A Stow-Munroe Falls Library tradition returns March 25-29 at the library. The 35th Annual Needlework Show encourages area artists to share their talents and creative ideas.

Entry fees are $5.00 for the first item and $2.00 for each additional item. There is no fee for juvenile entries. As in the past, there will be awards for Best of Show, Judges’ Choice, Popular Choice as well as 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons for individual categories. Best of Show will also receive a cash prize of $25.

Categories are: counted cross stitch (large, medium, small), counted thread (other techniques), surface stitchery (crewel, embroidery, smocking, bead work, etc.), canvas (needlepoint, etc.), quilting, hand knitting, crochet, miscellaneous, and student.

Anyone from Summit or surrounding counties may submit entries in one or more categories. Entries will be accepted from individuals or groups. Entry must be the work of a living person(s) and entered in their name. Articles will be accepted if they have not been previously exhibited at the library show.
Registrations begins soon for final two cooking programs

Registration begins Monday, March 9 for Hearty, Healthy Dinner Ideas with licensed personal chef Sara Mentzer on Thursday, April 9. Sessions are at 5:00 p.m. or at 6:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, April 13 for her final program, Think Spring...Ideas for Fruits and Veggies on Thursday, May 14. Sessions are at 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Meet Knitgrrl!

Sign up begins Monday, March 23 to see Shannon Okey, author of the popular knitting books Knitgrrl, Knitgrrl 2, Felt Frenzy, Alt Fiber and Spin to Knit as she discusses knitting, fiber, spinning and needlecrafts. She will also have her modern wheel for a spinning demonstration. The program is Tuesday, May 5 at 7 p.m. Books will be available for signing and purchase during the program. Seating is limited. Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Adult Information Desk to register. The program will be held in the Stow-Munroe Falls meeting room at the library.

Book Discussion Groups

Evening Discussion with Amy Garrett
Fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
- March 2
  Walking Across Egypt by Clyde Edgerton
- April 6
  Farewell to Manzanar by Jeanne Wakatsuki Huston
- May 5
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Morning Discussion with Chris Caccamo
Second Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m.
- March 13
  Little Heathens: Hard Times and High Spirits on an Iowa Farm during the Depression by Mildred Armstrong Kalish
- April 10
  We Were the Mulvaneys by Joyce Carol Oates
- May 8
  The Lost Painting by Jonathan Harr
Need computer skills? Try these classes!

The introductory computer classes at the library have taken on a new look.

Instructor Susan Pinzone has re-structured the classes into two series: **Getting Started** and **Beyond the Basics**. She recommends new computer users take both series to learn new computer skills. These classes should be completed before the students move on to the more advanced classes offered by the library.

The **Getting Started** series covers:
- Turning the Computer on and off
- Mouse skills: how to click, scroll, highlight, copy and paste using the mouse.
- The computer keyboard
- The Start Menu
- How to work with on-screen windows, maximize and minimize.

**Beyond the Basics** Series builds on the skills taught in **Getting Started**. The series covers:
- Personalizing your computer using the control panel
- Printing
- Saving files
- Creating files and folders
- File organization

The classes in these series are paced to the speed of the students. New topics are introduced only after the previous topic is completed. Each class in the series picks up where the previous class left off. Both series are repeated each month. For class times, pick up a calendar at the Adult Information Desk or view the calendar on-line from the library’s website at www.smfpl.org.

Price It! Antiques & Collectibles by Amy Garrett, Head of Adult Services

Did you just inherit a relative’s house that contains a treasure trove of antiques and want to find out what these items are worth? Looking for pricing for Precious Moments collectibles? How about pricing for a Mickey Mantle rookie card?

The answers to these questions and more can be found at Price It! Antiques & Collectibles!

Price It! Antiques & Collectibles is a comprehensive, easy-to-use, online database that the library provides to our users both in-house and at home. Use this resource to identify, research and price art, antiques and collectibles.

A picture can be worth a thousand words or in this case more than 10 million! That's right! There are more than 10 million images in this database to help you identify and find exactly what you are looking for.

Price It! features a database of collectibles related articles that provide current and past stories to complement pricing information that you discover. There is also a directory of over 4,000 collecting clubs from around the world.

Check out this database by going to our website at www.smfpl.org. Run your cursor over the “Information Services” tab along the top of the page and then click on “Databases/Resources” from the drop down menu. Click on “Arts & Antiques”. Price It! is the second database from the top.

