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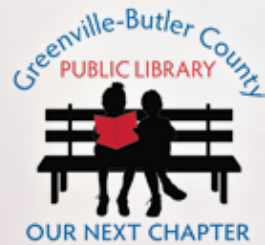
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OUR STORY

CHAPTERS II AND III

In 1969 the library was moved to 101 Adams Street in what had been the Community House. Thanks to financial contributions from the citizens of Butler County and area businesses, and with the support of city and county government, a new 12,000-square-foot library was constructed in 1992 on Fort Dale Road where it stands today.

The library is the hub of education, history, and culture in our community, providing thousands of books and DVDs, free programming, computers with Internet access, and a host of other valuable services to the public.

The Camellia Pavilion has become a central part of community life and an ideal venue for community-wide events. The Butler County Historical & Genealogical Society's research room, which is used by people from all walks of life, features county and family histories, cemetery surveys, church records, periodicals, and a variety of other materials.

Just as real leadership has a way of proving over and over again that it is never content to rest on past successes, supporters – visionaries, really – see something better ahead.

At the 1992 grand opening came a future prediction from the library's founder Jennie Vieve Poole: "We have a fine new library and one we can all be very proud of, but the work is not over yet."



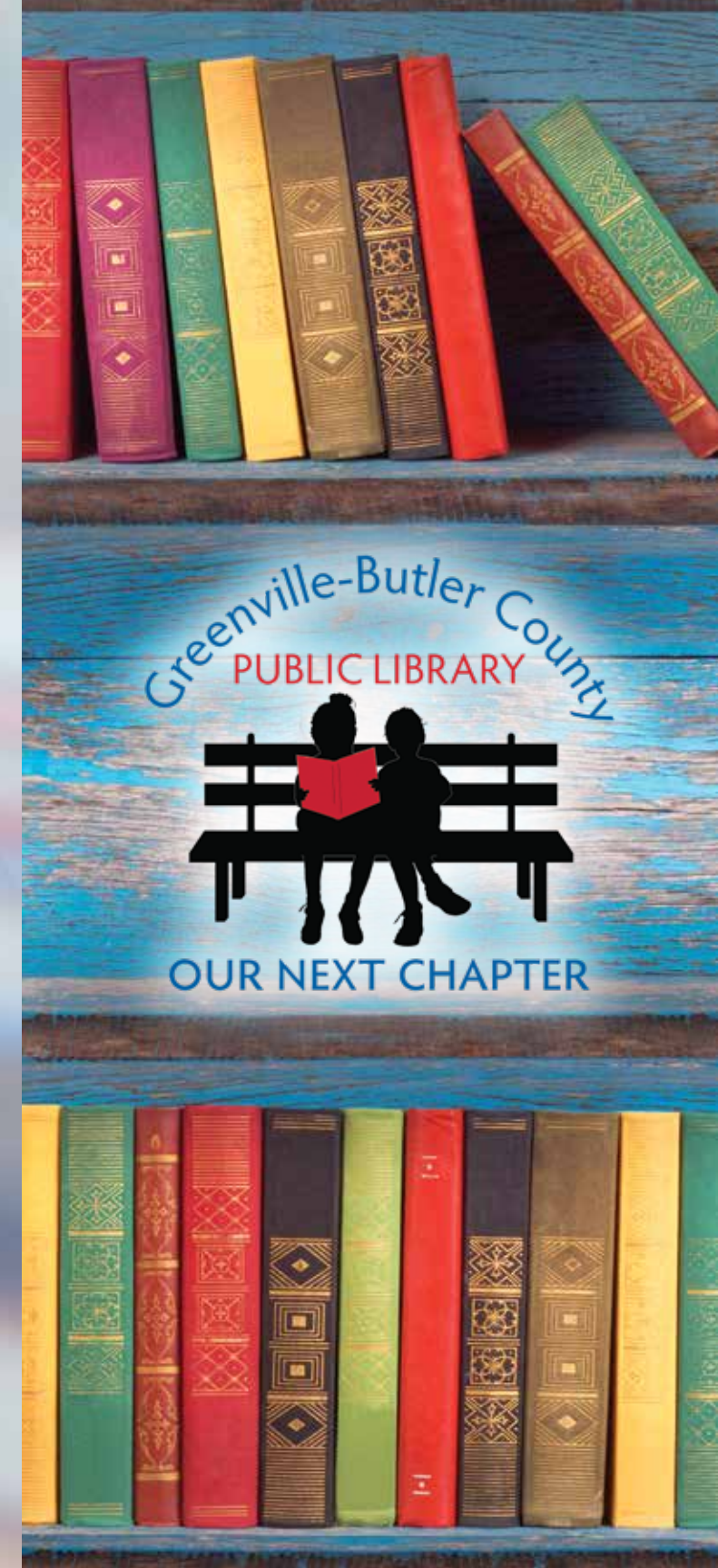
OUR VISION

While there have been improvements at the library over the years and an impressive pavilion added for outdoor events, that prophetic statement uttered nearly three decades ago holds meaning today. There is still work to be done.

It will take the same kind of effort that built that first library and its successors, where donations of books, contributions, labor and services came together in singular support of a great and common cause.

There is a will in this community to build on past successes en route to a better library, not to be content with status quo. Renovations, cosmetic improvements, additional services and expanded facilities top this wish list for a new era in the history of the Greenville-Butler County Public Library.

Let's roll up our sleeves and work to make the next chapter of this story happen together!



OUR STORY

CHAPTER I

Our story is rooted deep in the history of Greenville and Butler County and just as our communities continue their quest to move forward, our library strives to keep pace for future generations.

As early as 1928, the desire to provide a free public library to serve and enlighten all ages and walks of life began to move to the forefront of quality of life issues for our county.

