakers for the Fall Far Hills Speakers series and of course the speakers are asking questions about the High School Auditorium that I cannot answer. Would you please let me know the following so that I can pass that info along to the speakers?

- All as using PowerPoint. What do they need to bring with them to project the presentation- their own laptop or what?
- Where do they park and where do they enter the building?
- The library normally records the presentation for rebroadcast. What is the best way to do this?

Is there someone we can/should meet with in advance of the first lecture to make sure Kris and I know what we are doing in terms of using the auditorium for the presentations?

Many thanks,  
Donna Rosenbaum  
937-433-6562

**From:** Courtney Potter <potter.courtney@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 7/1/2021 9:15:20 AM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: Sick Day

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Hi Jacqui,

Thanks for letting me know! I hope you feel better!! Have a great weekend!

On Thu, Jul 1, 2021 at 7:13 AM Jacqui Taylor <[Taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:Taylor@wrightlibrary.org)> wrote:

I have a migraine and won't be in today. Here is the book I was going to read the anthem I was going to play, and some knock knock jokes. Thank you and happy fourth.

Skip her version of the song at the end. It's a dirge . <https://youtu.be/-t3Fyg78Z4Q>

[https://youtu.be/SkfgClpS\\_oc](https://youtu.be/SkfgClpS_oc) real anthem

With clear lyrics

<https://scoutlife.org/features/31077/funny-fourth-of-july-jokes>

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**Courtney Potter**  
1st Grade Teacher  
Edwin D. Smith Elementary  
Oakwood City Schools





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# OAKWOOD SCENE

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## CITY NEWS | Ice Cream Social

The annual Ice Cream Social will be held this year at Shafor Park from 4 – 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 22. Tickets for this event include a chicken dinner, drink and ice cream. Advance tickets are available for purchase at the OCC. Oakwood Clubs and Organizations may set up a table in the “Avenue of Organizations” by contacting Karen Earley at the OCC. Call (937) 298-0775 for additional information.

## SCHOOL NEWS | Special Opportunity for Named Benches at OHS

As Phase 1 of the Oakwood Schools Master Facilities Plan continues, improvements are being made to the OJH/OHS gymnasium, or “the Pit”, which has created an exciting opportunity for the Oakwood community! We are pleased to announce the Oakwood Schools Foundation will have limited commemoration benches available for naming. The project to renovate the exterior Pit walkway is estimated to begin later this summer. Six benches, centrally located on either side of the walkway to the Pit entrance, will provide a visible commemoration opportunity for interested Oakwood Schools Foundation donors. *(continued on page 8)*

## LIBRARY NEWS | Library Lower Level To Reopen in August; Phase II Construction Begins

Wright Library’s lower level will reopen to the public in August as the construction project moves into its second phase.

The completed lower level will include a new vestibule and entrance, a new children’s room and teen area, and renovated audiovisual area. Some new features, such as the outdoor children’s area, remain under construction after the lower level opens. Learn more about what to expect as the project hits this new milestone. *(continued on page 11)*

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P5: ANNUAL SHRED  
EVENT SCHEDULED IN  
SEPTEMBER

SCHOOLS

P9: HOMECOMING WEEKEND  
SCHEDULE

LIBRARY

P11: XXX

## Upcoming Leisure Services Department Events/Classes

**Orchardly Park Craft Day:** The last Orchardly Park Craft Day will be held on Wednesday, August 4 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Orchardly Park. Projects are most appropriate for ages 3 to 6, but all ages are welcome. A parent or guardian must be in the park with the participating child during this event. Registration is not required.

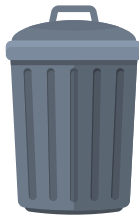
**Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens:** The Department of Leisure Services, in conjunction with Wright Memorial Public Library, will be having their last Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens on Friday, August 27 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Spend a magical morning in the gardens with Wright Library Youth Services Staff as they read enchanting stories with your preschoolers. In case of rain, story hour will meet in the garden house.

**Junior High Dance:** The first Junior High Dance of the season will be held on Friday, September 17 from 9:30 to 11 p.m. at the Oakwood Community Center. Doors will open 15 minutes before the dance begins. No admittance 30 minutes after the dance starts. Come dance the night away.

**Annual Dog Splash at Gardner Pool:** The Dog Splash at Gardner Pool will be held on Sunday, September 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. Pet related exhibitors will be on hand during the event. Registration deadline is Thursday, September 9 at 9 p.m. Each dog must be pre-registered with current vaccination record information. Fee for each dog is \$7/handler. No aggressive dogs will be permitted into this event. The Department of Leisure Services reserves the right to refuse the entry of any dog deemed hazardous to participants or whose physical condition may be at risk by participating in this event.

## Labor Day Refuse Collections

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 6 for Labor Day. Refuse collection will be one day later than usual that week. Monday's route will be collected Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be collected Wednesday; Wednesday's route will be collected Thursday; and Thursday's route will be collected Friday.



## Special Pickups



To arrange for a special pickup (furniture, appliances, etc.), please contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777. Items for special pickup must be placed on a driveway or other paved surface and must be accessible by city equipment. Special pickups are not available during the fall leaf collection season from mid-October through the end of the year, so please plan your projects accordingly.

## Brush and Branch Trimming



Please take a few minutes this summer to inspect the trees and shrubs on your property frontage. City ordinances require a clear height of 8 feet above the sidewalk and 14 feet above the street. Also, vegetation should be cut so that it does not restrict your view as you pull out of your driveway. If you live on a corner lot, be sure that motorists have a clear line of sight from each side of the intersection. Citizens residing near stop signs and other street signs must ensure that vegetation does not obstruct the signs.

## Orange Notices on Trash Cans and/or Recycling Containers

The Public Works Department will be distributing new orange tags to communicate why your trash and/or recycling containers could not be collected. With our unique back-door collection service, we strive to provide you the service you expect, while keeping our workers safe. The orange tags will list the reason for non-collection such as: vehicle in driveway; locked gate; refuse not out; oversized can; can exceeds 60 pounds; or more than three refuse cans. Once the marked reason is addressed, contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777 so we can come back out for collection. The City website provides detailed information on our refuse and recycling guidelines, and our Refuse Handbook is available on the website as well. Please contact the Public Works Center if you have any questions.

## New Refuse & Recycling Vehicles

We have four new mini-trucks and a new refuse packer truck traveling through our neighborhoods to conduct refuse and recycling collections. The vehicles replaced an aging fleet of vehicles that were either out-of-service or at the end of their useful life. These vehicles are essential to our refuse and recycling operations. If you see our new vehicles out-and-about, give us a wave... but don't be fooled by the driver being on the right side of the mini-trucks!

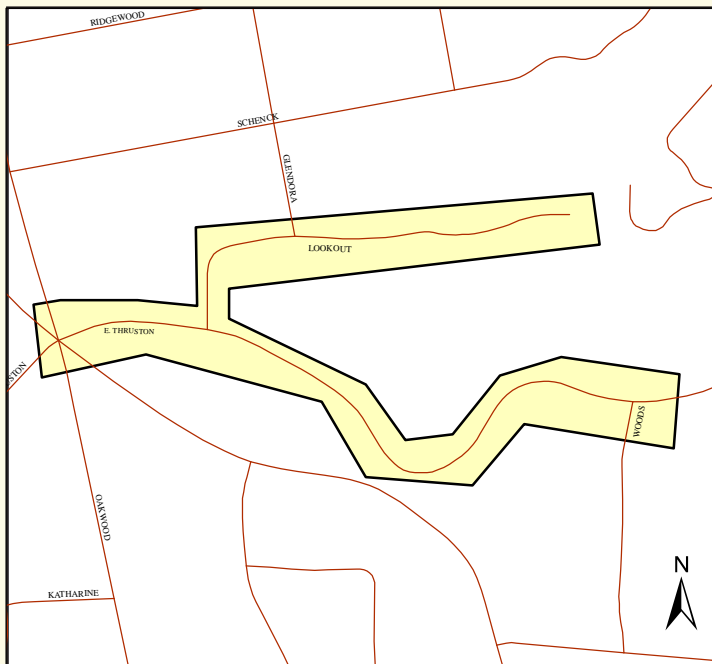
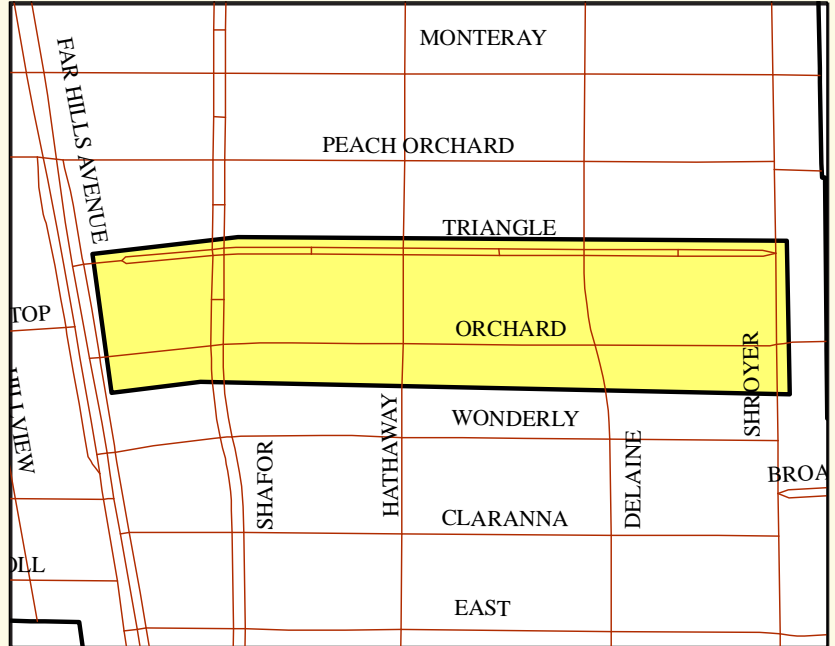




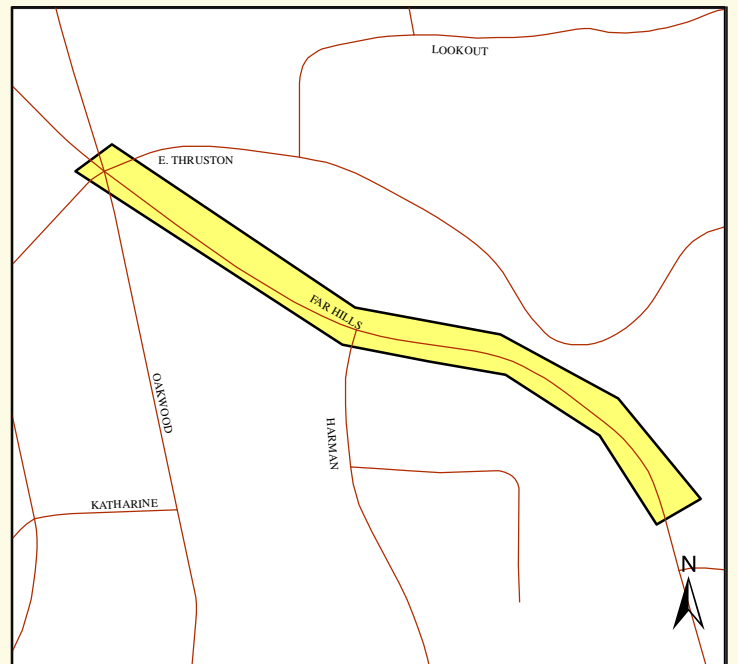
# 2021 Vectren Gas Line Replacement Project

Vectren is replacing underground gas distribution pipes and home service lines in the Oakwood neighborhoods identified in yellow on the maps below. In all work areas, Vectren is installing new polyethylene pipes in place of old steel and cast iron pipes and is moving indoor gas meters to outside wall locations. This is the continuation of a multi-year Vectren infrastructure replacement project in Oakwood. Oakwood residents personally affected by the work will receive detailed information from Vectren. Please feel free to contact Public Works Inspector/Foreman Tom Long at (937) 298-0777 with questions about the work, or reference the Vectren pipeline projects map at [www.vectren.com/gas-system/map](http://www.vectren.com/gas-system/map).

**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT B**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT C**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT D**



## Oakwood Farmers' Market

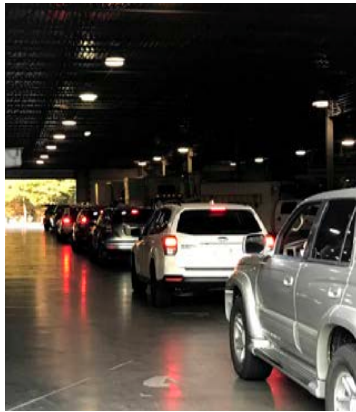
The Oakwood Farmers' Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday through August 28, with an extended "Harvest Season" through October 16. The market organizers invite the community to join in celebrating another great farmers' market season. The Oakwood Farmers' Market is located at 22 Orchard Drive, and is open seasonally on Saturdays. For more information, visit [www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org](http://www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org).





## Annual Community Document Shred Event

The city contracted with Shred-It, a mobile document destruction company, to be at the J. D. Foell Public Works Center at 210 Shafor Blvd. on Saturday, September 25 from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. to provide document destruction services. Besides paper products, Shred-It has the capability to destroy microfilm, microfiche, and other material of a secure or confidential nature. All material will be destroyed beyond recognition on-site and, if recyclable, will be baled and shipped to paper mills to be manufactured into new paper products. Any non-recyclable material processed will be disposed of in a secure location. If you have confidential papers or other material of a private nature being stored at your home and would like to have it destroyed, please take advantage of this opportunity. There will be individuals on-hand to assist you with unloading your documents. This event is free of charge. Please be prepared to present identification confirming residency.



## Johnny Appleseed Tree Planting Project

The city of Oakwood and Oakwood Beautification Committee will again offer trees for purchase through the Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Project. Applications and detailed brochures describing the project and the tree species will be available in mid to late September at the OCC and on the City website. Oakwood property owners may choose from four or five varieties of trees. The trees selected will be approximately 2 inches in diameter and will be discounted at 50%. One tree will be allocated for each approved property site at the discounted price but must be planted in the city right-of-way (property frontage). Trees will be planted in the latter part of November or early December. They will be planted by a local nursery, wrapped, staked, mulched and guaranteed for one growing season. Call the OCC at (937) 298-0775 for more information.



## Oakwood Citizens Demonstrate High Interest in Inclusion Coalition

Oakwood citizens are proving their determination to promote a welcoming community for everyone who lives, works, and visits Oakwood. The Oakwood Inclusion Coalition (OIC), a citizen-driven coalition dedicated to inclusivity and diversity, has held two public meetings, and nearly 200 citizens have joined the discussions.

The first meeting held in January was an opportunity for residents to learn about the OIC's vision and mission. Citizens expressed specific activities they would like the leadership team to pursue. The meeting provided citizens the opportunity to share their reasons for living in Oakwood and how they can personally demonstrate a commitment to inclusion, equity, and diversity.

The organization exists for people who want to explore how others' experiences have shaped their values and perspectives. Participants seek to discover and understand rather than persuade. Wright Memorial Public Library Director and OIC Chair Kristi Hale explains, "We want to ensure that everyone's views are represented and respected." Meetings allow residents to speak authentically from their hearts and personal experience. "It's not about 'window dressing,' and its focus isn't political," assures Hale. "It's an openness to community building and a recognition that Oakwood has long benefitted from its citizens' imagining what could be."

The second meeting held in April explored the role assumptions and preconceived notions play when we meet "others" unfamiliar to us. Participants viewed best-selling author Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's TED Talk and then broke into small groups to consider how their own efforts to make sense of the world lead them to make assumptions. Adichie acknowledges the human naturalness of stereotyping but warns that there is a real danger in making a judgment about a person or group of people based on what she calls "a single story."

One former "West Virginian" participant shared her angst about relocating to Oakwood for employment. Now a longtime Oakwood resident, she is thankful that she ignored her prejudice about Oakwood gained only through the single story she formed about a whole community based solely on her experience with a disagreeable college roommate from Oakwood. Several participants agreed that they had suppressed the negative impressions they conceived before moving here to take advantage of the school system. "It's pretty amazing," said one participant, "how many of us negatively 'stereotyped' our community before we experienced it."

Behind the scenes of the public meeting, the leadership team has gone about the business of establishing a solid organizational framework. Government, school, library officials, private citizens, faith, ethnic and cultural leaders, and representatives from the business and media communities in the Oakwood area have garnered the support of city, school, and library governing boards. The organization's establishing documents and the expectations and code of conduct for OIC participation are on the OakwoodIC website at [www.oakwoodic.org](http://www.oakwoodic.org).

The Program and Events Committee launched a big read and book club this summer. The Current Issues Committee, best described as the organization's "think tank," plans to qualify and quantify perspectives of Oakwood during this next year. Its objective is to use data-based research to understand the many stories of Oakwood and allow this information to guide the mission and purpose of the OIC. The Communications Committee is working with Wright Library and other Oakwood organizations to increase the resources available on the OIC website to advise residents of activities and opportunities advancing issues of inclusivity, diversity, and equity.

The OIC leadership team is deeply grateful for the interest Oakwood citizens have shown in this endeavor.

## August/September Council Meetings

City Council will meet in regular sessions at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, August 2 and Monday, September 20. Both meetings will take place at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. The regular sessions are preceded by an open work session beginning at 6:30 p.m. The regular sessions are televised live on the City website at [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov), and on cable TV (Spectrum Ch. 6, TV Tuner Ch. 5.03 and AT&T U-verse Ch. 99). The meetings are also accessible via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Links to the meeting will be posted to the City website at 4 p.m. on the meeting date. Meeting videos will be rebroadcast for a week or so afterwards. Please check your cable guide or [www.mvcc.net](http://www.mvcc.net) for broadcast times. Meeting videos can also be viewed on the City website.

## Oakwood Beautification Awards

The Oakwood Beautification Award Program recognizes property owners who have enhanced the beauty of our community by undertaking exterior improvements to their home, rental property or business. Awards are given during the months of May, June, July and August. Monthly award winners are selected by members of the Property Maintenance Board, and will have a sign placed in their yard to recognize their beautification efforts.



### May 2021 Winners

- Todd & Theodora Rich, 200 Kramer Road
- David Becker, 212 Collingwood Avenue
- Mark & Elizabeth Hofeldt, 158 E. Dixon Avenue
- Augustine & Abbey Urbas, 406 Greenmount Boulevard
- Brad & Molly Eaton, 440 Telford Avenue
- Bennie & Melanie Laprade, 352 Claranna Avenue
- Andrew Strombeck & Crystal Lake, 250 East Drive
- Dorothy Duff, 212 Grandon Road

### June 2021 Winners

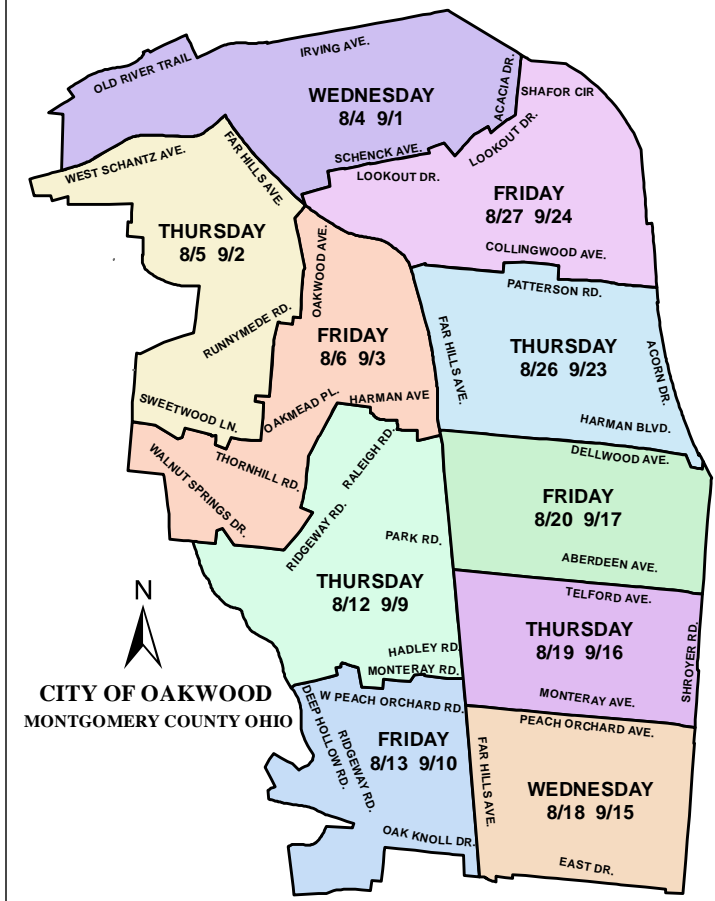
- Alexandra Jackson, 215 Rubicon Road
- Sherry Warwar, 222 Northview Road
- John & Jacqueline Hutton, 630 Runnymede Road
- David & Joanne Cronin, 140 E. Dixon Avenue
- Dan & Jennifer Lohmeyer, 331 Spirea Drive
- Andrew & Andrea Froehle, 122 Lonsdale Avenue
- Tom & Molly Walters, 427 Telford Avenue
- Thomas & Laura Alig, 348 Triangle Avenue
- James & Debra O'Donnell, 428 Orchard Drive

## Shafor Park Tennis Courts

The Shafor Park Tennis Courts were repaired over the last two months, under warranty, with no cost to the city of Oakwood or Oakwood Schools. The courts were rebuilt in 2018, but then experienced settlement in some areas of the court surface.



### YARD DEBRIS PICKUP SCHEDULE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2021



**FAR HILLS AVE. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 8/12 & 9/9**  
**SHROYER RD. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 8/26 & 9/23**

**The City's Website is Just a Scan Away!**

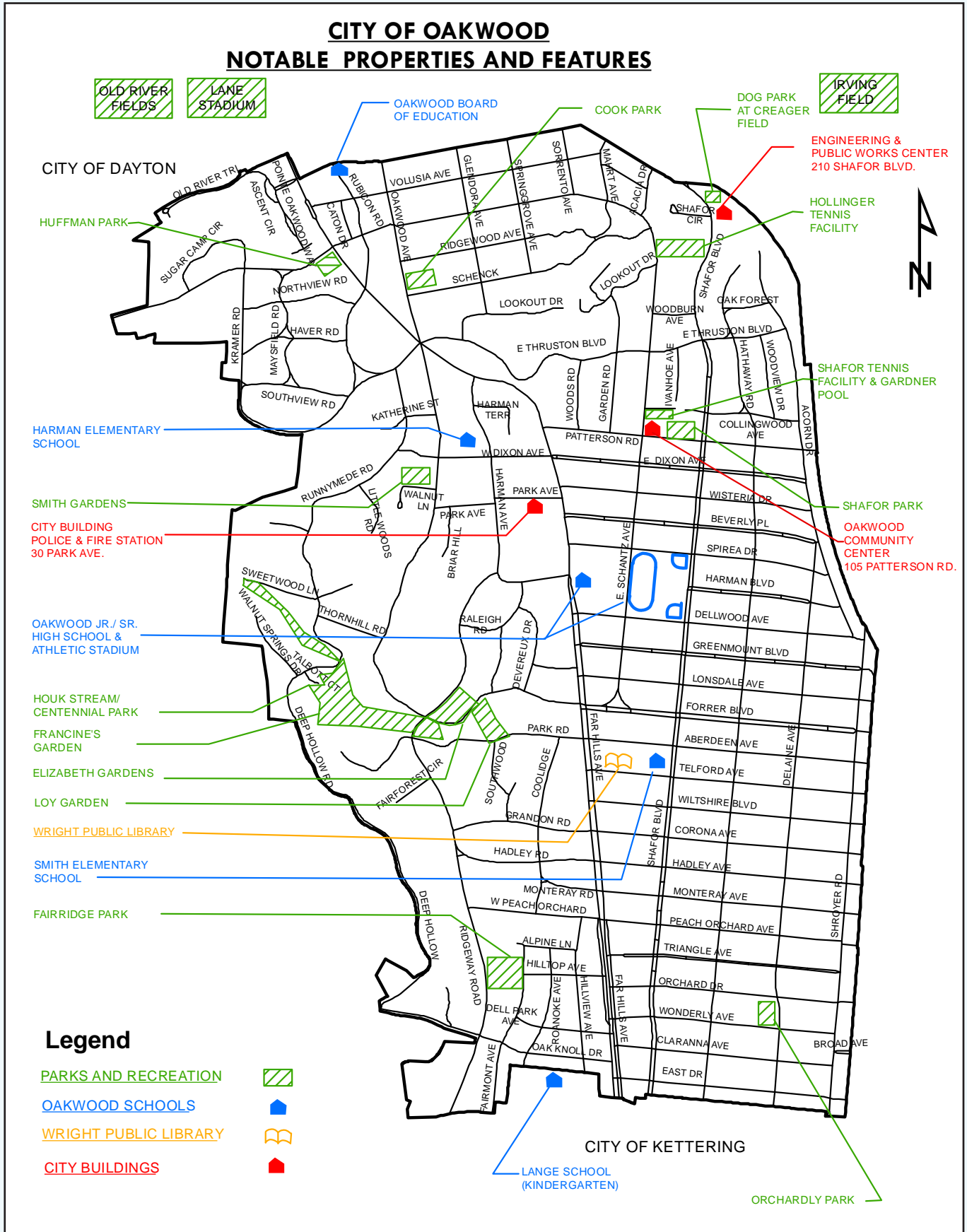
The adjacent image is a "QR Code" and is a way to access the City's website without having to type in [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov).

To use the QR code to access the City's website, point your smartphone's camera at the QR code and then tap the banner that appears at the top of your device.

**SCAN ME**

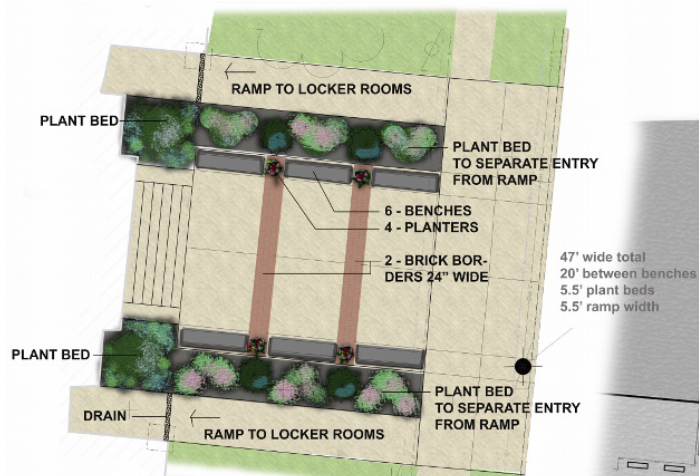
# Notable Properties and Features Map

Explore our beautiful parks, recreation facilities and natural beauty of the City's residential streets and public areas.





*Continued from cover*



Oakwood Schools are working with Jaccyn Design Group, LLC, the same landscape architecture firm that designed the Alumni Plaza on Schantz Ave. The Plaza has quickly become a popular, mixed-use space for our school, students and community since it was installed in 2019. The design for the Pit space will complement the Plaza design. The walkway space serves as a high traffic area for community members when coming to and from events at the Pit and traveling on Schantz.

Pit walkway benches will be available for a \$2,500 contribution to the Foundation and will include a commemorative plaque on the bench. The bench can be named in you or your family's honor or in memory of a special person or organization. With a very limited number available, we expect them to go fast so if you are interested, we encourage you to reach out as soon as possible to OSF Development Director, Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschoollfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschoollfoundation.org).

## Looking for Fall 2021 Grant Applications

The Oakwood Schools Foundation has opened the fall grant applications for Oakwood teachers, principals and school administrators. The grants are designed to encourage, facilitate, recognize and reward innovative and creative instructional programs and ideas in education.

Since 1991, OSF has awarded more than \$900,000 in grants to projects to enhance learning in and outside of the classroom. Last year, OSF funded grants to supply commercial-grade air purifiers for every classroom in the District's five buildings. OSF grants have also supported programs to bring marine life into the classroom with a saltwater aquarium, explore the natural world right outside of the classroom at Houk stream, and provide students the opportunity to hear directly from distinguished speakers on the importance of courage and conviction.

