If you need a job or you just want to keep the one you have, you don’t want to miss this series by The Community Job Club and Diana Miller, Career Management Consultant. The CJC offers free outplacement services and career management assistance to increase employee marketability in the workplace. Essential job search skills will be presented.

The first session is on July 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and is entitled “Is your Job Search in Good Shape?”

Other titles in the series include:
August 31, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.—Do You Have a Solid Career Plan that Produces Career Victories?
September 22, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.—How to Use Social Media to Pump Up Your Job Search
October 26, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.—Is Your Career Headed in the Right Direction?
November 30, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.—What is The Hidden Job Market?

Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the information desk to register for the July program. This program is cosponsored by the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Friends of the Library.

ADULT AND TEEN PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Showcase your photography skills during our upcoming photography contest. Photos may be submitted anytime between Monday, Aug. 2 and Thurs., Aug. 5 (before 9:00 p.m.)

Please note contest rules as listed below: No more than two photos may be submitted. Two categories: Black and white and color. Photos must be 5 x 7. Photos must be mounted on sturdy black or white board such as matte board. Attach completed entry form to the back of the board. One entry form per photo.

Prizes are compliments of the Friends of the Library. First Place: $20, Second Place $15, Third Place $10, and Adult Best of Show $100.

Winners will be announced, and all photos unveiled in a special reception on Wed., August 18 at 7:00 p.m. Winning photographers will be contacted about submitting a digital copy of their photo for display on the library’s online Flickr photostream. Entry forms will be available at the Information Desk and on the website starting June 30th. Make it a family affair: see our website or the Information desk for the Teen & Children’s photography contest details. These programs are cosponsored by Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Friends of the Library.
“ASK A LIBRARIAN” BY BARBARA NELSON—HEAD OF REFERENCE SERVICES

Last year, the Adult Information Desk answered 98,749 questions. What types of things are asked? Here is a sampling of questions from May provided from Barbara Nelson, assistant head of reference services.

**Question:** How much education does a person need to be eligible to work at the Reference Desk?

**Answer:** We are all required to have at least a Bachelor’s degree, which can be in any field. Some of us have a Master of Library and Information Science degree. A few of us even have 2 Master’s degrees. Some of our degrees are in English, Graphic Design, Education, Chemistry, Dental Hygiene, Psychology, Journalism, Vocational Counseling, and Social Work!

**Question:** I would like to read the Da Vinci Code in French. Do you have it?

**Answer:** Every 3 months the Cleveland Public Library sends us a rotating collection of books written in foreign languages. They have over 50 languages available. We usually request books in French, Spanish, Russian, Japanese, and Chinese. If we don’t have the exact title you want in the language you want, we can request it for you.

**Question:** I like to read romance books about vampires. Where would I find these in the library?

**Answer:** You can find these on the paperback shelves. They are labeled with a sticker that says “Paranormal Romance.” These romance books contain characters that are vampires, shape shifters, fairies and werewolves. Enjoy!

3RD ANNUAL SPELLING BEE

Join us for the third annual Cuyahoga Falls vs. Stow Spelling Bee on Thursday, July 8 at 7:00 pm at Cuyahoga Falls Public Library, 2015 Third Street in Cuyahoga Falls.

There will be two spelling bees going on at once...one for adults and one for grades 6 through 12.

Be on the Stow team! Register by stopping by the Information Desk or by calling 330-688-3295.

NEW DVDS PURCHASED THAT WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE IN JULY

Looking for some entertainment on a Friday or Saturday night? Any other night of the week? The following movies are being purchased by our library for the month of July. Remember... holds can now be placed on these items if they are already in the catalog.

- **July**
  - A Single Man
  - Brooklyn’s Finest
  - Chloe
  - The Bounty Hunter
  - Greenburg
  - Repo Man
  - Girl with A Dragon Tattoo
  - Our Family Wedding
  - Cop Out

Barbara Nelson is Assistant Head of Reference Services. She answers many questions at the Information Desk every week. In this monthly column we give you a sample of some of them.
Jenn Hale started out as a shelver at our library. Now she is a valuable employee in our Circulation Department. You've probably seen her when you check out your materials at the first floor Circulation Desk. Here's some more information on this month’s “Fine Print Employee of the Month.”

What is your current job? Public Services Assistant in Circulation

What other jobs have you had? I was a shelver for three years.

How would you describe SMFL? The Stow Library is such a fun place to work and to come to. We have so many funny people and lots of services to help you with whatever you need.

What book would you recommend? “You Couldn’t Ignore Me If You Tried” by Susanna Gora. If you love the 1980’s teen movies this book is a must read!

What is your favorite vacation spot? My family has a cottage up in Canada and my favorite part of the summer is the time I spend there.

What would people be surprised to know about you? I am a huge fan of older classic movies anywhere from the 1930’s to the 1960’s.

What do you like to do in your spare time? I love to read, watch old movies and I like to do scrapbooking.

Alex Bevan has been sharing his voice, guitar music and stories with audiences for more than forty years. His imaginative and honest song writing, improvisational wit, and flawless guitar slinging delights and charms audiences no matter what the venue. His recordings span the gamut from folk to folk rock and pop to children’s educational music. Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Information Desk to register. Weather permitting, it will be held outside on the library lawn. Rain location will be in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room inside the Library.

Northeast Ohio Legend Alex Bevan will return on July 13 at 7:00 PM

“Four Seasons in Chinese Music, Poetry and Painting” will be performed by the six-member Cleveland Chinese Music Ensemble in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room at the library on Thursday, July 22. This multimedia presentation combines traditional Chinese melodies with readings of elegant Chinese poems and traditional watercolors. The ensemble’s instruments for this performance will include a mouth organ, bamboo flutes, coconut fiddle, lutes, zither, and percussion. The ensemble has also performed at the Akron Civic Theatre, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and WVIZ Channel 25 among others. Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Information Desk to Register.

The Ensemble includes, Jay Xiao, David Badagnani, Yan Ping Ye, Demi Zhang, Amy Li, and Wannie Wong.
COMPUTER ROOM RENOVATION

Exciting changes are happening to the downstairs computer lab! Thanks to the $106,661 grant the Stow-Munroe Falls Library Foundation that was awarded from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, we are able to upgrade our computer room with state of the art computers, software and printers. This grant was one of only 20 such grants to be awarded by the Knight Foundation across the country. The room will be closed for upgrades and repair from July 4 until we have our Technology Open House on July 16 at 11:00 am. In the meantime there will be limited computer access on the first floor. If you would like to come to the Open House, please RSVP to Sue Archer at 330-688-3295 before 7/12.

LIBRARY CLOSING

The library will be closed on Sunday, July 4 and Monday, July 5 for the Independence Day Holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, July 6. Thank you.

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 December and July) at 2:00 p.m. in the Stow Room.

Friends officers for 2010 are (left to right):
Peg Niemeyer, Vice President; Hermine Meyer, Treasurer; Diane Brown, Corresponding Secretary; Nicole Welsh, President; Peggy Shaffer, Secretary.

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. Interested in giving to the Foundation? Go to www.smfpl.org/library/foundation/about_foundation

Front Row: Linda Trevorrow, Treasurer; Kelley Cerroni, Vice President; Julie Gedeon, President; Ann Lucco, Secretary. Back Row: Jane Mead, David Renninger, Ruth Reedy, Cindy Pribonic, Thomas Houlihan, Ann Malthaner, Doug Dotterer. Not pictured: Pamela Anderson, Nadine Chapman, Carolyn Radcliff