The spark that ignited such a notion came from Robert Beeland's simple letter to the editor that year, setting in motion a drive to open a library. Just as his wife had written a year earlier: "A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life," the community readily embraced her belief.

The momentum that built over the next few years would lead to an announcement by the mayor that would forever change the face of this county. The dilapidated Red Cross building that fell victim to age and neglect would be transformed into a new beacon of light and learning for the masses – the first public library in Butler County.



By January 1932, the Greenville-Butler County Public Library opened its doors in what later became the Greenville Chamber of Commerce building, and its mission to reach, teach and serve its community has never wavered. Children have been at the mission's core since the beginning.

With the Greenville Study Club at the helm of the 1932 operation, volunteering countless hours – and books – to the effort, the library thrived and grew over the next three decades. It actually outgrew its quarters, and the city council agreed to provide a larger facility.



OUR NEXT CHAPTER



With your help, we will write another success story:

- **Community Room Enhancements** – Plans call for adding more technology, including a fixed LCD projector, large flat screen television, sound system, a digital white board and video-conferencing capabilities.
- **Children's Room Enhancements** – The Children's Activity Room will see chairs and tables replaced along with increased technology, including fixed iPads, computers and hands-on learning stations.
- **Foyer Showcase** – A pair of large display cases will be added to the foyer leading to the Community Room to spotlight the exciting programs available at the library.
- **Outdoor Plaza** – An aesthetically appealing Outdoor Plaza can be added to the rear of the main facility for outside seating, where patrons can read and enjoy the beautiful adjoining grounds of the Camellia Pavilion. Stairs added to the Plaza will connect to the Pavilion.
- **Historical Mural** – The vaulted ceiling at the center of the library will feature enlarged historic photographs of Greenville and Butler County covering the entire interior wall space. It promises to be an awe-inspiring addition to the library, enhancing the aesthetic appearance of our library's centerpiece.
- **Parking & Beautification** – Opportunities exist for greater parking access, landscaping and more outside lighting near the Camellia Pavilion.

As you can see, our story is not complete without you. Together, we will write the next chapter!

Want to help? Here's how: Detach this card, fill out the form on back and enclose it with your support for our campaign. No donation is too small.