Meet our Newest Board Member

Joni Copas joined the Lane Libraries Board of Trustees at the beginning of 2022. Originally from Hamilton and a graduate of Taft High School, she and her husband Joe have traveled via the Armed Forces to Oklahoma, South Carolina, and back home to Hamilton to start a family.

Joni started her career with the Hamilton City Schools in 1995 as the Director of Communications and served for 26 years until her retirement in February, 2021. Joni loves to read, travel, and spend time with her 3 children and 3 grandchildren.

Joni believes that reading and literacy are very important and are the first skill anyone needs for their education. Books take you anywhere you want to go. Upon beginning her tenure as a board member she stated, “I’m excited to see the library continue to thrive and expand its outreach to our service area. It is a great asset and an instrumental part in the success of our community.”

Thank you, Joni, for your service to the community through the Lane Libraries Board of Trustees.

COMICS PLUS
READ ALL THE COMICS!

With Comics Plus, you have unlimited access to thousands of digital comics, graphic novels, and manga from a variety of library-friendly publishers.

Every title is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on your computer, tablet or phone!

Year Round Book Sales

You can enjoy a selection of gently used books for sale year round in our libraries. The Friends of the Oxford Lane Library hold a monthly sale in the library lobby the first Saturday of each month, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The Friends of the Hamilton-Fairfield Lane Libraries keep fully stocked book sale areas at the Hamilton and Fairfield Lane Libraries that are available for browsing during open hours. Stop in and find some great bargains while supporting your Lane Libraries!
SUMMER READING PROGRAM
FOR ADULTS
JUNE 1 - AUGUST 1

Why should kids have all the fun? Join us for our 9th annual adult summer reading program! Adults 18 and over are invited to participate for a chance to win one of several grand prizes of gift cards and summer themed items valued at $50! For every book, audiobook or eBook you read between June 1 and August 1, you gain points towards an entry to win one of the prizes. Sign up to participate and log your reading at www.lanepl.org/summerreading. The more you read, the better your chance to win!

OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Youth summer calendars are available at all Lane locations and all of our free programs are online at www.lanepl.org/events.

Don’t miss out on all the free fun happening for all ages this summer at your Lane Libraries!
HAMILTON LANE LIBRARY ADULT PROGRAMS

Computer Tutor Service
Make an appointment with a member of the Reference Team to learn about email accounts, computer basics, Internet basics, eReaders, Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Ancestry.com.

Nonprofit Resource Help
Make an appointment at the Reference Desk to have a librarian assist you with Candid nonprofit resources and researching grants. Learn more about how the library can help your organization locate grants and obtain funding.

Cummins Room Appointments
Make an appointment with Smith History Library & Cummins Local History Room Manager Brad Spurlock for assistance with your genealogy and local history research. Contact Brad at b.spurlock@lanepl.org or 523-3035, ext. 1225.

Adult Writing Contest
Submissions accepted June 1 - July 31
Winners chosen August 15
Calling all adult writers! Enter your original short story or poem for a chance to win a prize. Visit www.lanepl.org/adultswrite for details.

Busy Bag Building
Thursday, June 2, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Are you a preschool parent/caregiver looking for ways to keep the kids occupied in the summer while honing their early literacy skills? Then join us for our busy bag program! We’ll provide the ideas and supplies for you to assemble and take.

Cultural Academy
Saturdays, June 4, July 16 & August 13
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Follow us “down the rabbit hole” as each monthly theme leads us to learn and leap genre to genre in the fields of music, art, literature, poetry and more! Bring your inquisitive mind and prepare to become “curiouser and curiouser”:
June 4 — Wild West
July 16 — Americana
August 13 — Erie Canal

Lane Listening Party
Just press play to discover a whole new world of music! Curated playlists of music both old and new will be released monthly via a link to Freegal (one of Lane’s music databases for library patrons).
June 6 — Camping Songs
July 1 — Patriotic Music
August 1 — Water Music

