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## Xenia Carnegie Library Friends Schedule Series of Events

**Xenia, Ohio (June 15, 2017)** The City of Xenia, in partnership with the volunteer group **Xenia Carnegie Library Friends**, will host and seek public input and commentary at the second of three planning meetings to discuss revitalization efforts for the Xenia Carnegie Library, **Wednesday, June 21, 2017, 6:30 pm until 7:30pm p.m. at the Xenia City Council Chambers, 107 E. Main Street, Xenia.**

The meeting will include a follow-up to the first public meeting held in the spring, and presents another opportunity for individuals --especially those who missed the first session --to get caught up and to be a part of efforts to reuse the building and bring the Xenia Carnegie Library back to life.

The meeting will also include a short presentation by Mary Ellen Armentrout, author of the book [Carnegie Libraries of Ohio: Our Cultural Heritage](#). Armentrout will discuss several of her favorite adaptive re-uses of Carnegie Libraries across Ohio. City of Xenia and Heritage Architectural Associates staff will be on hand to discuss the process and hear citizen input.

Also on June 21<sup>st</sup> from 1pm until 2 pm, Ms. Armentrout will be the first speaker in Carnegie Library's additional lineup of events, including the "Carnegie Library Lunch and Learn" series, at the Greene County Historical Society, 74 W. Church Street.

Finally, Xenia Carnegie Library Friends will also officially launch the "Carnegie Wish Campaign" in concert with Greene County History Week. The campaign, which will run from June 15<sup>th</sup> through July 30, 2017, will give citizens an additional online forum to submit their visions of possible Library reuses.

Interested parties can visit the Xenia Carnegie Library Facebook page or the City of Xenia's website [www.explorexenia.com](http://www.explorexenia.com) and search "Carnegie Library" to learn about ways to be involved. Additional information can be found on the Xenia Carnegie Library Facebook Page.

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