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## THE STATE OF WAGNALLS

Monday, April 24, 2006 at 7:00 PM will be a special evening of sharing and learning. We extend an invitation to you to attend this important event taking place in the Wagnalls Memorial Auditorium.

We will be reviewing progress steps taken and outlining some planning for the future.

Information will be covered to help answer questions such as:

- Is Wagnalls going to survive?
- What are the financial resources that Wagnalls has?
- How will Wagnalls pay off the debt to the Stebelton family?
- What general progress and financial progress has been made at Wagnalls?
- What are the plans to sustain Wagnalls for the future?



You may recall previous newsletter headlines that help tell the story:

- May / June .....EXCITING THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT WAGNALLS
- July / Aug .....COMMUNITY & INDIVIDUAL HELP NECESSARY
- Sept / Oct .....GOOD STEPS TAKEN MORE STEPS NECESSARY YOU CAN HELP!!
- Nov / Dec .....PLEASE CONSIDER A GIFT TO WAGNALLS

**Support is critical for the future of Wagnalls.** Please join us April 24<sup>th</sup> to find out how you can help.

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## CHINESE NEW YEAR –YEAR OF THE DOG– CELEBRATED IN MUSEUM.

Between January 22 and February 12, 2006, we will have on exhibit additional items from our Chinese collection that were graciously given by the late Col. and Mrs. Seth Dildine. Items that will be displayed include tapestries, clothing and other artifacts.

We thank Ms. Teresa Satola, our resident art teacher, for assisting with designing and displaying of the exhibit.

The museum is open during normal office hours. A special opening on Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> is planned with a movie matinee.



## NEW YEAR, NEW OPPORTUNITY

In 2005, we enjoyed new programs from the Wagnalls Family Theatre and the movies return. Both of these additions were very successful, yet could be more so with extra hands to help. As you set your New Year's resolutions, won't you add "time invested in Wagnalls" to your list? Our small staff and small group of volunteers would love to have your company and just imagine how much better our Wagnalls could be. Please consider the opportunities below and give us a call at (614) 837-4765 to lend a hand.

#### Library:

- ♦ Book Repair
- ♦ Materials Processing

#### Theatre:

- ♦ Actor
- ♦ Backstage hand
- ♦ Usher
- ♦ Concession worker
- ♦ Publicity
- ♦ Theatre member

#### Movies:

- ♦ Concession worker
- ♦ Publicity
- ♦ Planning team member

#### Museum:

- ♦ Docent/tour guide during special events and by request

#### Foundation offices:

- ♦ Assist with mailings
- ♦ Distribute publicity
- ♦ Grounds maintenance



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# THE WAGNALLS LIBRARY

## LIBRARY HOURS

### Monday

10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

### Tuesday

3:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### Wednesday

10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

### Thursday

3:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### Friday - Closed

### Saturday

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

### Sunday

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
(September to May)

614.837.4765

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Library Director - Ext 113

estorts@wagnallslibrary.org

www.wagnallslibrary.org



The Owl's  
Nest  
Bookstore

### Hours:

Mon.	11:00 — 2:00 5:00 — 8:00
Tues.	5:00 — 8:00
Wed.	11:00 — 2:00
Thurs.	3:00 — 6:00
Fri.	Closed
Sat.	10:00 — 2:00
Sun.	Closed

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Friends of the Library

## GREETINGS FOR 2006

The staff at Wagnalls is ready to serve you in 2006 as you use and enjoy your library. Your library card is one of the best bargains around allowing you access to thousands of books, videos, cds, and audio books. If the library does not own an item you want, we are usually able to request it from another library. We have computers for patrons to use for research, word processing and access to the Internet. New Dell computers are on the way with assistance from the Friends of the Library.

We also have an Ellison machine which makes die cutouts. This service is available for a yearly fee of \$5.00. The Ellison machine is a great help for those who do scrap booking or need to make posters and bulletin boards.

We look forward to serving you with your library needs in 2006. If you don't have a library card, come in and sign up at the circulation desk. It only takes a few minutes to have access to thousands of items to use and enjoy the whole year through. Best wishes for a happy and rewarding new year!

## THANKFUL FOR YOUR GIFTS

The Wagnalls Memorial Library would like to thank these individuals for their gifts. Their support of the library assists us in providing services for all our patrons to enjoy.