"We are proud of Oakwood Schools Foundation's history of partnering with the community, alumni, teachers and school leaders to enhance the educational environment for Oakwood students at all grade levels," Grants Chair Emma Butler said. "Through the support of generous donations, the Foundation is able to provide funding for excellent, innovative educational programs that enrich the learning environment for our students. We are grateful for this opportunity and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead."

For more information about the grants or to apply, visit <https://www.oakwoodschoollfoundation.org/community/osf/grants>. You can also reach out to OSF Administrative Director Bre Andrews at [bre@oakwoodschoollfoundation.org](mailto:bre@oakwoodschoollfoundation.org) or 937-297-5332.

## OSF Board of Trustees Elect New Leadership

The Oakwood Schools Foundation Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of Linda Woods as the new Board Chair and Kevin Jones as the Vice-Chair. Woods previously served as Vice Chair of the Board and has two children attending Oakwood High School. Jones, a 1983 OHS graduate, also serves on OSF's Development Steering Committee. Woods and Jones' two-year terms will begin July 1, 2021.

Woods replaces outgoing Chair, Chris Conard (OHS '76), whose stewardship positioned OSF to be a leader in the community, expanding the scope of the Foundation's mission to enhance excellence in Oakwood Schools.

"Under Chris' leadership, OSF emerged from a challenging 2020 stronger than ever, with excellent momentum as we embark on new and increasingly ambitious ways of supporting the district," Woods said. "We are grateful for Chris' dedicated service and thrilled he is maintaining a presence on the board as Past Chair."

The Board and its new leaders already have big plans for the 2021-2022 school year, including awarding nearly \$50,000 in grants and scholarships to Oakwood students and teachers, celebrating Homecoming Weekend with the return of the in-person Come Back Lumberjacks event in the fall at Dayton Country Club, and a new, ambitious special project for Oakwood Schools to be announced in the fall.

"Linda and Kevin will provide dynamic and bold leadership. They are the perfect choices to lead the Oakwood Schools Foundation. With their guidance and the continued support of our amazing Board of Trustees, I know OSF will be recognized as a model for what public school foundations can accomplish," Conard said.

For more information about what the Oakwood Schools Foundation has accomplished and the group's plans for the future, visit <https://www.oakwoodschoollfoundation.org/community/osf>.



**Linda Woods**  
OSF Board Chair



**Kevin Jones**  
OSF Board Vice Chair

## Broadcast Studio Fundraising Success

The next Walter Cronkite or Katie Couric WILL soon be broadcasting from Oakwood High School thanks to an alumni-led fundraising effort to develop a real-world broadcast studio. The studio will be named in honor of Hatfield's close friend and fellow classmate, William "Bill" Hewitt, OHS Class of 1956. OHS Class of 1956 alum Dale Hatfield and his wife, Pat, led the successful effort.

Ongoing support for maintenance and upgrades to the studio will ensure a modern, real-world experience for years to come. A dedication honoring Hewitt, his family and project donors will be held in the fall. To make a contribution to the project, please visit: <https://www.oakwoodschoollfoundation.org/community/osf/donate-now>

The new Broadcast Studio is another powerful example of what is accomplished through the strong partnership between the District, the Oakwood Schools Foundation and the Oakwood Alumni Association.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact OSF Development Director Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschoollfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschoollfoundation.org).





**SAVE THE DATE!**  
 HOMECOMING & REUNION WEEKEND  
 OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2021  
[oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information)



**DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS – SEP. 30**

Nominate an outstanding alumnus for this special recognition. The awards banquet will be held at NCR Country Club. More information can be found at:

[oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award)

**FRIDAY, OCT. 1**

BOOSTERS TAILGATE and COOKOUT  
 -  
 VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME  
 -  
 COME BACK LUMBERJACKS HOSTED by THE OAKWOOD SCHOOLS FOUNDATION



**SATURDAY, OCT. 2**

TOUR of OAKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
 -  
 SELF-GUIDED TOURS of HARMAN AND SMITH





**Come Back Lumberjacks!**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
 7:30-9 PM: Cocktail Hour  
 9-11 PM: Post-Game Tailgate Party

**Alumni and Oakwood Residents Welcome**  
 (Must be 21 or older)

**In Person!**

*Join us...*  
 For friends, music, appetizers, cash bar and fun!

You don't want to miss this event — We have a very special announcement!



**The Oakwood Schools FOUNDATION**  
*Enhancing Excellence in Education*

For more information and to register for the event, visit our website at:  
[oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/comeback-lumberjacks](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/comeback-lumberjacks)

## Howard Sales

A new tradition in Oakwood sports will begin this fall thanks to the hard work of dedicated Oakwood alumni, in partnership with the Oakwood Athletic Boosters, the Oakwood Alumni Association and the Oakwood Schools Foundation.

The Howard “The Hat” Sales Memorial will be dedicated Aug. 27. The event will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with a cookout behind the home stands at Mack Hummon Stadium, followed by the dedication ceremony at 6 p.m. Don Walls will emcee the presentation, which will include special guest speakers Joe Gural, Mike Kelly and Patsy Sales.

In addition to the presentation, a book honoring the legendary Oakwood coach, as well as commemorative hats and stickers will be available for purchase to benefit the Oakwood Athletic Boosters and mark this special occasion.

Inspired by alumni support and the momentum from the Howard Sales Memorial effort, a Coaches Development Fund has been established with the Oakwood Schools Foundation for donations to support Oakwood coaches’ continued professional development to benefit students-athletes. Contributions can be made at <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/donate-now>.




Oakwood Schools  
**BACK TO school**  
**AUG. 25** 1ST-12TH  
**AUG. 30** Kindergarten

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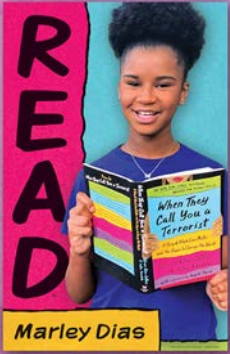
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**SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH.**

Celebrate with Honorary Chair Marley Dias.



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## Library Cards are the Key to Exploration, Growth, and Discovery

As school begins this fall, Wright Library joins with libraries across the country to celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month in September.

We agree with Library Card Sign Up Month Honorary Chair Marley Dias when she says that “a library card is the ticket you need to travel across the globe.”

“It allows you to experience stories that can connect you to diverse and empowering experiences,” said Dias, founder of #1000BlackGirlBooks and author of “Marley Dias Gets It Done: And So Can You!”

Do you or a family member need a card? Visit the library during September, or anytime, to get your card. Or apply for a card online at [wrightlibrary.org/getacard](http://wrightlibrary.org/getacard).



*Library cards are available for any age. Miles received his first library card in June.*

## Five Ways to Put Your Card to Work

### 1. Try something new.

With a library card, you can explore new authors, genres, and book formats - from traditional print to digital and audio without spending a dime. When was the last time you read a book of poetry, a western, or started that series your co-worker has been begging you to read? Cardholders have access to books not only in Wright Library’s collection, but from libraries across Ohio with our SearchOhio borrowing system. If you want it, we can probably find it. Take advantage and explore something new!

### 2. Access databases and courses.

Wright Library subscribes to several research databases and e-learning portals. For small business owners, job seekers, entrepreneurs, genealogy researchers, students and teachers, a library card means free access to tools to help you reach your goals. Our databases also include access to free legal forms and other everyday life resources, from trusted sources, at no cost.

### 3. Explore our Makerbox Collection.

From cake pans to pottery to car tools, Wright Library’s Makerboxes allow you to take home exciting equipment, tools, or kits so you can try something new, learn or develop a skill, accomplish practical tasks, make someone a gift, or discover a new hobby. Choose from six collections of Makerboxes: Active Play; Cake Pan; Cars and Driving; STEAM; and Tools and Gauge Collection. See the full list at [wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes](http://wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes)

### 4. Museum passes.

Wright Library cardholders can check out free passes to various local museums, including the Dayton Art Institute, Aullwood Audubon, and Learning Tree Farm.

### 5. Movies, Music, Games and More.

In a world of streaming media, every subscription racks up. With your library card, you can access movies, music, audiobooks and more streaming and downloadable media through services like Kanopy, Freegal, hoopla, and Overdrive. Plus, even those who have subscription services will find a broader range of options by adding these collections to your options. Movies and music can be streamed on phones and tablets as well as smart TVs and car audio systems.

Wright Library also carries physical video games for the Nintendo Switch, Xbox, and other game systems.



## Put the Library in your Pocket with the Library App!

Do you have the newly updated Wright Library app downloaded on your phone or tablet? Plug in your library card number to the app to have your card in your pocket! When you are in the building, you can use the app to checkout books by scanning your barcode on your device’s screen. Plus: parents can keep up their kids’ library account by adding the card number to the library’s newly updated app. The app allows you to search the catalog, put items on reserve, view the calendar of events, and more. Available for Android and Apple devices.



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As the lower level opens and work begins on Phase II, your library experience will be different.

- Patrons will enter the building from the new parkside entrance. For some time, the walkways on Telford and the front of the building will be closed.
- Patrons will access the main level via the elevator and a stairwell.
- Portions of the main level will be closed for construction. Some materials and services, such as computers, will be moved to new, temporary locations, including the lower level.
- The library will remain open. However, there is a chance for short closures due to moving and construction. Any closures related to the construction will be communicated on the library's website, email newsletter, and social media.

When complete, the main level will have improved access to the main door, additional small conference room, new community room, new computer area, and fireside seating. The entire project is on track to finish in late 2021 or January 2022.

## Wright Library Capital Campaign Reaches Goal

Thanks to the generosity of private donors, Wright Memorial Public Library has exceeded its \$1.5 million capital campaign fundraising goal.

The Making A Difference Capital Campaign sought private donations to support the library's building repair and improvement project, which began in January. Total gifts and pledges to date are \$1,517,160.

This philanthropic support will help the Wright Library reimagine and enhance portions of the building into 21st-century spaces for children, teens, and the community.

"We are humbled and thrilled by the support of these donors to invest in the library and community's future," said Library Director Kristi Hale.

The campaign began in 2020 with a \$500,000 lead gift from David L. Flory.

"Every gift, no matter the size, made a significant impact on this project," Hale said.

All gifts over \$30,000 will be recognized in the new space. To see a full list of donors, visit [wrightlibrary.org](http://wrightlibrary.org).



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## Meet Wright Library's Miss Jacqui

Known throughout the Oakwood community as Miss Jacqui, Wright Library's Jacqui Taylor brings a boisterous and inspiring spirit wherever she goes.

Taylor joined the Wright Library staff in 2013. A graduate of Xavier University, her roots in libraries go back to her school days in Pennsylvania, where she chose library service as a punishment for a school infraction. "I immediately fell in love," she said.

Taylor visits Oakwood City School and Hillel Academy, hosts class visits, and leads a variety of library programs for elementary students. She oversees the team of youth services staff at Wright Library, plans special exhibits, and orchestrates the annual summer reading club.

Taylor has been instrumental in planning the new children and teen areas in the library's lower level. Throughout the process, she's kept an eye on maintaining and expanding the book collection for teens, keeping a reasonable number of screens in the teen area, and creating an environment where young children can delight in books.

In particular, she's excited to bring "the outside in" with new windows and an outdoor space connected to the children's room.

"We know how much nature matters to children," she said. "This is the time of a person's greatest growth - we want them to have the very best experience possible."



Jacqui Taylor

**From:** Kirkpatrick, Sarah <skirkpatrick@thinkpatented.com>  
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Thanks Sarah! We will have photos for the empty spot as soon as we have the donor tour.

On Fri, Jul 2, 2021 at 1:45 PM Kirkpatrick, Sarah <[skirkpatrick@thinkpatented.com](mailto:skirkpatrick@thinkpatented.com)> wrote:

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Thank you. I saw them and grabbed them. I'll let you know when we are finished.

Beth

On Fri, Jul 2, 2021 at 12:16 PM Jacqui Taylor <[Taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:Taylor@wrightlibrary.org)> wrote:

Hi Beth! I apologize for not dropping off the collection yesterday. I had a migraine with all the fixins. I just delivered the books now. They are at Lange by the teacher mailboxes. Have a happy Fourth of July! Jacqui

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"There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats it's children."  
Nelson Mandela

**From:** Donna Rosenbaum <dkrcooper624@outlook.com>  
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**To:** Sandi Branham  
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Sandi,

I am planning to send out confirmations to the speakers midweek and would like to provide them with answers to their questions below. Any help would be most appreciated.

Donna Rosenbaum  
937-433-6562

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**From:** Donna Rosenbaum  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 1, 2021 10:22 AM  
**To:** Sandi Branham <branham.sandi@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Cc:** Kristina Lininger <lininger@wrightlibrary.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Facility Request

Hi Sandi,

I am starting to confirm speakers for the Fall Far Hills Speakers series and of course the speakers are asking questions about the High School Auditorium that I cannot answer. Would you please let me know the following so that I can pass that info along to the speakers?

- All as using PowerPoint. What do they need to bring with them to project the presentation- their own laptop or what?
- Where do they park and where do they enter the building?
- The library normally records the presentation for rebroadcast. What is the best way to do this?

Is there someone we can/should meet with in advance of the first lecture to make sure Kris and I know what we are doing in terms of using the auditorium for the presentations?

Many thanks,  
Donna Rosenbaum  
937-433-6562





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## CITY NEWS | Ice Cream Social

The annual Ice Cream Social will be held this year at Shafor Park from 4 – 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 22. Tickets for this event include a chicken dinner, drink and ice cream. Advance tickets are available for purchase at the OCC. Oakwood Clubs and Organizations may set up a table in the “Avenue of Organizations” by contacting Karen Earley at the OCC. Call (937) 298-0775 for additional information.

## SCHOOL NEWS | Special Opportunity for Named Benches at OHS

As Phase 1 of the Oakwood Schools Master Facilities Plan continues, improvements are being made to the OJH/OHS gymnasium, or “the Pit,” which has created an exciting opportunity for the Oakwood community! We are pleased to announce the Oakwood Schools Foundation will have limited commemoration benches available for naming. The project to renovate the exterior Pit walkway is estimated to begin later this summer. Six benches, centrally located on either side of the walkway to the Pit entrance, will provide a visible commemoration opportunity for interested Oakwood Schools Foundation donors. **(continued on page 8)**

## LIBRARY NEWS | Library Lower Level To Reopen in August; Phase II Construction Begins

Wright Library’s lower level will reopen to the public in August as the construction project moves into its second phase.

The completed lower level will include a new vestibule and entrance, a new children’s room and teen area, and renovated audiovisual area. Some new features, such as the outdoor children’s area, remain under construction after the lower level opens. Learn more about what to expect as the project hits this new milestone. **(continued on page 11)**

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## Upcoming Leisure Services Department Events/Classes

**Orchardly Park Craft Day:** The last Orchardly Park Craft Day will be held on Wednesday, August 4 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Orchardly Park. Projects are most appropriate for ages 3 to 6, but all ages are welcome. A parent or guardian must be in the park with the participating child during this event. Registration is not required.

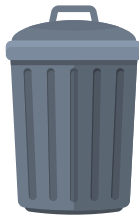
**Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens:** The Department of Leisure Services, in conjunction with Wright Memorial Public Library, will be having their last Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens on Friday, August 27 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Spend a magical morning in the gardens with Wright Library Youth Services Staff as they read enchanting stories with your preschoolers. In case of rain, story hour will meet in the garden house.

**Junior High Dance:** The first Junior High Dance of the season will be held on Friday, September 17 from 9:30 to 11 p.m. at the Oakwood Community Center. Doors will open 15 minutes before the dance begins. No admittance 30 minutes after the dance starts. Come dance the night away.

**Annual Dog Splash at Gardner Pool:** The Dog Splash at Gardner Pool will be held on Sunday, September 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. Pet related exhibitors will be on hand during the event. Registration deadline is Thursday, September 9 at 9 p.m. Each dog must be pre-registered with current vaccination record information. Fee for each dog is \$7/handler. No aggressive dogs will be permitted into this event. The Department of Leisure Services reserves the right to refuse the entry of any dog deemed hazardous to participants or whose physical condition may be at risk by participating in this event.

## Labor Day Refuse Collections

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 6 for Labor Day. Refuse collection will be one day later than usual that week. Monday's route will be collected Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be collected Wednesday; Wednesday's route will be collected Thursday; and Thursday's route will be collected Friday.



## Special Pickups



To arrange for a special pickup (furniture, appliances, etc.), please contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777. Items for special pickup must be placed on a driveway or other paved surface and must be accessible by city equipment. Special pickups are not available during the fall leaf collection season from mid-October through the end of the year, so please plan your projects accordingly.

## Brush and Branch Trimming



Please take a few minutes this summer to inspect the trees and shrubs on your property frontage. City ordinances require a clear height of 8 feet above the sidewalk and 14 feet above the street. Also, vegetation should be cut so that it does not restrict your view as you pull out of your driveway. If you live on a corner lot, be sure that motorists have a clear line of sight from each side of the intersection. Citizens residing near stop signs and other street signs must ensure that vegetation does not obstruct the signs.

## Orange Notices on Trash Cans and/or Recycling Containers

The Public Works Department will be distributing new orange tags to communicate why your trash and/or recycling containers could not be collected. With our unique back-door collection service, we strive to provide you the service you expect, while keeping our workers safe. The orange tags will list the reason for non-collection such as: vehicle in driveway; locked gate; refuse not out; oversized can; can exceeds 60 pounds; or more than three refuse cans. Once the marked reason is addressed, contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777 so we can come back out for collection. The City website provides detailed information on our refuse and recycling guidelines, and our Refuse Handbook is available on the website as well. Please contact the Public Works Center if you have any questions.

## New Refuse & Recycling Vehicles

We have four new mini-trucks and a new refuse packer truck traveling through our neighborhoods to conduct refuse and recycling collections. The vehicles replaced an aging fleet of vehicles that were either out-of-service or at the end of their useful life. These vehicles are essential to our refuse and recycling operations. If you see our new vehicles out-and-about, give us a wave... but don't be fooled by the driver being on the right side of the mini-trucks!

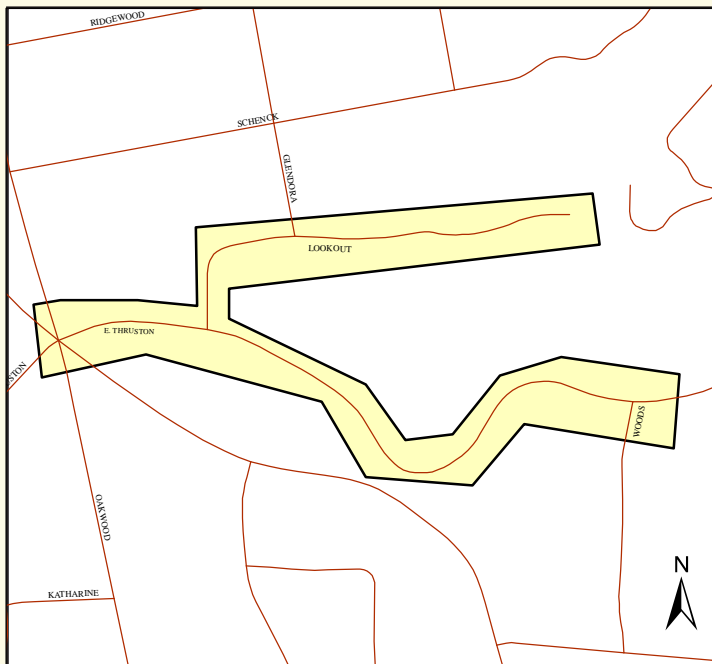
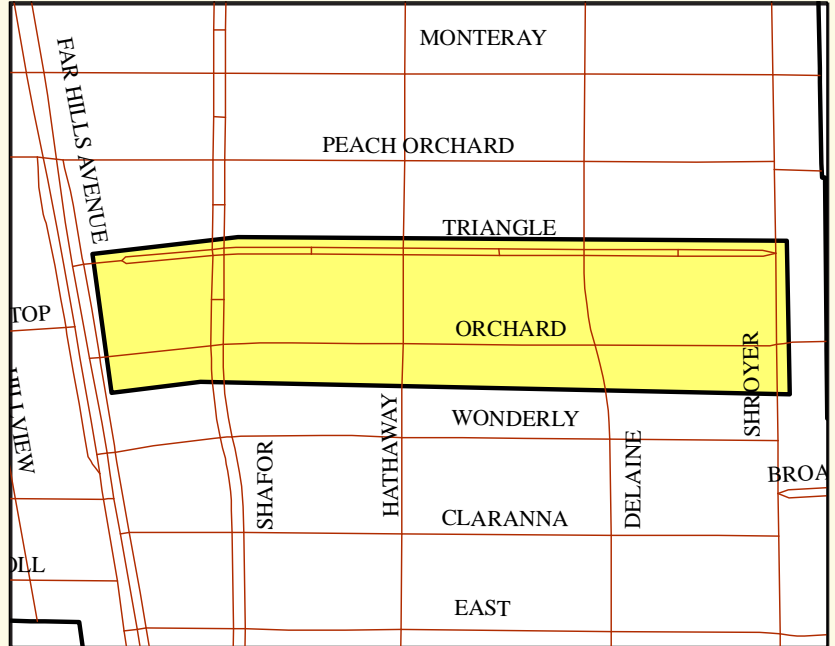




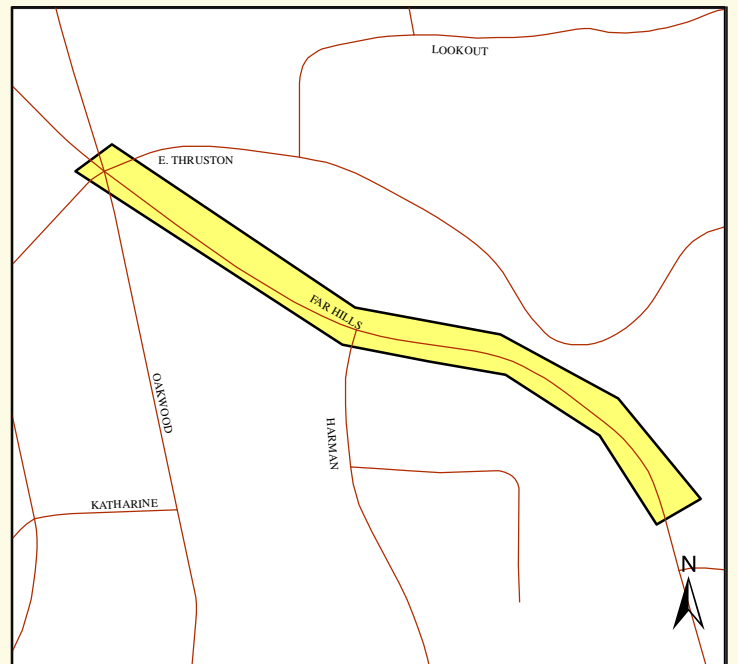
# 2021 Vectren Gas Line Replacement Project

Vectren is replacing underground gas distribution pipes and home service lines in the Oakwood neighborhoods identified in yellow on the maps below. In all work areas, Vectren is installing new polyethylene pipes in place of old steel and cast iron pipes and is moving indoor gas meters to outside wall locations. This is the continuation of a multi-year Vectren infrastructure replacement project in Oakwood. Oakwood residents personally affected by the work will receive detailed information from Vectren. Please feel free to contact Public Works Inspector/Foreman Tom Long at (937) 298-0777 with questions about the work, or reference the Vectren pipeline projects map at [www.vectren.com/gas-system/map](http://www.vectren.com/gas-system/map).

**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT B**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT C**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT D**



## Oakwood Farmers' Market

The Oakwood Farmers' Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday through August 28, with an extended "Harvest Season" through October 16. The market organizers invite the community to join in celebrating another great farmers' market season. The Oakwood Farmers' Market is located at 22 Orchard Drive, and is open seasonally on Saturdays. For more information, visit [www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org](http://www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org).



## Back to School Safety Tips

As summer comes to an end and students prepare for a new school year, the Oakwood Public Safety Department offers the following back to school safety tips.

### TIPS FOR DRIVERS

Drivers need to be aware that school is back in session and students will be walking and riding their bicycles to and from school.

- Watch for children running into the street in and around intersections and always come to a complete stop at stop signs.
- Watch for children entering the street from behind parked vehicles.
- When driving your child to school, deliver and pick them up in a designated area.
- Watch your speed when entering school zones. Traffic safety is one of the cornerstones of law enforcement services provided by the Oakwood Public Safety Department and school zone speed limits are strictly enforced.

### TIPS FOR WALKERS

As a walking community, Oakwood pedestrian traffic drastically increases when a new school year starts. Parents and students should be cautious of their surroundings as they commute to and from school.

- Pay attention to all traffic signals.
- If crossing Far Hills Avenue, cross at one of the four designated locations where a crossing guard is located (Far Hills Avenue & Aberdeen Avenue, Far Hills Avenue & Park Avenue, Far Hills Avenue & Patterson Road, and Five Points intersection).

- Plan a safe walking route to school. Choose the most direct route with fewest street crossings.
- Look both ways when crossing a street, even if you have a green light.

### BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

Bicycles are a popular way for students in Oakwood to commute to and from school.

- Don't take short cuts; follow the same path of travel as if you were walking to and from school.
- Always wear a bike helmet that is properly sized.
- Ensure the bike is properly maintained.
- Avoid wearing headphones. Music can be distracting and cause a person to ignore potential hazards.

### PERSONAL SAFETY FOR KIDS

- Encourage your children to be alert and aware of their surroundings.
- Teach your children to report suspicious persons to you, teachers, police officers or other responsible adults.
- If encountered by a suspicious vehicle or person, children should take notice of the color and model of vehicle, license plate number, detailed description of subject including clothing, and any other distinguishing marks.

In an effort to keep everyone safe, the Oakwood Public Safety Department encourages parents to discuss these safety tips with your children. Do not assume your child knows what to do.

## Lawn Treatment on City-Owned Public Lawn Areas

Well-kept lawns and green spaces within the City are an important part of the health of these areas and maintaining Oakwood's ambiance. The City has used Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practices for a number of years on the city-owned public lawn areas which include parks, boulevards, athletic fields, and around public buildings. IPM is an ecosystem-based strategy that focuses on long-term prevention of pests or their damage through a combination of techniques such as biological control, habitat manipulation, modification of cultural practices, and use of resistant varieties. Pesticides are used only after monitoring indicates they are needed according to established guidelines, and treatments are made with the goal of removing only the target organism. Pest control materials are selected and applied in a manner that minimizes risks to human health, beneficial and nontarget organisms, and the environment. Our practices include adherence to proper mowing heights and the use of sharp blades on mowers which helps reduce the amount of chemicals used in all of the public areas. The City requires that all lawn care contractors, whether treating for pests or weeds, are properly licensed by the Ohio Department of Agriculture, and follow all applicable laws and rules promulgated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

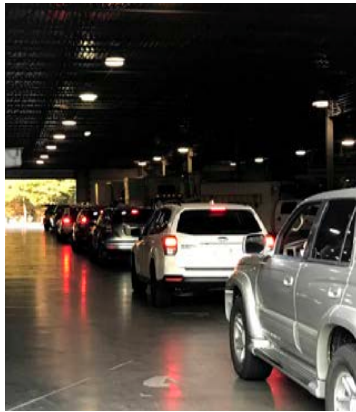
In our parks, lawn care treatments require the posting of temporary signage in conspicuous locations at least two days prior to treatment. The day of treatment, the City Horticulturist and/or Recreation Supervisor meet the contractor on-site prior to the application of any treatment. They ensure that children are not present in the area to be treated and that the area is otherwise clear for the application, before allowing the contractor to proceed with lawn treatment. Immediately following treatment, the City verifies that all signs are properly placed, and are then promptly removed 24 hours thereafter. Only areas with weeds and pests are spot sprayed, not always the entire green space as this is a part of the IPM practice to limit chemical use yet still keep the community greenspace as healthy as possible. Questions about our maintenance of lawns and green spaces should be directed to City Horticulturist Brian Caldwell at 937-298-0775.