Tuesday’s Titles
Tuesdays, June 7, July 5 & August 2
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Join us each month for entertaining discussions of novel reads.
June 7 — My Monticello by Jocelyn Nichole Johnson
July 5 — One Two Three by Laurie Frankel
August 2 — Ridgeline: A Novel by Michael Punke

Life in the Craft Lane
Tuesdays, June 7, July 5 & August 2
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Crafters and non-crafters unite and put your DIY skills to the test. Join us each month as we try a new craft at either the Hamilton or Fairfield Lane Library.
June 7 — Mini Zen Garden @ Fairfield
July 5 — Seashell Wind Chimes @ Hamilton
August 2 — Mandala Sand Art @ Fairfield

Only Murders in the Library
Wednesdays, June 8, July 13 & August 10
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Join us for a “Meeting of the Minds” as we delve deep into some outdoorsy true crime podcasts this summer. Listen to these episodes before each program to prepare for the discussion.
June 8 — Fish Head Beach Camping Murders (Misconduct: a true crime podcast) Episode #29 July 20, 2017
July 13 — The Torrey Pines Beach Murders (Crime Junkie Podcast) “Barbara Nantais and Claire Hough” July 23, 2018
August 10 — The Trailside Killer (Corpus Delicti) Episode #75 February 2, 2019

Registration is required.
Book club copies are available.
Crafts to Grow!
Released on Mondays, June 13, July 11 & August 15
Love crafts but short on time? This summer, grab one of these garden-themed take & make crafts and get creative!
June 13 – Upcycled Bird Feeder
July 11 – Herb Garden Starter
August 15 – Macrame Succulent Holder

Lane’s Learning Center
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Posted at 9:00 a.m.
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June 15 – Chemistry Coach
June 29 – Early Childhood Education
July 6 – Enhancing Your Computer Skills
July 20 – Historical Maps of Ohio
August 17 – Comics Plus

In the Garden
Saturdays, June 25, July 23 & August 27
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Connect with other community gardeners monthly to discuss different gardening topics, share knowledge and experience the love of gardening together!
June 25 – Self Sustaining Water Systems
July 23 – Managing Garden Harvests (Guest Speaker Amy Carmichael)
August 27 – Saving Seeds

Camp Lane
300 N. Third Street
Hamilton, OH 45011
(513) 894-7158

Party on the Plaza
Saturday, May 28, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
All ages
Drop in to sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge and celebrate the start of the season with a camp themed good time! Activities include live music from accordionist Gerhard Albinus, camp craft stations (including tie dye!), outdoor games, s’mores and more!

Book Lodge
Tuesdays, June 14, 28, July 12 & 26
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
A summer series of book reviews and discussion live from the canteen! Refreshments will be served.
June 14 – *Passing* by Nella Larsen,
Reviewer: Charla Hale
June 28 – *The Christie Affair* by Nina de Gramont,
Reviewer: Kelli Lyon Johnson
July 12 – *The Other Wes Moore: One Name, Two Fates* by Wes Moore, Reviewer: Ty Smallwood
July 26 – *Autumn: A Novel* by Ali Smith,
Reviewer: Mike Busam

Camp Time
Thursdays, June 16, 23, July 14 & 21
Experience camp for adults!
June 16, 8:30 p.m. – Camp movie in Marcum Park featuring “Troop Beverly Hills” *(Movie begins at dusk.)*
June 23, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. – Arts & Crafts (nature journals, clay crafts and friendship bracelets) at the Hamilton Lane Library
July 14, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. – Rowing on the River *(Meet at the Great Miami Rowing Center, 110 North B St.)*
July 21, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. – Outdoor Ice Cream Social at the Hamilton Lane Library

Twilight Campfire
Friday, July 29, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Held outside in front of the library
Spend an evening around the campfire with author, paranormal researcher and director of The Ghosts of Ohio paranormal research organization, James A. Willis, as he shares some chilling tales. Refreshments provided.
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**Book Clubs**

*Note: For most online book clubs, copies of the physical book can be picked up at the library and digital copies can be accessed through our online resources. Zoom meeting information can be found in our online calendar.*

**Fantastical Fiction**

* Weekly, June 8, July 13 & August 10
  *6:30 - 7:30 p.m.*
  
  Engage either in person or on Zoom for a spirited discussion of trending titles in fantasy, mystery, thriller, sci-fi, paranormal and horror.