### "Gifts to Wagnalls"

Mr. & Mrs. Jay Johnson	Marilyn Ruff
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### Memorial Gifts

Greencastle Homemakers Club in memory of members' spouses  
Ernest Messenger in memory of Alice Messenger

### Magazine Adoptions

Jean Alexander	Betty Melvin
Martha Annessansley	Carol Middaugh
Scott Collier	David and Charlene Oyler
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Marie Gussler	Alice Smith
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Please accept our apologies if your name has been omitted from this list and contact Erma Storts, Library Director, at 614-837-4765, ext. 113 to update your information, make a donation, or volunteer. Thank you!

## THE OWL'S NEST . . .

The Friends of the Library invite you to donate books and other media items for resale in the Owls' Nest Bookstore located in the northeast corner of the library behind the videos and DVD's. Donations may be brought into the bookstore during operating hours (see column at the left) or inside the library's rear doors and placed in our drop box during library hours. Please do not use the library's drop box outside. We appreciate your support.

## NOTES OF APPRECIATION FROM OUR OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to all of the staff, friends and volunteers who helped to make the 2005 Christmas Open House a success. Many volunteers helped to decorate the library and the Christmas trees. The tree in the breezeway needed new decorations, and a volunteer offered to make and donate the new bows and her time to decorate it. The Jr. Garden Club made decorations for the tree in the dining room and donated their time to decorate the tree.

The Winchester Chorale presented a concert in the library, and the beautiful music helped everyone get in the Christmas spirit. We thank the Chorale for sharing their music with us.

Of course Santa made time to come and visit with the children. We want to thank Santa for taking time to come to our open house.

## RECYCLING AT THE LIBRARY

Wagnalls Memorial Library, in connection with Crawford Home Automation Systems of Powell, Ohio, is now collecting used empty printer, copier and fax cartridges from area businesses and local citizens. Used cell phones are also accepted. In addition to providing some much-needed additional funding for the library, this program will also benefit our environment by keeping those cartridges and cell phones out of our local landfills.

You can get more information about this program by contacting Wagnalls Memorial Library @ 614-837-4765, ext. 127. You can drop off your used, empty cartridges and cell phones in the collection boxes at the library.

## UPCOMING CLASSES:

### ART CLASSES

4-6:00 p.m. Juvenile  
6-8:00 p.m. Adult

Teresa Satola  
Wednesdays  
\$10 per class

Teresa will be offering instruction in two art mediums:

- ◆ The **Old Masters** oil painting class uses the techniques of the Flemish and Dutch masters of the 16th and 17th centuries.
- ◆ The **colored pencil** class will instruct students on using this versatile medium from abstract and graphic illustrations to photo-realistic renderings.

Students will learn basic drawing skills. They will learn to look at objects to see form, shadow, and reflected lights. **Each student works at his or her own pace** and will bring objects from home to draw. For more information, or to register for either class, please call the library at 837-4765, ext. 127.

**New students may begin at any time!**

A list of supplies needed is available in the library.

### COMPUTER CLASSES:

**ADULT COMPUTER CLASS  
BEGINNER LEVEL**  
10:00—11:30 pm  
Jan. 19, 26, & Feb 2, 9

Linda  
Thursdays  
\$28.00  
Prepaid

In a relaxed atmosphere after 4 weeks, you will be able to read those computer books you have laying beside the computer! The class is hands on—each person has a computer to use. This is the class for you...even if you've never touched a mouse.

**Call 614-827-4765 Ext. 127 to register**

### ADULT COMPUTER CLASS

**Microsoft PowerPoint**  
10:00—11:30 pm  
Jan. 30, Feb 6, Feb 13

Linda  
Mondays  
\$30.00  
Prepaid



For the Intermediate computer user or beginner PowerPoint user

We will start with a blank slide and add words and pictures to it. We will experiment with backgrounds and basic animation effects.

**Call 614-827-4765 Ext. 127 to register**

### GENTLE YOGA

9:00—10:30 a.m.  
Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28  
Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25

Gail Sky  
Saturdays  
\$10 / class



No experience required. Bring your yoga mat.

You may call 837-4765 ext. 127 to register or just drop in!

## IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR... TAX FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY...

If we don't have a paper form, we can print it through the internet.  
(\$ .10 per page printed)

Some books you may find helpful:

336.24 J. K. Lasser's Your Income Tax 2006

L33

336.24 Ernst & Young Tax Guide 2006

Er 6

## NEWS FROM THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

### PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR:

We would like to remind anyone interested in morning story hour programs for children ages 3,4, and 5 years old to call (614) 837-4765, ext. 118 for information and to enroll. New groups are forming and classes fill quickly.