## Annual Community Document Shred Event

The city contracted with Shred-It, a mobile document destruction company, to be at the J. D. Foell Public Works Center at 210 Shafor Blvd. on Saturday, September 25 from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. to provide document destruction services. Besides paper products, Shred-It has the capability to destroy microfilm, microfiche, and other material of a secure or confidential nature. All material will be destroyed beyond recognition on-site and, if recyclable, will be baled and shipped to paper mills to be manufactured into new paper products. Any non-recyclable material processed will be disposed of in a secure location. If you have confidential papers or other material of a private nature being stored at your home and would like to have it destroyed, please take advantage of this opportunity. There will be individuals on-hand to assist you with unloading your documents. This event is free of charge. Please be prepared to present identification confirming residency.



## Johnny Appleseed Tree Planting Project

The city of Oakwood and Oakwood Beautification Committee will again offer trees for purchase through the Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Project. Applications and detailed brochures describing the project and the tree species will be available in mid to late September at the OCC and on the City website. Oakwood property owners may choose from four or five varieties of trees. The trees selected will be approximately 2 inches in diameter and will be discounted at 50%. One tree will be allocated for each approved property site at the discounted price but must be planted in the city right-of-way (property frontage). Trees will be planted in the latter part of November or early December. They will be planted by a local nursery, wrapped, staked, mulched and guaranteed for one growing season. Call the OCC at (937) 298-0775 for more information.



## Oakwood Citizens Demonstrate High Interest in Inclusion Coalition

Oakwood citizens are proving their determination to promote a welcoming community for everyone who lives, works, and visits Oakwood. The Oakwood Inclusion Coalition (OIC), a citizen-driven coalition dedicated to inclusivity and diversity, has held two public meetings, and nearly 200 citizens have joined the discussions.

The first meeting held in January was an opportunity for residents to learn about the OIC's vision and mission. Citizens expressed specific activities they would like the leadership team to pursue. The meeting provided citizens the opportunity to share their reasons for living in Oakwood and how they can personally demonstrate a commitment to inclusion, equity, and diversity.

The organization exists for people who want to explore how others' experiences have shaped their values and perspectives. Participants seek to discover and understand rather than persuade. Wright Memorial Public Library Director and OIC Chair Kristi Hale explains, "We want to ensure that everyone's views are represented and respected." Meetings allow residents to speak authentically from their hearts and personal experience. "It's not about 'window dressing,' and its focus isn't political," assures Hale. "It's an openness to community building and a recognition that Oakwood has long benefitted from its citizens' imagining what could be."

The second meeting held in April explored the role assumptions and preconceived notions play when we meet "others" unfamiliar to us. Participants viewed best-selling author Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's TED Talk and then broke into small groups to consider how their own efforts to make sense of the world lead them to make assumptions. Adichie acknowledges the human naturalness of stereotyping but warns that there is a real danger in making a judgment about a person or group of people based on what she calls "a single story."

One former "West Virginian" participant shared her angst about relocating to Oakwood for employment. Now a longtime Oakwood resident, she is thankful that she ignored her prejudice about Oakwood gained only through the single story she formed about a whole community based solely on her experience with a disagreeable college roommate from Oakwood. Several participants agreed that they had suppressed the negative impressions they conceived before moving here to take advantage of the school system. "It's pretty amazing," said one participant, "how many of us negatively 'stereotyped' our community before we experienced it."

Behind the scenes of the public meeting, the leadership team has gone about the business of establishing a solid organizational framework. Government, school, library officials, private citizens, faith, ethnic and cultural leaders, and representatives from the business and media communities in the Oakwood area have garnered the support of city, school, and library governing boards. The organization's establishing documents and the expectations and code of conduct for OIC participation are on the OakwoodIC website at [www.oakwoodic.org](http://www.oakwoodic.org).

The Program and Events Committee launched a big read and book club this summer. The Current Issues Committee, best described as the organization's "think tank," plans to qualify and quantify perspectives of Oakwood during this next year. Its objective is to use data-based research to understand the many stories of Oakwood and allow this information to guide the mission and purpose of the OIC. The Communications Committee is working with Wright Library and other Oakwood organizations to increase the resources available on the OIC website to advise residents of activities and opportunities advancing issues of inclusivity, diversity, and equity.

The OIC leadership team is deeply grateful for the interest Oakwood citizens have shown in this endeavor.

## August/September Council Meetings

City Council will meet in regular sessions at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, August 2 and Monday, September 20. Both meetings will take place at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. The regular sessions are preceded by an open work session beginning at 6:30 p.m. The regular sessions are televised live on the City website at [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov), and on cable TV (Spectrum Ch. 6, TV Tuner Ch. 5.03 and AT&T U-verse Ch. 99). The meetings are also accessible via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Links to the meeting will be posted to the City website at 4 p.m. on the meeting date. Meeting videos will be rebroadcast for a week or so afterwards. Please check your cable guide or [www.mvcc.net](http://www.mvcc.net) for broadcast times. Meeting videos can also be viewed on the City website.

## Oakwood Beautification Awards

The Oakwood Beautification Award Program recognizes property owners who have enhanced the beauty of our community by undertaking exterior improvements to their home, rental property or business. Awards are given during the months of May, June, July and August. Monthly award winners are selected by members of the Property Maintenance Board, and will have a sign placed in their yard to recognize their beautification efforts.



### May 2021 Winners

- Todd & Theodora Rich, 200 Kramer Road
- David Becker, 212 Collingwood Avenue
- Mark & Elizabeth Hofeldt, 158 E. Dixon Avenue
- Augustine & Abbey Urbas, 406 Greenmount Boulevard
- Brad & Molly Eaton, 440 Telford Avenue
- Bennie & Melanie Laprade, 352 Claranna Avenue
- Andrew Strombeck & Crystal Lake, 250 East Drive
- Dorothy Duff, 212 Grandon Road

### June 2021 Winners

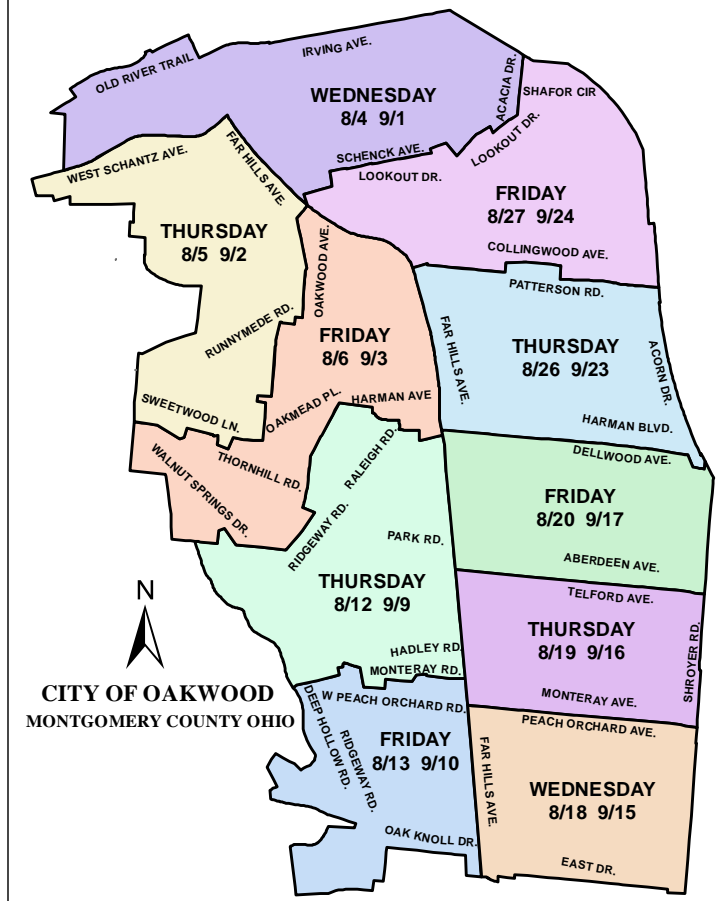
- Alexandra Jackson, 215 Rubicon Road
- Sherry Warwar, 222 Northview Road
- John & Jacqueline Hutton, 630 Runnymede Road
- David & Joanne Cronin, 140 E. Dixon Avenue
- Dan & Jennifer Lohmeyer, 331 Spirea Drive
- Andrew & Andrea Froehle, 122 Lonsdale Avenue
- Tom & Molly Walters, 427 Telford Avenue
- Thomas & Laura Alig, 348 Triangle Avenue
- James & Debra O'Donnell, 428 Orchard Drive

## Shafor Park Tennis Courts

The Shafor Park Tennis Courts were repaired over the last two months, under warranty, with no cost to the city of Oakwood or Oakwood Schools. The courts were rebuilt in 2018, but then experienced settlement in some areas of the court surface.



## YARD DEBRIS PICKUP SCHEDULE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2021



FAR HILLS AVE. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 8/12 & 9/9  
SHROYER RD. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 8/26 & 9/23

## The City's Website is Just a Scan Away!

The adjacent image is a "QR Code" and is a way to access the City's website without having to type in [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov).

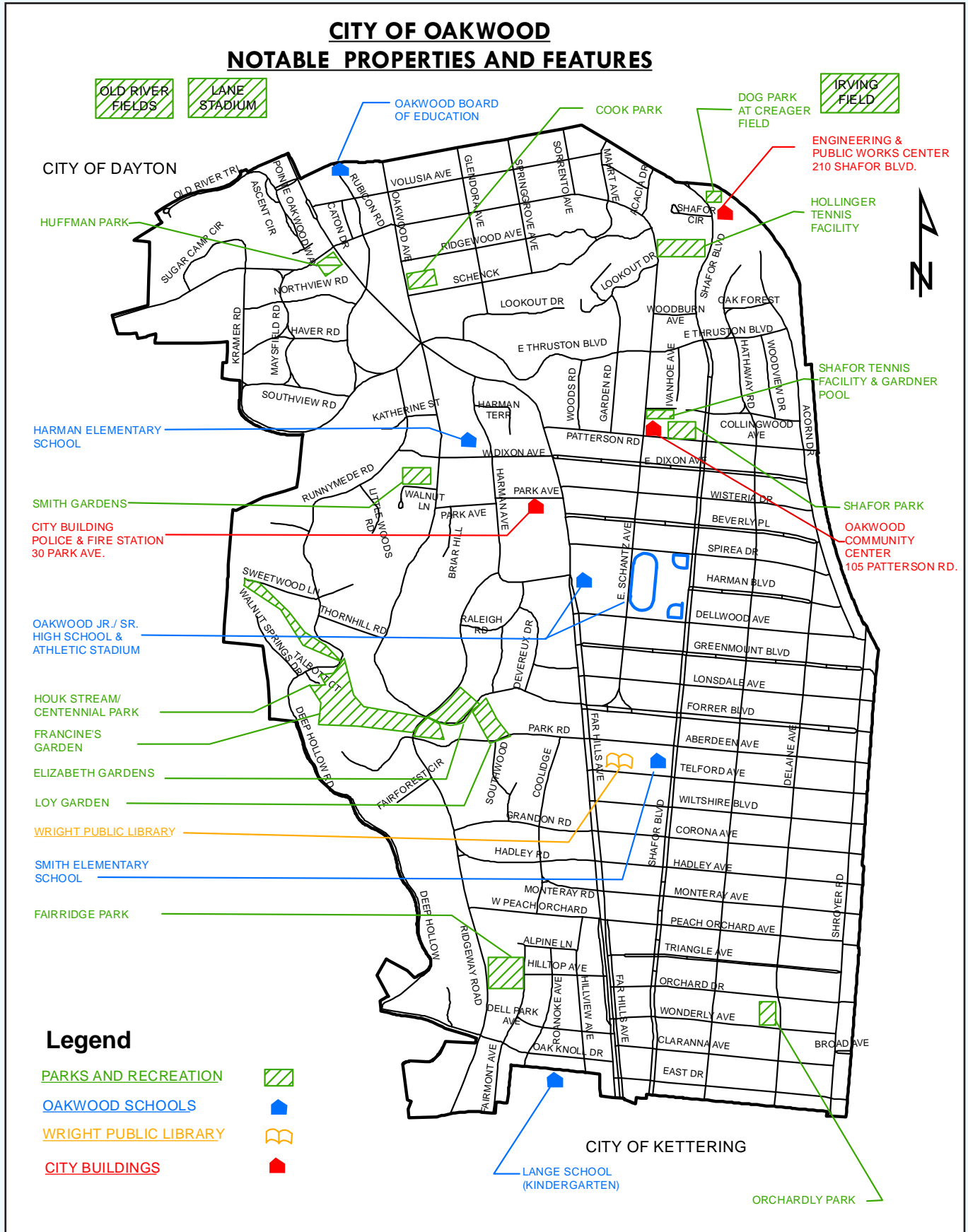
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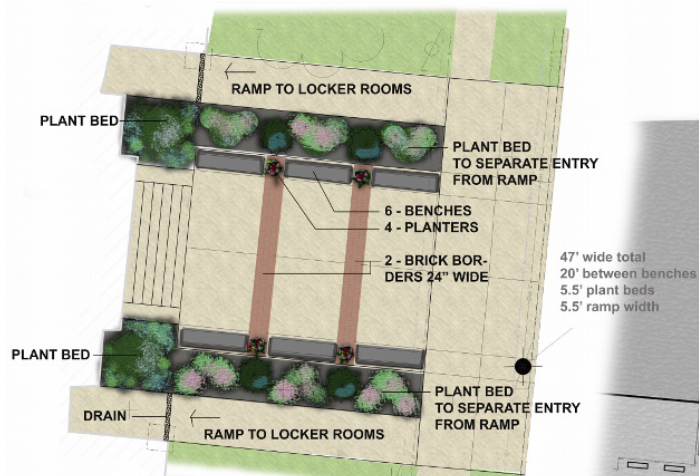
# Notable Properties and Features Map

Explore our beautiful parks, recreation facilities and natural beauty of the City's residential streets and public areas.





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Oakwood Schools are working with Jaccyn Design Group, LLC, the same landscape architecture firm that designed the Alumni Plaza on Schantz Ave. The Plaza has quickly become a popular, mixed-use space for our school, students and community since it was installed in 2019. The design for the Pit space will complement the Plaza design. The walkway space serves as a high traffic area for community members when coming to and from events at the Pit and traveling on Schantz.

Pit walkway benches will be available for a \$2,500 contribution to the Foundation and will include a commemorative plaque on the bench. The bench can be named in your or your family's honor or in memory of a special person or organization. With a very limited number available, we expect them to go fast so if you are interested, we encourage you to reach out as soon as possible to OSF Development Director, Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org).

## Looking for Fall 2021 Grant Applications

The Oakwood Schools Foundation has opened the fall grant applications for Oakwood teachers, principals and school administrators. The grants are designed to encourage, facilitate, recognize and reward innovative and creative instructional programs and ideas in education.

Since 1991, OSF has awarded more than \$900,000 in grants to projects to enhance learning in and outside of the classroom. Last year, OSF funded grants to supply commercial-grade air purifiers for every classroom in the District's five buildings. OSF grants have also supported programs to bring marine life into the classroom with a saltwater aquarium, explore the natural world right outside of the classroom at Houk stream, and provide students the opportunity to hear directly from distinguished speakers on the importance of courage and conviction.

"We are proud of Oakwood Schools Foundation's history of partnering with the community, alumni, teachers and school leaders to enhance the educational environment for Oakwood students at all grade levels," Grants Chair Emma Butler said. "Through the support of generous donations, the Foundation is able to provide funding for excellent, innovative educational programs that enrich the learning environment for our students. We are grateful for this opportunity and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead."

For more information about the grants or to apply, visit <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/grants>. You can also reach out to OSF Administrative Director Bre Andrews at [bre@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org](mailto:bre@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org) or 937-297-5332.

## OSF Board of Trustees Elect New Leadership

The Oakwood Schools Foundation Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of Linda Woods as the new Board Chair and Kevin Jones as the Vice-Chair. Woods previously served as Vice Chair of the Board and has two children attending Oakwood High School. Jones, a 1983 OHS graduate, also serves on OSF's Development Steering Committee. Woods and Jones' two-year terms will begin July 1, 2021.

Woods replaces outgoing Chair, Chris Conard (OHS '76), whose stewardship positioned OSF to be a leader in the community, expanding the scope of the Foundation's mission to enhance excellence in Oakwood Schools.

"Under Chris' leadership, OSF emerged from a challenging 2020 stronger than ever, with excellent momentum as we embark on new and increasingly ambitious ways of supporting the district," Woods said. "We are grateful for Chris' dedicated service and thrilled he is maintaining a presence on the board as Past Chair."

The Board and its new leaders already have big plans for the 2021-2022 school year, including awarding nearly \$50,000 in grants and scholarships to Oakwood students and teachers, celebrating Homecoming Weekend with the return of the in-person Come Back Lumberjacks event in the fall at Dayton Country Club, and a new, ambitious special project for Oakwood Schools to be announced in the fall.

"Linda and Kevin will provide dynamic and bold leadership. They are the perfect choices to lead the Oakwood Schools Foundation. With their guidance and the continued support of our amazing Board of Trustees, I know OSF will be recognized as a model for what public school foundations can accomplish," Conard said.

For more information about what the Oakwood Schools Foundation has accomplished and the group's plans for the future, visit <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf>.



**Linda Woods**  
OSF Board Chair



**Kevin Jones**  
OSF Board Vice Chair

## Broadcast Studio Fundraising Success

The next Walter Cronkite or Katie Couric WILL soon be broadcasting from OHS thanks to the Oakwood Schools Foundation and an alumni-led fundraising effort to develop a real-world broadcast studio. The school's new, upgraded media facility will be named in honor of William "Bill" Hewitt, OHS Class of 1956. Fellow 1956 classmate Dale Hatfield and his wife Pat were instrumental to the effort, working alongside the Hewitt family.

Ongoing support for maintenance and upgrades to the studio will ensure a modern, real-world experience for years to come. A dedication honoring Hewitt, his family and project donors will be held in the fall. To make a contribution to the project, please visit: <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/donate-now>

The new Broadcast Studio is another powerful example of what is accomplished through the strong partnership between the District, the Oakwood Schools Foundation and the Oakwood Alumni Association.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact OSF Development Director Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org).





**SAVE THE DATE!**  
 HOMECOMING & REUNION WEEKEND  
 OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2021

[oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information)

**DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS – SEPT. 30**

The DAA banquet celebrating alumni who have made significant accomplishments in their careers or through service will be held at NCR Country Club. More information can be found at:  
[oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award)

**FRIDAY, OCT. 1**

- BOOSTERS TAILGATE and COOKOUT
- VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME
- COME BACK LUMBERJACKS HOSTED by THE OAKWOOD SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

**SATURDAY, OCT. 2**

- TOUR of OAKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
- SELF-GUIDED TOURS of HARMAN AND SMITH

**OAKWOOD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**



**Come Back Lumberjacks!**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
 7:30-9 PM: Social Hour  
 9-11 PM: Post-Game Tailgate Party

**Alumni and Oakwood Residents Welcome**  
 (Must be 21 or older)

**Join us...**  
 For friends, music, appetizers, and fun!

**In Person!**

You don't want to miss this event — We have a very special announcement!

## Howard Sales

A new tradition in Oakwood sports will begin this fall thanks to the hard work of dedicated Oakwood alumni, in partnership with the Oakwood Athletic Boosters, the Oakwood Alumni Association and the Oakwood Schools Foundation.

The Howard “The Hat” Sales Memorial will be dedicated Aug. 27. The event will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with a cookout behind the home stands at Mack Hummon Stadium, followed by the dedication ceremony at 6 p.m. Don Walls will emcee the presentation, which will include special guest speakers Joe Gural, Mike Kelly and Patsy Sales.

In addition to the presentation, a book honoring the legendary Oakwood coach, as well as commemorative hats and stickers will be available for purchase to benefit the Oakwood Athletic Boosters and mark this special occasion.

Inspired by alumni support and the momentum from the Howard Sales Memorial effort, a Coaches Development Fund has been established with the Oakwood Schools Foundation for donations to support Oakwood coaches’ continued professional development to benefit students-athletes. Contributions can be made at <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/donate-now>.




Oakwood Schools

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**AUG. 25**  
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**AUG. 30**  
Kindergarten



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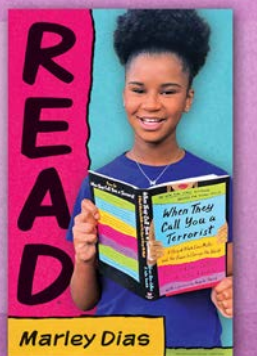
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## SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH.

Celebrate with Honorary Chair Marley Dias.

ALA American Library Association



## Library Cards are the Key to Exploration, Growth, and Discovery

As school begins this fall, Wright Library joins with libraries across the country to celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month in September.

We agree with Library Card Sign Up Month Honorary Chair Marley Dias when she says that “a library card is the ticket you need to travel across the globe.”

“It allows you to experience stories that can connect you to diverse and empowering experiences,” said Dias, founder of #1000BlackGirlBooks and author of “Marley Dias Gets It Done: And So Can You!”

Do you or a family member need a card? Visit the library during September, or anytime, to get your card. Or apply for a card online at [wrightlibrary.org/getacard](http://wrightlibrary.org/getacard).



*Library cards are available for any age. Miles received his first library card in June.*

## Five Ways to Put Your Card to Work

### 1. Try something new.

With a library card, you can explore new authors, genres, and book formats - from traditional print to digital and audio without spending a dime. When was the last time you read a book of poetry, a western, or started that series your co-worker has been begging you to read? Cardholders have access to books not only in Wright Library’s collection, but from libraries across Ohio with our SearchOhio borrowing system. If you want it, we can probably find it. Take advantage and explore something new!

### 2. Access databases and courses.

Wright Library subscribes to several research databases and e-learning portals. For small business owners, job seekers, entrepreneurs, genealogy researchers, students and teachers, a library card means free access to tools to help you reach your goals. Our databases also include access to free legal forms and other everyday life resources, from trusted sources, at no cost.

### 3. Explore our Makerbox Collection.

From cake pans to pottery to car tools, Wright Library’s Makerboxes allow you to take home exciting equipment, tools, or kits so you can try something new, learn or develop a skill, accomplish practical tasks, make someone a gift, or discover a new hobby. Choose from six collections of Makerboxes: Active Play; Cake Pan; Cars and Driving; STEAM; and Tools and Gauge Collection. See the full list at [wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes](http://wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes)

### 4. Museum passes.

Wright Library cardholders can check out free passes to various local museums, including the Dayton Art Institute, Aullwood Audubon, and Learning Tree Farm.

### 5. Movies, Music, Games and More.

In a world of streaming media, every subscription racks up. With your library card, you can access movies, music, audiobooks and more streaming and downloadable media through services like Kanopy, Freegal, hoopla, and Overdrive. Plus, even those who have subscription services will find a broader range of options by adding these collections to your options. Movies and music can be streamed on phones and tablets as well as smart TVs and car audio systems.

Wright Library also carries physical video games for the Nintendo Switch, Xbox, and other game systems.



## Put the Library in your Pocket with the Library App!

Do you have the newly updated Wright Library app downloaded on your phone or tablet? Plug in your library card number to the app to have your card in your pocket! When you are in the building, you can use the app to checkout books by scanning your barcode on your device’s screen. Plus: parents can keep up their kids’ library account by adding the card number to the library’s newly updated app. The app allows you to search the catalog, put items on reserve, view the calendar of events, and more. Available for Android and Apple devices.



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As the lower level opens and work begins on Phase II, your library experience will be different.

- Patrons will enter the building from the new parkside entrance. For some time, the walkways on Telford and the front of the building will be closed.
- Patrons will access the main level via the elevator and a stairwell.
- Portions of the main level will be closed for construction. Some materials and services, such as computers, will be moved to new, temporary locations, including the lower level.
- The library will remain open. However, there is a chance for short closures due to moving and construction. Any closures related to the construction will be communicated on the library's website, email newsletter, and social media.

When complete, the main level will have improved access to the main door, additional small conference room, new community room, new computer area, and fireside seating. The entire project is on track to finish in late 2021 or January 2022.

## Wright Library Capital Campaign Reaches Goal

Thanks to the generosity of private donors, Wright Memorial Public Library has exceeded its \$1.5 million capital campaign fundraising goal.

The Making A Difference Capital Campaign sought private donations to support the library's building repair and improvement project, which began in January. Total gifts and pledges to date are \$1,517,160.

This philanthropic support will help the Wright Library reimagine and enhance portions of the building into 21st-century spaces for children, teens, and the community.

"We are humbled and thrilled by the support of these donors to invest in the library and community's future," said Library Director Kristi Hale.

The campaign began in 2020 with a \$500,000 lead gift from David L. Flory.

"Every gift, no matter the size, made a significant impact on this project," Hale said.

All gifts over \$30,000 will be recognized in the new space. To see a full list of donors, visit [wrightlibrary.org](http://wrightlibrary.org).

*Library section on hold until after donor dinner on July 15*



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**937-298-0411**

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**937-298-2122**

Engineering & Public Works  
**937-298-0777**

Finance  
**937-298-0402**

Income Tax  
**937-298-0531**

Leisure Services/Horticulture  
**937-298-0775**

## Meet Wright Library's Miss Jacqui

Known throughout the Oakwood community as Miss Jacqui, Wright Library's Jacqui Taylor brings a boisterous and inspiring spirit wherever she goes.

Taylor joined the Wright Library staff in 2013. A graduate of Xavier University, her roots in libraries go back to her school days in Pennsylvania, where she chose library service as a punishment for a school infraction. "I immediately fell in love," she said.

Taylor visits Oakwood City School and Hillel Academy, hosts class visits, and leads a variety of library programs for elementary students. She oversees the team of youth services staff at Wright Library, plans special exhibits, and orchestrates the annual summer reading club.

Taylor has been instrumental in planning the new children and teen areas in the library's lower level. Throughout the process, she's kept an eye on maintaining and expanding the book collection for teens, keeping a reasonable number of screens in the teen area, and creating an environment where young children can delight in books.

In particular, she's excited to bring "the outside in" with new windows and an outdoor space connected to the children's room.

"We know how much nature matters to children," she said. "This is the time of a person's greatest growth - we want them to have the very best experience possible."