  - June 8 – *Book of Night* by Holly Black
  - July 13 – *Hotel Magnifique* by Emily J. Taylor
  - August 10 – *The Princess Bride* by William Goldman

**Third Monday Book Club**

* Weekly, June 20, July 18 & August 15
  *6:30 - 7:30 p.m.*
  
  Gather either in person or on Zoom for our popular fiction and nonfiction book club!

  - June 20 – *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid
  - July 18 – *Olga Dies Dreaming* by Xochitl Gonzalez
  - August 15 – *Stitches: A Memoir* by David Small

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**Sea Swept Cinema**

* Sundays, June 5, July 3, 31 & August 28
  *2:00 - 4:00 p.m.*

All ages

Cool off with a magical afternoon filled with fun films and a few snacks!

  - June 5 – “Atlantic: The Lost Empire”
  - July 3 – “Finding Nemo”
  - July 31 – “Lilo & Stitch”
  - August 28 – “Moana”

**Doggie Tales**

* Sundays, June 12, July 10 & August 14
  *2:00 - 3:00 p.m.*

All ages

Practice your reading skills with 4 Paws for Ability therapy dogs and service dogs in training. Readers of all ages and abilities are welcome!

Call (513) 858-3238, ext. 1321 or stop at the desk to register for a 15-minute session.

**Lane’s Learning Center**

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  *Posted at 9:00 a.m.*

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Ages 18 - up
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Summer Reading Kickoff: Adult Trivia Night  R
Friday, June 3, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Adults, leave the kids at home, gather your squad and come mark the beginning of our “Ocean of Possibilities” summer reading challenge with a trivia night of challenging literary trivia! If you don’t have a team, come on in and make one on the spot with others. Soda and snacks will be provided.

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August 17 – Comics Plus

Third Thursday Book Club  R
Thursdays, June 16, July 21 & August 18
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Join us for a lively discussion on a variety of books.
June 16 – The Violin Conspiracy by Brendan Slocumb
July 21 – This Time Tomorrow by Emma Straub
August 18 – The Maid by Nita Prose

The Book Crew  R
Tuesdays, June 21, July 19 & August 16
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Local Oxford Restaurant
Enjoy great food, drink and conversation as we discuss the month's book at a local Oxford restaurant. Purchase of drinks and food optional. Location information will be emailed to registrants.
June 21 – The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak
July 19 – The Sentence by Louise Erdrich
August 16 – The Secret Keeper of Jaipur by Alka Joshi

Garden Series: Part Two
Too Good to Waste  R
Saturday, June 18, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Lynn White from Butler County Soil and Water Conservation District will teach the basics and benefits of composting. This is a great learning opportunity for anyone interested in turning their food waste into compost. Vermicompost (worm composting) will also be on the agenda.

Can it! Freeze it! Dry it! Bake it!  R
Sunday, August 7, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
After all the hard work of tending to your garden, you finally get to reap the benefits. Come hear about the ways you can prepare and preserve your harvest.

Flower Farm Experience at Little Creek Farm  R
Saturday, August 27, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Put on some good walking shoes, bring a bottle of water and join us for a tour of a working flower farm just outside of Eaton, Ohio! Location information will be emailed to registrants.

Seed Saving  R
Tuesday, August 30, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Join Tess Catlin, Lane’s seed expert, and learn about the basics of saving seeds.

Perspectives in Parenting Book Club  R
Thursday, August 25, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Join us for a discussion of How to Raise an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi. Copies will be available at the Children’s Reference Desk starting in early July.

441 S. Locust Street
Oxford, OH 45056
(513) 523-7531
HELP! One-on-One Sessions  
We provide individualized assistance on computer basics, downloading library books, using the laser cutter, 3D printing and more. Call to make a one-hour appointment!

