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Welcome to the **April 2008** edition of **LIBRARY E-NEWS**. This monthly newsletter includes several features containing information about the library. If you would like to join other subscribers in receiving the Library E-News in your e-mail every month, please fill out the following [form online](#) or complete a paper registration form at the circulation desk.

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## Notices

### Tax Forms

Federal, state, and city tax forms and a reproducible book of tax forms are available at the library. They are located in a display by the Corner Gallery (just past the Reference Desk on the first floor). If you do not see what you need ask for help at the Reference Desk or try online. Go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), [www.ohio.gov](http://www.ohio.gov), [www.stow.oh.us](http://www.stow.oh.us), and [www.munroefalls.com](http://www.munroefalls.com).

Please be aware that library staff are not permitted to give tax advice, answer questions on your taxes or fill out your form for you. However, they will help you locate books and the appropriate forms and publications to help you complete your tax return.



### **Coffee With the Editor**

The next **Coffee With the Editor** will be **Wednesday, May 7 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.**

### **Jazz Band**

The next Jazz Band Concert will be **Wednesday, May 7 at 7 p.m.**

### **Back By Popular Demand.....Book Bags!!**

You can again purchase **Zippered Top Pocket Book Bags** at the front Circulation Desk at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. These are roomy bags with a gusseted bottom and made of 600 denier polyester nylon material. They have 24-inch long handles. The bags are \$10, including tax. All proceeds benefit the Stow-Munroe Falls Library Foundation.

### **Free Blood Pressure Screenings**

Nursing students from Kent state University will be at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library on **Thursday, April 17 from 9 a.m. until noon** to give free blood pressure readings. Appointments are not necessary.

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## **Upcoming Special Events**

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### **Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale**

The Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale will be **April 23-26**. The hours are open to the public as follows:

- Wednesday, April 23, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Thursday, April 24, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Friday, April 25, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On **Saturday, April 26**, fill a bag for \$3. Unsold materials will be given away free of charge to teachers or non-profit organizations beginning at 2 p.m. Patrons Night will be **Tuesday, April 22 from 5 to 8 p.m.** Donations are \$10 per person. Donations for Friends Members are \$5 per person. Friends memberships may be purchased at the door for \$5. There will be a Friends of the Library Presale for members on **Wednesday, April 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Proceeds of the booksale benefit the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library.

### **National Library Week**

National Library Week is **April 15 to 19**. Each time you visit the library, you can enter a drawing to win a

prize. Entry forms will be available at the check-out desk. Entries must be received by **5 p.m. on April 19**. Also, join us for the guitar music of Tom Conner on **Thursday, April 17 at 7 p.m.** Registration is required. Silver Lake author Shelley Pearsall will be at the library on **Wednesday, April 16 at 7 p.m.** to talk about her newest book for young people **All Shook Up**. Registration is appreciated. Children ages 3 to 6 can come to a Picture Book Party on **Friday, April 18 at 10:30 a.m.** The party features well-known picture book character Skippyjon Jones. There will be food, games, crafts and other activities. Registration begins **April 7**. Call 330-688-3295 to register for any National Library Week program.

### **Bridge Club**

Come to the library for cards and conversation. The Bridge Club will meet on **the second Monday of the month from 12:45 until 3:30 p.m.** Players should arrive at **12:45 p.m. and bridge will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m.** The next meeting is **May 12**. Bridge Club meets in the Stow-Munroe Falls meeting room at the library. There is no fee to join the club, but a small collection will be taken for refreshments. For more information or to register, contact Cheryl Nelson at 330-688-3295. Bridge Club is co-sponsored by Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Stow Woman's Club.

### **Self Defense for Women**

Registration begins **Monday, April 14** for Self-Defense for Women, a basic self defense course presented by the Summit County Sheriff's Department. The program will be **May 6 at 7 p.m.** in the Stow-Munroe Falls meeting room at the library. Topics to be covered include crime awareness, safety tips, keeping distance, how to get away from an attacker and more. The program is for women age 18 and up. There will be time for questions and answers. Registration is limited. Call 330-688-3295 to register.

### **Meet Author Thrity Umrigar**

Meet Thrity Umrigar, the author of *The Space Between Us*, *If Today Be Sweet*, *Bombay Time* and *First Darling of the Morning: Selected Memories of an Indian Childhood*. on **Tuesday, April 29 at 7 p.m.** A journalist for seventeen years, she has written for the Cleveland Plain Dealer and the Washington Post. She teaches creative writing and literature at Case Western Reserve University. She has a Ph.D in English and lives in Cleveland. Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Reference Desk to register. This program will be held in the Stow-Munroe Falls room at the library.

