February is a month associated with love and romance and as such, I’d like to recommend some books and movies to help get you in the mood …

Looking for a good romance? We have lots of books to choose from! Check out Cold Hands, Warm Hearts by Jenny Jacobs, Call Me Irresistible by Susan Elizabeth Phillips, How to Wed a Baron by Kasey Michaels, Highland Protector by Hannah Howell, Restless Heart by Wynona Judd, Love Letters by Katie Fforde, Tall Dark & Hungry and Bitten by Cupid by Lynsay Sands, Long Time Coming by Rochelle Alers, Heated Rivalry by Patricia Sargeant, Shut Up and Kiss Me by Christie Craig and more! Check out our paperback collection for other romances.

We also have lots of romances available on Book on CD or Playaway! Have you heard Late for the Wedding by Amanda Quick or Irish Duke by Virginia Henley? What about Me Myself and Why? by MaryJanice Davidson or Delicious by Sherry Thomas? Looking for a little more adventure? How about some Romantic Suspense? Check out Fire and Ice by Julie Garwood or Knock-Out by Catherine Coulter. For more titles, look for our Audiobooks section in our audiovisual area!

Not interested in fictional romances? Check out some of these nonfiction titles … Love Stories of World War II, Chicken Soup for the Chocolate Lover’s Soul (and other Chicken Soup books), Love is a Verb, Love Matters, Mars and Venus in Love, Love Songs and Sonnets, Love Poems from Around the World, The Five Love Languages and How Do I Love Thee?

Stop by the Information Desk and we’ll help you find something to suit your taste!

Looking for a good DVD? Check out these movies and others available in the “Romance” section of our DVDs! We have Alex & Emma, Always, Break-Up Artist, Casanova, Feast of Love, Holiday, Fool’s Gold, It’s Complicated, No Reservations, One Fine Day, Valentine’s Day and You’ve Got Mail!

Music soothes the savage beast, and it can also help put a little romance into a special evening. Check out Romance by Frank Sinatra, Bolton Swings Sinatra, Unforgettable, Love Songs by Miles Davis, Valentine by Jim Brickman, Valentine Musical Selections, Love Songs by Elton John, Love Songs by Andre Rieu, Love Songs by Trisha Yearwood and many more!
Romance at your library!

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Questions
by Barbara Nelson
Assistant Head of Reference Services

Q When did the Federal Income Tax become the law of the land?

Congress passed the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which allows for the implementation of personal income tax, on February 3, 1913, and chose March 1 of the following year as the filing deadline. The deadline was changed to March 15 in 1918, and then to April 15 in 1955. This gave the IRS more time to handle the increasing workload.

Q Does the library offer any incentives to encourage children to read during the school year?

The Children’s Services Department conducts the Reading Patch Club for children in grades K-5. To earn a colorful embroidered patch, readers can read ten books in each of the ten categories in the club - either chosen from our Reading Club lists or on their own. A book bag is awarded to each child who earns all ten patches in a single school year.

Q What was Clark Gable’s connection to Ohio?

William Clark Gable was born on February 1, 1901 in Cadiz, Ohio. He spent his early years in Hopewell, Ohio and his teenage years on a farm in Ravenna, Ohio. At 16 he worked for Firestone Rubber Company in Akron. His interest in acting began when he saw his first stage play at the Akron Music Hall on East Exchange St, where the Beacon Journal Building is today.

Drive-Up Window

Don’t forget about the Drive-Up Window service during inclement weather! The window is open during regular library hours and closes 15 minutes before library closing time.

Emergency Closings

Please don’t worry...In the event we are closed for a snow emergency, you will not be fined for your late materials.
Beth Daugherty

How long have you been working at the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library?
Ten years.

What is your current job?
Local History Librarian. I also do computer training and reference.

What other jobs have you had while employed at the library?
None.

How would you describe the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library?
A friendly place to find the materials you need for research and entertainment.

What book would you recommend?
“Images of America—Stow and Munroe Falls”. This book tells the story of our community through vintage photographs. Images were selected from the collections of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library, and the Stow Historical and Munroe Falls Historical Societies.