Jacqui Taylor

**From:** Kirkpatrick, Sarah <skirkpatrick@thinkpatented.com>  
**Sent:** 7/13/2021 1:05:35 PM  
**To:** Tracy Staley; Stacel, Lori; Sandi Branham; Kate Chesar  
**Subject:** City of Oakwood Scene AUG SEP

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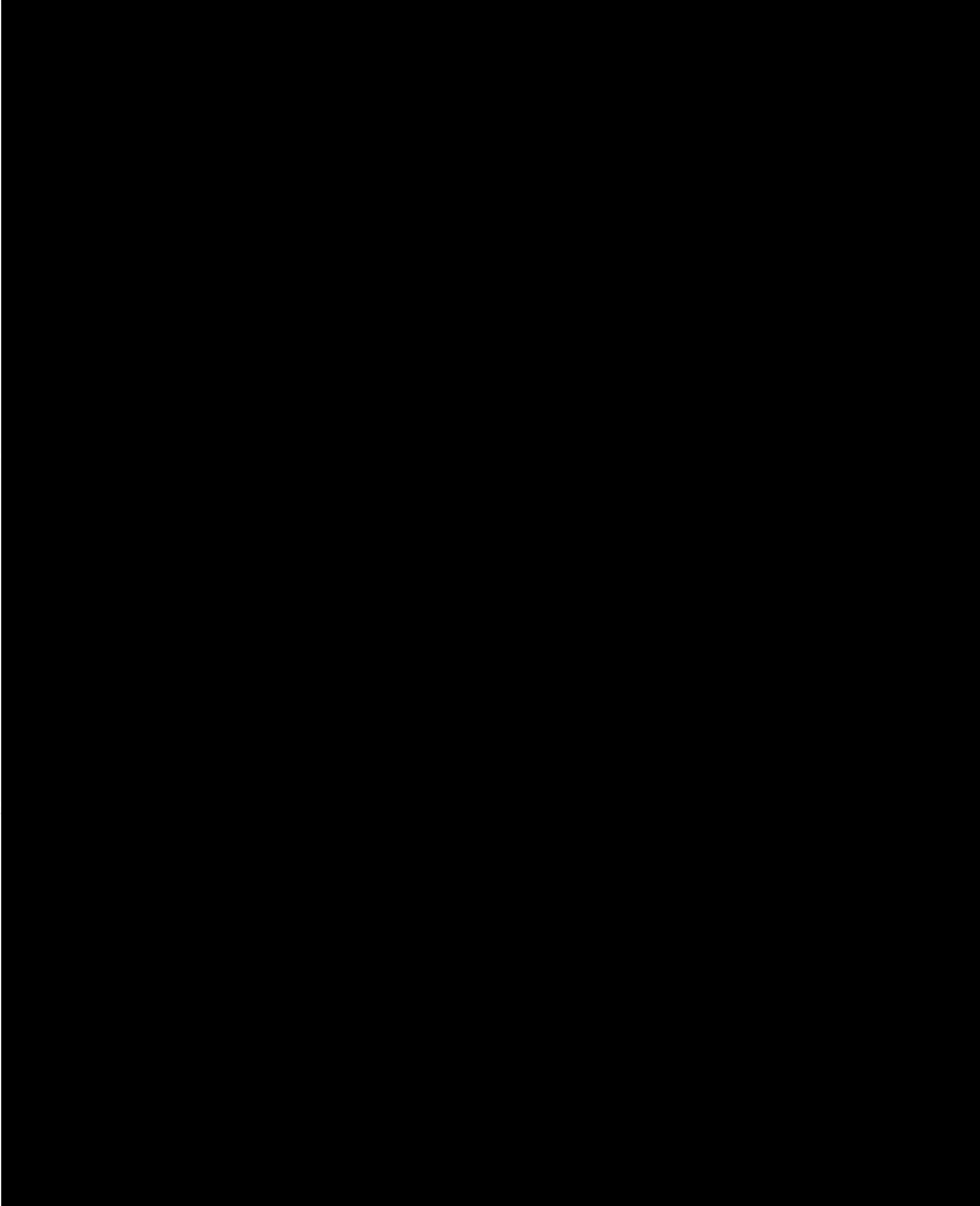
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**From:** Karen Mills  
**Sent:** 7/13/2021 9:27:48 AM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor; Diane Bengson  
**Cc:**



**Subject:** Terrific Tales Changed Due to Weather

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Dear Summer Reading Club Friends, (Wright Library's email list bcc'd)

Today's rainy weather necessitates a change of plans for Terrific Tales, which was scheduled for today at 10:30am. We are moving storytime to Wright Library's YouTube page: <https://youtu.be/1NQP97BRfhU>

Hope to see you on Friday at 10:30am for Books and Blocks!  
Karen



**Karen Mills** Youth Services Librarian  
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**Sent:** 7/14/2021 9:38:22 AM  
**To:** Timothy Gaffney  
**Cc:** Kristina Lininger;Tiffany Rubin;Sandi Branham  
**Subject:** Confirmation of Far Hills Speakers Series for Sunday 19 September 2021

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Tim,

First and most importantly, thank you for agreeing to be the September lecturer for the Wright Memorial Library and Oakwood Historical Society's Far Hills Speakers series. I have just received my copy of [Dayton Beer: A History of Brewing in the Miami Valley](#) via Amazon, and am looking forward to reading and learning about brewing in Dayton as well as the role the Schantz family played in all of this.

As I mentioned earlier, the lecture will be at 2 pm in the Oakwood High School auditorium. I am still waiting to get answers from the Oakwood Schools on parking, entry to the building and the setup for your PowerPoint slides. As soon as I get the School's reply I will forward it to you.

As we talked, you can and should sell copies of your books and please save time to autograph the books if you desire. I have asked the school to place a table by the auditorium entry. Please let me know how you want me to handle the actual sales/payment of the books or if you will do that yourself.

Finally, while I can piece together your bio and a summary of your presentation using Google, if you would please send me what you want to be highlighted in the publicity for the lecture. I will be writing press releases that will go to the Historical Society and the Library so that we can publicize your lecture. Based on deadlines for newsletters, displays at the Library, etc. would you please get any information to my by the end of July?

Kris (library staff) and I will continue to email you with updates on details.

The Library and I are so glad to have you as our first speaker for the fall series. What better topic than beer to start the fall!

Warm regards,  
Donna



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Hi Sarah!

This looks awesome! Thanks for all of your help in putting this together. The City does not have any further updates.

Thanks,  
Lori

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Thanks for considering,  
Jacqui

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**Courtney Potter**  
1st Grade Teacher  
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**From:** Courtney Potter <potter.courtney@oakwoodschoools.org>  
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Okay no problem. Can you come from 9:45-10:15? It will be easier for us to move around our stations and groupings as a chunk! Thanks!!

On Wed, Jul 14, 2021 at 9:16 AM Jacqui Taylor <[Taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:Taylor@wrightlibrary.org)> wrote:  
Sorry about that! I can arrive any time. I need to leave by 10:45am.

Thanks for considering it,  
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Jacqui

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## CITY NEWS | Ice Cream Social

The annual Ice Cream Social will be held this year at Shafor Park from 4 – 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 22. Tickets for this event include a chicken dinner, drink and ice cream. Advance tickets are available for purchase at the OCC. Oakwood Clubs and Organizations may set up a table in the “Avenue of Organizations” by contacting Karen Earley at the OCC. Call (937) 298-0775 for additional information.

## SCHOOL NEWS | Special Opportunity for Named Benches at OHS

As Phase 1 of the Oakwood Schools Master Facilities Plan continues, improvements are being made to the OJH/OHS gymnasium, or “the Pit,” which has created an exciting opportunity for the Oakwood community! We are pleased to announce the Oakwood Schools Foundation will have limited commemoration benches available for naming. The project to renovate the exterior Pit walkway is estimated to begin later this summer. Six benches, centrally located on either side of the walkway to the Pit entrance, will provide a visible commemoration opportunity for interested Oakwood Schools Foundation donors. *(continued on page 8)*

## LIBRARY NEWS | Library Lower Level To Reopen in August; Phase II Construction Begins

Wright Library’s lower level will reopen to the public in August as the construction project moves into its second phase.

The lower level will include a new vestibule and entrance, a new children’s room and teen area, and renovated audiovisual area. Some new features, such as the outdoor children’s area, remain under construction after the lower level opens. Learn more about what to expect as the project hits this new milestone. *(continued on page 11)*

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## Upcoming Leisure Services Department Events/Classes

**Orchardly Park Craft Day:** The last Orchardly Park Craft Day will be held on Wednesday, August 4 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Orchardly Park. Projects are most appropriate for ages 3 to 6, but all ages are welcome. A parent or guardian must be in the park with the participating child during this event. Registration is not required.

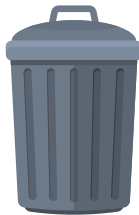
**Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens:** The Department of Leisure Services, in conjunction with Wright Memorial Public Library, will be having their last Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens on Friday, August 27 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Spend a magical morning in the gardens with Wright Library Youth Services Staff as they read enchanting stories with your preschoolers. In case of rain, story hour will meet in the garden house.

**Junior High Dance:** The first Junior High Dance of the season will be held on Friday, September 17 from 9:30 to 11 p.m. at the Oakwood Community Center. Doors will open 15 minutes before the dance begins. No admittance 30 minutes after the dance starts. Come dance the night away.

**Annual Dog Splash at Gardner Pool:** The Dog Splash at Gardner Pool will be held on Sunday, September 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. Pet related exhibitors will be on hand during the event. Registration deadline is Thursday, September 9 at 9 p.m. Each dog must be pre-registered with current vaccination record information. Fee for each dog is \$7/handler. No aggressive dogs will be permitted into this event. The Department of Leisure Services reserves the right to refuse the entry of any dog deemed hazardous to participants or whose physical condition may be at risk by participating in this event.

## Labor Day Refuse Collections

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 6 for Labor Day. Refuse collection will be one day later than usual that week. Monday's route will be collected Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be collected Wednesday; Wednesday's route will be collected Thursday; and Thursday's route will be collected Friday.



## Special Pickups



To arrange for a special pickup (furniture, appliances, etc.), please contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777. Items for special pickup must be placed on a driveway or other paved surface and must be accessible by city equipment. Special pickups are not available during the fall leaf collection season from mid-October through the end of the year, so please plan your projects accordingly.

## Brush and Branch Trimming



Please take a few minutes this summer to inspect the trees and shrubs on your property frontage. City ordinances require a clear height of 8 feet above the sidewalk and 14 feet above the street. Also, vegetation should be cut so that it does not restrict your view as you pull out of your driveway. If you live on a corner lot, be sure that motorists have a clear line of sight from each side of the intersection. Citizens residing near stop signs and other street signs must ensure that vegetation does not obstruct the signs.

## Orange Notices on Trash Cans and/or Recycling Containers

The Public Works Department will be distributing new orange tags to communicate why your trash and/or recycling containers could not be collected. With our unique back-door collection service, we strive to provide you the service you expect, while keeping our workers safe. The orange tags will list the reason for non-collection such as: vehicle in driveway; locked gate; refuse not out; oversized can; can exceeds 60 pounds; or more than three refuse cans. Once the marked reason is addressed, contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777 so we can come back out for collection. The City website provides detailed information on our refuse and recycling guidelines, and our Refuse Handbook is available on the website as well. Please contact the Public Works Center if you have any questions.

## New Refuse & Recycling Vehicles

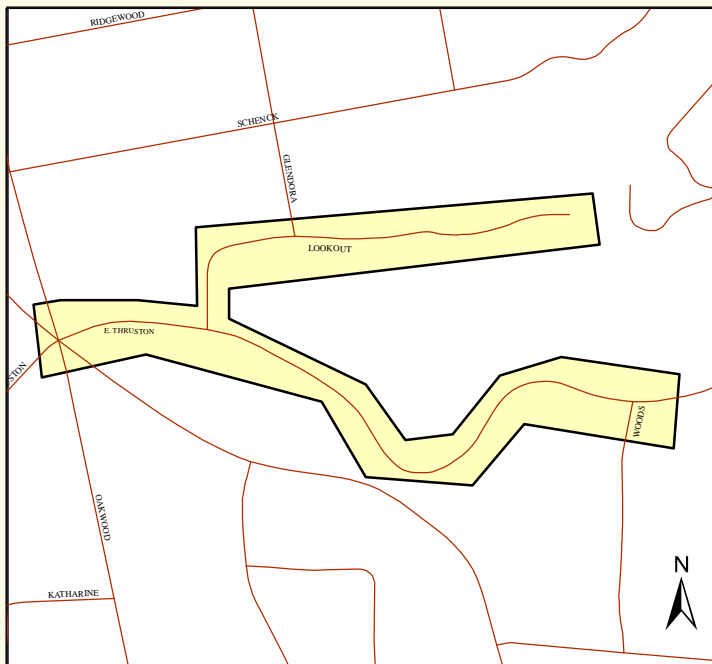
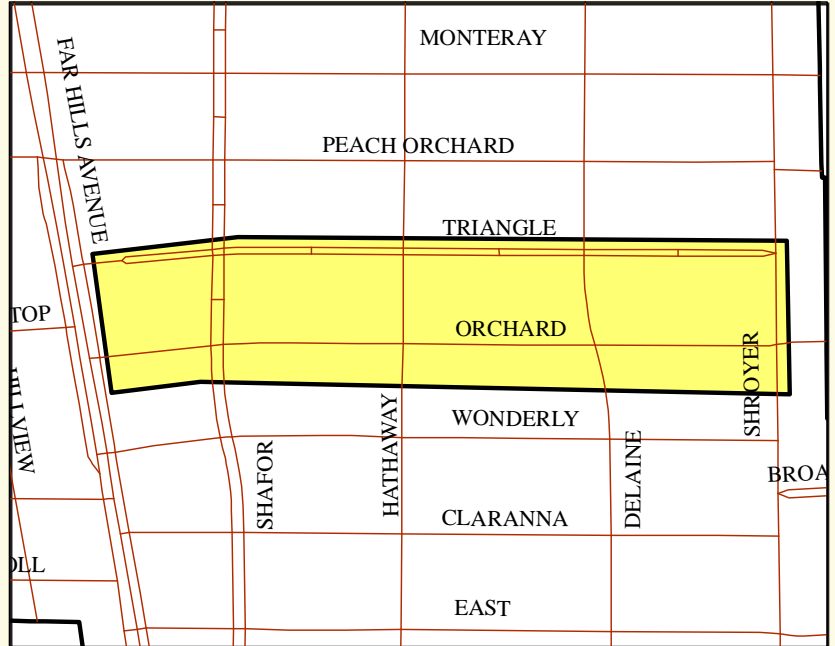
We have four new mini-trucks and a new refuse packer truck traveling through our neighborhoods to conduct refuse and recycling collections. The vehicles replaced an aging fleet of vehicles that were either out-of-service or at the end of their useful life. These vehicles are essential to our refuse and recycling operations. If you see our new vehicles out-and-about, give us a wave... but don't be fooled by the driver being on the right side of the mini-trucks!



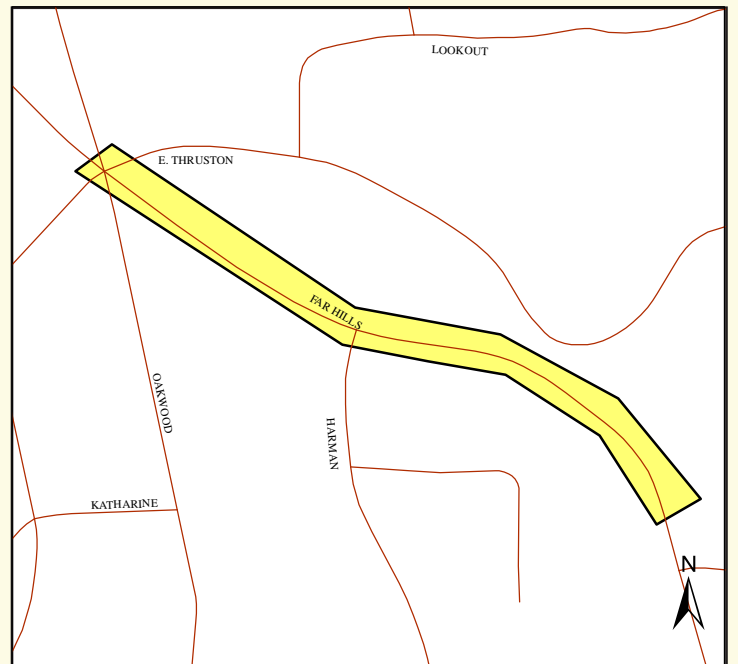
# 2021 Vectren Gas Line Replacement Project

Vectren is replacing underground gas distribution pipes and home service lines in the Oakwood neighborhoods identified in yellow on the maps below. In all work areas, Vectren is installing new polyethylene pipes in place of old steel and cast iron pipes and is moving indoor gas meters to outside wall locations. This is the continuation of a multi-year Vectren infrastructure replacement project in Oakwood. Oakwood residents personally affected by the work will receive detailed information from Vectren. Please feel free to contact Public Works Inspector/Foreman Tom Long at (937) 298-0777 with questions about the work, or reference the Vectren pipeline projects map at [www.vectren.com/gas-system/map](http://www.vectren.com/gas-system/map).

**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT B**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT C**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT D**



## Oakwood Farmers' Market

The Oakwood Farmers' Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday through August 28, with an extended "Harvest Season" through October 16. The market organizers invite the community to join in celebrating another great farmers' market season. The Oakwood Farmers' Market is located at 22 Orchard Drive, and is open seasonally on Saturdays. For more information, visit [www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org](http://www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org).





## Back to School Safety Tips

As summer comes to an end and students prepare for a new school year, the Oakwood Public Safety Department offers the following back to school safety tips.

### TIPS FOR DRIVERS

Drivers need to be aware that school is back in session and students will be walking and riding their bicycles to and from school.

- Watch for children running into the street in and around intersections and always come to a complete stop at stop signs.
- Watch for children entering the street from behind parked vehicles.
- When driving your child to school, deliver and pick them up in a designated area.
- Watch your speed when entering school zones. Traffic safety is one of the cornerstones of law enforcement services provided by the Oakwood Public Safety Department and school zone speed limits are strictly enforced.

### TIPS FOR WALKERS

As a walking community, Oakwood pedestrian traffic drastically increases when a new school year starts. Parents and students should be cautious of their surroundings as they commute to and from school.

- Pay attention to all traffic signals.
- If crossing Far Hills Avenue, cross at one of the four designated locations where a crossing guard is located (Far Hills Avenue & Aberdeen Avenue, Far Hills Avenue & Park Avenue, Far Hills Avenue & Patterson Road, and Five Points intersection).

- Plan a safe walking route to school. Choose the most direct route with fewest street crossings.
- Look both ways when crossing a street, even if you have a green light.

### BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

Bicycles are a popular way for students in Oakwood to commute to and from school.

- Don't take short cuts; follow the same path of travel as if you were walking to and from school.
- Always wear a bike helmet that is properly sized.
- Ensure the bike is properly maintained.
- Avoid wearing headphones. Music can be distracting and cause a person to ignore potential hazards.

### PERSONAL SAFETY FOR KIDS

- Encourage your children to be alert and aware of their surroundings.
- Teach your children to report suspicious persons to you, teachers, police officers or other responsible adults.
- If encountered by a suspicious vehicle or person, children should take notice of the color and model of vehicle, license plate number, detailed description of subject including clothing, and any other distinguishing marks.

In an effort to keep everyone safe, the Oakwood Public Safety Department encourages parents to discuss these safety tips with your children. Do not assume your child knows what to do.

## Lawn Treatment on City-Owned Public Lawn Areas

Well-kept lawns and green spaces within the City are an important part of the health of these areas and maintaining Oakwood's ambiance. The City has used Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practices for a number of years on the city-owned public lawn areas which include parks, boulevards, athletic fields, and around public buildings. IPM is an ecosystem-based strategy that focuses on long-term prevention of pests or their damage through a combination of techniques such as biological control, habitat manipulation, modification of cultural practices, and use of resistant varieties. Pesticides are used only after monitoring indicates they are needed according to established guidelines, and treatments are made with the goal of removing only the target organism. Pest control materials are selected and applied in a manner that minimizes risks to human health, beneficial and nontarget organisms, and the environment. Our practices include adherence to proper mowing heights and the use of sharp blades on mowers which helps reduce the amount of chemicals used in all of the public areas. The City requires that all lawn care contractors, whether treating for pests or weeds, are properly licensed by the Ohio Department of Agriculture, and follow all applicable laws and rules promulgated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

In our parks, lawn care treatments require the posting of temporary signage in conspicuous locations at least two days prior to treatment. The day of treatment, the City Horticulturist and/or Recreation Supervisor meet the contractor on-site prior to the application of any treatment. They ensure that children are not present in the area to be treated and that the area is otherwise clear for the application, before allowing the contractor to proceed with lawn treatment. Immediately following treatment, the City verifies that all signs are properly placed, and are then promptly removed 24 hours thereafter. Only areas with weeds and pests are spot sprayed, not always the entire green space as this is a part of the IPM practice to limit chemical use yet still keep the community greenspace as healthy as possible. Questions about our maintenance of lawns and green spaces should be directed to City Horticulturist Brian Caldwell at 937-298-0775.



## Annual Community Document Shred Event

The city contracted with Shred-It, a mobile document destruction company, to be at the J. D. Foell Public Works Center at 210 Shafor Blvd. on Saturday, September 25 from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. to provide document destruction services. Besides paper products, Shred-It has the capability to destroy microfilm, microfiche, and other material of a secure or confidential nature. All material will be destroyed beyond recognition on-site and, if recyclable, will be baled and shipped to paper mills to be manufactured into new paper products. Any non-recyclable material processed will be disposed of in a secure location. If you have confidential papers or other material of a private nature being stored at your home and would like to have it destroyed, please take advantage of this opportunity. There will be individuals on-hand to assist you with unloading your documents. This event is free of charge. Please be prepared to present identification confirming residency.



## Johnny Appleseed Tree Planting Project

The city of Oakwood and Oakwood Beautification Committee will again offer trees for purchase through the Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Project. Applications and detailed brochures describing the project and the tree species will be available in mid to late September at the OCC and on the City website. Oakwood property owners may choose from four or five varieties of trees. The trees selected will be approximately 2 inches in diameter and will be discounted at 50%. One tree will be allocated for each approved property site at the discounted price but must be planted in the city right-of-way (property frontage). Trees will be planted in the latter part of November or early December. They will be planted by a local nursery, wrapped, staked, mulched and guaranteed for one growing season. Call the OCC at (937) 298-0775 for more information.



## Oakwood Citizens Demonstrate High Interest in Inclusion Coalition

Oakwood citizens are proving their determination to promote a welcoming community for everyone who lives, works, and visits Oakwood. The Oakwood Inclusion Coalition (OIC), a citizen-driven coalition dedicated to inclusivity and diversity, has held two public meetings, and nearly 200 citizens have joined the discussions.

The first meeting held in January was an opportunity for residents to learn about the OIC's vision and mission. Citizens expressed specific activities they would like the leadership team to pursue. The meeting provided citizens the opportunity to share their reasons for living in Oakwood and how they can personally demonstrate a commitment to inclusion, equity, and diversity.

The organization exists for people who want to explore how others' experiences have shaped their values and perspectives. Participants seek to discover and understand rather than persuade. Wright Memorial Public Library Director and OIC Chair Kristi Hale explains, "We want to ensure that everyone's views are represented and respected." Meetings allow residents to speak authentically from their hearts and personal experience. "It's not about 'window dressing,' and its focus isn't political," assures Hale. "It's an openness to community building and a recognition that Oakwood has long benefitted from its citizens' imagining what could be."

The second meeting held in April explored the role assumptions and preconceived notions play when we meet "others" unfamiliar to us. Participants viewed best-selling author Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's TED Talk and then broke into small groups to consider how their own efforts to make sense of the world lead them to make assumptions. Adichie acknowledges the human naturalness of stereotyping but warns that there is a real danger in making a judgment about a person or group of people based on what she calls "a single story."

One former "West Virginian" participant shared her angst about relocating to Oakwood for employment. Now a longtime Oakwood resident, she is thankful that she ignored her prejudice about Oakwood gained only through the single story she formed about a whole community based solely on her experience with a disagreeable college roommate from Oakwood. Several participants agreed that they had suppressed the negative impressions they conceived before moving here to take advantage of the school system. "It's pretty amazing," said one participant, "how many of us negatively 'stereotyped' our community before we experienced it."

Behind the scenes of the public meeting, the leadership team has gone about the business of establishing a solid organizational framework. Government, school, library officials, private citizens, faith, ethnic and cultural leaders, and representatives from the business and media communities in the Oakwood area have garnered the support of city, school, and library governing boards. The organization's establishing documents and the expectations and code of conduct for OIC participation are on the OakwoodIC website at [www.oakwoodic.org](http://www.oakwoodic.org).

The Program and Events Committee launched a big read and book club this summer. The Current Issues Committee, best described as the organization's "think tank," plans to qualify and quantify perspectives of Oakwood during this next year. Its objective is to use data-based research to understand the many stories of Oakwood and allow this information to guide the mission and purpose of the OIC. The Communications Committee is working with Wright Library and other Oakwood organizations to increase the resources available on the OIC website to advise residents of activities and opportunities advancing issues of inclusivity, diversity, and equity.

The OIC leadership team is deeply grateful for the interest Oakwood citizens have shown in this endeavor.



## August/September Council Meetings

City Council will meet in regular sessions at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, August 2 and Monday, September 20. Both meetings will take place at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. The regular sessions are preceded by an open work session beginning at 6:30 p.m. The regular sessions are televised live on the City website at [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov), and on cable TV (Spectrum Ch. 6, TV Tuner Ch. 5.03 and AT&T U-verse Ch. 99). The meetings are also accessible via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Links to the meeting will be posted to the City website at 4 p.m. on the meeting date. Meeting videos will be rebroadcast for a week or so afterwards. Please check your cable guide or [www.mvcc.net](http://www.mvcc.net) for broadcast times. Meeting videos can also be viewed on the City website.

## Oakwood Beautification Awards

The Oakwood Beautification Award Program recognizes property owners who have enhanced the beauty of our community by undertaking exterior improvements to their home, rental property or business. Awards are given during the months of May, June, July and August. Monthly award winners are selected by members of the Property Maintenance Board, and will have a sign placed in their yard to recognize their beautification efforts.



### May 2021 Winners

- Todd & Theodora Rich, 200 Kramer Road
- David Becker, 212 Collingwood Avenue
- Mark & Elizabeth Hofeldt, 158 E. Dixon Avenue
- Augustine & Abbey Urbas, 406 Greenmount Boulevard
- Brad & Molly Eaton, 440 Telford Avenue
- Bennie & Melanie Laprade, 352 Claranna Avenue
- Andrew Strombeck & Crystal Lake, 250 East Drive
- Dorothy Duff, 212 Grandon Road

### June 2021 Winners

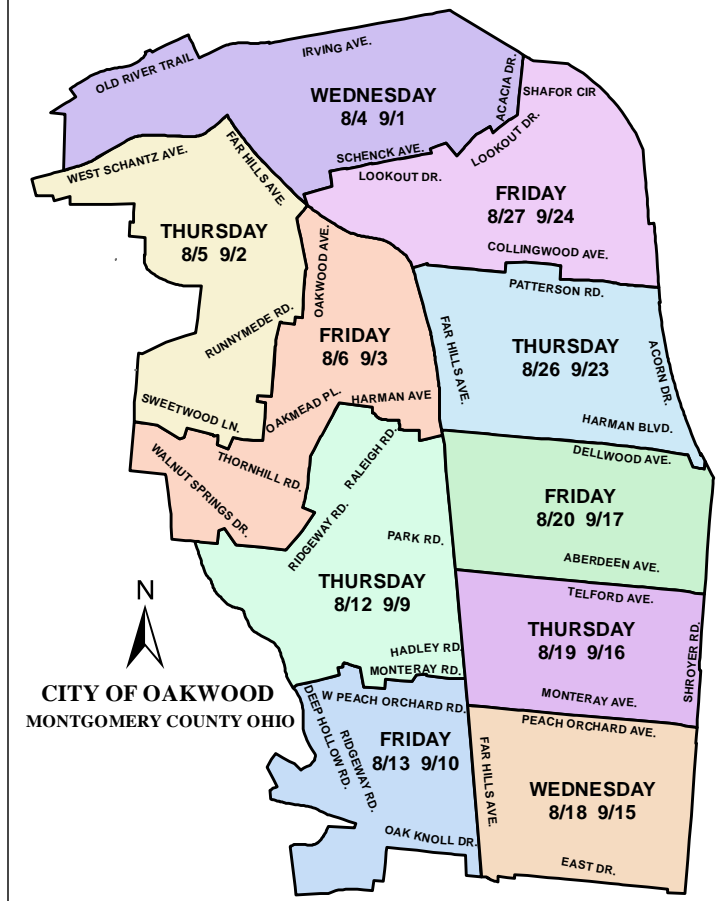
- Alexandra Jackson, 215 Rubicon Road
- Sherry Warwar, 222 Northview Road
- John & Jacqueline Hutton, 630 Runnymede Road
- David & Joanne Cronin, 140 E. Dixon Avenue
- Dan & Jennifer Lohmeyer, 331 Spirea Drive
- Andrew & Andrea Froehle, 122 Lonsdale Avenue
- Tom & Molly Walters, 427 Telford Avenue
- Thomas & Laura Alig, 348 Triangle Avenue
- James & Debra O'Donnell, 428 Orchard Drive

## Shafor Park Tennis Courts

The Shafor Park Tennis Courts were repaired over the last two months, under warranty, with no cost to the city of Oakwood or Oakwood Schools. The courts were rebuilt in 2018, but then experienced settlement in some areas of the court surface.



## YARD DEBRIS PICKUP SCHEDULE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2021



**FAR HILLS AVE. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 8/12 & 9/9**  
**SHROYER RD. WILL BE PICKED UP ON: 8/26 & 9/23**

## The City's Website is Just a Scan Away!

The adjacent image is a "QR Code" and is a way to access the City's website without having to type in [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov).