### **Which Vitamins Are Right For You?**

Dr. Kelly Gallagher will discuss the difference between synthetic and natural sources for vitamins, common signs of vitamin deficiencies and how vitamins can work in the body on **Thursday, May 8 at 7 p.m.** Call 688-3295 or stop by the Reference Desk to register. The program will be held in the Stow-Munroe Falls room at the library.

### **Meet Author Charlotte Marky**

Stow author Charlotte Marky will talk about and sign her new book *A Young Girl's Story of World War II and Communism of Revolution and Escape and the Power of Faith to Overcome*. The program is **Tuesday, May 13 at 7 p.m.** Registration begins on **Monday, April 14**.

### **9/11 Survivor George Sleigh**

On **Wednesday, May 28 at 7 p.m.**, hear George Sleigh's story of escape from the 91st floor of the World Trade Center. Registration begins on **Monday, April 28 and is limited**. Call 688-3295 or stop by the Reference Desk to register. This program will be held in the Stow-Munroe Falls room at the library.

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## **Recent Library Happenings**

Crafty teens visited the library during Spring Break to participate in Craftapalooza, a chance to sit down and create a great craft from materials provided by the library.



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### New Titles

New titles are arriving daily at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Some of the new titles are:

- **Fiction:** *The KonKans* by Tony D'Souza, *Song Yet Sung* by James McBride, *The Little Lady Agency and the Prince* by Hester Browne, *Firefly Lane* by Kristin Hannah.
- **Mystery:** *The Black Dog: A Holmes on the Range Mystery* by Steve Hocken Smith, *Stranger in Paradise* by Robert B. Parker, *L.A. Outlaws* T. Jefferson Parker.
- **Nonfiction:** *The New Day Trader Advantage: Sane, Smart and Stable: finding the daily trades that will make you rich* by Jon D. Markman, *Jacked Up: the inside story of how Jack Welch talked GE into becoming the world's greatest company* by Bill Lane.
- **DVDs:** *Martian Child*, *Gone Baby Gone*, *No Reservations*, *Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married*

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### Department News

#### Adult Services

#### Go Green with your Library

In celebration of Earth Day (April 22, 2008), you are invited to **Go Green with Your Library**. From **April 21-25** join us for a week of special events, prizes and much more to celebrate the special day and learn how using your public library can help save the environment.

### Here's what's happening....don't miss a day!

- Monday through Friday (April 21-25)—sample a healthy treat while supplies last!
- Tuesday April 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. have a cup of organic, fair trade coffee (don't worry, it's delicious!).

You **must bring your own mug**. We will not be using disposable styrofoam cups.

- Teens! Find special hidden bookmarks in the Teen Scene area and receive a special prize!
- Instant prize winners throughout the week. Check out material and you could be an instant winner.
- Free seeds while supply lasts
- Free reusable bookmarks with easy tips for saving the environment.

**Remember, the more you use Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library, the more you save the environment. Here are some ways:**

- Save a tree. Don't buy a book, borrow one from the library.
- Ever notice all the plastic wrap and packaging that comes with a new CD or DVD? Borrow a CD or DVD from the library instead of buying them new and avoid adding that refuse to the landfills. Each month, more than 45 tons of CDs become obsolete -- outdated or unwanted -- and also end up in landfills.
- Don't buy, read and then discard newspapers or magazines. Read them at the library.
- Walk or ride your bike to the library. Get exercise, save fuel and have a fun-filled day free of charge!
  - Recycle your waste paper at a convenient location in the library parking lot
    - We reuse plastic bags...so bring yours in!
- The library is the best place to educate yourself on global warming, becoming more energy efficient, detoxifying your life, recycling, reducing pollution, eating organic foods and much more. Check out our materials and learn how to change your life!



**Art on Display**

### **City Workers Celebrate Arbor Day**

City of Stow workers get in the spirit of Earth Day! See our Corner Gallery Photo Exhibit of workers planting trees in Stow in honor of Arbor Day! The exhibit may be viewed during regular library hours.



### **Display Cases**

The glass artwork of Marianne Hite is now on display in the display cases by the Corner Gallery. The display may be viewed during regular library hours.