Virtual Reality  
The Tech Center has its very own HTC Vive Headset! Experience first-hand the exciting world of VR with our room scale setup. Book your VR experience via phone or email. Children under 13 require adult supervision.

Light Up with PRIDE!  
Wednesdays, June 1 & 15  
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Ages 12 - up  
Create some fun rainbow accessories to wear using Arduino microcontrollers.

Open Lab Hours  
Every Thursday, June 2 - August 25  
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
All ages  
Drop in to ask questions regarding your device, our online services, or to test your computer knowledge with our Northstar Digital Literacy database! A staff member will be on hand to help you. Need more in-depth help? Schedule a one-on-one session with a staff member.

Summer Spotlight Series with the BCRTA!  
**Session 1:**  
**Transportation for Kids & their Caregivers**  
Saturday, June 4, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
All ages  
Riding on public transportation is a lot different than taking the school bus! Are you a young person or caregiver who has a question about bus transportation and safety this summer? Would you like to take the bus, or send your child, but you’re not sure how it all works? Learn to use BCRTA’s smartphone app and other services in this kid-friendly program.

**Session 2:**  
**Get to Work - Job Connections with BCRTA**  
Thursday, July 28, 7:00 p.m.  
Can you use public transportation to get to work, interviews, appointments and other important activities? Yes, you can! You can even use your smartphone to catch a ride right at your door! Meet a trainer from the Butler County Regional Transit Authority and learn how to get where you’re going.

**Session 3:**  
**Transportation for YOU!**  
Tuesday, August 23, 3:00 p.m.  
Midday appointments, shopping trips and more - just getting there is half the battle! With smartphone apps, trip planners and door-to-door pickups, riding the bus isn’t like it used to be. Meet a trainer from the Butler County Regional Transit Authority and learn how to get where you’re going! Can’t attend the in-person travel training? Visit our YouTube channel and watch this live training from the Butler County Regional Transit Authority. A library staff member will be on hand to answer your questions in the chat.

Downtown Hamilton Book Club  
**Tuesdays, June 21, July 19 & August 16**  
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  
Do you live or work in downtown Hamilton? Do you like to read eBooks or listen to audiobooks on Hoopla? If so, then this is the book club for you! Bring your lunch and join us for a laid back, casual discussion.  
* (Continued next column)  
June 21 – *Song of Achilles* by Madeline Miller  
July 19 – *The Henna Artist* by Alka Joshi  
August 16 – *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig

**Bring Your Own Book Club (BYOBC)**  
**Tuesdays, June 21, July 19 & August 16**  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Choose whatever book you want that fits the theme, and join us on Discord for a lively discussion! Share your thoughts anytime, or join the librarian-lead discussion hours. Email us for the Discord link.  
* (Continued next column)  
June – On the Beach Reads  
July – Re-reads  
August – Colors

**Senior Sessions**  
**Tuesdays, June 28, July 26, August 30**  
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Seniors  
Want to brush up on your tech skills? Join us on the last Tuesday of each month to learn about a different tech topic.  
* (Continued next column)  
June 28 – Texting and Messaging  
July 26 – Google docs, sheets and more  
August 30 – Social Media and Networking

**Virtual Reality at Lane! (Posted to YouTube)**  
**Tuesday, July 26**  
Check out Lane’s YouTube channel for a look into what sort of Virtual Reality experiences are offered at the Lane Libraries.
Whether you’d just like recommendations for a summer read or want to earn extra points toward prizes in Lane’s Summer Reading Adventure, enjoy these reading lists chosen by our expert staff. To participate in the Summer Reading Adventure and see the complete reading lists, log into your free account at lane.readsquared.com and select titles from the reading lists for your age group.

