Caleb Briggs Library Trust

Caleb Briggs 1810—1884

Dr. Briggs left assets to be used by the Trust for the acquisition of books and materials for a reading room in Ironton. His desire was that Ironton would have a public library for the benefit of its residents. In 1893, in Memorial Hall, the library was opened to the public as Briggs Library Institute. The Trust diminished greatly by the 1930s depression, but in the 1970s local patrons replenished the Trust so that capital gains from investments could be set aside for Library materials and building upkeep.

The Caleb Briggs Library Trust Fund has purchased many items over the years for the Ironton Library Branch. The following is a list of how The Caleb Briggs Trust Fund has been used:

- Funded the Renovation of the Burr home to accommodate library and reading rooms in 1919
- Initiated a fund drive for the current building in 1960
- Funded asbestos remediation project in the 1980s
- Partially funded the Library renovation and expansion in 2005-06
- Purchased the ST ViewScan Digital Microfilm Scanner for the Hamner Room in 2013

The Caleb Briggs Library Trust is a tax exempt 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization and will accept donations and gifts allowable by the IRS.

Donations and Planned Giving:

If you would like more information, you may make inquiries to Louis Cloran, Trust President, 1335 Shawnee Trail, Ironton, OH 740-532-4870; OR if you would like to make a donation to the Caleb Briggs Library Trust, make donations payable to The Caleb Briggs Library Trust through our Trust Officer at US Bank. For additional planned giving, contact:

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