

Friends

of the Stow • Munroe Falls
Public Library

Book Sale

The Friends' semi annual **Book Sale** will be held early this year starting **March 28** and running through **April 1**. Thanks to all your donations, this will be a huge sale! Not only do we continue to receive daily donations from our wonderful patrons, but the library has graciously given us all their recent withdrawals. Even with all of the books we have received, we aren't done yet. **Donation Day** will be Saturday, **March 11**, from 10 AM – 2 PM, where we gratefully accept your donations of books, CDs, DVDs, software, puzzles, records, games, etc. Materials are then moved upstairs, on March 25, to set up the Book Sale. Patrons who donate 10 or more items on Donation Day will receive a pass to the next Friends' Presale Morning.

Patrons' Night is the kick-start of our Book Sale. Tuesday, **March 28**, from 5 - 8 PM, patrons are invited to be the first to shop our


large inventory of books for a \$10 donation, \$5 if you are already a Friends member. Memberships can be purchased that night at the door. For your convenience and speedy entrance, please have the membership form from the newsletter completed before you arrive.

Due to suggestions from patrons, we have made another change to Patrons' Night. The entry numbers will be handed out at 3 PM on March 28 with your donation (\$10 for the general public or \$5 for Friends' members). The doors to the sale open at 5 PM. After you have received your numbers, you may leave and come back closer to the sale starting time at which point your number reserves your place in line.

Friends' Presale Morning, Wednesday, **March 29**, from 10 AM – 1 PM is for current Friends' members; memberships can be purchased at the sale. Have a fun morning shopping. Then from 1 – 8 PM, the sale is open to the public. **March 29 - April 1**, the remaining days of the Book Sale, are open to the public too.

Bag Day is hosted on **April 1**. Fill a paper bag for \$5 until 2 PM. At 2 PM, teachers and non-profit organizations are encouraged to help themselves, for free, to any materials that may aid them in their work.

If you would like to volunteer and be part of our Book Sale or other fun events hosted by the Friends, please contact Barb Beiling at Wbeiling@aol.com or call (330) 328-0557.

 For the latest information on our upcoming Book Sale, find us on [facebook.com/friends.of.smfpl](https://www.facebook.com/friends.of.smfpl) •

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Volunteering with the Friends

In 2016 the Friends of the Library contributed over **6,000 volunteer hours** for the benefit of the library. Most of our time was dedicated to sorting donations for our two major Book Sales, two mini Book Sales and our hugely successful Jigsaw Puzzle Sale. The Friends could also be seen selling books at Brust Park in Munroe Falls on River Day. Our final Spring Needlework Show took place in 2016. Not only do we work hard but we have fun doing it! Many new friendships have been made while volunteering with The Friends!

Our group's mission is to support the library's programming needs through the money earned from our Book Sales. The Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library provide:

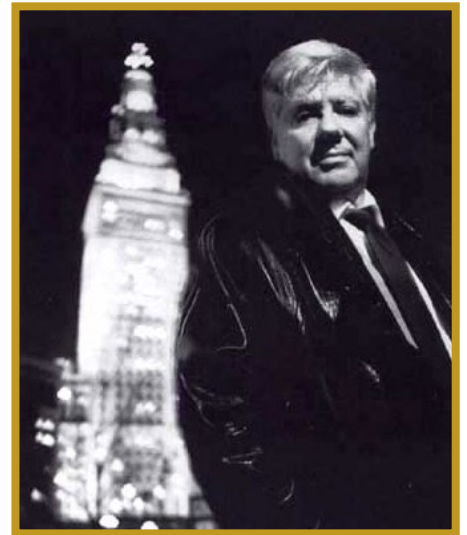
- Funding for Children's Department activities, including supplies, entertainers, refreshments and prizes for the Summer Reading Program.
- Funding for Teen programs including supplies, refreshments and prizes for the Summer Reading Program
- Funding for Adult Book Discussion Groups and prizes for the Summer Reading Program.
- Funding for Adult speakers, entertainers and refreshments
- Funding for special library projects ●

Patrons' Night Reminder

Entry numbers will be handed out at 3 PM on Tuesday, March 28 for Patrons' Night. ●

Friends' Annual Meeting

Join mystery author Les Roberts as he presents **Getting Away with Murder** at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, May 16 at the Friends of the Library Annual Meeting. During this talk, Les will reveal how and why he writes mysteries. Books will be available for purchase and signing. *At 6 PM, a short business meeting will be held prior to the presentation. Light refreshments will be served the entire evening. There is no charge for this program, but reservations are necessary due to limited space. Registration starts at 9 AM on April 9. Call (330) 688-3295 ext. 4 or register online at www.smfpl.org.



