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RISING TO THE CHALLENGE
Director’s Message

The Hudson Library reflects the vibrant, complex and constantly evolving community we serve. In response to growing expectations and increased customer usage, in 2018 the Library initiated a series of new services, diversified and expanded its collections, provided thought-provoking and culturally enriching programming and constructed dynamic new physical spaces. We accomplished all this despite the challenge of a major facility emergency.

And to top off this year’s achievements, we were selected yet again as a Five Star Library, climbing even higher in the rankings.

In the coming year we will continue to build upon our vision for the future, embarking on exciting new initiatives tailored to meet Hudson’s growing needs.

Leslie

Launching New Ventures

- Renovated first and second floors of building
- Constructed Creativity Lab
- Purchased NAO robot technology for programming
- Deployed Extron system for simultaneous broadcasting of programs
- Deployed “EggBot” 3D technology
- Expanded Friday morning programming
- Collaborated with Akron Symphony Orchestra
- Deployed AWE “After School Edge” computers in Children’s Room
- Preservation Project: Civil War Sword

Financial Facts

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Women’s Studies Series
author
Cecile Richards

Baldwin-Babcock Series
Story Teller/Folk Singer
Livingston Taylor

Flood Family Lecture
Former White House Counsel
author
John Dean

Nancy Reagan’s Press Secretary
author
Sheila Tate

Baldwin-Babcock Series
Polar Explorer
author
Robert Swan

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The library helps our community thrive

**Enrichment** to support early literacy

**Music** to inspire & educate

**Business support** to generate entrepreneurial success

**STEM** to cultivate innovation

**The Arts** to stimulate creativity

The Hudson Library & Historical Society was recognized as one of the finest libraries in the nation in 2018 and was awarded the coveted FIVE-STAR ranking by Library Journal for a 6th time.