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM:

We're already thinking of warmer weather! The theme for the 2006 summer reading program is "**Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales**". We are looking for volunteers to help present this year's programs; veterinarians, 4-Her's etc. . . and anyone with a special love of pets that they would love to share with children. Please call (614) 837-4765 ext. 118 to volunteer!



## MOVIES, ANYONE . . .

We've scheduled a few movies to chase away the winter blahs. We hope you can join us. As always, we only ask a \$2 donation. Our schedule is subject to change, so please call the library at (614) 837-4765 or check our website at [www.wagnalls.org](http://www.wagnalls.org). We will be able to offer more movies as we have more volunteers become involved. If you are interested in volunteering to collect donations and show movies, please call the foundation at the above number, ext. 104.

- Sun. 1/22/06**    **2 p.m.**    **Mulan** (rated G) The museum will also be open with a special exhibit in observance of the Chinese New Year .
- Fri. 2/03/06**    **7 p.m.**    **Cinderella Man**
- Sun. 2/12/06**    **2 p.m.**    **National Treasure** (rated PG)

**FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY!** We are offering to local non-profit organizations the opportunity to coordinate and sell concessions at our movies. Clean-up is also expected. And, the perk is still being able to see the movies! Call the foundation for more information.

## LAFAA SERIES

We take a brief winter break and then . . .

**Mar 4<sup>th</sup> Prairie Orchid** Sarah Goslee Reed and Lisa Hill Biales use various stringed instruments as their voices mix in a quality that will lift your spirit.

**Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> The Winchester Steel Co.** 20 students from Canal Winchester High School playing steel drums. This ensemble formed five years ago and since has traveled all over Ohio.

**Tickets:** \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$8 students, add \$2 for reserved. To purchase, visit Wagnalls library, call (614) 837-7003 or to charge by phone using Mastercard or Visa, call (614) 837-4765 x104.

For more information or to find out how you can become involved, visit our website, [www.mainstreetcanalwinchester.org/LAFAA](http://www.mainstreetcanalwinchester.org/LAFAA)

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Teresa Satola  
Dick Weiser  
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2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday each month—Fish	5-8 p.m.	\$6
4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday each month—Steak*	4-8 p.m.	\$9

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**Call (614) 837-2806 for more information.**

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## WAGNALLS FAMILY THEATRE

We'd like to thank everyone for supporting our first production, "The Homecoming", especially several area individuals and organizations who loaned us props and St. John's Lutheran Church of Lithopolis and David's Lutheran Church of Canal Winchester, who joined our productions by providing choirs for our church scene. We also deeply appreciate all those who came to see our production. We look forward to bringing you many more fine performances and encourage you to join us!

We are gearing up for our next production, "How to Eat Like a Child (and Other Lessons in Not Being a Grown-up)". This play is a hilarious musical romp through the joys and sorrows of being a child. Among its 23 lessons are topics such as how to beg for a dog, how to torture your sister, how to act after being sent to your room and how to laugh hysterically. **Auditions for this production will be Sunday, 1/15 and Monday, 1/16 at 7 p.m. in the Wagnalls Memorial Auditorium. The cast can include as many as 30 children.**

"How to Eat Like a Child" will be performed March 10-26, 2006; Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. Tickets will be available beginning January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The theatre is also planning to present the classic musical, "Oliver!" in May, 2006. **Auditions for this production will be February 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. in the Wagnalls auditorium.**

We are also in need of volunteers to be stage hands, ushers, and concession workers for each performance. For our performances to be successful, it takes many hands. We also encourage you to become members of the Wagnalls Family Theatre (see below for more details).

For more information or to volunteer, please contact the foundation offices at (614) 837-4765, ext. 104 or e-mail Don Roberts, artistic director at [flash18actor@aol.com](mailto:flash18actor@aol.com).



**LOCAL CAST MEMBERS FROM "THE HOMECOMING"**

## Travelogue Series:

Our final travelogue of this series will be on **March 5, 2006**, with **The Pony Express**, by Hal McClure. Ride along as he follows the old Pony trail through Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and California. You'll encounter such historical figures as Buffalo Bill and Wild Bill Hickock. You'll also camp out with modern Pony Express riders of the National Pony Express Assoc., who annually gallop the same difficult trail.

Doors open at 1:30 p.m. \$5 general admission  
Program begins at 2:30 p.m. \$3 student and members of nursing home groups

## WINTER THEATRE CLASSES

The winter theatre class schedule is now set and accepting registrations. Classes are on Saturdays beginning January 14<sup>th</sup> through February 25<sup>th</sup> with a 30-45 minute showcase performance on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Please call (614) 837-4765 X104 to register or visit our website, [www.wagnalls.org](http://www.wagnalls.org) to register online.

