

Press Release

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Patrick Jolly promoted to Facilities Manager

Geauga County – Jan. 7, 2016 – Geauga County Public Library is pleased to announce that Patrick H. Jolly has been promoted to Facilities Manager. In his new role, Patrick is responsible for making high-level decisions pertaining to the maintenance and construction projects of all seven GCPL locations, as well as assessing the condition and upkeep of the library's fleet of vehicles. Troubleshooting and assessing building and vehicle issues are key components of this position as is negotiating with vendors and managing staff.

Patrick was hired at GCPL in 1992 as a maintenance worker. He demonstrated considerable skill and diligence performing building maintenance and landscaping. He also contributed to building redesign projects. In 2001, he was promoted to the position of Assistant Head of Facilities. Since then, his role has expanded to include supervising the delivery schedule and field projects along with conducting Facilities Department training and system-wide OSHA training.

"Patrick has a strong work ethic, vast facilities experience and extensive knowledge about our library system," says GCPL Director Ed Worso. "He's mindful of building safety, structure and aesthetics. Plus, he's a joy to work with. He has demonstrated leadership on numerous projects. We are pleased to offer him this position and feel fortunate to have him on our staff."

In addition to working at GCPL, Patrick has made a name for himself as "Banjo the Clown" – a one-man entertainment act that performed magic, juggling and balloon art for community events. He also is a direct descendant of American Revolutionary Statesman Patrick Henry. He has portrayed Patrick Henry in two movies, and is the annual speaker at the Fourth of July celebration at Patrick Henry's former home in Red Hill, Virginia. He also enjoys distance running and playing several instruments including drums, guitar, mandolin and harmonica. Peanut M&Ms are his weakness. He lives in East Claridon with his wife and children.



About the Geauga County Public Library

The Geauga County Public Library includes four full-service community libraries in Bainbridge, Chardon, Chesterland (Geauga West) and Middlefield; two library stations housed in schools in Newbury and Thompson; one Bookmobile that serves farms, nursing homes and nursery schools; and one administrative center where technical services, computer services, facilities and administrative functions reside. GCPL has more than 610,000 books and eBooks. The collection also contains more than 100,000 audio / video items and 109 research databases available through its website. GCPL is a member of the SearchOhio / OhioLINK consortium, giving patrons access to more than 66 million items. Learn more about the Geauga County Public Library at GeaugaLibrary.net. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn for news and updates.

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