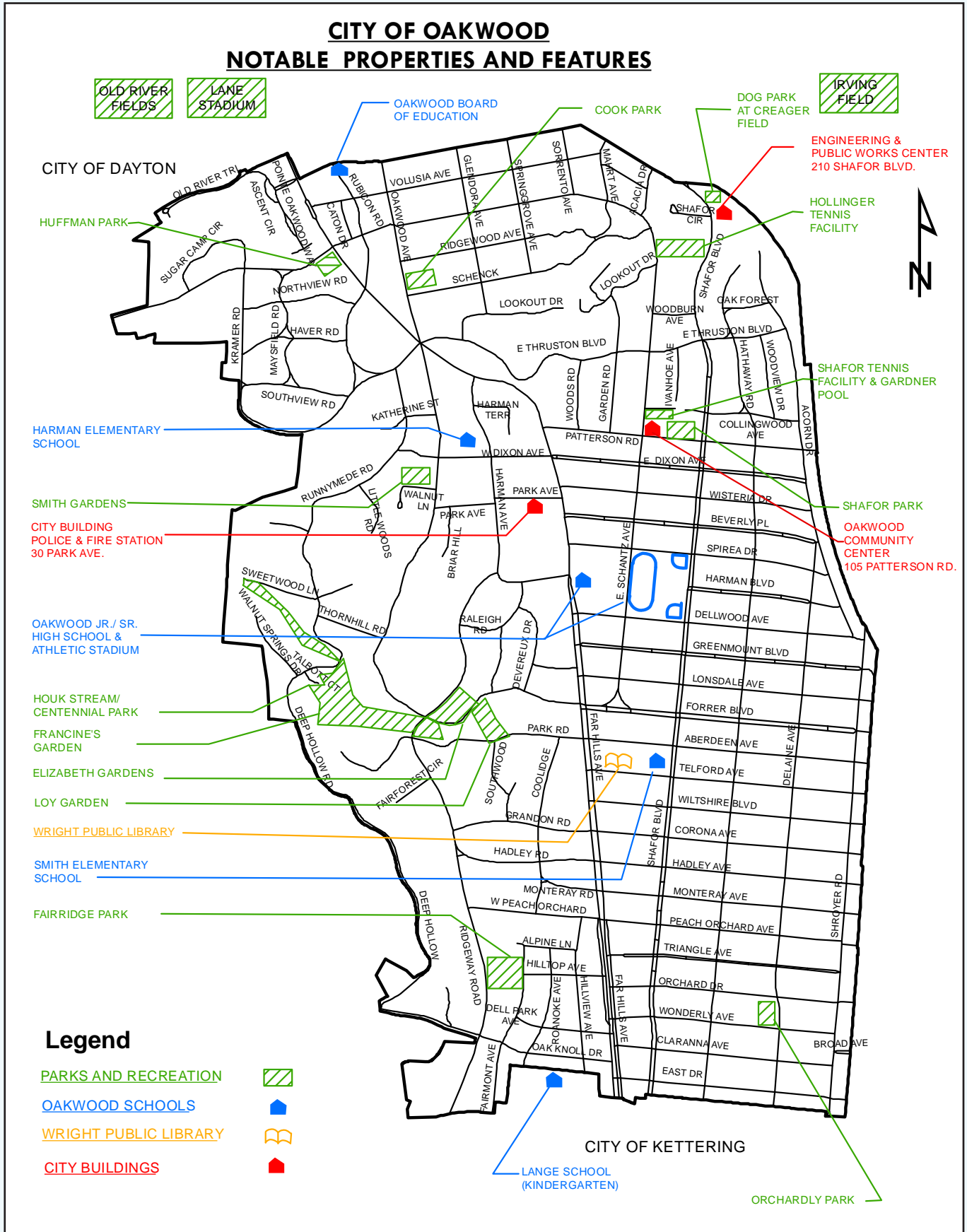
To use the QR code to access the City's website, point your smartphone's camera at the QR code and then tap the banner that appears at the top of your device.



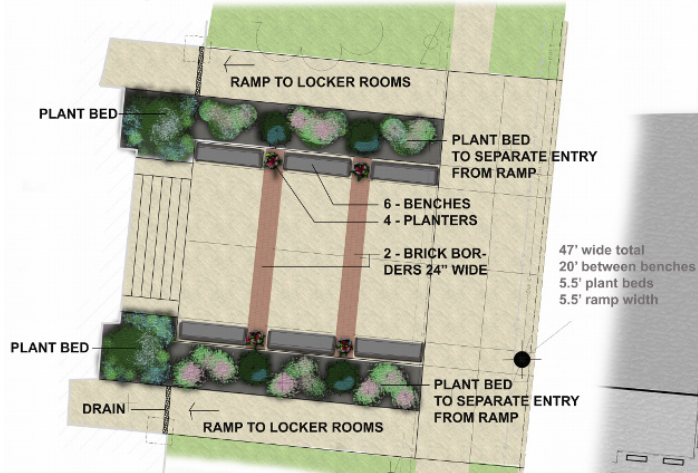
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# Notable Properties and Features Map

Explore our beautiful parks, recreation facilities and natural beauty of the City's residential streets and public areas.



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Oakwood Schools are working with Jaccyn Design Group, LLC, the same landscape architecture firm that designed the Alumni Plaza on Schantz Ave. The Plaza has quickly become a popular, mixed-use space for our school, students and community since it was installed in 2019. The design for the Pit space will complement the Plaza design. The walkway space serves as a high traffic area for community members when coming to and from events at the Pit and traveling on Schantz.

Pit walkway benches will be available for a \$2,500 contribution to the Foundation and will include a commemorative plaque on the bench. The bench can be named in your or your family’s honor or in memory of a special person or organization. With a very limited number available, we expect them to go fast so if you are interested, we encourage you to reach out as soon as possible to OSF Development Director, Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org).

## Looking for Fall 2021 Grant Applications

The Oakwood Schools Foundation has opened the fall grant applications for Oakwood teachers, principals and school administrators. The grants are designed to encourage, facilitate, recognize and reward innovative and creative instructional programs and ideas in education.

Since 1991, OSF has awarded more than \$900,000 in grants to projects to enhance learning in and outside of the classroom. Last year, OSF funded grants to supply commercial-grade air purifiers for every classroom in the District’s five buildings. OSF grants have also supported programs to bring marine life into the classroom with a saltwater aquarium, explore the natural world right outside of the classroom at Houk stream, and provide students the opportunity to hear directly from distinguished speakers on the importance of courage and conviction.

“We are proud of Oakwood Schools Foundation’s history of partnering with the community, alumni, teachers and school leaders to enhance the educational environment for Oakwood students at all grade levels,” Grants Chair Emma Butler said. “Through the support of generous donations, the Foundation is able to provide funding for excellent, innovative educational programs that enrich the learning environment for our students. We are grateful for this opportunity and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.”

For more information about the grants or to apply, visit <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/grants>. You can also reach out to OSF Administrative Director Bre Andrews at [bre@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org](mailto:bre@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org) or 937-297-5332.

## OSF Board of Trustees Elect New Leadership

The Oakwood Schools Foundation Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of Linda Woods as the new Board Chair and Kevin Jones as the Vice-Chair. Woods previously served as Vice Chair of the Board and has two children attending Oakwood High School. Jones, a 1983 OHS graduate, also serves on OSF’s Development Steering Committee. Woods and Jones’ two-year terms will begin July 1, 2021.

Woods replaces outgoing Chair, Chris Conard (OHS ’76), whose stewardship positioned OSF to be a leader in the community, expanding the scope of the Foundation’s mission to enhance excellence in Oakwood Schools.

“Under Chris’ leadership, OSF emerged from a challenging 2020 stronger than ever, with excellent momentum as we embark on new and increasingly ambitious ways of supporting the district,” Woods said. “We are grateful for Chris’ dedicated service and thrilled he is maintaining a presence on the board as Past Chair.”

The Board and its new leaders already have big plans for the 2021-2022 school year, including awarding nearly \$50,000 in grants and scholarships to Oakwood students and teachers, celebrating Homecoming Weekend with the return of the in-person Come Back Lumberjacks event in the fall at Dayton Country Club, and a new, ambitious special project for Oakwood Schools to be announced in the fall.

“Linda and Kevin will provide dynamic and bold leadership. They are the perfect choices to lead the Oakwood Schools Foundation. With their guidance and the continued support of our amazing Board of Trustees, I know OSF will be recognized as a model for what public school foundations can accomplish,” Conard said.

For more information about what the Oakwood Schools Foundation has accomplished and the group’s plans for the future, visit <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf>.



**Linda Woods**  
OSF Board Chair



**Kevin Jones**  
OSF Board Vice Chair

## Broadcast Studio Fundraising Success

The next Walter Cronkite or Katie Couric WILL soon be broadcasting from OHS thanks to the Oakwood Schools Foundation and an alumni-led fundraising effort to develop a real-world broadcast studio. The school’s new, upgraded media facility will be named in honor of William “Bill” Hewitt, OHS Class of 1956. Fellow 1956 classmate Dale Hatfield and his wife Pat were instrumental to the effort, working alongside the Hewitt family.

Ongoing support for maintenance and upgrades to the studio will ensure a modern, real-world experience for years to come. A dedication honoring Hewitt, his family and project donors will be held in the fall. To make a contribution to the project, please visit: <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/donate-now>

The new Broadcast Studio is another powerful example of what is accomplished through the strong partnership between the District, the Oakwood Schools Foundation and the Oakwood Alumni Association.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact OSF Development Director Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschooolsfoundation.org).





**SAVE THE DATE!**  
 HOMECOMING & REUNION WEEKEND  
 OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2021

[oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information)

**DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS – SEPT. 30**

The DAA banquet celebrating alumni who have made significant accomplishments in their careers or through service will be held at NCR Country Club. More information can be found at:  
[oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award)

**FRIDAY, OCT. 1**

- BOOSTERS TAILGATE and COOKOUT
- VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME
- COME BACK LUMBERJACKS HOSTED by THE OAKWOOD SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

**SATURDAY, OCT. 2**

- TOUR of OAKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
- SELF-GUIDED TOURS of HARMAN AND SMITH

**OAKWOOD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**



**Come Back Lumberjacks!**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
 7:30-9 PM: Social Hour  
 9-11 PM: Post-Game Tailgate Party

**Alumni and Oakwood Residents Welcome**  
 (Must be 21 or older)

**Join us...**  
 For friends, music, appetizers, and fun!

**In Person!**

You don't want to miss this event — We have a very special announcement!

## Howard Sales

A new tradition in Oakwood sports will begin this fall thanks to the hard work of dedicated Oakwood alumni, in partnership with the Oakwood Athletic Boosters, the Oakwood Alumni Association and the Oakwood Schools Foundation.

The Howard “The Hat” Sales Memorial will be dedicated Aug. 27. The event will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with a cookout behind the home stands at Mack Hummon Stadium, followed by the dedication ceremony at 6 p.m. Don Walls will emcee the presentation, which will include special guest speakers Joe Gural, Mike Kelly and Patsy Sales.

In addition to the presentation, a book honoring the legendary Oakwood coach, as well as commemorative hats and stickers will be available for purchase to benefit the Oakwood Athletic Boosters and mark this special occasion.

Inspired by alumni support and the momentum from the Howard Sales Memorial effort, a Coaches Development Fund has been established with the Oakwood Schools Foundation for donations to support Oakwood coaches’ continued professional development to benefit students-athletes. Contributions can be made at <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/donate-now>.




Oakwood Schools

**BACK TO school**

**AUG. 25**  
1ST-12TH

**AUG. 30**  
Kindergarten



**Oakwood Schools**

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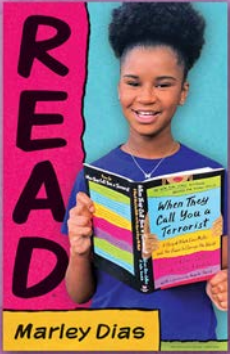
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**SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH.**

Celebrate with Honorary Chair Marley Dias.



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Marley Dias

## Library Cards are the Key to Exploration, Growth, and Discovery

As school begins this fall, Wright Library will join libraries across the country to celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month in September.

We agree with Library Card Sign Up Month Honorary Chair Marley Dias when she says that “a library card is the ticket you need to travel across the globe.”

“It allows you to experience stories that can connect you to diverse and empowering experiences,” said Dias, founder of #1000BlackGirlBooks and author of “Marley Dias Gets It Done: And So Can You!”

Do you or a family member need a card? Visit the library during September, or anytime, to get your card. Or apply for a card online at [wrightlibrary.org/getacard](http://wrightlibrary.org/getacard).



*Library cards are available for any age. Miles received his first library card in June.*

## Five Ways to Put Your Card to Work

### 1. Try something new.

With a library card, you can explore new authors, genres, and book formats - from traditional print to digital and audio – without spending a dime. When was the last time you read a book of poetry, a western, or started that series your co-worker has been begging you to read? Cardholders have access to books not only in Wright Library’s collection, but from libraries across Ohio with the SearchOhio borrowing system. If you want it, we can probably find it. Take advantage and explore something new!

### 2. Access databases and courses.

Wright Library subscribes to many research databases and e-learning portals. For small business owners, job seekers, entrepreneurs, genealogy researchers, students and teachers, a library card means free access to tools to help you reach your goals. Our databases also include access to free legal forms and other everyday life resources, from trusted sources, at no cost.

### 3. Explore our Makerbox Collection.

From cake pans to pottery to car tools, Wright Library’s Makerboxes allow you to take home exciting equipment, tools, or kits so you can try something new, learn or develop a skill, accomplish practical tasks, make someone a gift, or discover a new hobby. Choose from six collections of Makerboxes: Active Play; Cake Pan; Cars and Driving; STEAM; and Tools and Gauge Collection. See the full list at [wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes](http://wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes)

### 4. Museum passes.

Wright Library cardholders can check out free passes to various local museums, including the Dayton Art Institute, Aullwood Audubon, and Learning Tree Farm.

### 5. Movies, music, games and more.

In a world of streaming media, every subscription racks up. With your library card, you can access movies, music, audiobooks and more streaming and downloadable media through services like Kanopy, Freegal, hoopla, and Overdrive. Plus, even those who have subscription services will find a broader range of options by adding these collections to your options. Movies and music can be streamed on phones and tablets as well as smart TVs and car audio systems.

Wright Library also carries physical video games for the Nintendo Switch, Xbox, and other game systems.



## Put the Library in your Pocket with the Library App!

Do you have the newly updated Wright Library app downloaded on your phone or tablet? Plug in your library card number to the app to have your card in your pocket! When you are in the building, you can use the app to checkout books by scanning your barcode on your device’s screen. Plus: parents can keep up their kids’ library account by adding the card number to the library’s newly updated app. The app allows you to search the catalog, put items on reserve, view the calendar of events, and more. Available for Android and Apple devices.



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As the lower level opens and work begins on Phase II, your library experience will be different.

- Patrons will enter the building from the new parkside entrance. For some time, the walkways on Telford and the front of the building will be closed.
- Patrons will access the main level via the elevator and a stairwell.
- Portions of the main level will be closed for construction. Some materials and services, such as computers, will be moved to new, temporary locations, including on the lower level.

- The library will remain open. However, there is a chance short closures may be necessary due to moving and construction. Any closures related to construction will be communicated on the library's website, email newsletter, and social media.

When complete, the main level will have improved access to the main door, additional conference room, new community room, new computer area, and fireside seating. The entire project is on track to finish in late 2021 or January 2022.

## Wright Library Capital Campaign Reaches Goal

Thanks to the generosity of private donors, Wright Memorial Public Library has exceeded its \$1.5 million capital campaign fundraising goal.

The Making A Difference Capital Campaign sought private donations to support the library's building repair and improvement project, which began in January. Total gifts and pledges to date are \$1,517,190.

This philanthropic support will help Wright Library reimagine and enhance portions of the building into 21st-century spaces for children, teens, and the community.

"We are humbled and thrilled by the support of these donors to invest in the library and community's future," said Library Director Kristi Hale.

The campaign began in 2020 with a \$500,000 lead gift from David L. Flory.

"Every gift, no matter the size, made a significant impact on this project," Hale said.

All gifts of \$30,000 or more will be recognized in the new space. To see a full list of donors, visit [wrightlibrary.org](http://wrightlibrary.org).

Donors to the library's capital campaign toured the renovated lower level in July. Together, private donors gave more than \$1.5 million to the project. The lower level is scheduled to reopen in August, with the entire project to be completed by January 2022.



*A new service desk will connect both the children's area, teen area, and audiovisual space in the lower level.*



*The Spitzmiller family tours the future audiovisual area of the lower level during a donor tour in July.*



*Library Director Kristi Hale gives a tour of the new children's room to the Kawai family, who donated to the capital campaign.*

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## Meet Wright Library's Miss Jacqui

Known throughout the Oakwood community as Miss Jacqui, Wright Library's Jacqui Taylor brings a boisterous and inspiring spirit wherever she goes.

Taylor joined the Wright Library staff in 2013. A graduate of Xavier University, her roots in libraries go back to her school days in Pennsylvania, where she chose library service as a punishment for a school infraction. "I immediately fell in love," she said.

Taylor visits Oakwood City Schools and Hillel Academy, hosts class visits, and leads a variety of library programs for elementary students. She oversees the team of youth services staff at Wright Library, plans special exhibits, and orchestrates the annual summer reading club.

Taylor has been instrumental in planning the new children and teen areas in the library's lower level. Throughout the process, she's kept an eye on maintaining and expanding the book collection for teens, keeping a reasonable number of screens in the teen area, and creating an environment where young children can delight in books.

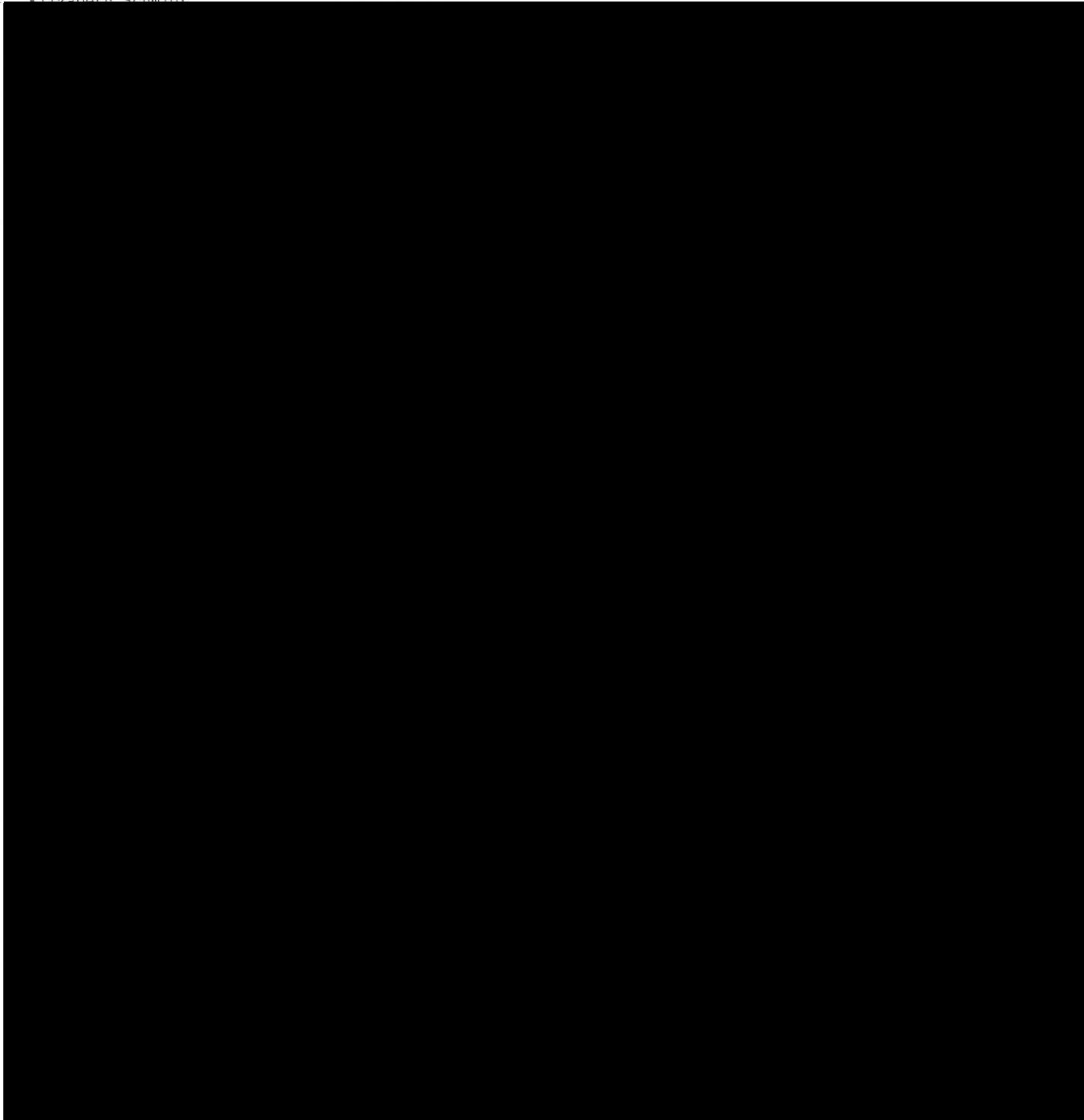
In particular, she's excited to bring "the outside in" with new windows and an outdoor space connected to the children's room.

"We know how much nature matters to children," she said. "This is the time of a person's greatest growth - we want them to have the very best experience possible."

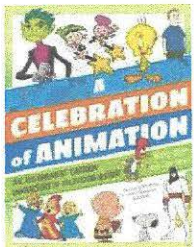


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7pm Friday July 16

Virtual Program. Registration Required.

Join author and pop culture historian, Marty Gitlin, for a night celebrating cartoon characters from Bugs Bunny to Spongebob! Featuring Fun facts, trivia, and unforgettable video clips. Fun for all ages.



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Thank you, Sarah. Looks great. The library content is ready for print.

Kate

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Looking forward to it!

On Wed, Jul 14, 2021 at 9:38 AM Donna Rosenbaum <[dkrcooper624@outlook.com](mailto:dkrcooper624@outlook.com)> wrote:

Tim,

First and most importantly, thank you for agreeing to be the September lecturer for the Wright Memorial Library and Oakwood Historical Society's Far Hills Speakers series. I have just received my copy of Dayton Beer: A History of Brewing in the Miami Valley via Amazon and am looking forward to reading and learning about brewing in Dayton as well as the role the Schantz family played in all of this.

As I mentioned earlier, the lecture will be at 2 pm in the Oakwood High School auditorium. I am still waiting to get answers from the Oakwood Schools on parking, entry to the building and the setup for your PowerPoint slides. As soon as I get the School's reply I will forward it to you.

As we talked, you can and should sell copies of your books and please save time to autograph the books if you desire. I have asked the school to place a table by the auditorium entry. Please let me know how you want me to handle the actual sales/payment of the books or if you will do that yourself.

Finally, while I can piece together your bio and a summary of your presentation using Google, if you would please send me what you want to be highlighted in the publicity for the lecture. I will be writing press releases that will go to the Historical Society and the Library so that we can publicize your lecture. Based on deadlines for newsletters, displays at the Library, etc. would you please get any information to my by the end of July?

Kris (library staff) and I will continue to email you with updates on details.

The Library and I are so glad to have you as our first speaker for the fall series. What better topic than beer to start the fall!

Warm regards,

Donna





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## CITY NEWS | Ice Cream Social

The annual Ice Cream Social will be held this year at Shafor Park from 4 – 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 22. Tickets for this event include a chicken dinner, drink and ice cream. Advance tickets are available for purchase at the OCC. Oakwood Clubs and Organizations may set up a table in the “Avenue of Organizations” by contacting Karen Earley at the OCC. Call (937) 298-0775 for additional information.

## SCHOOL NEWS | Special Opportunity for Named Benches at OHS

As Phase 1 of the Oakwood Schools Master Facilities Plan continues, improvements are being made to the OJH/OHS gymnasium, or “the Pit,” which has created an exciting opportunity for the Oakwood community! We are pleased to announce the Oakwood Schools Foundation will have limited commemoration benches available for naming. The project to renovate the exterior Pit walkway is estimated to begin later this summer. Six benches, centrally located on either side of the walkway to the Pit entrance, will provide a visible commemoration opportunity for interested Oakwood Schools Foundation donors. *(continued on page 8)*

## LIBRARY NEWS | Library Lower Level To Reopen in August; Phase II Construction Begins

Wright Library’s lower level will reopen to the public in August as the construction project moves into its second phase.

The lower level will include a new vestibule and entrance, a new children’s room and teen area, and renovated audiovisual area. Some new features, such as the outdoor children’s area, remain under construction after the lower level opens. Learn more about what to expect as the project hits this new milestone. *(continued on page 11)*

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## Upcoming Leisure Services Department Events/Classes

**Orchardly Park Craft Day:** The last Orchardly Park Craft Day will be held on Wednesday, August 4 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Orchardly Park. Projects are most appropriate for ages 3 to 6, but all ages are welcome. A parent or guardian must be in the park with the participating child during this event. Registration is not required.

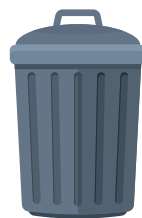
**Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens:** The Department of Leisure Services, in conjunction with Wright Memorial Public Library, will be having their last Preschool Story Hour at Smith Gardens on Friday, August 27 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Spend a magical morning in the gardens with Wright Library Youth Services Staff as they read enchanting stories with your preschoolers. In case of rain, story hour will meet in the garden house.

**Junior High Dance:** The first Junior High Dance of the season will be held on Friday, September 17 from 9:30 to 11 p.m. at the Oakwood Community Center. Doors will open 15 minutes before the dance begins. No admittance 30 minutes after the dance starts. Come dance the night away.

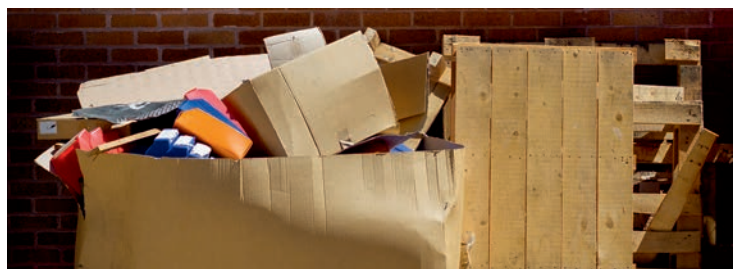
**Annual Dog Splash at Gardner Pool:** The Dog Splash at Gardner Pool will be held on Sunday, September 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. Pet related exhibitors will be on hand during the event. Registration deadline is Thursday, September 9 at 9 p.m. Each dog must be pre-registered with current vaccination record information. Fee for each dog is \$7/handler. No aggressive dogs will be permitted into this event. The Department of Leisure Services reserves the right to refuse the entry of any dog deemed hazardous to participants or whose physical condition may be at risk by participating in this event.

## Labor Day Refuse Collections

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 6 for Labor Day. Refuse collection will be one day later than usual that week. Monday's route will be collected Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be collected Wednesday; Wednesday's route will be collected Thursday; and Thursday's route will be collected Friday.



## Special Pickups



To arrange for a special pickup (furniture, appliances, etc.), please contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777. Items for special pickup must be placed on a driveway or other paved surface and must be accessible by city equipment. Special pickups are not available during the fall leaf collection season from mid-October through the end of the year, so please plan your projects accordingly.

## Brush and Branch Trimming



Please take a few minutes this summer to inspect the trees and shrubs on your property frontage. City ordinances require a clear height of 8 feet above the sidewalk and 14 feet above the street. Also, vegetation should be cut so that it does not restrict your view as you pull out of your driveway. If you live on a corner lot, be sure that motorists have a clear line of sight from each side of the intersection. Citizens residing near stop signs and other street signs must ensure that vegetation does not obstruct the signs.

## Orange Notices on Trash Cans and/or Recycling Containers

The Public Works Department will be distributing new orange tags to communicate why your trash and/or recycling containers could not be collected. With our unique back-door collection service, we strive to provide you the service you expect, while keeping our workers safe. The orange tags will list the reason for non-collection such as: vehicle in driveway; locked gate; refuse not out; oversized can; can exceeds 60 pounds; or more than three refuse cans. Once the marked reason is addressed, contact the Public Works Department at (937) 298-0777 so we can come back out for collection. The City website provides detailed information on our refuse and recycling guidelines, and our Refuse Handbook is available on the website as well. Please contact the Public Works Center if you have any questions.

## New Refuse & Recycling Vehicles

We have four new mini-trucks and a new refuse packer truck traveling through our neighborhoods to conduct refuse and recycling collections. The vehicles replaced an aging fleet of vehicles that were either out-of-service or at the end of their useful life. These vehicles are essential to our refuse and recycling operations. If you see our new vehicles out-and-about, give us a wave... but don't be fooled by the driver being on the right side of the mini-trucks!

