



Seed Saving / Season Extension Program

Saturday, August 17, Meeting Room 2 A-B

Take a break from your summer gardening and come cool off in the library with these programs to help you get ready for the fall.

Seed Saving – 9:30 am Join local experts who will demonstrate how to harvest, process and preserve heirloom seeds from your garden for planting next year. Seed saving is a growing movement which encourages the growing of heirloom (non-genetically modified/hybridized varieties of plants) in order to assure and increase the genetic diversity of plants available to gardeners and farmers.

Season Extension – 10:30 am Fresh picked lettuce in February? Who would believe it! Learn about extending your gardening season with covered plantings which allow you to continue to grow and harvest through those dark winter days ahead!

Also... Did you know The Akron-Summit County Public Library now hosts a Seed Sharing Library located in the Science & Technology division where you can “check out” heirloom seeds for some plant varieties. Stop by before or after the programs to find out about this exciting new initiative.



DIY Home Improvement Event

**Wednesday, June 19, 2013, 6:30–7:30 pm
Meeting Room 1**

Ron Tanner, author of *From Animal House to Our House: A Love Story*

Award-winning writer Ron Tanner will share slides and inspire you with the true story of how he and his wife purchased a condemned property – a notorious Baltimore fraternity house – and restored it to its original Victorian splendor. The Tanners knew nothing about fixing up houses when they started but wound up in the pages of *This Old House* magazine.

Join us and also discover library and other local non-profit resources that can help you successfully complete your own do-it-yourself projects.



Doug Tallamy, author of *Bringing Nature Home*

**Tuesday, September 17,
7 pm, Auditorium**

The Akron-Summit County Public Library, Metro Parks Foundation, and Friends of Metro Parks combine forces to present award-winning author Doug Tallamy. He will discuss the important ecological roles of the plants in our landscapes, emphasize the benefits of designing landscapes with these roles in mind, and explore the consequences of failing to do so. Because our yards and gardens are part of the terrestrial ecosystems that sustain humans and the life around us, managing landscapes in this crowded world carries both moral and ecological responsibilities that we can no longer ignore.



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