### **Foreign Language Books**

The Reference Department has an arrangement with the Foreign Language Department of the Cleveland Public Library to provide a rotating selection of print materials in various languages that may be checked out by our adult and juvenile patrons. The collection is rotated after a two-month period, so there will always be new titles to choose from. Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latvian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovenian, Spanish, Swahili, Swedish, Thai, Turkish, Ukrainian, Urdu, Vietnamese, Welsh and Yiddish. Check one out today!

**New to ReferenceUSA!**

ReferenceUSA is one of our library's most popular databases. Patrons have used it for years to look up U.S. residential and business information. New to ReferenceUSA in 2008 is EmployersUSA, which allows users to find information on every U.S. employer, large or small. Use it to find the company you want to work for based on location, type of business and educational background. Access ReferenceUSA in the library or at home using your library card number. For more information, Call the Reference Department at 330-688-3295.

**Need to Use a Computer? Call ahead and reserve one!**

Computers with **Internet Access**, located in Computer lab at library are always in great demand. If you are planning a trip to the library to use the computer, please **call ahead** and make a reservation. There may **NOT** be one available if you don't make a reservation! Computer time can be reserved up to **one week** in advance. **You are limited to one appointment per day.** Staff in the Computer Lab can schedule you for up to two hours of time, Monday through Saturday and up to one hour of time on Sunday. Remember, **you now need to bring your Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library card to use a computer.** Don't be disappointed! Call ahead! To make an appointment, call the Reference Department at 330-688-3295.

**Evening Book Discussion**

The evening book discussion group with **Amy Garrett** meets the fourth Thursday of the month through **April 2008**. Discussions are on **Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.** Copies of the book will again be available at the Reference Desk prior to the discussion date.

The group will meet again beginning in September 2008.

**Reading List for the 2007-2008 Evening Discussion Group**

- **April 24 - *Double Bind*** by Chris Bohjalian

**Monday Evening Book Discussion**

The evening book discussion group with **Barbara Nelson** meets through **June 2008**. Discussions will be on **the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m.** Copies of the book will again be available at the Reference Desk prior to the discussion date.

**Reading List for the 2007-2008 Evening Discussion Group**

- **May 5 - *If Today be Sweet*** by Thrity Umrigar
- **June 2 - *The Glass Castle*** by Jeanette Walls

**Daytime Book Discussions**


The daytime book discussion groups with **Chris Caccamo** will meet the **second Friday of the month from October through May at either 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m.** Books will be available at the Reference Desk prior to the discussion date.

**Reading List for the 2007-2008 Daytime Discussion Group**

- **April 11 - *The Captain's Wife*** by Douglas Kelly
- **May 9 - *Water for Elephants*** by Sara Gruen

Summer titles will be released in May!

## Computer Training

 The library offers classes for beginning computer users and more advanced users. They include Introduction to Computers, Introduction to the Internet, and training in Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel. Classes are offered both day and evening at no charge. The class calendar can be viewed at [www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm).

## New Computer Class Signup Procedure

You no longer have to sign up for computer classes weeks ahead of time! Instead, stop by the Reference Desk **one half hour before class time** and sign up. Be sure to have your Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library card with you! It is that easy!

## Teens

### Anime Club with Sonny Strait

Sonny Strait, voice actor in Dragon Ball Z and Fullmetal Alchemist, will be giving a brief presentation, answering questions and signing autographs at Anime Club on **Saturday, May 11 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.** His new manga, We Shadows will also be available for sale. For more information check out [sonnystrait.biz](http://sonnystrait.biz) or contact the teen librarian at 330-688-3295.

### Teen Newsletter

The Teen Services Department is seeking submissions by teen patrons for the next issue of the Teen Newsletter. Submit stories, artwork or reviews. To view a sample issue, follow the link on the Teen Services page. Items can be turned in at the Reference Desk or E-Mailed to the Teen Librarian at the following address:

[teenlibrarian@smfpl.org](mailto:teenlibrarian@smfpl.org)

Please go to the Teen Services web page at [www.smfpl.org/TS.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/TS.htm) for information about current Teen activities. To see photos of Teen events go to [www.smfpl.org/tsphotos.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/tsphotos.htm).

## Children's

### Spring storytimes

Spring storytimes will run from **April 7 through April 17**. There is no registration for these programs. Lapsit storytimes are on **Mondays at 10:30 a.m.** Lapsit is for children birth to 24 months of age with a caregiver. Siblings are welcome. Two year olds with a caregiver can attend the programs on **Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Siblings are welcome. Three year olds, caregiver optional, can attend the programs on **Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Siblings are welcome with a caregiver. Four and five year olds without a caregiver can attend the **Thursday programs at 10:30 a.m.** Siblings may not attend this program. For more information on storytimes, contact the Children's Department at 330-688-3295.

