



2011 SNAPSHOT DAY

A Day in the Life of Ohio Libraries

On Just One Day in Ohio...

- There were 437 sessions through Ohio's online virtual reference service KnowItNow24x7 on Snapshot Day.
- Statewide electronic resources (databases) were accessed approximately 50,000 times on Snapshot Day.
- Ohio libraries circulate approximately one million items a day.
- Ohioans have access to 304 uniquely searchable statewide electronic resources (databases) every day.
- Ohio public libraries download about 6 terabytes (TBs) from the Internet on a typical day. That's the equivalent of about 4.4 million floppy disks, or 500,000 phone books.



Wild over books! Greenwood Elementary School kindergartners show their books.



A professor brings in a class to the Kent State University Architecture Library to show some of the pertinent journals for their studies.



Picture this....

We are creating a "snapshot" of the library. Get in the picture, share your thoughts, and celebrate Ohio libraries

Why is the library important to you?

"People don't understand how valuable your job seekers' book and computer assistance are. I've found two jobs this way."

Patron, Rocky River Public Library



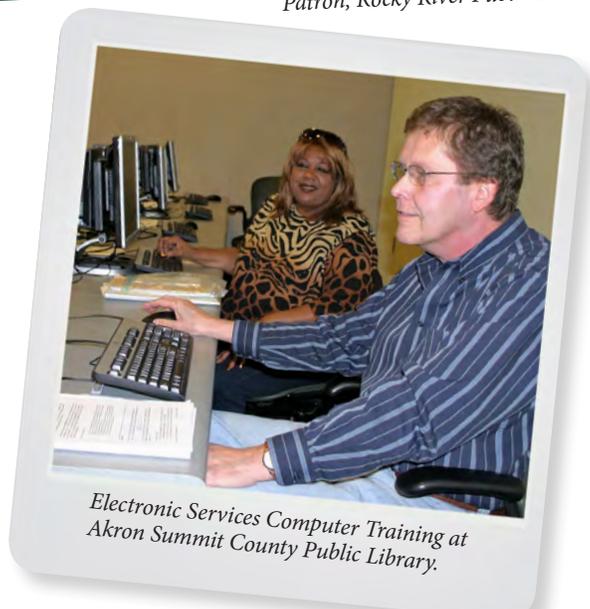
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"The library allows me to escape all my troubles. I can come into the quiet library and read a good book and see things in a different way."

Student, Indian Creek High School



Electronic Services Computer Training at Akron Summit County Public Library.



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Between November 13 and 19, 2011 all types of libraries across Ohio participated in the American Library Association's Snapshot Day initiative. It was the first time in Ohio that public, school, academic, and special libraries joined together for Snapshot Day. Each participating library selected one day during the week to take photographs, track usage and complete a survey, and collect stories and comments from their patrons.

233 Ohio Libraries participated by either tracking usage and completing the survey or uploading photos to Flickr, or both.



Digital Talking Book Machines being sent out to patrons enrolled in the Talking Book Program by Paul Seedhouse at the State Library of Ohio.



Patrons checking out iPads and eReaders at Worthington Libraries' Technology Petting Zoo.



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"I'd be an eighty-two year old man sitting alone in the house wondering what to do next. With this program (Talking Books), life is exciting again, it's something to look forward to...You'll never know what a difference you've made in my life."

Patron, Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled



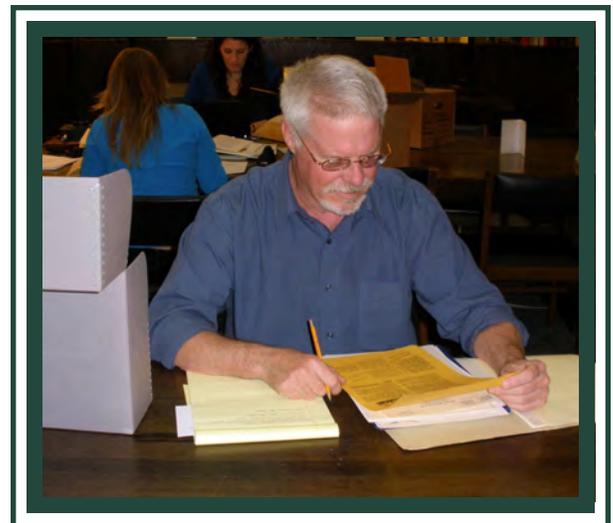
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"Today, my home computer broke down. I'm not sure when I can afford to either repair or replace it. I am so thankful to be able to use the computers in the North Campus LRC at Southern State Community College. I had to take an online test today, and I would have failed that test had it not been for the LRC. As a student at SSCC, I would never survive college without the LRC."

Patron, SSCC Learning Resource Center



Patron using a manuscript collection in the Research Room of the Ohio History Center.



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"Contrary to belief, not everything is online. Sometimes you just need to see the original. Great collection of materials and helpful librarians."

Patron, Archives/Library Research Room at the Ohio History Center



Kenston High School students working on research project using NoodleTools in the library.