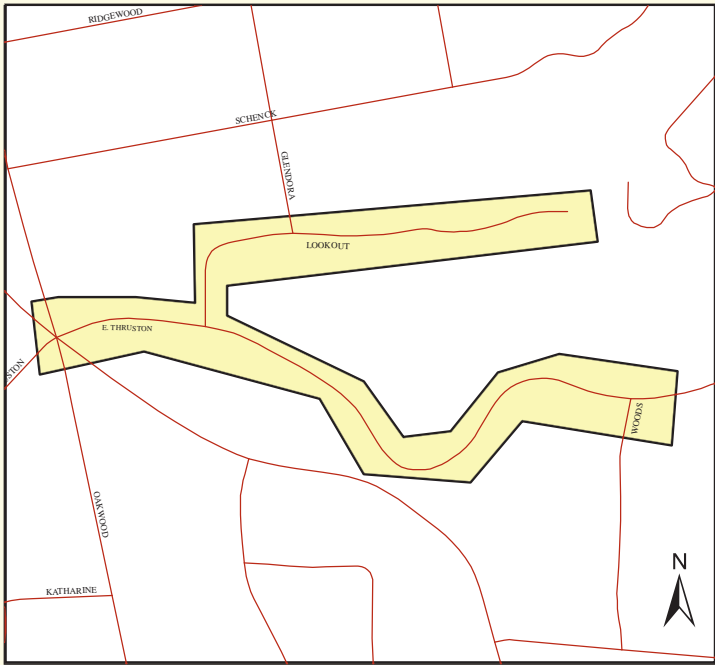
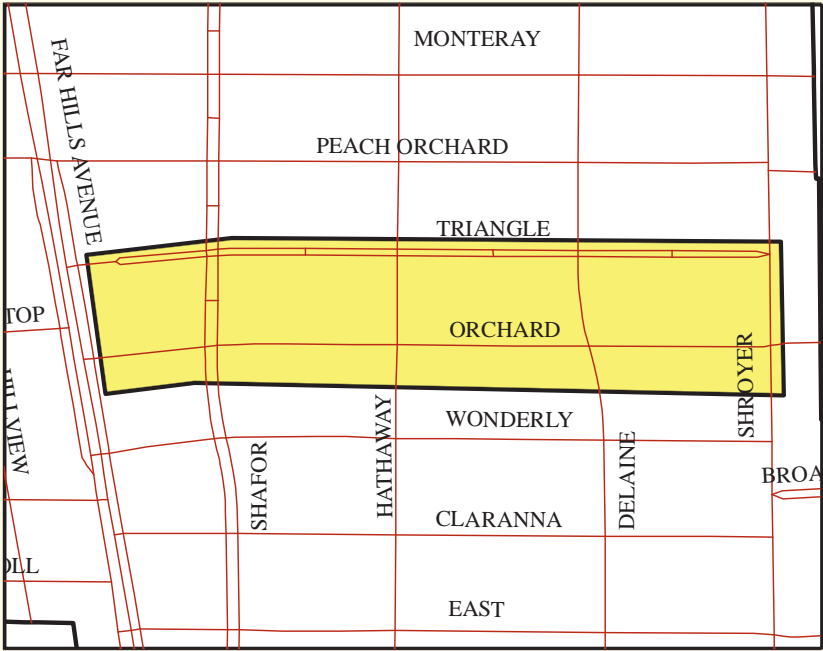




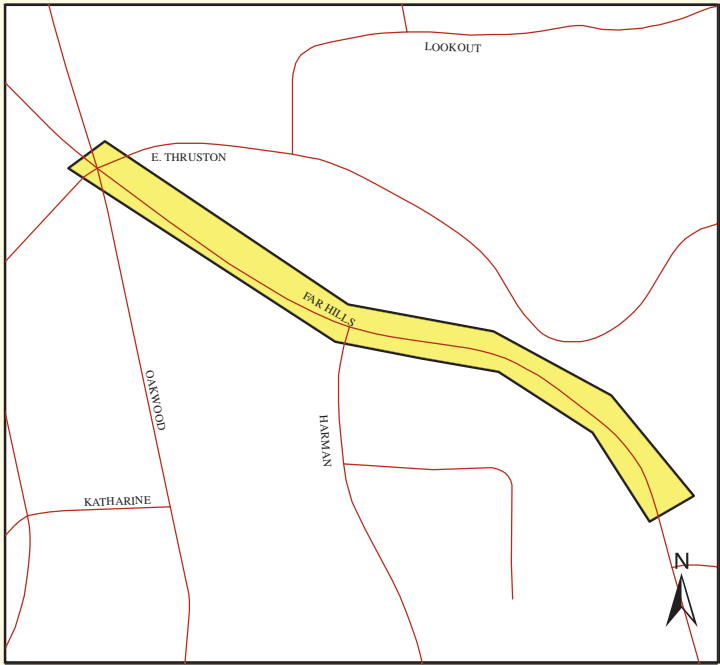
# 2021 Vectren Gas Line Replacement Project

Vectren is replacing underground gas distribution pipes and home service lines in the Oakwood neighborhoods identified in yellow on the maps below. In all work areas, Vectren is installing new polyethylene pipes in place of old steel and cast iron pipes and is moving indoor gas meters to outside wall locations. This is the continuation of a multi-year Vectren infrastructure replacement project in Oakwood. Oakwood residents personally affected by the work will receive detailed information from Vectren. Please feel free to contact Public Works Inspector/Foreman Tom Long at (937) 298-0777 with questions about the work, or reference the Vectren pipeline projects map at [www.vectren.com/gas-system/map](http://www.vectren.com/gas-system/map).

**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT B**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT C**



**PROPOSED 2021 VECTREN  
GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT D**



## Oakwood Farmers' Market

The Oakwood Farmers' Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday through August 28, with an extended "Harvest Season" through October 16. The market organizers invite the community to join in celebrating another great farmers' market season. The Oakwood Farmers' Market is located at 22 Orchard Drive, and is open seasonally on Saturdays. For more information, visit [www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org](http://www.oakwoodfarmersmarket.org).



## Back to School Safety Tips

As summer comes to an end and students prepare for a new school year, the Oakwood Public Safety Department offers the following back to school safety tips.

### TIPS FOR DRIVERS

Drivers need to be aware that school is back in session and students will be walking and riding their bicycles to and from school.

- Watch for children running into the street in and around intersections and always come to a complete stop at stop signs.
- Watch for children entering the street from behind parked vehicles.
- When driving your child to school, deliver and pick them up in a designated area.
- Watch your speed when entering school zones. Traffic safety is one of the cornerstones of law enforcement services provided by the Oakwood Public Safety Department and school zone speed limits are strictly enforced.

### TIPS FOR WALKERS

As a walking community, Oakwood pedestrian traffic drastically increases when a new school year starts. Parents and students should be cautious of their surroundings as they commute to and from school.

- Pay attention to all traffic signals.
- If crossing Far Hills Avenue, cross at one of the four designated locations where a crossing guard is located (Far Hills Avenue & Aberdeen Avenue, Far Hills Avenue & Park Avenue, Far Hills Avenue & Patterson Road, and Five Points intersection).

- Plan a safe walking route to school. Choose the most direct route with fewest street crossings.
- Look both ways when crossing a street, even if you have a green light.

### BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

Bicycles are a popular way for students in Oakwood to commute to and from school.

- Don't take short cuts; follow the same path of travel as if you were walking to and from school.
- Always wear a bike helmet that is properly sized.
- Ensure the bike is properly maintained.
- Avoid wearing headphones. Music can be distracting and cause a person to ignore potential hazards.

### PERSONAL SAFETY FOR KIDS

- Encourage your children to be alert and aware of their surroundings.
- Teach your children to report suspicious persons to you, teachers, police officers or other responsible adults.
- If encountered by a suspicious vehicle or person, children should take notice of the color and model of vehicle, license plate number, detailed description of subject including clothing, and any other distinguishing marks.

In an effort to keep everyone safe, the Oakwood Public Safety Department encourages parents to discuss these safety tips with your children. Do not assume your child knows what to do.

## Lawn Treatment on City-Owned Public Lawn Areas

Well-kept lawns and green spaces within the City are an important part of the health of these areas and maintaining Oakwood's ambiance. The City has used Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practices for a number of years on the city-owned public lawn areas which include parks, boulevards, athletic fields, and around public buildings. IPM is an ecosystem-based strategy that focuses on long-term prevention of pests or their damage through a combination of techniques such as biological control, habitat manipulation, modification of cultural practices, and use of resistant varieties. Pesticides are used only after monitoring indicates they are needed according to established guidelines, and treatments are made with the goal of removing only the target organism. Pest control materials are selected and applied in a manner that minimizes risks to human health, beneficial and nontarget organisms, and the environment. Our practices include adherence to proper mowing heights and the use of sharp blades on mowers which helps reduce the amount of chemicals used in all of the public areas. The City requires that all lawn care contractors, whether treating for pests or weeds, are properly licensed by the Ohio Department of Agriculture, and follow all applicable laws and rules promulgated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

In our parks, lawn care treatments require the posting of temporary signage in conspicuous locations at least two days prior to treatment. The day of treatment, the City Horticulturist and/or Recreation Supervisor meet the contractor on-site prior to the application of any treatment. They ensure that children are not present in the area to be treated and that the area is otherwise clear for the application, before allowing the contractor to proceed with lawn treatment. Immediately following treatment, the City verifies that all signs are properly placed, and are then promptly removed 24 hours thereafter. Only areas with weeds and pests are spot sprayed, not always the entire green space as this is a part of the IPM practice to limit chemical use yet still keep the community greenspace as healthy as possible. Questions about our maintenance of lawns and green spaces should be directed to City Horticulturist Brian Caldwell at 937-298-0775.





## Annual Community Document Shred Event

The city contracted with Shred-It, a mobile document destruction company, to be at the J. D. Foell Public Works Center at 210 Shafor Blvd. on Saturday, September 25 from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. to provide document destruction services. Besides paper products, Shred-It has the capability to destroy microfilm, microfiche, and other material of a secure or confidential nature. All material will be destroyed beyond recognition on-site and, if recyclable, will be baled and shipped to paper mills to be manufactured into new paper products. Any non-recyclable material processed will be disposed of in a secure location. If you have confidential papers or other material of a private nature being stored at your home and would like to have it destroyed, please take advantage of this opportunity. There will be individuals on-hand to assist you with unloading your documents. This event is free of charge. Please be prepared to present identification confirming residency.



## Johnny Appleseed Tree Planting Project

The city of Oakwood and Oakwood Beautification Committee will again offer trees for purchase through the Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Project. Applications and detailed brochures describing the project and the tree species will be available in mid to late September at the OCC and on the City website. Oakwood property owners may choose from four or five varieties of trees. The trees selected will be approximately 2 inches in diameter and will be discounted at 50%. One tree will be allocated for each approved property site at the discounted price but must be planted in the city right-of-way (property frontage). Trees will be planted in the latter part of November or early December. They will be planted by a local nursery, wrapped, staked, mulched and guaranteed for one growing season. Call the OCC at (937) 298-0775 for more information.



## Oakwood Citizens Demonstrate High Interest in Inclusion Coalition

Oakwood citizens are proving their determination to promote a welcoming community for everyone who lives, works, and visits Oakwood. The Oakwood Inclusion Coalition (OIC), a citizen-driven coalition dedicated to inclusivity and diversity, has held two public meetings, and nearly 200 citizens have joined the discussions.

The first meeting held in January was an opportunity for residents to learn about the OIC's vision and mission. Citizens expressed specific activities they would like the leadership team to pursue. The meeting provided citizens the opportunity to share their reasons for living in Oakwood and how they can personally demonstrate a commitment to inclusion, equity, and diversity.

The organization exists for people who want to explore how others' experiences have shaped their values and perspectives. Participants seek to discover and understand rather than persuade. Wright Memorial Public Library Director and OIC Chair Kristi Hale explains, "We want to ensure that everyone's views are represented and respected." Meetings allow residents to speak authentically from their hearts and personal experience. "It's not about 'window dressing,' and its focus isn't political," assures Hale. "It's an openness to community building and a recognition that Oakwood has long benefitted from its citizens' imagining what could be."

The second meeting held in April explored the role assumptions and preconceived notions play when we meet "others" unfamiliar to us. Participants viewed best-selling author Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's TED Talk and then broke into small groups to consider how their own efforts to make sense of the world lead them to make assumptions. Adichie acknowledges the human naturalness of stereotyping but warns that there is a real danger in making a judgment about a person or group of people based on what she calls "a single story."

One former "West Virginian" participant shared her angst about relocating to Oakwood for employment. Now a longtime Oakwood resident, she is thankful that she ignored her prejudice about Oakwood gained only through the single story she formed about a whole community based solely on her experience with a disagreeable college roommate from Oakwood. Several participants agreed that they had suppressed the negative impressions they conceived before moving here to take advantage of the school system. "It's pretty amazing," said one participant, "how many of us negatively 'stereotyped' our community before we experienced it."

Behind the scenes of the public meeting, the leadership team has gone about the business of establishing a solid organizational framework. Government, school, library officials, private citizens, faith, ethnic and cultural leaders, and representatives from the business and media communities in the Oakwood area have garnered the support of city, school, and library governing boards. The organization's establishing documents and the expectations and code of conduct for OIC participation are on the OakwoodIC website at [www.oakwoodic.org](http://www.oakwoodic.org).

The Program and Events Committee launched a big read and book club this summer. The Current Issues Committee, best described as the organization's "think tank," plans to qualify and quantify perspectives of Oakwood during this next year. Its objective is to use data-based research to understand the many stories of Oakwood and allow this information to guide the mission and purpose of the OIC. The Communications Committee is working with Wright Library and other Oakwood organizations to increase the resources available on the OIC website to advise residents of activities and opportunities advancing issues of inclusivity, diversity, and equity.

The OIC leadership team is deeply grateful for the interest Oakwood citizens have shown in this endeavor.

## August/September Council Meetings

City Council will meet in regular sessions at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, August 2 and Monday, September 20. Both meetings will take place at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. The regular sessions are preceded by an open work session beginning at 6:30 p.m. The regular sessions are televised live on the City website at [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov), and on cable TV (Spectrum Ch. 6, TV Tuner Ch. 5.03 and AT&T U-verse Ch. 99). The meetings are also accessible via the Zoom remote meeting platform. Links to the meeting will be posted to the City website at 4 p.m. on the meeting date. Meeting videos will be rebroadcast for a week or so afterwards. Please check your cable guide or [www.mvcc.net](http://www.mvcc.net) for broadcast times. Meeting videos can also be viewed on the City website.

## Oakwood Beautification Awards

The Oakwood Beautification Award Program recognizes property owners who have enhanced the beauty of our community by undertaking exterior improvements to their home, rental property or business. Awards are given during the months of May, June, July and August. Monthly award winners are selected by members of the Property Maintenance Board, and will have a sign placed in their yard to recognize their beautification efforts.



### May 2021 Winners

- Todd & Theodora Rich, 200 Kramer Road
- David Becker, 212 Collingwood Avenue
- Mark & Elizabeth Hofeldt, 158 E. Dixon Avenue
- Augustine & Abbey Urbas, 406 Greenmount Boulevard
- Brad & Molly Eaton, 440 Telford Avenue
- Bennie & Melanie Laprade, 352 Claranna Avenue
- Andrew Strombeck & Crystal Lake, 250 East Drive
- Dorothy Duff, 212 Grandon Road

### June 2021 Winners

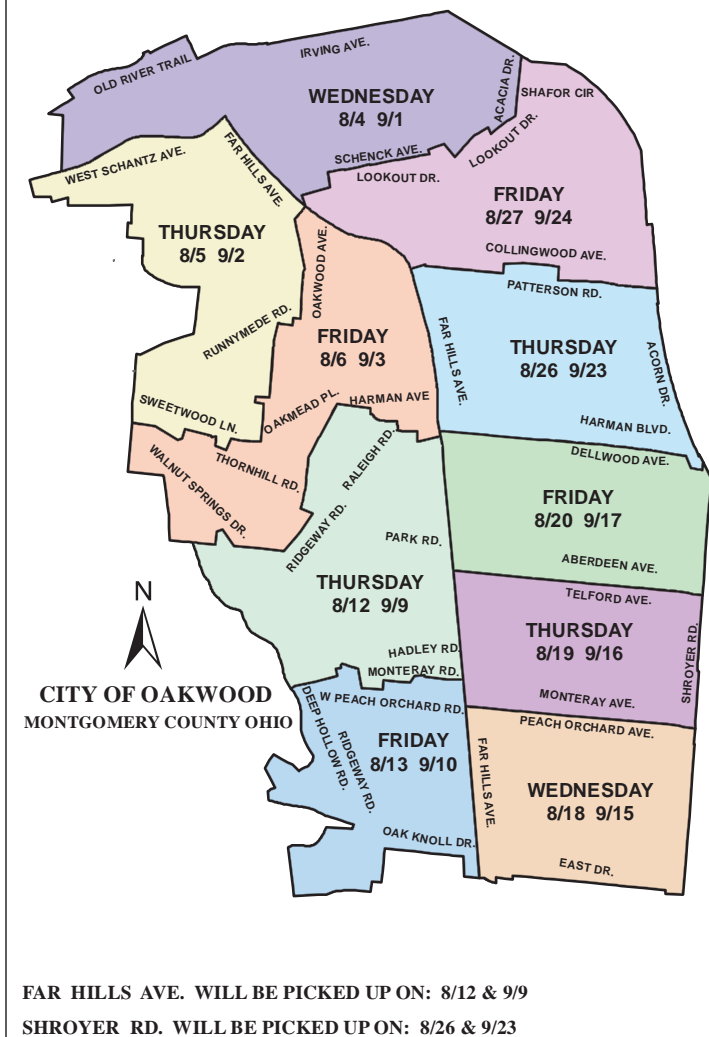
- Alexandra Jackson, 215 Rubicon Road
- Sherry Warwar, 222 Northview Road
- John & Jacqueline Hutton, 630 Runnymede Road
- David & Joanne Cronin, 140 E. Dixon Avenue
- Dan & Jennifer Lohmeyer, 331 Spirea Drive
- Andrew & Andrea Froehle, 122 Lonsdale Avenue
- Tom & Molly Walters, 427 Telford Avenue
- Thomas & Laura Alig, 348 Triangle Avenue
- James & Debra O'Donnell, 428 Orchard Drive

## Shafor Park Tennis Courts

The Shafor Park Tennis Courts were repaired over the last two months, under warranty, with no cost to the city of Oakwood or Oakwood Schools. The courts were rebuilt in 2018, but then experienced settlement in some areas of the court surface.



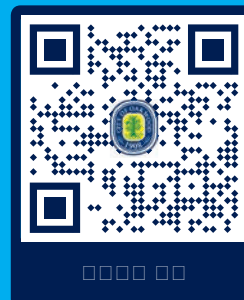
### YARD DEBRIS PICKUP SCHEDULE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2021



## The City's Website is Just a Scan Away!

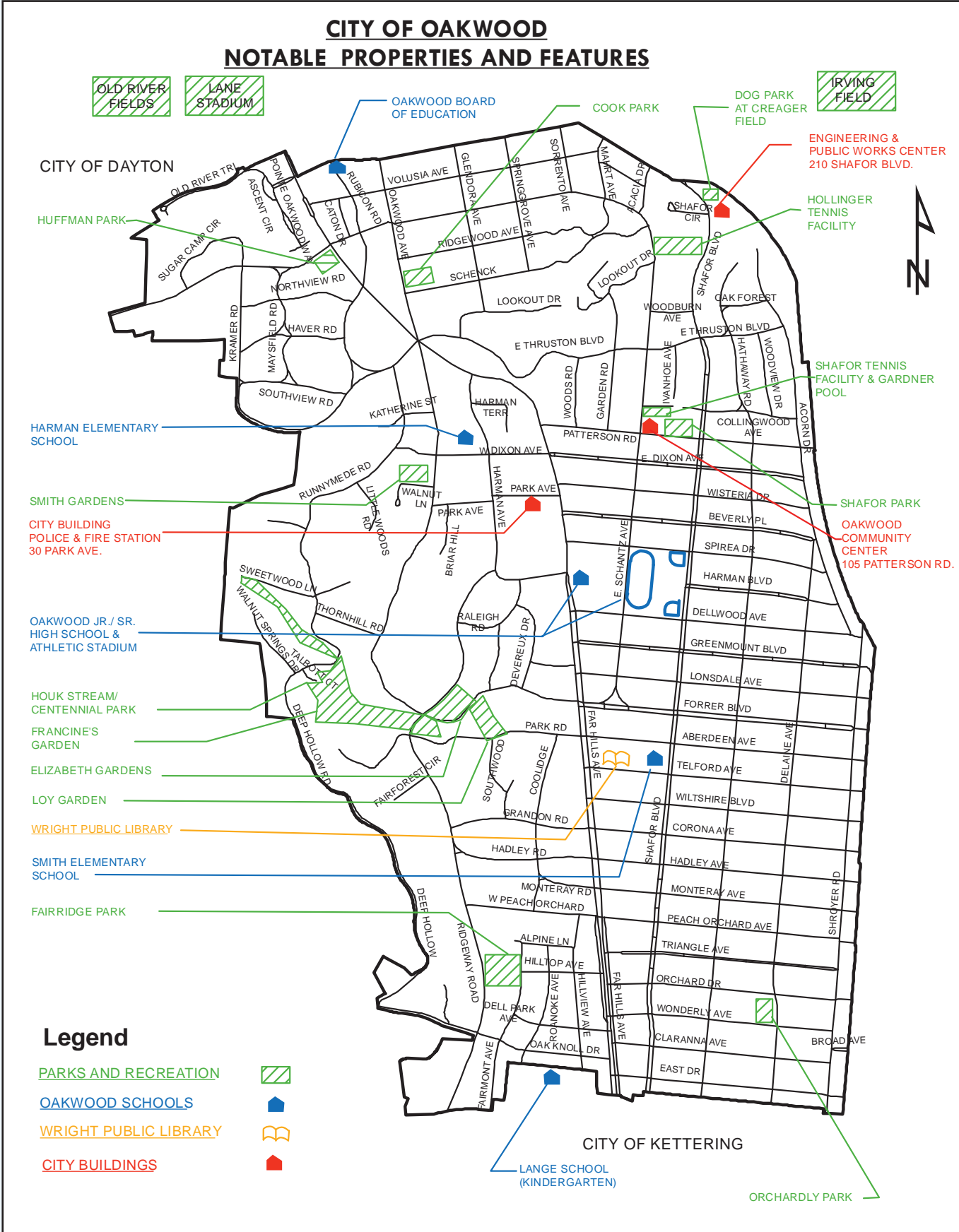
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To use the QR code to access the City's website, point your smartphone's camera at the QR code and then tap the banner that appears at the top of your device.



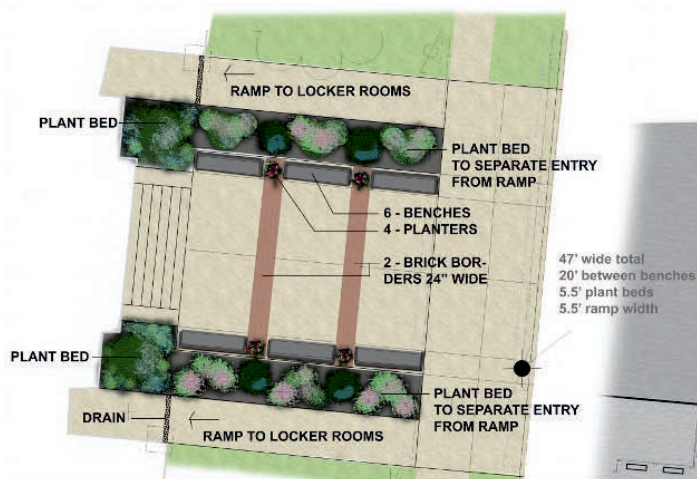
# Notable Properties and Features Map

Explore our beautiful parks, recreation facilities and natural beauty of the City's residential streets and public areas.





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Oakwood Schools are working with Jaccyn Design Group, LLC, the same landscape architecture firm that designed the Alumni Plaza on Schantz Ave. The Plaza has quickly become a popular, mixed-use space for our school, students and community since it was installed in 2019. The design for the Pit space will complement the Plaza design. The walkway space serves as a high traffic area for community members when coming to and from events at the Pit and traveling on Schantz.

Pit walkway benches will be available for a \$2,500 contribution to the Foundation and will include a commemorative plaque on the bench. The bench can be named in your or your family’s honor or in memory of a special person or organization. With a very limited number available, we expect them to go fast so if you are interested, we encourage you to reach out as soon as possible to OSF Development Director, Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschooldfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschooldfoundation.org).

## Looking for Fall 2021 Grant Applications

The Oakwood Schools Foundation has opened the fall grant applications for Oakwood teachers, principals and school administrators. The grants are designed to encourage, facilitate, recognize and reward innovative and creative instructional programs and ideas in education.

Since 1991, OSF has awarded more than \$900,000 in grants to projects to enhance learning in and outside of the classroom. Last year, OSF funded grants to supply commercial-grade air purifiers for every classroom in the District’s five buildings. OSF grants have also supported programs to bring marine life into the classroom with a saltwater aquarium, explore the natural world right outside of the classroom at Houk stream, and provide students the opportunity to hear directly from distinguished speakers on the importance of courage and conviction.

“We are proud of Oakwood Schools Foundation’s history of partnering with the community, alumni, teachers and school leaders to enhance the educational environment for Oakwood students at all grade levels,” Grants Chair Emma Butler said. “Through the support of generous donations, the Foundation is able to provide funding for excellent, innovative educational programs that enrich the learning environment for our students. We are grateful for this opportunity and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.”

For more information about the grants or to apply, visit <https://www.oakwoodschooldfoundation.org/community/osf/grants>. You can also reach out to OSF Administrative Director Bre Andrews at [bre@oakwoodschooldfoundation.org](mailto:bre@oakwoodschooldfoundation.org) or 937-297-5332.

## OSF Board of Trustees Elect New Leadership

The Oakwood Schools Foundation Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of Linda Woods as the new Board Chair and Kevin Jones as the Vice-Chair. Woods previously served as Vice Chair of the Board and has two children attending Oakwood High School. Jones, a 1983 OHS graduate, also serves on OSF’s Development Steering Committee. Woods and Jones’ two-year terms will begin July 1, 2021.



Linda Woods  
OSF Board Chair



Kevin Jones  
OSF Board Vice Chair

Woods replaces outgoing Chair, Chris Conard (OHS ’76), whose stewardship positioned OSF to be a leader in the community, expanding the scope of the Foundation’s mission to enhance excellence in Oakwood Schools.

“Under Chris’ leadership, OSF emerged from a challenging 2020 stronger than ever, with excellent momentum as we embark on new and increasingly ambitious ways of supporting the district,” Woods said. “We are grateful for Chris’ dedicated service and thrilled he is maintaining a presence on the board as Past Chair.”

The Board and its new leaders already have big plans for the 2021-2022 school year, including awarding nearly \$50,000 in grants and scholarships to Oakwood students and teachers, celebrating Homecoming Weekend with the return of the in-person Come Back Lumberjacks event in the fall at Dayton Country Club, and a new, ambitious special project for Oakwood Schools to be announced in the fall.

“Linda and Kevin will provide dynamic and bold leadership. They are the perfect choices to lead the Oakwood Schools Foundation. With their guidance and the continued support of our amazing Board of Trustees, I know OSF will be recognized as a model for what public school foundations can accomplish,” Conard said.

For more information about what the Oakwood Schools Foundation has accomplished and the group’s plans for the future, visit <https://www.oakwoodschooldfoundation.org/community/osf>.

## Broadcast Studio Fundraising Success

The next Walter Cronkite or Katie Couric WILL soon be broadcasting from OHS thanks to the Oakwood Schools Foundation and an alumni-led fundraising effort to develop a real-world broadcast studio. The school’s new, upgraded media facility will be named in honor of William “Bill” Hewitt, OHS Class of 1956. Fellow 1956 classmate Dale Hatfield and his wife Pat were instrumental to the effort, working alongside the Hewitt family.