### Yo-Yo Club

The next Yo-Yo Club meeting is **May 2 at 4:30 p.m.** Join the club and let experienced Yo-Yo kids help you learn. Bring a Yo-Yo or just come and watch. The program is for children of all ages. Registration is not required.

Please call 330-688-3295 or go to the Children's Department web page at [www.smfpl.org/CS.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/CS.htm) for further information about Children's activities and programs.

## Circulation

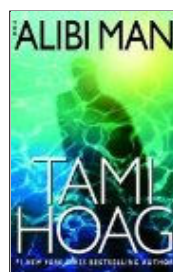
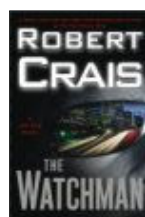
### Drive-Up Window



Don't forget about the Drive-Up Window service at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. This is an especially helpful service during inclement weather! The drive-up window is open during regular library hours and closes 15 minutes before library closing.

### **Pick 5 Bestsellers Club**

Join the Bestsellers Club online by selecting up to **five** of your favorite authors. Your name will automatically be placed on the reserve list for these popular authors. Although we can't guarantee how near the top of the list you'll be, it's one less thing you have to think about! After completing this form, we'll add your name to the waiting list and let you know when your book is ready to check out. Your membership in the Bestsellers club will be effective with next month's new releases. It's that easy. Don't have a computer or are you too busy to get to your computer? Our staff would be happy to help. Fill out a form, turn it in and become a member. Are you already a member, but would like to change an author or two? Ask for an "add/delete" form at the circulation desk. It's just that easy! Here's a few authors whose new books could be waiting for you!



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### **Library Foundation**

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Foundation was incorporated in 1994 as a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. The Foundation is dedicated to ensuring a great library system by raising, managing and allocating funds to expand and improve the library.

Why a Foundation? Maintaining Stow and Munroe Falls' top-notch library isn't possible with public funding alone. The Foundation's mission is to stabilize the library in times of reduced public funding and secure the ongoing excellence of the library. The next meeting of the Foundation is **Tuesday, April 15 at 5 p.m.** The public is invited to attend.

Click [www.smfpl.org/paypal.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/paypal.htm) to learn more about the Foundation or to make a donation.

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### **Friends of the Library**

The Friends of the Library is a citizen support group for Library services and activities. They sponsor book sales as well as the annual Needlework Show and other activities. Friends meet the third Tuesday of every month (except December and July) at **2:00 p.m.** in the upstairs meeting room.

### **Friends Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will be held on **Tuesday, May 20 at 2 p.m.** in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room at the library. A brief business meeting will be held, including the election and installation of officers. The public is invited to meet Russ Musarra and Chuck Ayers, authors of the book, **Walks Around Akron: Rediscovering a City in Transition**. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and may be signed by the authors. Refreshments will be served. For reservations, call the library at 330-688-3295.

If you are interested in joining Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Friends of the Library you may call the library at 330-688-3295 for further information, or you may go to the Friends page on the library website ([www.smfpl.org/friends.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/friends.htm)) for an online application.

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### Quilt on Display

This month's quilt design is by Dolly Madison. It is displayed over the front checkout desk.



