



Geauga County Public Library

Press Release

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GCPL to Participate in Largest Worldwide Digital Book Club

Geauga County – July 30, 2020 – GCPL patrons are joining millions of others around the globe during Big Library Read, the world's largest digital book club. From August 3 -17, readers can borrow and read Tim Mason's "intellectually stimulating and viscerally exciting" historical fiction thriller *The Darwin Affair* from their public library. GCPL readers can solve the mystery from home – with a valid library card and no waiting – by visiting OverDrive through "eAudiobooks & eBooks" page at www.GeaugaLibrary.net or by downloading the Libby app. Readers can then discuss the book online at <https://discuss.biglibraryread.com/>.

Additionally, GCPL will be holding two virtual book discussions for Geauga residents to discuss *The Darwin Affair* with fellow community members. These are on different days and times to give Geauga readers two options to choose from.

Sat., Aug. 29, 10 a.m.
Thurs., Sept. 3, 7 p.m.

"We are very excited to participate in Big Library Read. GCPL patrons are avid readers who engage in book clubs and discussions all year long, so this seems like a perfect fit for our community," says Jessica Divis, Head of Adult Services at GCPL's Bainbridge Branch and Selector of OverDrive titles.

To learn more about *The Darwin Affair* and to register to receive the link to these Zoom programs, visit www.GeaugaLibrary.net and click on "Programs" to access the calendar.

Big Library Read is available in over 22,000 libraries around the world, including more than 90 percent of public libraries in North America, which has resulted in extensive online conversations during past programs. *The Darwin Affair* is the 22nd selection of this program which began in 2013 and takes place three times per year. The program is facilitated by OverDrive, the leading digital reading platform for popular eBooks, eAudiobooks and magazines.

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Caption: GCPL to participate in OverDrive's Big Library Read, the world's largest digital book club, from August 3 -17.

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About the Geauga County Public Library

The Geauga County Public Library includes four full-service branches in Bainbridge, Chardon, Chesterland (Gauga West) and Middlefield; one library Station housed in the former Ledgemont School in Thompson; a fleet of Mobile Services vehicles that serve rural areas and community centers; and an Administrative Center where technical services, computer services, facilities and administrative functions reside. GCPL has more than 900,000 books and ebooks. The collection also contains more than 100,000 audio / video items and 60 Research databases available through its website. GCPL is a member of the Clevnet consortium, giving patrons access to more than 12 million items. Learn more about the Geauga County Public Library at GaugaLibrary.net