New Movies—Coming in March

Appaloosa
Religulous
How to Lose Friends and Alienate People
Choke
Body of Lies
What Just Happened

Computer Lab

Computers with Internet Access, located in Computer lab at the library are always in great demand. If you are planning a trip to the library to use the computer, please call ahead and make a reservation. There may NOT be one available if you don't make a reservation!

Computer time can be reserved up to **one week** in advance. **You are limited to one appointment per day.** Staff in the Computer Lab can schedule you for up to two hours of time, Monday through Saturday and up to one hour of time on Sunday. Remember, **you now need to bring your Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library card to use a computer.** To make an appointment, call 330-688-3295.

Happy St. Patrick’s Day
Teen Department

Chess Club
Chess club is for youth ages 5 to 17, who are familiar with the basic rules of chess. The next meeting is Monday, March 16 at 6:30 p.m. No signup is necessary. Snacks are provided! Peer instruction is from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m., and game play begins at 7:00 p.m.

Anime Club
On Saturday, March 7 at 1:30 p.m., join other fans of Japanese animated films and shows as we watch episodes of recent anime, and talk about manga and anime. Snacks are provided. No signup is necessary. For ages 12 to 18 only.

Teen Tech Week—
Press "Play" at your library! Celebrate Teen Tech Week in March with Wii Bowling Tournaments in the library. The qualifying round will be Monday, March 9 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and the finals will be on Wednesday, March 11 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The Wii Bowling Tournament is for ages 10 to 18 only. Sign up at the Teen Information Desk. Space is limited. Also, check out our selection of videogames, DVDs, audio books, downloadables and more!

Children’s Department

Storybook Theatre
On Friday, March 13 at 10:30 a.m., come watch movies based on popular children's books with Mr. Paul and enjoy a snack. This month’s movies are I Lost My Bear, Giggle, Giggle, Quack, I Stink, Curious George at the Parade, and of course, Chicka Chicka Boom Boom. The program is for preschoolers and their families. No registration is required.

Bakugan, Yu-gi-oh & Pokemon
Bring your cards to play for fun or swap for new ones with other Pokemon, Yu-gi-oh and Bakugan fans on Saturday, March 7 at 12:30 p.m. Program is for ages 5 to 17. No registration is required.

Fantasy Baseball
On Monday, March 23 at 9:00 a.m., sign up begins for our Children's Fantasy Baseball League for Grades 6 and under. You be the manager and choose your favorite MLB players for your dream team. Please no adults without children, although parents or other adults are welcome to help. Standings will be posted each week both in the library and online. Program will end in July with a wrap-up party and prizes for the winners.

Kids in the Kitchen
On Saturday, March 14 at 10:30 a.m. or 2:00 p.m., join Miss Jen for simple, fun creative cooking mixed with stories. Snacks are provided. No signup is necessary. For ages 12 to 18 only.

Circulation Department

Pick 5 Bestsellers Club
Join the Bestsellers Club online by selecting up to five of your favorite authors. Your name will automatically be placed on the reserve list for these popular authors. Although we can’t guarantee how near the top of the list you’ll be, it’s one less thing you have to think about! After completing this form, we’ll add your name to the waiting list and let you know when your book is ready to check out. Your membership in the Bestsellers club will be effective with next month’s new releases. It’s that easy. Don’t have a computer or are you too busy to get to your computer? Our staff would be happy to help. Fill out a form, turn it in and become a member. Are you already a member, but would like to change an author or two? Ask for an "add/delete" form at the circulation desk. It’s just that easy! Did you get a new library card and still want to be in the Bestseller Club? Be sure to tell a circulation desk assistant to update your registration so you will continue to be placed on hold for all of your favorites!
Past Events at the library

Girligami Teen program on February 16

A recent Monday evening book discussion group. The library offers monthly book discussion groups on Monday evenings, Thursday evenings, Friday mornings and Friday afternoons.

Spike the Turtle, doing what she does best—just hanging out in the Children’s Room!

Quilt of the month

The artwork of mother and Daughter Mary and Kris Kapenekas will be on display in the Corner Gallery in March.

In the Corner Gallery...

This month’s quilt is by Rita Kenny. It is on display over the front check-out desk and can be viewed during library hours.
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 activities. Friends meet the third Tuesday of every month (except December and July) at 2:00 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room.

Friends officers are are (left to right): Peg Niemeyer, Corresponding Secretary; Barb Beiling, President; Peggy Shaffer, Secretary; and Hermine Meyer, Treasurer. Nicole Welsh, Vice-President, is not pictured.

Library 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. The next Foundation meeting is Tuesday, March 17 at 5:00 p.m.