“OASIS OF THE SEAS” • Sail Through Your Vacation Reads

“HMS BEAGLE” • Discover New & Recent Releases

“RMS OLYMPIC” • Set a Course through History & Biography

“NAUTILUS” • Dive into Science Fiction & Fantasy

“BOATY MCBOATFACE” • Explore An Ocean of Possibilities

Visit www.lanepl.org/summerreading to join the challenge!
BOOKMOBILE
Summer Community Stops

The Bookmobile will be closed on Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day. Schedule is subject to change due to road and traffic conditions and vehicle maintenance requirements.

Mondays, June 6 - August 15

Meadows of Indian Springs
Rolling Route
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
Meadows of Indian Springs neighborhood, Fairfield Twp: Indian Meadows Dr, Shady Meadows Dr, Tuscarora Ct, Echo Springs Dr, Crowfoot Dr, Shady Meadows Dr, Creekside Dr
Flag down the Bookmobile to check out books! If you miss us on the route, we'll be at the corner of Shady Meadows and Creekside until 1:00 p.m.

Fairfield Twp Park
1:15 - 2:00 p.m.
Corner of Millikin Rd. & Morris Rd., Fairfield Twp

Lakewood Rolling Route
2:15 - 3:15 p.m.
Lakewood neighborhood, Fairfield Twp: Dawn Dr, Oak Spring Dr, Spring Lake Dr, Lakewood Dr
Flag down the Bookmobile to check out books! If you miss us on the route, we'll be at the Clubhouse until 3:15 p.m.

Shafer's Run Community Park
3:30 - 4:15 p.m.
6485 Vonnie Vale Ct, Fairfield Twp

Every Monday

Meadows of Indian Springs
Wal-Mart Fairfield Twp
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
3201 Princeton Rd

Booker T Washington Community Center
5:45 - 6:45 p.m.
1140 S Front St, Hamilton

Every Wednesday

Queen of Peace
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
2550 Millville Ave

Darrtown
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Corner of Hamilton-Richmond Rd and Oxford St

Every Thursday

Dry Run/Ross Trails Rolling Route
3:00 - 4:15 p.m.
Dry Run and Ross Trails neighborhoods, Ross: Moeller Dr, Bruce Dr, Scottwood Dr, Jennifer Dr, Quercus Dr, Brown Farm Dr, Robina Ln, Longhorn Dr, Ross Trails Dr
Flag down the Bookmobile to check out books! If you miss us along the route, we'll be at the intersection of Longhorn Dr and Ross Trails Dr until 4:15 p.m.

Fridays, June 3 - August 12

Bridgeport Rolling Route
12:00 - 1:15 p.m.
Washington and Random Hills areas, Hamilton: Cleveland Ave, Hermay Dr, NW Washington Blvd, Cleveland Ave, Tabor Ln, Thall Dr, Taturn Ln, Bridgeport Dr
Flag down the Bookmobile to check out books! If you miss us on the route, we'll be at Bridgeport Elementary until 1:15 p.m.

Millikin Woods Sprayground
1:30 - 2:15 p.m.
194 NW Washington Blvd, Hamilton

Neilan & Pershing Playground
2:45 - 3:30 p.m.
Chestnut St, Hamilton
**Coffee and a Book**
Join us as we share good books and good coffee.

**Hamilton** • **Lane Administration Center, 1396 University Blvd, Hamilton**
Wednesdays, June 8, July 13 & August 10, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
June 8 – *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro
July 13 – *French Braid* by Anne Tyler
August 10 – *The Reading List* by Sara Nisha Adams

**Oxford** • **The Oxford Coffee Company, Lynn St**
Saturdays, June 11, July 9 & August 13, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
June 11 – *The Reading List* by Sara Nisha Adams
July 9 – *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro
August 13 – *French Braid* by Anne Tyler

**Fairfield** • **Lane Administration Center, 1396 University Blvd, Hamilton**
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**Novel Needles**
Tuesdays, June 28, July 26 & August 23
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Lane Administration Center
Join the club! Knit (or crochet) with a group.
All ages and skill levels are welcome.
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Holiday Closings
The Lane Libraries will be closed:

Independence Day
Monday, July 4

Labor Day
Monday, September 5