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“A LIVING HISTORY EXHIBITION” RECEPTION OCT. 10

“A Living History Exhibition”, a collection of portraits by Linda McFarlin which captures the American culture is coming to the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. It kicks off with an opening reception on Sunday, October 10 from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. with period food and McFarlin and the re-enactors dressed in their authentic finery. The exhibit will be on display in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room through October 24.

“A Living History Exhibition” provides our library with an educational opportunity to bring history to various segments of the community. Although art galleries often intimidate many people, this historical art exhibition has the potential to draw new groups of people, young and old, to the exhibit space. The appeal of the subject matter and historical significance will provide a rich artistic viewing experience, an art appreciation moment, and a unique insight into our heritage.

To begin the process of A Living History Exhibition, Linda read and researched the historic timeline from 1700 to 1870. After verifying the historic accuracy, she then began to travel to historical re-enactments to photograph the re-enactors in their authentic regalia and the breath-taking natural landscapes around them. Each experience was like stepping back in time. She talked with the re-enactors she photographed, and soon learned they all shared the same intense passion for history. For a day or a weekend, they could live, dress, and think the character they were portraying—Longhunter, Native American Indian, Scout, Militiaman, or

skilled craftsman of that period.

As she photographed her subjects, she attempted to focus on the effects of the light and texture which surrounded them. During the process, she also sketched and took notes in a journal. The re-enactors had many stories to share, and she knew she needed to record them. Weeks would pass by before she could work on the original portraits, so by writing in the journal, she could recall events and conversations with each of the re-enactors.

This exhibit is brought to you by the Friends of the library and will be available during regular library hours:

**Monday—Thursday: 9:00 —9:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00—5:00 p.m.**



Artist Linda McFarlin and a re-enactor .

“I want people, whose lives are moving at an ever-faster pace, to look at my portraits as a moment of historical contemplation, and give recognition to those who have come before us,” said Linda McFarlin.

Linda McFarlin
presents
**“A Living History
Exhibition”**

opening reception on October 10th 1:00-4:30 pm

the exhibit will remain on display at the library
through October 24th

“ASK A LIBRARIAN” BY BARBARA NELSON— ASSISTANT 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 provided from Barbara Nelson, assistant head of reference services.

Question: Where was the first gas station in America?

Answer: During the early days, gasoline was sold at pharmacies. It's thought that the first dedicated gasoline stand with hand cranked pumps, was built in St. Louis in 1905. However, a Standard Oil (Chevron) gas station built in Seattle in

1907 also makes the claim of being first. The oldest gas station still offering service is Reighard's gas station, built in 1909 in Altoona, PA.

Question: How would I find just comedy movies at the library?

Answer: We have just reorganized our DVDs into categories so you can find just what you are looking for. The DVDs are divided into Action/Adventure, Classics, Comedy, Drama, Holiday, Horror, Musicals, Mystery/Suspense, Romance, Science Fiction/Fantasy and Westerns.

Question: I can not come to the library during the day. Do you have a story hour for children during the evening?

Answer: Yes. The Children's Department has Bedtime Story Hour for families from 6:30—7:00 p.m. on one Wednesday per month for ages 2—5. Register in advance for story hours on October 20 and November 10. Wear your pajamas!



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.

SISTERS SHOPPING ON A SHOESTRING

You might have seen these sisters-in-laws on tv or heard them on the radio recently. (They have a regular spot on Cleveland Fox 8 Morning Show.) They are determined to help people save money through couponing and deals. Lisa and Sara Steigerwald are the “Sisters on a Shoestring” and partners in \$avings. These popular

sisters are making a visit to our library on Wednesday, October 27 at 7:00p.m. to help us stretch our budget.

Pre-registration is necessary for this program. Please stop by the adult information desk or call 330-688-3295 to register.



Lisa and Sara Steigerwald



Stretch your Dollars!
October 27 at 7:00

NEW DVDS PURCHASED

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 October. Remember... holds can be placed on these items if they are already in the catalog.

October

**The Karate Kid
Splice (2010)
Nightmare on Elm Street (2010)
I am Love (Italian)
How to Train Your Dragon
DisneyNature—Oceans**

**Please Give
Predators (2010)
Winter's Bone
The Girl Who Played with Fire
Sex and the City 2**



AMY THOMAS IS THE “FINE PRINT EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH”

Children’s Department Librarian Amy Thomas is a very important part of our library. Let’s find out more about our “Fine Print Employee of the Month.”

If you had one favorite SMFPL service to recommend to a friend, what would it be?

Well, it’s not really a service I could recommend, but it is something that I am proud about. I would let people know that the children’s department visits 14 preschools a month,

getting to kids who might not otherwise get to the library.

What book would you recommend? I just read Ann Martin’s “A Dog’s Life”. It’s an autobiography of a stray dog from the dog’s perspective. It’s great.

What is your favorite vacation spot? I loved Antigua when my husband and I went there on our honeymoon.

What are your hobbies? I play softball on a co-ed softball league, and I play sand volleyball on a league in Kent. I love to walk my dogs, Buster and Roxy.

What would people be surprised to know about you? I lived for a short time in Rwanda, Kenya. I went gorilla tracking!



Amy Thomas takes the library to preschools each month.

TEEN READ WEEK—OCTOBER 17–23

Teen Read Week is Oct. 17-23, 2010. This year’s theme, “Books With Beat @ your library®”, encourages teens to read poetry, audiobooks, and books about music, not for school but just for the fun of it. Here’s a list of some “Books With Beat” available at the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library:

Benway, Robin – **Audrey, Wait!**

Sixteen-year-old Audrey gains unwanted fame and celebrity status when her ex-boyfriend, a rock musician, records a breakup song about her that soars to the top of the Billboard charts.

O’Malley, Brian Lee—**Scott Pilgrim** (graphic novel)

Scott Pilgrim plays guitar in a rock band and has

just started going out with a girl named Knives. All goes well until the beautiful Ramona enters his life, complete with roller skates, blue hair, and a wicked sense of humor. Can Scott choose between the sweet Knives and the desirable Ramona, especially when Ramona says that he should combat her seven evil ex-boyfriends?

Krulik, Nancy E. – **She’s Got the Beat**

Miranda was the quiet type-until she moved to Austin, Texas, home of the hippest college rock bands. To break out of her small-town shell, Miranda learns to play the drums and falls for the band’s cute bass player.

Unfortunately, Mr. Bass Man isn’t exactly looking for love. Can this rocker chick change his tune?

Glenn, Mel **Foreign Exchange: A Mystery in Poems**

A series of poems reflect the thoughts of various people--town residents young and old, teachers, and some students visiting from the city--caught up in the events surrounding the murder of a beautiful high school student who had recently moved to their small lake-side community.

Various Authors - **What a Song Can Do**

Contains a collection of twelve stories, by different authors, that celebrate the power of music.



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POPULAR GAS PROGRAM RETURNS

The popular gas card program is back for the month of October. Every time you check out library materials during October, you'll have a chance to win a free gas card. **One hundred \$10 gas cards** will be given away to our patrons compliments of the Friends of the Library. Entry blanks will be distributed at both the Adult and Children's circulation desks. Entrants must be 16 years or older. The drawing will take place during the first week of November and the winners will be notified by phone. The more often you check out materials, the more often you can enter the drawing. We hope to see you often during the month of October!



The more you check out items in October the more you can enter to win a \$10 gas card.

FLU VACCINES

The Summit County Health District will be at the Library offering flu vaccines on Thursday, October 28 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$25.

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