

Behind the Lines

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Wichita Public Library Foundation Receives \$100,000 Gift from Professor John Hyde

Thank you to Professor John Hyde for his gift to the Capital Campaign in support of the Advanced Learning Library and his service to the Foundation Board of Directors.

“I can’t think of a better entity to support in Wichita than its library,” said Dr. John Hyde, former Wichitan, Professor Emeritus of History at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts and grandson of A.A. Hyde, Mentholatum inventor.



“The Hyde family and Wichita have had a beautiful philanthropic relationship over the years. To support a project that invests in the knowledge of the community and the preservation of its history seems to me a fitting place for my gift.”

Watch the progress at www.wichitalibrary.org, Advanced Learning Library!

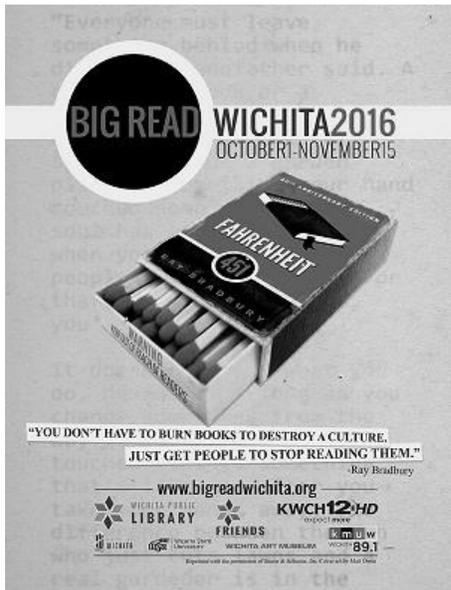
The Foundation welcomes Jennifer Goheen and Jonathan Winkler to the Wichita Public Library Board of Directors.

Jennifer, an attorney with Hite, Fanning and Honeyman, practices in the area of family law. As a former foster parent and mom to her 2½ year old adopted daughter, she knew the Library was going to be an important part of their lives. Jennifer, a life-long resident of Wichita, decided that among the many obligations for her time, serving on the Library Board meant the most to her!

Jonathan, having grown up in Wichita and a Library card holder since the age of eight, remembers trips to the Central Library as a treat growing up. In high school, he volunteered at the Central Library, where he updated the Wichita 'Eagle' index and catalogued paperback novels. He holds a BA in English and a BS in Mathematics from KSU and is almost finished with his DPhil in economic history from the University of Oxford. Giving back to the Wichita community is a top priority for him. We are thrilled he has chosen the Library.

Join us in welcoming Jonathan and Jennifer to the Library Board!

The 9th annual Big Read Wichita continues. Funded in part by a grant from



the Friends of the Wichita Public Library, the selection of “Fahrenheit 451” by Ray Bradbury proves the Wichita community loves good science fiction.

Join us on Saturday, October 1st at 2:00 p.m. for the Big Read Wichita kick-off party at the Wichita Art Museum. Enjoy reader’s theater of Fahrenheit 451 & more at this free event emceed by KWCH 12 Eyewitness News Anchor Melissa Scheffler.

Following the kick-off, the Wichita Community Theatre, 258 N. Foundation, will create a reader’s theatre production of the book on Sunday, October 23rd at 2:00 p.m.

New this year will be a performance by the Wichita Symphony of Mozart and Shostakovich, two composers whose works reflect the impact of an authoritarian government. Concerts are on Saturday and Sunday, October 29th and 30th. For more information go to Bigreadwichita.org.

The Big Read Wichita brings together over 40 partner organizations and makes our programming special. *Your support really does make a difference!*

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