### **Styles of Acting** 10 am-12 pm Auditorium \$40

For ages 8-12 or have had two prior acting classes  
This class will provide an in depth look at different acting styles, stage business, and how to be believable on stage. Students will be hands on with all elements of creating and performing a play. Maximum 25 students.

### **Basic Acting** 12:30-1:30 pm Auditorium \$40

For ages 7-12 or have had one prior acting class  
Students will become more familiar with stage directions and creating characters. They will learn how to use their voice and movements. Maximum 20 students.

### **Acting Foundation** 2-3 pm Auditorium \$50

For ages 13-17 or have had little stage experiences or no classes  
Students will learn improvisational skills, basic stage directions, and basic elements of a theatrical production. Maximum 15 students.

### **Pen, Paper, Story** 1-2 pm Children's Library \$35

For ages 10-12  
Students will learn about all the bits and pieces that make a good story, like pace, plot and revision. Students will use in-class and at-home notebooks to create, keep and explore their work with the goal of having finished a story in 6 weeks. Maximum 15 students.

### **Dance/choreography** 10:30-11:30 am Recreation Room \$40

For ages 7-12  
This beginning dance class will teach students basic dance steps and terminology giving them a foundation to work with at musical auditions. Students will also learn and perform musical numbers for the final showcase.

## WAGNALLS FAMILY THEATRE COMPANY MEMBERSHIP

Please consider becoming a member of Wagnalls Family Theatre (WFT) as we build and grow a theatre company in our community. Annual memberships will run from January 1 to December 31.

### Benefits of Membership:

- ⇒ allows one to attend WFT meetings
- ⇒ grants voting rights at those meetings
- ⇒ eligible to hold WFT board positions
- ⇒ invitation to any social activities sponsored by WFT

In addition, individual members will receive one free ticket for the season, family memberships will receive two free tickets for the season (which must be used at same performance).

Individual Member - \$15.00 Family Membership - \$25.00

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or call 614.837.4765 Ext. 104 to use Visa or MasterCard

Sponsorship of our productions and advertising opportunities in our programs are also available.

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR . . .

### JANUARY:

<b>Wed.'s</b> —Art classes	4-8 pm
<b>Sat.'s</b> —Gentle Yoga	9 am
<b>8</b> Theatre Classes	10-3 pm
begin thru 2/25/06	
<b>15</b> “How to Eat . . . “	7 pm
Auditions	
<b>16</b> “How to Eat . . . “	7 pm
Auditions	
<b>19</b> Beginner Computer	10 am
class	
<b>22</b> Chinese exhibit opens	
until 2/12/06 during office hrs.	
<b>22</b> Movie Matinee	2 pm
<b>26</b> Beginner Comp. Class	10 am
<b>30</b> PowerPoint class	10 am

### FEBRUARY:

<b>Wed.'s</b> —Art classes	4-8 pm
<b>Sat.'s</b> —Gentle Yoga	9 am
<b>2</b> Beginner Comp. class	10 am
<b>3</b> Date Night Movie	7 pm
<b>6</b> PowerPoint class	10 am
<b>9</b> Beginner Comp. class	10 am
<b>12</b> Movie Matinee	2 pm
Chinese exhibit ends	
<b>13</b> PowerPoint class	10 am
<b>25</b> Theatre Class	10-3 pm
showcases	
<b>26</b> Oliver! Auditions	7 pm
<b>27</b> Oliver! Auditions	7 pm

### MARCH PREVIEW:

<b>4</b> LAFAA presents	8 pm
Prairie Orchid	
<b>5</b> Pony Express	2:30 pm
travelogue	
<b>11-26</b> “How to Eat Like a Child”	
Fri. 8 pm; Sat. & Sun 2 pm	

## GIFT GIVEN . . . THANK YOU!!

Wagnalls received significant support from Dick and Jo Weiser. They recently made arrangements to forgive a payment obligation for this year AND future years of \$5,265.

Dick Weiser said, “I was convinced that if there ever was a time to step up and be counted . . . that time is now.”



John Rogers, Wagnalls Memorial Board Representative is shown accepting a letter from Dick and Jo Weiser, which details their gift. The tiger pictured is part of a hand carved collection of animals Dick Weiser made. These were on display in the Wagnalls Museum during December.

In addition, Dick says, “We hope the community will soon realize that they have to step up and give support.” The support provided by the Weiser’s is very important to helping Wagnalls continue to operate. On behalf of the tri-county community served by Wagnalls we say, “THANK YOU to Dick & Jo Weiser!”



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