About the Speaker:

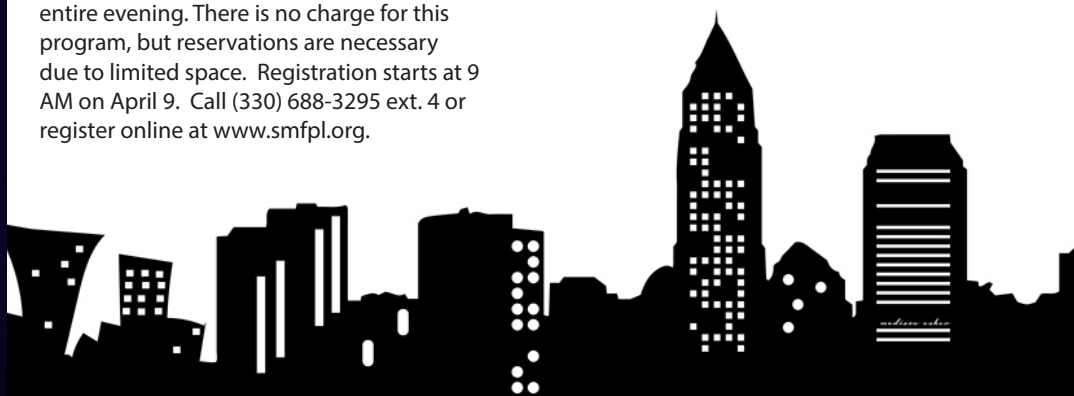
Les Roberts is the author of 17 mystery novels featuring Cleveland private investigator Milan Jacovich, as well as 11 other books of fiction. The past president of both the Private Eye Writers of America and the American Crime Writer's League, he came to mystery writing after a 24-year career in Hollywood writing and producing television shows. He has been a professional actor, a singer, a jazz musician, and a teacher. A native of Chicago, he now lives in Northeast Ohio and is a film and literary critic. ●

Membership

The current membership of the Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is over **355 members**. A membership form is part of this newsletter. The amount for each category's dues is printed on the form. Please complete all sections of the form to best assist our volunteers in the data entry process.

If you are unsure whether or not you have renewed, you can e-mail Janet Dodson at dodsonjanet@sbcglobal.net or call her at (330) 923-5926.

Please encourage your friends and family to join us in support of our library. ●



Membership Form

Renew

Date:

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone:

E-Mail:

- \$5.00 Individual
 \$10.00 Family
 \$25.00 Contributing
 \$100.00 Life

Checks should be made out to: Friends of the SMFPL. Please bring to the library or send to Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library, 3512 Darrow Rd., Stow, OH 44224. Memberships are good for one year (except Life) and expire in the month purchased.

We need your help. Please check below if we can contact you to work.

- Book Sales Special Programs

Endowment Fund

In September of 2007, the Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library established an endowment fund with the Akron Community Foundation. An endowment fund builds on a principal which is not spent, but rather reinvested. The entire principal balance generates income to be spent by the group or their named beneficiary. The interest income will be used in the future to help provide for the library, in the hopes of supporting programs well after our volunteers cannot continue to work to raise these funds. Through the generosity of our patrons, the endowment fund balance on December 31, was over **\$86,225**.

If you would like to contribute to this fund, printed envelopes are available at the Friends' Informational stand near the elevator. Checks should be made payable to the Friends of the SMFPL Endowment Fund, and then mailed to the Akron Community Foundation, 345 West Cedar Street, Akron, Ohio 44307-2407. Online donations may also be made at the library's website—www.smfpl.org/node/1432 Gifts made to the endowment fund are tax-deductible as allowed under Federal and State tax laws.

COUPON
50¢ OFF
your Book Sale purchase.

Offer expires March 31, 2017.
Limit one coupon per customer per day.
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Donors

We'd like to thank the following patrons for their donations to the Endowment Fund in 2016:

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