Have a Toy Story Inspired Halloween! This three-eyed alien pumpkin will look great on your porch on trick-or-treat night.

**What You'll Need**
- Pumpkin
- Paper towel
- Transparent tape
- Pumpkin carving kit
- Toothpicks
- Paper
- Water-based marker* (*optional)

**How to Make**
There are two ways to transfer your design onto your pumpkin. You could copy it freehand onto a clean, dry pumpkin with a water-based marker (mistakes can be easily fixed with a paper towel). Or, you could tape your template to the pumpkin, score the design into the skin by poking holes through the template with a nail or poking tool (available in some pumpkin-carving kits).

Start carving at the center of the design and work outwards. Begin with the smallest details. As each shape loosens up, gently push it out of the pumpkin with your finger or a dull pencil point. Carve the ears out of the pumpkin. Use a toothpick to attach them to the sides of the pumpkin. Lastly, place your jack-o'-lantern some place where the neighbors can see and remember to blow out all candles before bed.

For even more carving ideas, click here to view three exciting titles from our catalog.

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**Inside**
Simple tips that will forever change the way you carve pumpkins!
Tiffany Lamps

Thurs., October 16, 2014
7 - 8 PM

Discover the story of Clara Driscoll, the artistic genius behind the famous designs of the Tiffany Glass Studios during this fascinating presentation. Linda D. Alexander, fourth cousin to Driscoll, will share the discoveries that led to identifying Driscoll as the designer of many of the firm's lampshades. Driscoll was born in 1861 in Tallmadge, Ohio and worked for Louis Comfort Tiffany in New York City from 1888 to 1907. Although it’s been over 100 years, the story is still exhilarating story to hear. Join us for this entertaining history lesson in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room. Click here to register.

Simple Carving Tips

Instead of cutting the top of your pumpkin, cut out the bottom of the pumpkin! It makes things so much easier when it’s time to light up your jack-o-lantern. If you cut something you didn’t intend to, stick a toothpick through the flesh side of the piece and fit it back into place.

*Cutting should be done by an adult.

For more pumpkin carving ideas, visit family.disney.com.
Halloween Fun at Spike's Place

Hear not-too-spooky stories, wear your costume and trick-or-treat through the library in this fun Halloween program scheduled for Saturday, October 25 at 2:30 PM. For kids in kindergarten through third grade, registration is required, beginning Monday, October 13, either online at www.smfpl.org or by calling (330) 688-3295, ext. 5.

Little Clickers

Little Clickers is an interactive technology class in which one 3- to 5-year-old child and a parent/caregiver work together to learn about computers. This 5-part program will introduce new kid-friendly websites and help your preschooler learn basic computer skills. The class will be held in our computer lab at 10:30 AM every Friday in October, beginning October 3. Registration begins on Monday, September 15 and is limited. Please call the Children's Department at (330) 688-3295, ext. 5 to register.

Try our New Augmented Reality Books

All you need is a free app from the Apple App Store or Google Play. Download the app to your smart phone or tablet and then check out one of our new augmented reality books from Spike's Place. Experience our books in 3-D! We have all kinds of fun topics, including dinosaurs, world records, the human body and more. Talk to a librarian for more information.
Trip Kits

Did you know we can prepare trip kits to keep young minds and hands busy while traveling for the holidays? Stop by the children’s room to fill out a form at least 24 hours in advance of the date you plan to pick it up. We’ll gather appropriate books, DVDs, Playaways and CDs, plus include an activity pack with coloring pages and more! We’ll even check them out for you and have them ready to pick up at the check out desk on the first floor.

Music Program

Families can enjoy an interactive music program provided by musician Noah Budin on Saturday, October 18 at 2 PM. Tickets are required to attend this program and will be available in the children’s room starting Saturday, October 11. Enjoy children’s songs. There will be singing, dancing and more. Fun for the whole family!

Just Right for You

Our staff loves to make recommendations, and now we have a service that will tailor those recommendations to your specific needs, for you, your child or your whole family. Visit Spike’s Place and tell a librarian you want books “just right for you.” We will fill out a form including your contact information, your child’s reading needs, desired material formats (i.e. print books, audio, etc.) and any other pertinent information needed to provide you with some great books. We will e-mail you to discuss our recommended titles, and we can even have them ready for you to check out. We have other more general recommended reading services, available on Pinterest and in the library for you to use as well. This new service, however, is designed to be “just right for you.”