Ongoing support for maintenance and upgrades to the studio will ensure a modern, real-world experience for years to come. A dedication honoring Hewitt, his family and project donors will be held in the fall. To make a contribution to the project, please visit: <https://www.oakwoodschooldfoundation.org/community/osf/donate-now>

The new Broadcast Studio is another powerful example of what is accomplished through the strong partnership between the District, the Oakwood Schools Foundation and the Oakwood Alumni Association.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact OSF Development Director Brandy McFall at 937-297-5332 or [brandy@oakwoodschooldfoundation.org](mailto:brandy@oakwoodschooldfoundation.org).





**SAVE THE DATE!**  
 HOMECOMING & REUNION WEEKEND  
 OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2021

[oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/alumni/homecoming-and-reunion-information)

**DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS – SEPT. 30**

The DAA banquet celebrating alumni who have made significant accomplishments in their careers or through service will be held at NCR Country Club. More information can be found at:

[oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award](http://oakwoodschoools.org/community/distinguished-alumni-award)

**FRIDAY, OCT. 1**

BOOSTERS TAILGATE and COOKOUT  
 - VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME  
 - COME BACK LUMBERJACKS HOSTED by THE OAKWOOD SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

**SATURDAY, OCT. 2**

TOUR of OAKWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
 - SELF-GUIDED TOURS of HARMAN AND SMITH

**OAKWOOD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**



**Come Back Lumberjacks!**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
 7:30-9 PM: Social Hour  
 9-11 PM: Post-Game Tailgate Party

Alumni and Oakwood Residents Welcome  
 (Must be 21 or older)

**In Person!**

*Join us...*  
 For friends, music, appetizers, and fun!

You don't want to miss this event — We have a very special announcement!

## Howard Sales

A new tradition in Oakwood sports will begin this fall thanks to the hard work of dedicated Oakwood alumni, in partnership with the Oakwood Athletic Boosters, the Oakwood Alumni Association and the Oakwood Schools Foundation.

The Howard “The Hat” Sales Memorial will be dedicated Aug. 27. The event will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with a cookout behind the home stands at Mack Hummon Stadium, followed by the dedication ceremony at 6 p.m. Don Walls will emcee the presentation, which will include special guest speakers Joe Gural, Mike Kelly and Patsy Sales.

In addition to the presentation, a book honoring the legendary Oakwood coach, as well as commemorative hats and stickers will be available for purchase to benefit the Oakwood Athletic Boosters and mark this special occasion.

Inspired by alumni support and the momentum from the Howard Sales Memorial effort, a Coaches Development Fund has been established with the Oakwood Schools Foundation for donations to support Oakwood coaches’ continued professional development to benefit students-athletes. Contributions can be made at <https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/community/osf/donate-now>.




Oakwood Schools

**BACK TO school**

**AUG. 25** 1ST-12TH  
**AUG. 30** Kindergarten

**Oakwood Schools**

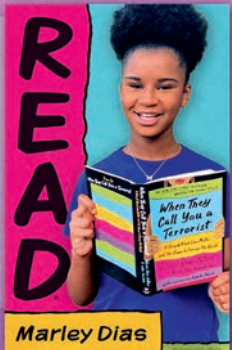
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**SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH.**

Celebrate with Honorary Chair Marley Dias.



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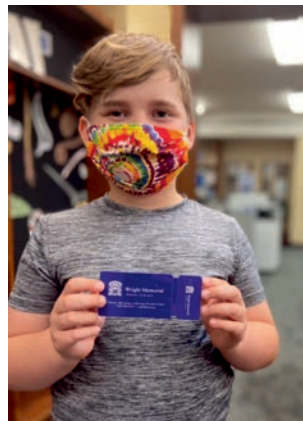
## Library Cards are the Key to Exploration, Growth, and Discovery

As school begins this fall, Wright Library will join libraries across the country to celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month in September.

We agree with Library Card Sign Up Month Honorary Chair Marley Dias when she says that “a library card is the ticket you need to travel across the globe.”

“It allows you to experience stories that can connect you to diverse and empowering experiences,” said Dias, founder of #1000BlackGirlBooks and author of “Marley Dias Gets It Done: And So Can You!”

Do you or a family member need a card? Visit the library during September, or anytime, to get your card. Or apply for a card online at [wrightlibrary.org/getacard](http://wrightlibrary.org/getacard).



*Library cards are available for any age. Miles received his first library card in June.*



## Five Ways to Put Your Card to Work

### 1. Try something new.

With a library card, you can explore new authors, genres, and book formats - from traditional print to digital and audio – without spending a dime. When was the last time you read a book of poetry, a western, or started that series your co-worker has been begging you to read? Cardholders have access to books not only in Wright Library’s collection, but from libraries across Ohio with the SearchOhio borrowing system. If you want it, we can probably find it. Take advantage and explore something new!

### 2. Access databases and courses.

Wright Library subscribes to many research databases and e-learning portals. For small business owners, job seekers, entrepreneurs, genealogy researchers, students and teachers, a library card means free access to tools to help you reach your goals. Our databases also include access to free legal forms and other everyday life resources, from trusted sources, at no cost.

### 3. Explore our Makerbox Collection.

From cake pans to pottery to car tools, Wright Library’s Makerboxes allow you to take home exciting equipment, tools, or kits so you can try something new, learn or develop a skill, accomplish practical tasks, make someone a gift, or discover a new hobby. Choose from six collections of Makerboxes: Active Play; Cake Pan; Cars and Driving; STEAM; and Tools and Gauge Collection. See the full list at [wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes](http://wrightlibrary.org/makerboxes)

### 4. Museum passes.

Wright Library cardholders can check out free passes to various local museums, including the Dayton Art Institute, Aullwood Audubon, and Learning Tree Farm.

### 5. Movies, music, games and more.

In a world of streaming media, every subscription racks up. With your library card, you can access movies, music, audiobooks and more streaming and downloadable media through services like Kanopy, Freegal, hoopla, and Overdrive. Plus, even those who have subscription services will find a broader range of options by adding these collections to your options. Movies and music can be streamed on phones and tablets as well as smart TVs and car audio systems.

Wright Library also carries physical video games for the Nintendo Switch, Xbox, and other game systems.



## Put the Library in your Pocket with the Library App!

Do you have the newly updated Wright Library app downloaded on your phone or tablet? Plug in your library card number to the app to have your card in your pocket! When you are in the building, you can use the app to checkout books by scanning your barcode on your device’s screen. Plus: parents can keep up their kids’ library account by adding the card number to the library’s newly updated app. The app allows you to search the catalog, put items on reserve, view the calendar of events, and more. Available for Android and Apple devices.





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As the lower level opens and work begins on Phase II, your library experience will be different.

- Patrons will enter the building from the new parkside entrance. For some time, the walkways on Telford and the front of the building will be closed.
- Patrons will access the main level via the elevator and a stairwell.
- Portions of the main level will be closed for construction. Some materials and services, such as computers, will be moved to new, temporary locations, including on the lower level.

- The library will remain open. However, there is a chance short closures may be necessary due to moving and construction. Any closures related to construction will be communicated on the library’s website, email newsletter, and social media.

When complete, the main level will have improved access to the main door, additional conference room, new community room, new computer area, and fireside seating. The entire project is on track to finish in late 2021 or January 2022.

## Wright Library Capital Campaign Reaches Goal

Thanks to the generosity of private donors, Wright Memorial Public Library has exceeded its \$1.5 million capital campaign fundraising goal.

The Making A Difference Capital Campaign sought private donations to support the library’s building repair and improvement project, which began in January. Total gifts and pledges to date are \$1,517,190.

This philanthropic support will help Wright Library reimagine and enhance portions of the building into 21st-century spaces for children, teens, and the community.

“We are humbled and thrilled by the support of these donors to invest in the library and community’s future,” said Library Director Kristi Hale.

The campaign began in 2020 with a \$500,000 lead gift from David L. Flory.

“Every gift, no matter the size, made a significant impact on this project,” Hale said.

All gifts of \$30,000 or more will be recognized in the new space. To see a full list of donors, visit [wrightlibrary.org](http://wrightlibrary.org).

Donors to the library’s capital campaign toured the renovated lower level in July. Together, private donors gave more than \$1.5 million to the project. The lower level is scheduled to reopen in August, with the entire project to be completed by January 2022.



*A new service desk will connect both the children’s area, teen area, and audiovisual space in the lower level.*



*The Spitzmiller family tours the future audiovisual area of the lower level during a donor tour in July.*



*Library Director Kristi Hale gives a tour of the new children’s room to the Kawai family, who donated to the capital campaign.*

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Leisure Services/Horticulture  
**937-298-0775**

## Meet Wright Library's Miss Jacqui

Known throughout the Oakwood community as Miss Jacqui, Wright Library's Jacqui Taylor brings a boisterous and inspiring spirit wherever she goes.

Taylor joined the Wright Library staff in 2013. A graduate of Xavier University, her roots in libraries go back to her school days in Pennsylvania, where she chose library service as a punishment for a school infraction. "I immediately fell in love," she said.

Taylor visits Oakwood City Schools and Hillel Academy, hosts class visits, and leads a variety of library programs for elementary students. She oversees the team of youth services staff at Wright Library, plans special exhibits, and orchestrates the annual summer reading club.

Taylor has been instrumental in planning the new children and teen areas in the library's lower level. Throughout the process, she's kept an eye on maintaining and expanding the book collection for teens, keeping a reasonable number of screens in the teen area, and creating an environment where young children can delight in books.

In particular, she's excited to bring "the outside in" with new windows and an outdoor space connected to the children's room.

"We know how much nature matters to children," she said. "This is the time of a person's greatest growth - we want them to have the very best experience possible."



Jacqui Taylor



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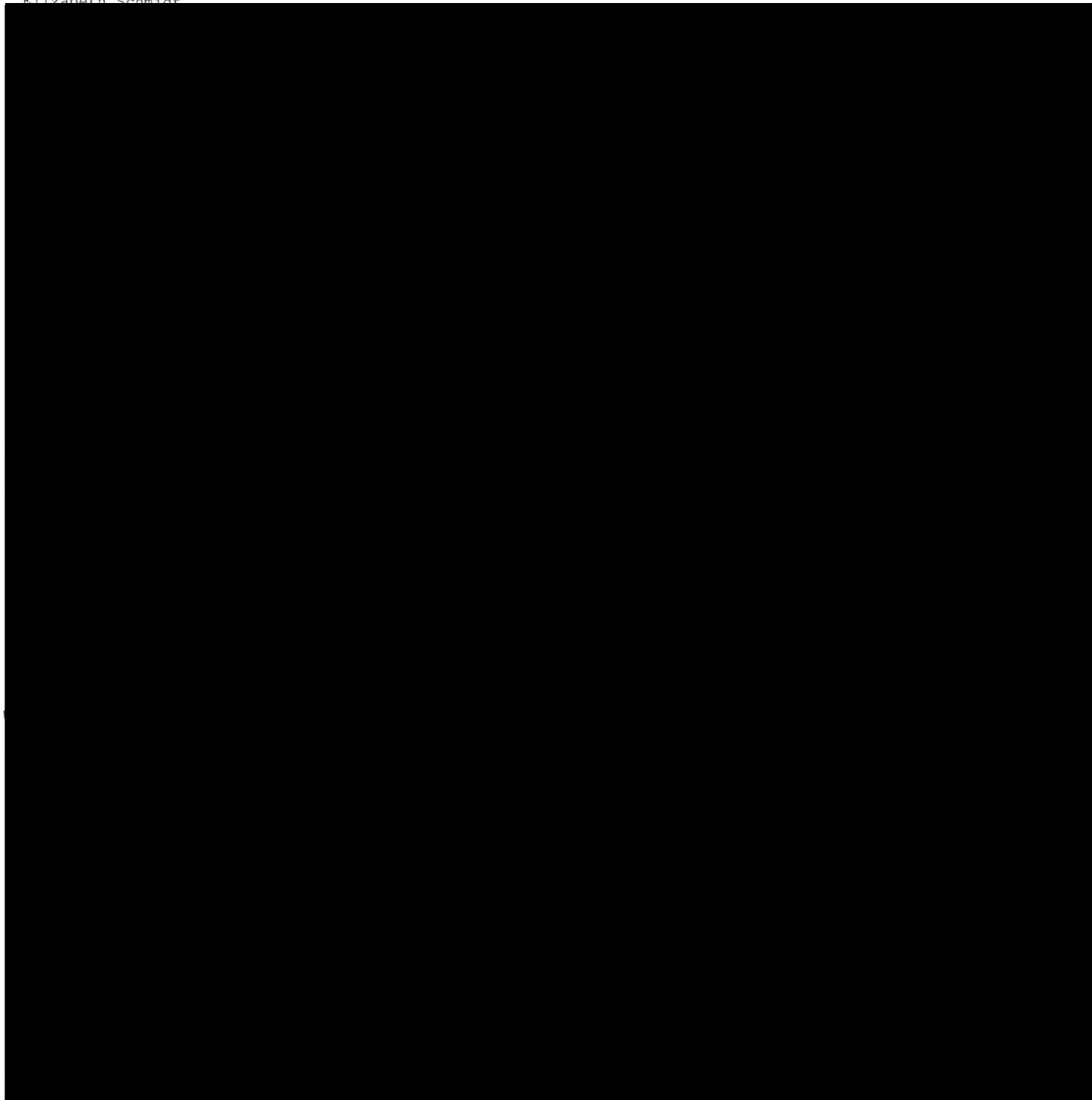
I hope you all are doing well and enjoying your summer! I wanted to let you know that today is my last day with Oakwood. It's been great working with each one of you! Gina Samson is your new Assistant Treasurer! Hopefully you all will be able to meet her in person soon, if you haven't already. If you need to contact her, her email address is [samson.gina@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:samson.gina@oakwoodschoools.org) or you can reach her at extension 11176 if you need to call over to the office.

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Join Wright Library and Magician, Storyteller and author William Pack for a fun look at the science of perception ... and deception! Aimed at Adults and Teens, but all ages welcome. Register below for the zoom link!

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Welcome! You are invited to join a meeting: Mind Games : The Science of Perception and Deception. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email about joining the meeting.

Join magician, storyteller, and author William Pack for this fun interactive event for all ages. Our brain decides how we perceive everything around us. It finds patterns and solves problems efficiently, except for when it lies to us. In this

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**From:** Arwen Feng <feng.arwen@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 7/24/2021 10:28:47 PM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: Rescheduling the Battle of the Books

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Thank you, Arwen Feng



From: Jacqui Taylor  
Sent: 7/24/2021 5:53:16 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Rescheduling the Battle of the Books

Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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**From:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Sent:** 7/26/2021 3:56:35 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Rescheduling the Battle of the Books

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**Sent:** 7/26/2021 3:22:19 PM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: Rescheduling the Battle of the Books

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Excellent! This is very helpful. Thank you, [REDACTED]

Jacqui

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 26, 2021 3:22:19 PM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor <Taylor@wrightlibrary.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Rescheduling the Battle of the Books

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**From:** Kristi Hale  
**Sent:** 7/26/2021 9:54:52 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Jacqui Taylor; Diane Bengson  
**Subject:** RE: Volunteering

[REDACTED]

Thank you for thinking of Wright Library for your volunteer hours. I've copied our teen librarian, Mrs. Bengson, and our Youth Services Coordinator, Miss Jacqui, on this request. One of them will get back with you with more information.

All the best,  
Kristi  
Director  
Wright Memorial Public Library

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 26, 2021 9:55 AM  
**To:** Kristi Hale <hale@wrightlibrary.org>  
**Subject:** Volunteering

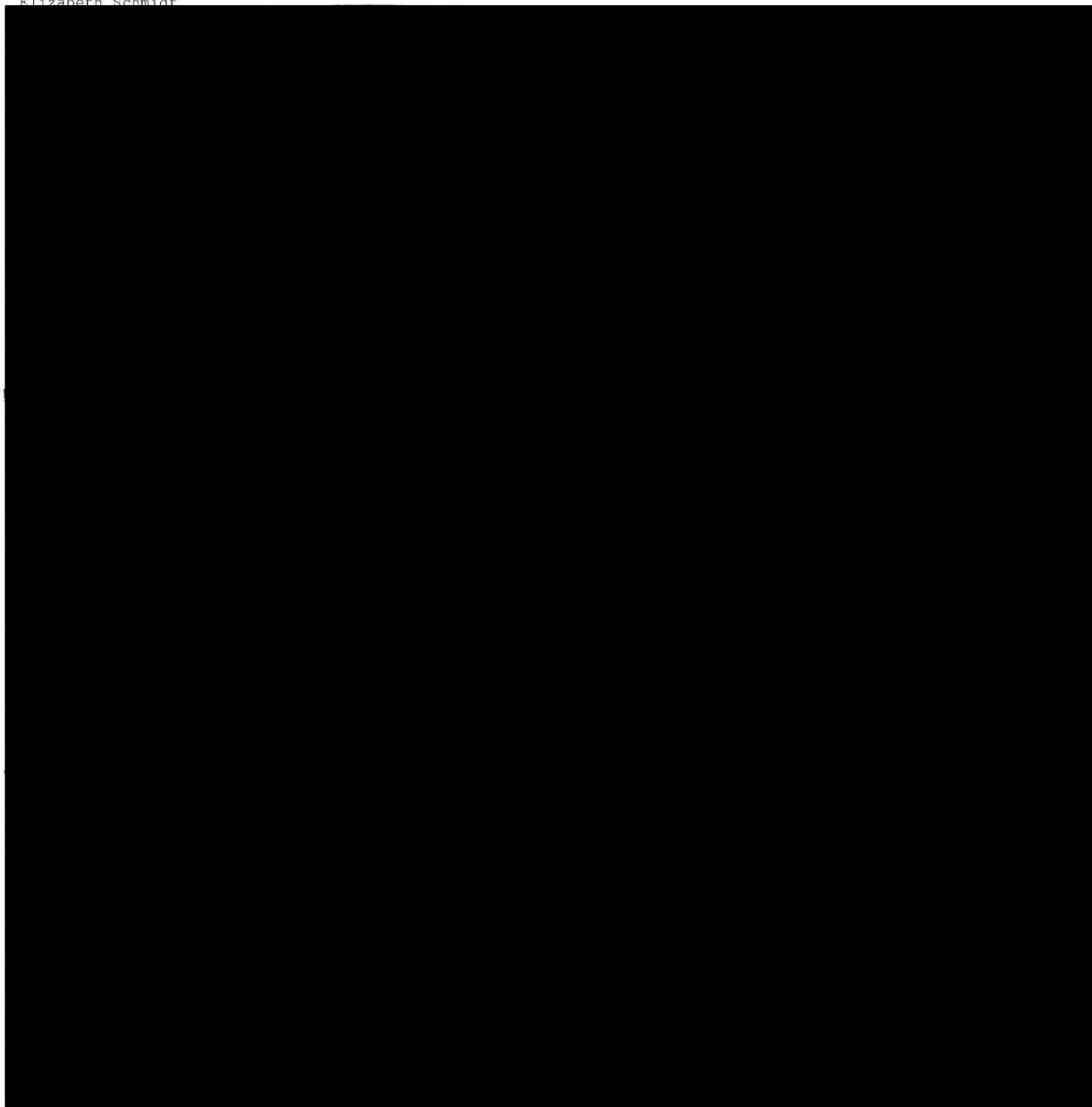
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Hi Ms. Hale,

My name is [REDACTED] I am looking to volunteer at the Wright Public Library. I am in need of volunteer hours for National Honors Society. Please let me know if you are in need of volunteers.

Thank you,  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Schmidt  
**Sent:** 7/27/2021 12:27:54 PM  
**To:** Elizabeth Schmidt  
**Bcc:**



**Subject:** Wright Library Adult Summer Reading ends July 31

**Attachments:** [image.png](#), [Outlook-alp5rlyl.png](#)

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This is the last week to submit book titles for Adult Summer Reading! All titles must be submitted by Saturday July 31st at 5pm to be eligible for our last drawing.

**[SUBMIT NOW](#)** for a chance to win:

- Wright Library mug and gift card to Panera
- Treat bag including Family pack to City BBQ
- Wright Library canvas bag, WL mug, and the book *Hidden History of Dayton Ohio* by Tony Kroeger

Participation and Bingo prizes will be available to pick up (while supplies last) until Saturday August 14

Happy Reading!





# Tales and Trails



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**From:** Kristi Hale  
**Sent:** 7/29/2021 12:33:50 PM  
**To:** Klopsch, Norbert S.;Judy G Cook;ramey.kyle@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Cc:** Jacques, Robert;Mary Hopton  
**Subject:** RE: Ohio Open Records Law Request: Collaboration with OIC

Norb/Rob,

Please let us know what your response is on scope, and we will follow accordingly. It would be great to have your help on this.

Kristi

**From:** Klopsch, Norbert S. [mailto:Klopsch@oakwood.oh.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 29, 2021 9:44 AM  
**To:** Kristi Hale <hale@wrightlibrary.org>; Judy G Cook <judygcook@woh.rr.com>; ramey.kyle@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Cc:** Jacques, Robert <Jacques@oakwood.oh.us>  
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Kristi, Judy and Kyle, Please see below. Rob Jacques is responding to it. He opines that the request is overly broad and vague. He will ask the requestor to narrow/clarify the scope of the request before we work on the proper response.

Kristi, Please add this to our Leadership Team agenda for tomorrow.

Thanks, Norb

Norbert S. Klopsch  
Oakwood City Manager  
(937) 298-0600

**From:** Stacel, Lori  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 29, 2021 7:51 AM  
**To:** Klopsch, Norbert S. <Klopsch@oakwood.oh.us>  
**Cc:** Jacques, Robert <Jacques@oakwood.oh.us>  
**Subject:** FW: Ohio Open Records Law Request: Collaboration with OIC

Norb,

I received the email below.

Thanks,  
Lori

**From:** 116934-60435202@requests.muckrock.com <116934-60435202@requests.muckrock.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 29, 2021 7:12 AM  
**To:** Stacel, Lori <stacel@oakwood.oh.us>  
**Subject:** Ohio Open Records Law Request: Collaboration with OIC

City Of Oakwood  
Ohio Open Records Law Office  
30 Park Avenue  
Oakwood, OH 45419

July 29, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Ohio Open Records Law, I hereby request the following records:

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The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days.

Sincerely,

Hal Flak

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**Sent:** 7/30/2021 7:04:50 PM  
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**Sent:** Saturday, July 24, 2021 5:53 PM  
**To:** [yoshida.nagisa@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:yoshida.nagisa@oakwoodschoools.org); [feng.arwen@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:feng.arwen@oakwoodschoools.org); [hughes.emily@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:hughes.emily@oakwoodschoools.org); [emitsch23@gmail.com](mailto:emitsch23@gmail.com); [mlrmarissa@gmail.com](mailto:mlrmarissa@gmail.com); [a\\_chiu@yahoo.com](mailto:a_chiu@yahoo.com)  
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**From:** Jacqui Taylor  
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**From:** Alana Horne (via Google Sheets) <drive-shares-dm-noreply@google.com>  
**Sent:** 7/31/2021 11:14:50 AM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Cc:** horne.bella@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Subject:** Spreadsheet shared with you: "Trivia Questions"

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 Trivia Questions

Open

From: Jacqui Taylor  
Sent: 8/1/2021 5:06:54 PM  
To: [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
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Dedication Plats - Aberdeen Avenue	\$2,940.00	100.00	\$2,940.00	\$903.00	\$2,037.00
<b>Bayer &amp; Becker Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$2,940.00</b>		<b>\$2,940.00</b>	<b>\$903.00</b>	<b>\$2,037.00</b>
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**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE** \$2,037.00

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Approved By 

Per MOU, the cost of \$2,800 to re-plat Aberdeen Avenue, is to be split 1/3 between the Library, City, and School .

Billed Amount:	\$2,940.00
Less: Out of Pocket Expenses	\$ 140.00
Re-platting Cost	<u>\$2,800.00</u>

Library portion	\$ 933.34
Oakwood City portion	\$ 933.33
Oakwood City School portion	<u>\$ 933.33</u>
Total	<u>\$2,800.00</u>

**From:** Mary Hopton  
**Sent:** 8/2/2021 3:24:36 PM  
**To:** ramey.kyle@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Cc:** Kristi Hale  
**Subject:** Aberdeen Avenue Re-platting Invoice

**Attachments:** [NCP0102.pdf](#), [image001.png](#)

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Good afternoon,

Following up on the re-platting of Aberdeen Avenue. The Library paid the final invoice for the work done by Bayer & Becker in July, so I have attached an invoice for the School's portion for \$933.33 per the MOU. Please make checks payable to Wright Memorial Public Library. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me via e-mail at [fiscalofficer@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:fiscalofficer@wrightlibrary.org) or phone at 294-7171. Thank you.

Mary  
**Mary Hopton**, Fiscal Officer



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**From:** Donna Rosenbaum <dkrcooper624@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** 8/2/2021 10:53:11 AM  
**To:** Kristina Lininger  
**Cc:** Sandi Branham; Timothy R. Gaffney  
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Got this email from Sandi at the Oakwood School Board this morning (thanks so much Sandi). Since you will be working the logistics how do you want to handle things? I can be there with you for the initial training and I think it will be pretty easy since all the presenters are using PowerPoint. It will be a matter of letting them know the preferred way to transport the file, their PC, a disk, a stick... etc.

I noticed Tim is cc'd on Sandi's email since he is the first speaker. Tim, if you can tell us how you are presenting (slides projected in PowerPoint ?) we can start working with the School Board to "train" Kris and me on how to set things up for you.

Kris, I know you at the Library are in the process of moving things due to the renovation this week. At your convenience please let me know how you want to work this. I've placed a call to Matt Sproat to get things started.

Thanks to all for your help and patience as we get the fall series launched.

Donna

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**From:** Sandi Branham <[branham.sandi@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:branham.sandi@oakwoodschoools.org)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 2, 2021 9:55 AM  
**To:** Donna Rosenbaum <[dkrcooper624@outlook.com](mailto:dkrcooper624@outlook.com)>  
**Cc:** Timothy Gaffney <[timothyrgaffney@gmail.com](mailto:timothyrgaffney@gmail.com)>; Kristina Lininger <[lininger@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:lininger@wrightlibrary.org)>; Tiffany Rubin <[trubin@oakwoodhistory.org](mailto:trubin@oakwoodhistory.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Confirmation of Far Hills Speakers Series for Sunday 19 September 2021

Good morning Donna,

The response from our Technology Supervisor regarding set up for your series is below. PLEASE NOTE: Based on recently updated guidelines from ODH and CDC, Oakwood Schools is updating school policies regarding COVID-19. I will keep you up to date as I know any changes that will impact your request to use our facilities. You can also reference our website which is being updated consistently:  
<https://www.oakwoodschoools.org/resources/oakwood-schools-covid19-plans/health-protocol>

From Matt Sproat:

Technology cannot fulfill this request without speaking with the person who will be there that night to set up. Mainly- that person will need some training and to set a date with us for testing.

Will you ask them to call me (937-297-1513 opt 3) when they are able?

Sandi Branham

Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Oakwood City Schools

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"Do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are."

Harold S. Kushner

On Wed, Jul 14, 2021 at 9:38 AM Donna Rosenbaum <[dkrcooper624@outlook.com](mailto:dkrcooper624@outlook.com)> wrote:

Tim,

First and most importantly, thank you for agreeing to be the September lecturer for the Wright Memorial Library and Oakwood Historical Society's Far Hills Speakers series. I have just received my copy of [Dayton Beer: A History of Brewing in the Miami Valley via Amazon](#) and am looking forward to reading and learning about brewing in Dayton as well as the role the Schantz family played in all of this.

As I mentioned earlier, the lecture will be at 2 pm in the Oakwood High School auditorium. I am still waiting to get answers from the Oakwood Schools on parking, entry to the building and the setup for your PowerPoint slides. As soon as I get the School's reply I will forward it to you.

As we talked, you can and should sell copies of your books and please save time to autograph the books if you desire. I have asked the school to place a table by the auditorium entry. Please let me know how you want me to handle the actual sales/payment of the books or if you will do that yourself.

Finally, while I can piece together your bio and a summary of your presentation using Google, if you would please send me what you want to be highlighted in the publicity for the lecture. I will be writing press releases that will go to the Historical Society and the Library so that we can publicize your lecture. Based on deadlines for newsletters, displays at the Library, etc. would you please get any information to my by the end of July?

