

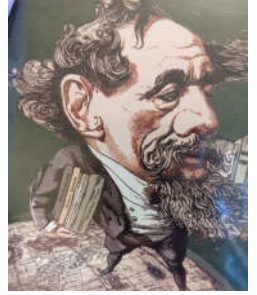
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We switch to Saturday meetings!

**In 2024 let's try to make ourselves accessible to working folks.
Fall meetings scheduled for second Saturday of the month, 11 to 1.**

Sat. September 14, 11 am to 1 pm

Sat. October 12, 11 to 1

Sat. November 9, 11 to 1

All at Beachwood County Library, Room B.

Bring your friends.

Plus:

- **Don't miss our Planning Meeting: Tuesday meeting, July 23, 10:45–12:30.**
- **Another talk we missed at the Dickens Museum, Parrott on *David Copperfield*.**
- **Dickens's *Grimaldi* leads to new biography.**
- **See pics of picnic.**
- **Mark Dawidziak on *Shawshank Redemption* at County Library.**

What programs will you enjoy this fall? *David Copperfield* offers a ton of ideas for Planning Meeting, Tuesday, July 23, 10:45—12:30.

Bring your ideas to the meeting. What can you contribute? What do you want to hear, do, discuss about our novel of the year? Is it autobiographical? What do you find in DC that continues Dickens thoughts from earlier novels? Family relationships? Funeral traditions? Working children? Eccentric characters?

Charles Dickens Museum hosted talk by Jeremy Parrott on *DC*, several days ago.

Sorry we missed it; it was right up our alley. Fortunately his talk sounds as though it was a teaser for his new book about *David Copperfield*. Now, how long before it hits our shores? He organizes the book by using 100 objects that anchor the narrative in DC. Have you started reading? Found objects basic to the narrative?

<https://dickensmuseum.com/blogs/all-events/david-copperfield-unbound-in-10-objects>

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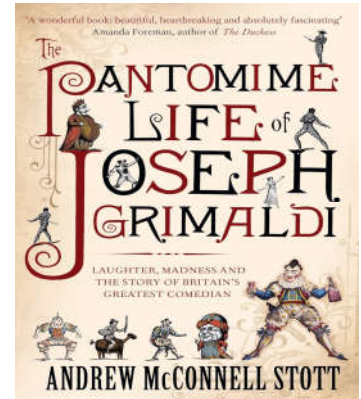
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Very young writer Charles Dickens edited Grimaldi's memoirs. Now enjoy the latest book on Britain's original clown by Andrew McConnell Stott. The Kindle version is only \$1.99. You may prefer the dead-tree version for the sharper illustrations.

<https://www.amazon.com/Pantomime-Life-Joseph-Grimaldi-Laughter/dp/1847677614>

Note the cover blurb: "...Britain's greatest comedian." Agree or not, it's not hard to see why CD would have been drawn to the subject.



A picnic to end the year of *Dombey*—hot, but fun.

Here are a few photos. At the picnic, but not in the photos: **Mary Jo Zeller, Mike Wells, Gretta Ryan, Cheryl Kleps, Kathleen Schuerger.** **Charla Coatoam** brought the cake, **Paul Siedel**, the party tray, and many contributed fruit. Best of all, two lovely people plugged in fans.



Above, left to right: **Rick Fox, Paul Siedel, Charla Coatoam, Kathy Broz**, a romantic cake for Florence and Walter, and **Anne Meissner with Barbara Davis**. We toasted *The Inimitable* with soda, and we lamented those who have departed. A fine end to our study of *Dombey*.

Mark Dawidziak speaking at County Library on *Shawshank Redemption*.

Charla caught this announcement. Scroll down to find Mark presenting in three different libraries. Reservations, please. Click below and open hyperlink.

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