Pop-up Storytime with Amanda

Keep your eye out for Miss Amanda around Stow and Munroe Falls! You might find her at a pop-up storytime. These are special story time programs that could take place either at the library or somewhere in the community. Miss Amanda has done a pop-up storytime in our reading garden, and she did another one recently at Handel’s Ice Cream. These are special story programs and are not part of our regular story hour schedule, so watch our social media and in-house desk fliers for information about when these special events pop up!
Teen Talk  
—by Christina Getrost, Teen Librarian

Teen Read Week

Celebrate Teen Read Week Oct. 12-18 with a contest and programs just for teens in grades 7-12!

Grab your sonic screwdriver and join other fans of the time traveler in the blue box on Monday Oct. 13 at 7 PM to celebrate the new season of Doctor Who! There will be Whovian games, crafts, trivia and snacks. Watch clips from new episodes starring Peter Capaldi as the 12th Doctor. Share memories of your favorite Doctor’s adventures. Enter the costume contest and you could win a prize! For time traveling teens in grades 7-12.
Registration requested, beginning Oct. 1.
Three ways to register: call (330) 688-3295 ext. 4, stop by the Teen Information Desk, or email teenlibrarian@smfpl.org with teen’s name, grade, and phone number. Bring a companion and help save the universe!

During Teen Read Week, Sunday Oct. 12 through Saturday Oct. 18, teens who “Follow” the library’s teen Tumblr page (http://smfpteen.space.tumblr.com/) or “Like” the teen Facebook page (www.facebook.com/SMFPLTeenspace) will be entered to win a fun prize!

Outreach Spotlight
by Jessica Alloggia, Outreach Librarian

Did you know that October is Adopt-A-Shelter-Dog Month? A canine can be the best of companions for a senior citizen. Dogs are always happy to see you and can be the greatest friend you have. In addition, dogs can reduce depression, lessen loneliness and lower blood pressure. A rescue or shelter dog can mean saving a life!

Check out some of these places to see about adopting a dog or to make a donation to a good cause:

- Division of Animal Control, Summit County
- Paws and Prayers
- PAWSibilities, Humane Society of Greater Akron
- One of a Kind Pets

Each month the Outreach Services team brings materials to various retirement communities and senior buildings in Stow and Munroe Falls. Additionally, they provide a drop off service to several area nursing facilities. For those who cannot come to the library due to age, illness or injury, the library also provides free Homebound Delivery Services. For more information, contact Outreach Librarian Jess Alloggia at (330) 688-3295, ext. 129.
## Upcoming Events

**Adult Programming Highlights for October 2014**

Click on any program for description and registration information.

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**October 2 | Ghost Hunting**

**October 14 | Tiffany Lamps**

**Click here for**
- Children's Programs
- Teen Programs
- Computer Classes
Barbara Beiling
Received Award

We are proud to announce that our very own Friend of the Library, Barbara Beiling, is one of the six recipients of the 2014 Hower Community Service Award. Service to others is such an honorable gift. The Friends of Hower House have established an award to be given in recognition of outstanding community service. These recipients give tirelessly of their time and energy to the community. On September 23, they were recognized during the Hower Community Service Award Reception at the Hower House in Akron. Congratulations to all the recipients, especially to our beloved Barb! ●

Fast Facts

Monthly Statistics for August 2014

Items Checked Out*...............................72,380
Library Visitors......................................................24,006
eBooks .................................................................4,285
Digital Magazines Accessed .........................237
Freegal Music Downloads.................................980
Hoopla Downloads..............................................446
New Library Cards..........................................267

*Our third highest circulation!

New Movies

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

Click on title to advance to catalog.

AMERICA: IMAGINE THE WORLD WITHOUT HER
CHEF
DELIVER US FROM EVIL
DRAGON BALL Z: BATTLE OF GODS
EARTH TO ECHO
EDGE OF TOMORROW
THE GRAND SEDUCTION
MILLION DOLLAR ARM
MR. PEABODY & SHERMAN
NEIGHBORS
OBVIOUS CHILD
THE PERSECUTED
SEX TAPE
SNOWPIERCER
X-MEN: DAYS OF FUTURE PAST