Kris (library staff) and I will continue to email you with updates on details.

The Library and I are so glad to have you as our first speaker for the fall series. What better topic than beer to start the fall!

Warm regards,

Donna

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**From:** Diane Bengson  
**Sent:** 8/5/2021 12:24:54 PM  
**To:** Natalia Rubin-Alvarez; Isabel Rubin-Alvarez; Caterina Tian-Svobodny; Azalea Biteau; Sarah Connell; kierasw4@gmail.com; PIPER ASHLEY; Emery Gowdy; ellamarie.m.jones@gmail.com; yettak05@gmail.com; weigand.ashley@oakwoodschoools.org; Sofia Wiegand; sebastianroederer05@gmail.com; ware.elena@oakwoodschoools.org; Alexander Carlton; katyanddon@hotmail.com; Erin Nye; frances.peters@mvschool.com; Yetta Krummel-Adkins;  
**Subject:** Important moving news for volunteers  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi Volunteers!

As it often goes with renovating projects, we have encountered a delay. We will not be opening the lower level with the Youth Services and Teen areas until **August 16**.

This will affect your volunteer time for the library in several ways.

Here's how it may affect you:

- 1.) Volunteering for off-site projects: A new option is to volunteer for a project that benefits the library, but is not done at the library. This includes reading a teen book and writing a review (specific books will be given to you, and there are four), writing for the library blog, doing a video book review, a video reading promotion, or other approved video for the library's YouTube channel. The time you earn for these projects is specific, as well as the guidelines. Please contact me before you do any of these projects for full instructions. **These options begin on August 9.**
- 2.) No volunteering in the library 8/2-8/8: There will be no volunteering opportunities from August 2-August 8.
- 3.) Volunteering in the library 8/9-8/17: There will be very limited volunteering opportunities at the library during this time. Please contact me by email or call the Youth Services Department before coming. This is definitely on a first come basis, and will likely not last the week.
- 4.) Book Buddies at the library tables: I now strongly recommend you find an alternate meeting place from August 2-17. Once we open the lower level, you will have more spaces to meet. Consider one of the parks in Oakwood or your Little Buddy's front porch or yard.
- 5.) Book Buddies on the outside benches: Also, some of the benches in front of the library will be moving, and on August 16 the front door and likely the front bench area will be fenced off. You will want to plan for an alternate place to meet with your Little Book Buddy, such as an Oakwood park or your Little Buddy's front porch or yard.
- 6.) Youth Services books unavailable: All Youth Services books (including Easy Readers for Book Buddies and the Teen collection) will be unavailable from August 2-9. There will be limited availability during the week of August 9-15. You will not be able to browse for books, but we should be able to locate most books for you.
- 7.) Volunteer Hours Book: Just ask! I'm not sure where it will be living.
- 8.) Computers: While this doesn't directly affect your volunteering, the public desktop computers are likely to be unavailable for part of this time. We should have laptops available to borrow to use within the library on the days we are open. You must have a Wright Library card and a laptop form signed by a parent or guardian to use the computers.

Thank you again for your patience with our transition. Please email me if you have any questions!

Warmly,



**Diane Bengson** Youth Service and Teen Librarian  
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**From:** Michael Wadham <wadham.michael@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/5/2021 8:09:25 PM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: Offer of Help from the Library

**Attachments:** [image001.png](#), [image005.jpg](#), [image006.jpg](#), [image007.jpg](#), [image008.jpg](#)

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Hello!

I appreciate you always thinking of me! I will take a look and let you know if I have any questions or would like additional help!

I hope you have had time to relax and enjoy the sunshine this summer!

:)

On Sun, Jul 11, 2021 at 1:07 PM Jacqui Taylor <[Taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:Taylor@wrightlibrary.org)> wrote:

Hello Mr. Wadham!

I hope you're feeling nourished by the restorative delights of summer. If anyone deserves a summer of refreshment and empowerment, it's awesome School Counselors like you! As for me, I just continue feeling grateful, grateful, grateful for good days, simple social interactions, and loving relationships. The older I get, the more I appreciate the age-old advice that today is a present.

Anyway, I had a thought about your awesome Google Sheet today: have you ever explored the Library of Congress's online catalog (aka LOC OPAC)? They don't have *everything* digitized, but their print resources number in the hundreds of millions, so searching their OPAC will undoubtedly be fruitful. I mean, they literally write the book on how to metadata and organize library materials! If we plug your headings into the LOC OPAC using the Browse function, treasure troves may unveil themselves! I gave it a try today with the word "empathy" and learned about a book coming out in 2021. It sounds perfect for your Sheet!

Take a look at the book here: <https://lccn.loc.gov/2006017062>

You can browse the LOC OPAC here: <https://catalog.loc.gov/index.html> (note: choose *Browse* from the drop-down menu next to the search bar before pressing the magnifying glass)

If you'd like to do a Zoom meeting for a walk-through of how this works, I'd be happy to!

Wishing you well,

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Jacqui

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**From:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 2, 2021 6:56 PM  
**To:** Michael Wadham <[wadham.michael@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:wadham.michael@oakwoodschoools.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: Offer of Help from the Library

Michael, you've blown me out of the water. What a treasure you have in that Google Sheet! No, correction: what a treasure you have **created** in that Google Sheet!

Are you going to share it at conferences? Even if "just" peer-to-peer, I think you can create tremendous good by expanding the usability of the Sheet, rather than necessarily adding more titles to it. As your librarian, here's what I suggest:



- **Add an ISBN column.** The quickest way to find a book is its ISBN. It works on commercial and non-commercial sites (including library catalogs) and remains the same, no matter what language a book is published in.
- **Add links to the Workbook/Activities columns.** If the information in this column refers to materials you've generated yourself, then let's skip this column in the Shared version for now.
- **Define your Grades column.** Are you using publisher-provided information for this? Cataloging-in-Publication data?
- **Add a Reader column.** This would be where you suggest the book for read-aloud, paired parent-child reading, paired teacher-child reading, paired counselor-child reading, individual reading by the child, etc etc etc.
- **Create lists of the titles in WorldCat.** This non-commercial site is used by libraries quite literally around the world to share information about what books are in their collections. Not every library in the world is in WorldCat, but major systems from Columbus, Ohio to Seoul, Korea and medium libraries everywhere in between are on it. This would allow people you share the files with to see if a library near them carries the title. This is a list I recently made for books we're adding to the Wright Library's collection:  
<https://www.worldcat.org/profiles/PAOHUK/lists/4015095>
- **Consider aligning subject wording with Library of Congress.** I'll have to expand more on this later. I've got to go close the library for the night. But please DO give me a call any time you're available to talk about the awesome potential of your creation. I work from home this Wednesday and Friday, so I've included my cell phone below.

Excitedly,

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**From:** Michael Wadham [<mailto:wadham.michael@oakwoodschoools.org>]

**Sent:** Monday, March 1, 2021 2:26 PM

**To:** Jacqui Taylor <[Taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:Taylor@wrightlibrary.org)>

**Subject:** Re: Offer of Help from the Library

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Hi!

It's so good to hear from you. What a breath of fresh air! Some of my year has been spent collecting books and organizing them by "topic," so I can use them easily for club meetings, activities, and classroom lessons. It's been a big undertaking, but one that I have thoroughly enjoyed (and continue to enjoy!) I've attached my doc here, so you can see it if you like!

I was wondering if you had anything like this as well, and perhaps we could collaborate on it!

Thanks again for reaching out and spreading your sunshine.



[MY BOOKS \(by topic\)](#)

On Sun, Feb 28, 2021 at 7:55 PM Jacqui Taylor <[Taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:Taylor@wrightlibrary.org)> wrote:

Wow! The world never sits still.

School friends, you've got a friend at the Library. If my staff and I can help in any way, shape, or form, with this this March 15 transition, please let us know. We are entirely open to outrageous requests—the students' mental health and happiness are of the utmost importance to us!

I will have my staff adapt our programs for the week of March 7 to focus on character traits of adaptability/flexibility in the face of change, and books with distinctively school-positive plots.

All the best,

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Please, share some [Good News](#) with us!

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**From:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Sent:** 8/6/2021 11:09:45 AM  
**To:** Michael Wadham  
**Subject:** DEI committee?

**Attachments:** [Older Adults Book List--Young \(2\).pdf](#), [image003.png](#)

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Hiya Mr. Wadham,

I heard from somebody who heard from somebody that you and a school coworker have a Diversity, Equity, Inclusion committee or initiative or the like. Is that true? If so, how can I help? I feel mortified that you may have shared the spreadsheet with me for that purpose, and I completely missed the point. Books aren't the only thing that I do, but I HAVE been working on book lists for the Oakwood Inclusion Coalition this summer. Example attached.

Best,

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[taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:taylor@wrightlibrary.org)

**From:** Tim Badenhop <badenhop.tim@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/6/2021 3:08:03 PM  
**To:** Katy Marre;Mindi Ashworth;Emily Sullivan;Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: Request

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Dr. Marre,

Thank you for contacting me, and congratulations on your retirement! I have copied this message to our Library-Media Specialist (Mindi Ashworth) and to our English Department Chair (Emily Sullivan). I have also included Jacqui Taylor from Wright Library, as we partner closely with Wright Library as well.

I would have to imagine that we are interested in reviewing and accepting your generous offer, but if permitted I would like to defer to Emily, Mindi, and Jacqui regarding how best to proceed. They are the most knowledgeable about what our collections already include and what may fit most closely with our students' curriculum and interests, and I would very much trust their input regarding how the books may best be honored and distributed.

Is there a timeframe you have in mind? Our new school year begins on August 25th, and I'm not sure what their collective availability may look like leading up to or soon after that. If you were thinking very soon, though, perhaps we could meet for me to gather the books and then be back in touch after Emily, Mindi, and Jacqui have reviewed them.

Thank you again for your generous offer, and I look forward to hearing more soon!

Tim

(P.S. I haven't yet pursued a doctoral degree, so you get to be the only doctor on this email :-)).

On Wed, Aug 4, 2021 at 2:06 PM Katy Marre <[kitayun.marre@gmail.com](mailto:kitayun.marre@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Dr. Badenhop,

I am a retired professor from the University of Dayton Department of English Literature & Language. I worked at UD for close to fifty years teaching British, American, and European (including Homer and Virgil) poetry, novels, and essays (including Writing). My area of speciality is James Joyce.

I worked at UD as a full-time faculty member, working also in Graduate Studies as Associate Vice President for Graduate Studies & Research for several years.

As I am retired, I would like to donate some of my books to your library, if you will have them. They are in very good condition; some are "rare" by now. Kindly let me know if you would be interested in having them for your library.

I would be happy to come and talk with you more about the books I have, if you would like me to do so. I live just about two blocks from the School, in Oakwood.

Thank you,  
Katy Marre

Katy E. Marre, Ph.D.  
Professor Emerita  
Assoc. Vice President, Graduate  
Studies & Research (Ret.)  
University of Dayton

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Tim Badenhop  
Principal, Oakwood Junior High  
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**From:** Elaine Fultz <fultz.elaine@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/9/2021 9:55:42 AM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Lumberjack books 21-22

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We are meeting Thursday to finalize the list, but here are our "for sure" titles as of today.

All Thirteen (Soontornvat)  
Canyon's Edge (Bowling)  
Lion of Mars (Holm)  
Measuring Up (LeMotte/Xu)  
The Mysterious Disappearance of Aidan... (Levithan)  
Root Magic (Royce)  
Wink (Harrell)  
Wish in the Dark (Soontornvat)

We will be doing "wild cards" again.  
One of Smith's will be Chirp (Messner)

We'll give you the full list by Friday. Thanks for your cooperation with this. Hopefully we can have some collaborative events this year?! Are you thinking about anything for Open House - Aug 23?

Let's talk soon.  
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Mz. Elaine Fultz, MLS  
School Library Media Specialist  
[Smith Elementary](#)  
Oakwood City Schools  
[Race and Diversity resources](#)

*"And this I believe: that the free, exploring mind of the individual human is the most valuable thing in the world."  
~John Steinbeck*

**From:** Mary Hopton  
**Sent:** 8/13/2021 10:19:58 AM  
**To:** Dan Schall  
**Subject:** FW: Aberdeen Avenue Re-platting Invoice

**Attachments:** [NCP0102.pdf](#), [image001.png](#)

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Dan:

Hope all is well with you. I haven't heard anything back from Kyle, so I am forwarding it. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

Mary

**Mary Hopton**, Fiscal Officer  
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**From:** Mary Hopton  
**Sent:** Monday, August 2, 2021 3:25 PM  
**To:** [ramey.kyle@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:ramey.kyle@oakwoodschoools.org)  
**Cc:** Kristi Hale <[hale@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:hale@wrightlibrary.org)>  
**Subject:** Aberdeen Avenue Re-platting Invoice

Good afternoon,

Following up on the re-platting of Aberdeen Avenue. The Library paid the final invoice for the work done by Bayer & Becker in July, so I have attached an invoice for the School's portion for \$933.33 per the MOU. Please make checks payable to Wright Memorial Public Library. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me via e-mail at [fiscalofficer@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:fiscalofficer@wrightlibrary.org) or phone at 294-7171. Thank you.

Mary

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**Sent:** 8/14/2021 2:42:42 PM  
**To:** Tim Badenhop;Mindi Ashworth;Emily Sullivan  
**Subject:** Re: Request

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Tim, thank you for looping me in on Dr. Marre's generous offer.

Dr. Marre, it's a delight to hear of the treasure you have accumulated, and that you wish to find the right readers for them.

The books deserve to find good readers, and readers deserve to find the books!

Unfortunately, while the Wright Library is under construction we have no space in our collection to add the books. Construction is expected to continue until at least January 2022. Furthermore, the Wright Library paused its acceptance of materials donations when COVID began, and has not yet resumed this mutually beneficial service. Unfortunately, Wright Library is unable to accept the donation, Dr. Marre.

All that said, if you are open to alternative suggestions for donating the materials, Wright Library has a collaborative relationship with a nearby underserved school called DECA. One of their campuses is very close to UD, so you may already be familiar. I would be happy to make an introduction between you and the school, and assist in the process of making the materials available to DECA students.

Thank you and please let me know if I can help.

All the best,

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**Sent:** Friday, August 6, 2021 3:08:03 PM  
**To:** Katy Marre <kitayun.marre@gmail.com>; Mindi Ashworth <ashworth.mindi@oakwoodschoools.org>; Emily Sullivan <sullivan.emily@oakwoodschoools.org>; Jacqui Taylor <Taylor@wrightlibrary.org>  
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Katy E. Marre, Ph.D.  
Professor Emerita  
Assoc. Vice President, Graduate  
Studies & Research (Ret.)  
University of Dayton

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Tim Badenhop  
Principal, Oakwood Junior High  
Associate Principal, Oakwood High School

**From:** Kayleigh Davidson <davidson.kayleigh@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/17/2021 2:02:38 PM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** World Postcard Day

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Hello beautiful soul!

Third grade at Harman is doing a postcard project for the year (sending postcards around the world with the website Postcrossing).

Does the library plan on celebrating this event? I think 2021 is the 2nd year of celebrating.

Just curious.

Thanks!

Kayleigh Davidson  
3rd Grade Teacher  
Harman School  
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**From:** Donna Rosenbaum <dkrcooper624@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** 8/18/2021 3:16:47 PM  
**To:** sproat.matt@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Cc:** Kristina Lininger;Elizabeth Schmidt;Tiffany Rubin  
**Subject:** Is there a video recording possibility for the Library/Historical Society Lectures

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Matt,

I know we are meeting with you on 1 September but so we, the planning team, have some time to react if the answer is a negative, I need to ask if the High School Auditorium will have an option to record the lectures. With the pandemic and the lectures being done via Zoom last spring, the Library found that recording the presentations using YouTube and then releasing them brought even greater viewership following the lecture itself. Do you have the capability to do something like this for us?

We really appreciate all the help you are giving us to make our new location for the series go smoothly. Look forward our upcoming meeting.

Donna

**From:** Holly Ford <ford.holly@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/23/2021 2:25:19 PM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Harman's "unique" & wildcard titles

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Hello Jacqui!

I hope you've had a relaxing summer and are looking forward to the start of the school year. Elaine said she reached out to give you the "core list" of LRL titles for this year. I'm not sure if she mentioned that each building will have their own 3 "unique" building titles and 2 wildcards. I wanted to let you know what those are for Harman. :)

**Harman Unique titles will be:**

One Time by Sharon Creech  
Unplugged by Gordon Korman  
The Longest Night of Charlie Noon by Christopher Edge

**Harman Wildcard titles will be:**

Bernice Buttman, Model Citizen by Niki Lenz  
Blackbird Girls by Anne Blankman



**From:**  
**Sent:** 8/23/2021 3:28:48 PM  
**To:** Holly Ford <ford.holly@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Harman's "unique" & wildcard titles

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Hi Holly!

Welcome back to the school year—I am cheering you on from afar!

Yes, Elaine sent the list earlier today. It included the Harman Unique titles and Harman Wildcards. How did you and Elaine

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**From:** Holly Ford [mailto:ford.holly@oakwoodschoools.org]  
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Hello Jacqui!

I hope you've had a relaxing summer and are looking forward to the start of the school year. Elaine said she reached out to give you the "core list" of LRL titles for this year. I'm not sure if she mentioned that each building will have their own 3 "unique" building titles and 2 wildcards. I wanted to let you know what those are for Harman. :)

**Harman Unique titles will be:**

One Time by Sharon Creech  
Unplugged by Gordon Korman  
The Longest Night of Charlie Noon by Christopher Edge

**Harman Wildcard titles will be:**

Bernice Buttman, Model Citizen by Niki Lenz  
Blackbird Girls by Anne Blankman



**From:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Sent:** 8/23/2021 11:07:30 AM  
**To:** Elaine Fultz  
**Subject:** Re: the whole list

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I love your spreadsheet! Data management par excellence.

We'll get these ordered right away, in anticipation of a rush of readers!

Thanks very much, and good luck with the first week of the new school year!

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Jacqui

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**From:** Elaine Fultz <fultz.elaine@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2021 10:12 AM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor <Taylor@wrightlibrary.org>  
**Subject:** the whole list

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**From:** Elaine Fultz <fultz.elaine@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/23/2021 10:12:03 AM  
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**From:** Rachel Balsbaugh <balsbaugh.rachel@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/24/2021 2:20:23 PM  
**To:** Karen Mills  
**Subject:** Storytimes?

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Rachel Balsbaugh  
Preschool Teacher  
Smith Elementary  
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**From:** Mindi Ashworth <ashworth.mindi@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/25/2021 8:10:11 PM  
**To:** Kate Chesar  
**Subject:** Leave of absence Re: Wright Library Update and Library Card Sign Up Month

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I am on a leave of absence to care for my children. Please contact Libby Steeves for assistance.

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Mindi Ashworth  
Library-Media Specialist, OJH/OHS  
District Mentor for Schools PLP students  
(937) 297-5325  
<https://ohs.oakwoodschoools.org/oakwood-high-school/library>

Currently reading *Any Way the Wind Blows* by Rainbow Rowell. Follow my other reads by "friending" me on [Goodreads!](#)

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**From:** Kate Chesar  
**Sent:** 8/25/2021 8:07:32 PM  
**To:** fultz.elaine@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Cc:** Tracy Staley  
**Subject:** Wright Library Update and Library Card Sign Up Month

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**From:** Kate Chesar  
**Sent:** 8/25/2021 8:10:05 PM  
**To:** ashworth.mindi@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Cc:** Tracy Staley  
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**From:**  
**Sent:** 8/25/2021 7:59:21 PM  
**To:** fultz.elaine@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Cc:** Tracy Staley <tracy@greatstoriesllc.com>  
**Subject:** Wright Library Update and Library Card Sign Up Month

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**From:** Holly Ford <ford.holly@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/26/2021 9:59:22 AM  
**To:** Kate Chesar  
**Subject:** National Lib Card

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**From:** Kate Chesar  
**Sent:** 8/26/2021 4:50:27 PM  
**To:** Holly Ford  
**Cc:** Tracy Staley  
**Subject:** Re: National Lib Card

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Thanks, Holly. That's great!

We will send the info along and drop the bookmarks off as soon as we prepare them.

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**From:** Holly Ford <ford.holly@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 26, 2021 9:59 AM  
**To:** Kate Chesar <chesar@wrightlibrary.org>  
**Subject:** National Lib Card

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**Sent:** 8/26/2021 9:42:08 AM  
**To:** Kate Chesar  
**Subject:** Re: Wright Library Update and Library Card Sign Up Month

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550 for Smith, please. I talk up the public libraries ALL the time. This will be great. Thanks so much.  
Mz. Fultz

On Wed, Aug 25, 2021 at 8:07 PM Kate Chesar <[chesar@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:chesar@wrightlibrary.org)> wrote:

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**From:** Kate Chesar  
**Sent:** 8/27/2021 10:41:36 AM  
**To:** Libby Steeves  
**Cc:** Tracy Staley;steeves.libby@oakwoodschoools.org  
**Subject:** RE: Wright Library Update and Library Card Sign Up Month

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Thanks again, wishing you a great weekend as well!

Kate

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**From:** Libby Steeves [mailto:libbysteeves@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2021 10:28 AM  
**To:** Kate Chesar <chesar@wrightlibrary.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Wright Library Update and Library Card Sign Up Month

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Have a great weekend!

Libby

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Thanks,  
Kate

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**From:** Kate Chesar  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2021 8:25 PM  
**To:** [libbysteeves@yahoo.com](mailto:libbysteeves@yahoo.com)  
**Cc:** Tracy Staley <[tracy@greatstorieslc.com](mailto:tracy@greatstorieslc.com)>  
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**From:** Karen Mills  
**Sent:** 8/30/2021 10:30:29 AM  
**To:** Rachel Balsbaugh  
**Subject:** Re: Storytimes?  
**Attachments:** [Outlook-1461777549.png](#)

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Hi Rachel!

Thank you for reaching out about storytimes this fall! I was on vacation last week, so I apologize for my delayed response.

I'm scheduled to work nights on Thursdays, so I will only be able to visit preschools on Wednesdays this fall--do each of the classes have room in their schedules on Wednesdays? If so, I'll be glad to visit and meet with the classes outside. When the weather is bad, would you like to meet in real-time over Zoom, etc, or would you prefer a recorded storytime like I made for the classes last school year that you and the other teachers could access any time?

Karen



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**From:** Rachel Balsbaugh <[balsbaugh.rachel@oakwoodschoools.org](mailto:balsbaugh.rachel@oakwoodschoools.org)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2021 2:20 PM  
**To:** Karen Mills <[mills@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:mills@wrightlibrary.org)>  
**Subject:** Storytimes?

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Hi Karen,

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Preschool Teacher  
Smith Elementary  
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**From:** Donna Rosenbaum <dkrcooper624@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** 8/30/2021 10:39:12 AM  
**To:** Sandi Branham  
**Cc:** Kristina Lininger  
**Subject:** RE: Upcoming Series

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As of now we are still planning to go ahead with the series in the auditorium. All publicity is stating that masks must be worn and the Historical Society will also have paper masks to had out at the door. If things worsen and indoor events are not to be held we will revert to Zoom. Fingers crossed things with COVID improve but we do have alternative plans.

Thanks for checking in. We will follow Oakwood Schools lead on this.

Donna

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**From:** Sandi Branham <branham.sandi@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 30, 2021 10:34 AM  
**To:** Donna Rosenbaum <dkrcooper624@outlook.com>  
**Subject:** Upcoming Series

Hi Donna,

I had a note to reach out to you to confirm your upcoming event to be held in the OHS Auditorium.

Have you made any revisions to your plans for COVID?

Sandi Branham  
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent  
Oakwood City Schools  
(937) 297-5332  
[www.oakwoodschoools.org](http://www.oakwoodschoools.org)

*"Do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are."  
Harold S. Kushner*

**From:** Libby Steeves <steeves.libby@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 8/30/2021 10:00:51 AM  
**To:** Kate Chesar  
**Subject:** Re: Wright Library Update and Library Card Sign Up Month

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Hi Kate,

I would like to have 50 bookmarks to distribute to students.

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**Cc:** Tracy Staley <[tracy@greatstoriesllc.com](mailto:tracy@greatstoriesllc.com)>  
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**From:** Donna Rosenbaum <dkrcooper624@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** 9/1/2021 3:47:49 PM  
**To:** Sandi Branham  
**Cc:** sproat.matt@oakwoodschoools.org;Kristina Lininger;Timothy Gaffney;Karen Bartley  
**Subject:** Physical setup for 9/19 Far Hills Speakers Series

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Sandi,

Kris, Tim and I met with Matt this afternoon. There are some items and details that we need to make sure this lecture series comes off well.

For Oakwood Schools:

1. Please have someone available to let Kris and Tim in the building about 1:15 pm on the 19<sup>th</sup>. That person will also lock up after we leave. That will be approximately 3:30 pm.
2. We need two folding tables. One set up on each side of the auditorium lobby for the Historical Society to display information and distribute masks. The second table will allow our speaker to sell and autograph books following his lecture.
3. We would like a large bulletin board or white board also in the auditorium lobby. This will be used to display a 40"x48" map that shows the locations of the various breweries.
4. Matt is looking for the microphones and will place them in the box on the stage with the remotes for the projector.
5. Please make sure there is a podium on the stage for Tim to use as he presents.
6. Does the school system have a tripod that holds a cell phone and if so can it be brought to the auditorium? Since the school does not have recording capability, Matt suggested using a cell phone to record the presentation. The library can then post the recording to YouTube after the presentation.

Kris, Matt and Tim

7. Kris will bring her laptop to the school next week and work with Matt to make sure the Library's laptop is compatible with the High Schools connections. Tim will provide Kris with a file to test.

Karen

8. Please arrive on the 19<sup>th</sup> in enough time to set up the Historical Society table prior to the lecture. The school will be providing the table for you. We will be announcing that Tim will be selling and autographing books after the presentation. The Historical Society is fine to sell before and after the lecture.

All our publicity will mention entering the auditorium via the south entrance only as well as stating all attendees will be asked to mask regardless of vaccination status and to socially distance. If Oakwood Schools does have to go virtual, we are prepared to do the series virtually. Publicity will state the backup plan which will be based on what Oakwood Schools do.

It was a most productive meeting and thank you and Matt for your time and help in making this Fall Far Hills Speaker Series a success.

If you have any questions please let me know. And if I've missed something please let me know.

Donna

**From:** Michael Wadham <wadham.michael@oakwoodschoools.org>  
**Sent:** 9/1/2021 3:17:11 PM  
**To:** Jacqui Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: DEI committee?

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Hello!

We do have an EDI Task Force in the district, of which I am a part, yes! I didn't share the spreadsheet with you for any other reason than I knew you'd appreciate it, and thought you might enjoy seeing the titles I have and how I organized it. I also love that you gave me feedback, and have begun adding some fields on your suggestions -- thank you!

I know that Traci Hale was compiling lists of books for EDI purposes. If you have any more lists, for folks of all ages (students, staff, families), I would love to pass them along to her!

Thank you, as always, for your enthusiastic support! You're a bright gem in our community. <3

On Fri, Aug 6, 2021 at 11:10 AM Jacqui Taylor <[Taylor@wrightlibrary.org](mailto:Taylor@wrightlibrary.org)> wrote:

Hiya Mr. Wadham,

I heard from somebody who heard from somebody that you and a school coworker have a Diversity, Equity, Inclusion committee or initiative or the like. Is that true? If so, how can I help? I feel mortified that you may have shared the spreadsheet with me for that purpose, and I completely missed the point. Books aren't the only thing that I do, but I HAVE been working on book lists for the Oakwood Inclusion Coalition this summer. Example attached.

Best,

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HTML body	<p><b>CAUTION:</b> This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.</p> <p>Just a reminder of our meeting today. Tim is meeting us with his presentation so that we can make certain things work right when we go live.</p> <p>We should meet outside the Auditorium, which is entered through the main front doors of the HS which are on Far Hills. Matt (Sproat), please keep an eye out for us. We will all be wearing masks and for those of us driving there, parking should be easiest on Dellwood or Spirea.</p> <p>See you this afternoon. Matt, thank you for doing this for us.</p> <p>Donna</p>
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