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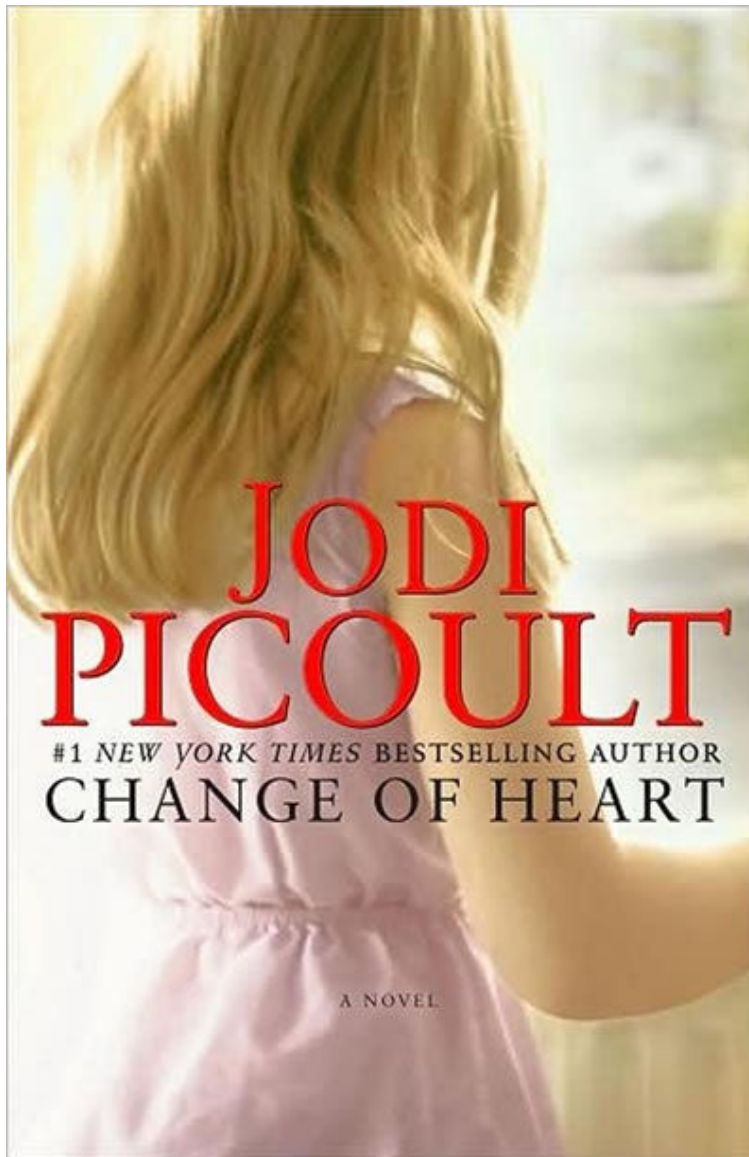
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### Book Picks

April's book pick is **Change of Heart** by Jodi Picoult

#### **From Publisher's Weekly:**

Picoult bangs out another ripped-from-the-zeitgeist winner, this time examining a condemned inmate's desire to be an organ donor. Freelance carpenter Shay Bourne was sentenced to death for killing a little girl, Elizabeth Nealon, and her cop stepfather. Eleven years after the murders, Elizabeth's sister, Claire, needs a heart transplant, and Shay volunteers, which complicates the state's execution plans. Meanwhile, death row has been the scene of some odd events since Shay's arrival—an AIDS victim goes into remission, an inmate's pet bird dies and is brought back to life, wine flows from the water faucets. The author brings other compelling elements to an already complex plot line: the priest who serves as Shay's spiritual adviser was on the jury that sentenced him; Shay's ACLU representative, Maggie Bloom, balances her professional moxie with her negative self-image and difficult relationship with her mother. Picoult moves the story along with lively debates about prisoner rights and religion, while plumbing the depths of mother-daughter relationships and examining the literal and metaphorical meanings of having heart. The point-of-view switches are abrupt, but this is a small flaw in an impressive book.



Place a hold on **Change of Heart** by going to the library's online catalog at <http://opac.smfpl.org>.

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### What Do I Watch?

**Miss any of the Academy Award nominated movies this year? We have them! Put one on hold today!**

- No Country for Old Men
  - Atonement
  - Michael Clayton
- The Diving Bell and the Butterfly
  - Sweeney Todd
  - Eastern Promises
  - La Vie En Rose
- The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford
  - Charlie Wilson's War
  - Into the Wild

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### **Website of the Month**

The website for this month is for **The Earth Day Network** at <http://www.earthday.net/>

Earth Day 2008 is **April 22, 2008**. Founded by the organizers of the first Earth Day in 1970, Earth Day Network (EDN) promotes environmental citizenship and year round progressive action worldwide. Earth Day Network is a driving force steering environmental awareness around the world. Through Earth Day Network, activists connect, interact, and have an impact on their communities, and create positive change in local, national, and global policies. EDN's international network reaches over 17,000 organizations in 174 countries, while the domestic program engages 5,000 groups and over 25,000 educators coordinating millions of community development and environmental protection activities throughout the year. Earth Day is the only event celebrated simultaneously around the globe by people of all backgrounds, faiths and nationalities. More than a half billion people participate in the campaigns every year.

The mission of the Earth Day Network is to grow and diversify the environmental movement worldwide, and to mobilize it as the most effective vehicle for promoting a healthy, sustainable planet. They pursue the mission through education, politics, events, and consumer activism.

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### **E-Mail Your Comments**

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