



SATURDAY, JULY 1 – MONDAY, JULY 31 – EXHIBIT
Finding Freedom Summer at the Woodbourne Library (6060 Far Hills Avenue)

This 12-panel traveling exhibit teaches timely lessons about the civil rights movement, racial injustice, and civil unrest. It was researched and designed by an interdisciplinary team of Miami University faculty and staff and was funded as a deep-learning grant by the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio.

THURSDAY, JULY 13, EVENTS – 6 – 7 PM - CREATING THE SCULPTURE OF WILLIAM ‘PIT’ PITSENBARGER, AIR RESCUER IN VIETNAM, CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT – CENTERVILLE LIBRARY (ALL AGES)

Mike Major’s sculptures of Abraham Lincoln are known throughout the world, and he will detail the methods he used to create the sculpture of Piqua native Pitsenbarger as he delved into the life of this man and his heroic life. Pitsenbarger died on April 11, 1966, in Vietnam after completing almost 300 rescue missions of pilots and soldiers. This program is being held at the Centerville Library at 6-7 PM.

TUESDAY, JULY 25, EVENTS – MOTORCYCLE ESCORT OF *THE WALL THAT HEALS*

Meet at Sinclair Community College Centerville Campus (5800 Clio Road, Centerville, OH). Motorcycle lead up is at 12:30 PM. Kickstands up at 2 PM. Final destination is Yankee Park (7500 Yankee Street, Centerville, OH). Ride Captain is Pat Butchkoski, Patriot Guard Riders, Ohio, District 7. For more information, contact Don Moore at dmfxstc99@hotmail.com and Kevin Miller at kevinemiller13@gmail.com. More information at wclibrary.info/thewallthatheals.

COMMUNITY LINES THE STREETS -

Please join us in supporting our Veterans and the escort of The Wall That Heals on Tuesday, July 25, starting from Sinclair College (5800 Clio Road) at 2 PM. Bring your families, chairs, and American flags to salute our fallen service members. Line the streets anywhere along this route:

From Sinclair College (5800 Clio Road)

- Proceeding westbound to Alex-Bell, turn right onto Alex-Bell/State Route 725
- Continue westbound to left on Far Hills Ave/State Route 48
- Travel southbound to W. Franklin Street/State Route 725 to right onto W. Franklin Street/State Route 725
- Travel westbound on Yankee Street to right on Yankee Street
- Travel northbound until arriving at Yankee Park (7500 Yankee Street)

The 53’ trailer that carries The Wall That Heals transforms into the Mobile Education Center. The exterior of the trailer features a timeline of The War and provides additional information on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. Additional exhibits give visitors a better understanding of the legacy of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the collection of the items left at The Memorial. The Wall That Heals will be on display July 27-30. Please share with your families and friends.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, EVENTS – CONSTRUCTION OF *THE WALL THAT HEALS* (YANKEE PARK, 7500 YANKEE STREET)

Meet at Yankee Park at 8:15 AM. Construction begins at 8:30 AM. Approximately 40 able-bodied volunteers are needed for 6 - 8 hours (Rain or shine - as long as it takes). Lunch, snacks and drinks provided. Some volunteers will need to climb ladders, use a sledgehammer, or carry heavy panels. No equipment is required, VVMF supplies all tools needed and gloves. Hats and sunscreen recommended. VVMF Site Manager will coach volunteers through the assembly of The Wall.

6 PM – Volunteer Training

All volunteers are encouraged to attend this training for The Wall That Heals led by staff of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund. Questions will be answered and volunteers will have a sneak peek of The Wall and the mobile Education Center.

6 - 8 PM – (Maker Program) – Patriotic Paper Flowers – Woodbourne Library (For Adults)

Learn how to make multiple patriotic flowers out of paper during this interactive class. These make beautiful centerpieces, gifts, and decorations for parties! *Registration begins 6/26 at 8 AM.*

THURSDAY, JULY 27 – SUNDAY, JULY 30 – ON DISPLAY (YANKEE PARK)

Visit the official three-quarter scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at Yankee Park (7500 Yankee Street). Hosted by the Washington-Centerville Public Library, the exhibit and parking are free and open 24 hours. It is ADA compliant.

The Wall That Heals honors the 58,281 service members who lost their lives and all who served the U.S. during the Vietnam War. This three-quarter scale replica is 375 feet in length and stands 7.5 feet high at its tallest point. It is inscribed with the names of the service members who lost their lives.

THURSDAY, JULY 27 EVENTS

10 AM - Opening “Welcome Home” Ceremony (Yankee Park)

The public is invited to attend a Welcome Home Ceremony at The Wall That Heals. We honor those who returned 50 years ago from the war in Vietnam with a posting of the Colors, a performance of the National Anthem by Alexis Gomez, remarks by local dignitaries and Cindy LaPointe-Dafler, widow of Medal of Honor recipient Joseph Guy LaPointe, Jr., a brass musical performance, wreath laying, and recognition of our veterans. Seating is available.

8:55 PM - “Taps”

Dr. Robert Myers will perform "Taps" at sunset at The Wall That Heals.

FRIDAY, JULY 28 EVENTS – ON DISPLAY

8:54 PM - “Taps”

James Baker, member of Bugles Across America, will perform "Taps" at sunset at The Wall That Heals.

SATURDAY, JULY 29 EVENTS – ON DISPLAY

2:00 – 4:00 PM – (Maker Program) - Patriotic Wall Hangings – Centerville Library (For Adults)

Please join us to create a beautiful patriotic wall hanging. Using simple embroidery stitches, decorative ribbons, and wooden stars, we will celebrate 'Freedom & Fireworks!' Light snacks and drinks will be provided.

8:53 PM - “Taps”

Kyan McMann, a junior at Centerville High School, will perform "Taps" at sunset at The Wall That Heals.

SUNDAY, JULY 30 EVENTS – ON DISPLAY

1:30 PM – Closing Ceremony

The Library will thank volunteers and sponsors. Volunteers will deconstruct The Wall That Heals and prepare for removal.

2:00 PM – Deconstruction of The Wall That Heals.