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Stark County District Library Lake Community Branch Offers Program on Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home

Guest speaker Bill Chavanne to discuss the history of the Xenia, Ohio Orphanage.

(Canton, Ohio)-August 27, 2014 –The Stark County District Library Lake Community Branch will hold a program, The Story of Ohio's Greatest Orphanage, on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Guest speaker Bill Chavanne will discuss the Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home, a self-sufficient campus outside Xenia, Ohio from 1870-1995. Chavanne is the president the Rooney Fund Board, which gives support to the ex-pupils of the home. He will also speak about his work with Edward Lentz, author of *A Home of Their Own*, a book about the orphanage which will be available for purchase at the program. The event is free and open to the public. Registration is requested by calling 330-877-9975 or online at www.thesmartstore.org/events. The Stark County District Library Lake Community Branch is located at 565 Market Avenue, SW, Uniontown, Ohio.

About the Library:

The [Stark County District Library](http://www.starklibrary.org) is a winner of the [National Medal](#) for library service, is one of the best 100 libraries in the U.S. according to the [HAPLR](#) rating, and is a [Library Journal 5 Star library](#). Its Main Library, nine Branch Libraries, and two Bookmobiles and two Kidmobiles serve 150,000 library card holders. More than 1.4 million people visit the Stark County District Library each year, holdings number 884,000 items, and annual circulation is 3.6 million items. The collection includes books, audio visual materials, and periodicals for all ages. In addition, the Library provides programs and classes for adults, teens, and children, computer and Internet access, a downloadable collection of books and music, genealogy services, traveling collections on Bookmobiles and Kidmobiles, as well as outreach services to shut-ins, nursing homes, and housing units. It is one of the nine largest library systems in the state of Ohio, serving 12 local school districts. For more information, call 330-452-0665 or visit www.thesmartstore.org.

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