Annual Report
2019
Aspiring to New Heights

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Hudson Library & Historical Society Annual Report
**2019**

**The Hudson Library** represents the very best of democratic traditions. We welcome all, offering free resources, services and continuing education opportunities as well as provide a venue for our community to gather, share ideas and learn from one another. No other institution in Hudson serves so many people in so many different ways. Our commitment to inclusivity, along with our ability to continuously adapt to Hudson’s changing needs has kept us relevant and vital. This past year, responding to customer expectations, the library enhanced its resource collections, expanded programming initiatives and offered innovative new services. At the same time, we experienced momentous growth in customer usage as record numbers of people attended lectures and workshops, received individual assistance and mentoring support and checked out large numbers of print and digital materials. And to top off the year’s achievements, we were selected yet again as a Five Star Library.

In 2020 we will build upon these successes to meet and hopefully exceed Hudson’s needs.

- Leslie

**LAUNCHING NEW VENTURES**

- Completed Second Floor Renovations
- Went Fine Free
- Deployed Creativity Lab
- Installed New Audio/Video System in South Flood Room
- Installed LED Fixtures Throughout Building
- Established Marjie Origlio “Mrs. O” Collection of Children’s Books
- Preservation Project: Moses Thompson Saddlebags

**FINANCIAL FACTS**

**2019 REVENUE**

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<th>Source</th>
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<td>Ohio Public Library Fund (PLF)</td>
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<td>Fines &amp; Other Income</td>
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<td>Carryover 1/1/2019</td>
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<td>Donations &amp; Grants</td>
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<td>Earnings on Endowments</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td><strong>$5,524,766</strong></td>
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**2019 EXPENDITURES**

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- **28** miles walked during walking tours
- **54,696** people in attendance
- **1,481** summer reading participants
- **758** signatures notarized
- **1,192,296** total internet & wifi sessions
- **146,038** physical items circulated
- **189,539** digital circulations
- **195** technology programs offered
- **195** most circulated titles
- **260** top attended author programs
- **300** questions answered

**Highlights 2019**

- Jeff Flake
  - Former U.S. Senator
  - Flood Family Endowment Fund & Baldwin-Babcock Endowment Fund
- Dr. Michael Roizen
  - Chief Wellness Officer at the Cleveland Clinic
- Shannon Watts
  - Libby Walker Women's Studies Lecture Series
- Keith Law
  - ESPN Sports Writer
- Andrew McCabe
  - Former Deputy Director of the FBI
  - Baldwin-Babcock Endowment Fund
- Sister Helen Prejean
  - Libby Walker Women's Studies Lecture Series
- Nelson & Alex DeMille

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**TOP ATTENDED AUTHOR PROGRAMS**

1. John Grisham
2. Nora Roberts
3. Sheryl Sandberg
4. Michelle Obama
5. Sherman Alexie

**MOST CIRCULATED TITLES**

1. *Where the Crawdads Sing*
2. *Educated*
3. *Dune: Part One Deed*
4. *Two Blind Mice*
5. *Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children*
The library helps our community thrive

The Hudson Library & Historical Society was recognized as one of the finest libraries in the nation in 2019 and was awarded the coveted FIVE-STAR ranking by Library Journal for the 7th time.

THE ARTS TO STIMULATE CREATIVITY

STEM TO CULTIVATE INNOVATION

BUSINESS SUPPORT TO GENERATE JOB CREATION & SUCCESS

MUSIC TO INSPIRE & EDUCATE

ENRICHMENT TO SUPPORT EARLY LITERACY