What is your favorite vacation spot?
Most recently—China. Other favorite spots are Ireland and Hawaii.

What are your hobbies?
Reading, gardening, traveling.

What would people be surprised to know about you?
I grew up in Ashtabula, the snow belt of Northeast Ohio.

Do you have any pets?
Yes, a yellow lab named Ricky.

If you had one SMFPL service to recommend to a patron, what would it be?
Downloadable audio books through the Ohio E-Book project.

Writers’ Group

1st Thursday of the Month: 7 – 8 PM

Whether you write fiction, nonfiction, essays, poems, blogs or haven’t found your medium yet, come join our small, friendly critique group. Dianah McDonald will lead this writers’ group. Meetings will be held in the Stow Room—with the exception of April through July when meetings will be in the Conference Room. Register at the Information Desk or call 330-688-3295.
Secret Family Recipes

featuring Lydia Gamble’s

Cheese Cake

Crust:
¾ cup graham cracker crumbs
1 TBSP. sugar
1 TBSP. melted butter

Filling:
3 pkgs. (8 oz.) cream cheese at room temperature
4 eggs
1 TSP. vanilla extract
1 cup sugar

Topping:
2 cups sour cream
1 TBSP. sugar
1 TSP. vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.

Make crust: In medium bowl, combine crumbs, sugar, and butter—mixing well. Spread evenly over bottom of 9” spring form pan, pressing lightly with fingertips. Refrigerate while filling is being prepared.

Make filling: Add the cream cheese to the large bowl of an electric mixer and beat at medium speed until light. Add eggs, vanilla, and sugar and continue beating until creamy and light. Take crust out of the refrigerator and pour batter into pan. Bake for 35 minutes.

Make topping: Put sour cream, vanilla and sugar into a medium bowl and mix together with a wooden spoon.

Remove cheesecake from oven. Spread topping evenly over the surface of the cake. Return to the oven and bake for 5 minutes.

Remove from oven and cool in pan on a wire rack. Then refrigerate for 5 hours or overnight.

Looking for more cakes to bake? Try United Cakes of America by Warren Brown or other new dessert cookbooks in our collection.
NEW MOVIES

Look for these on our shelves. Holds can now be placed on these items.

Conviction
For Colored Girls
Get Low
It’s Kind of a Funny Story
Kites (Hindi)
Let Me In
Life as We Know It
My Soul To Take
Never let Me Go
Paranormal Activity
Waiting for “Superman”
You Again
You Will Meet a Tall Dark Stranger

CALDECOTT, NEWBERY & PRINTZ WINNERS

The 2011 award winners were announced recently by ALA, the American Library Association, at its midwinter conference. This year, the Caldecott Medal was awarded to Erin Stead for her illustrations in *A Sick Day for Amos McGee* and the Newbery Medal was given to Clare Vanderpool, author of *Moon Over Manifest*. The Printz Award was presented to Paolo Bacigalupi, author of *Ship Breaker*. A complete listing of both the Caldecott Winners and the Newbery Winners is available in the Children’s Department. For more information on the Printz winners, see the Teen Librarian.
Community Jazz Band Donates $500

The Community Jazz Band recently presented Doug Dotterer, Library Director, with a $500 donation for the library. In addition to raising funds for the library, the jazz band provides free monthly concerts on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 PM (June & July excluded). Registration is not necessary, but seating is limited. Be sure to thank them for their donation when you attend!

Adult Winter Reading Program

This winter is a purrfect time to warm up with a good book! Simply fill out a form for every book you listen to or read and put the forms in the box at the front desk. You will be eligible for a gift card each week if your entry is drawn compliments of the Friends of the Library. All entries are eligible for the grand prize gift card drawing on February 28. Participate in “This City Reads” during library hours on February 9 and be eligible for another prize.

Program is for grades 7 through adult.
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**Terry Pluto: Things I’ve Learned From Watching the Browns**

Feb. 22 at 7 PM

- Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Information Desk to register.

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**DIRECTOR**

Douglas H. Dotterer

**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 programming. Friends meet the third Tuesday of every month (except July and December) at 2:00 PM in the Stow Room.

**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.

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