Welcome to the April 2007 edition of LIBRARY E-NEWS. This monthly newsletter includes several features containing information about the library. If you would like to join other subscribers in receiving the Library E-News in your e-mail every month, please fill out the following form online or complete a paper registration form at the circulation desk.

For a complete calendar of events at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library go to www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm

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**National Library Week**

National Library Week is April 15 through 21, 2007. In celebration, Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is presenting special events and programs throughout the month. Each time you visit the library during National Library Week, you can enter a special drawing to win a prize. Entry slips and the entry box will be at the front Circulation Desk. All entries must be placed by 5 p.m. on April 21. Be sure to ask for a free pencil at the Circulation Desk...available while supplies last!

*Read on in Library E-News for more information on activities throughout the month!!*

**Coffee With the Editor**

The next Coffee With the Editor will be Wednesday, May 2 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.
Library Closing
Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will be closed on Sunday, April 8 for Easter.

Library Fence
Workers are now tearing down and replacing the fence along the back side of the library parking lot. Please do not park in this area until the work is completed.

Library Board
The next meeting of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Board of Trustees will be Monday, April 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Local History Room. To read minutes from previous board meetings go to www.smfpl.org/trustees.htm.

Upcoming Special Events

Meet Children's Author Margaret Peterson Haddix
Meet Ohio author Margaret Peterson Haddix on Thursday, April 19 at 7 p.m. Haddix is the author of many popular children’s books, including Just Ella, Double Indemnity, Dexter the Tough and the Shadow children's series. She will sign books at 7 p.m. A limited number of books will be available for purchase. Light refreshments will be available. To make a reservation, call either the Teen or Children's Information Desk at 330-688-3295. This program is co-sponsored by the Six District Educational Compact and the Friends of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library.

Community Jazz Band
The next Community Jazz Band concert will be Wednesday, May 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Stow-Munroe Falls Meeting Room. Reservations are not required.

Bridge Club
The Bridge Club will meet on the second Monday of the month through May 2007 from 12:45 to 3:30 p.m. in the Stow-Munroe Falls Meeting Room on the second floor of the library. Join us for cards and conversation! There is no fee to join this club, but a small collection will be taken for refreshments which will be served at the last gathering. The next meeting is Monday, April 9 at 12:45 p.m. For more information or to register, contact Cheryl Nelson at 330-688-3295. You may leave a message on voicemail or send an email to: nelsonch@oplin.org. Bridge Club is co-sponsored by the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Stow Woman's Club.

The Friends of the Library will be conducting a Book Donation Day on Saturday, April 14 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Please bring used books, CDs, DVDs, tapes, puzzles and computer software to the back door of the library. No records or magazines, please. Curbside service will be provided. The donated materials will be sold at the April book sale and the proceeds will benefit the library. Donations are tax deductible. Donate 10 items on this day and receive a pass to the Friends Presale day on April 25. If you are unable to donate on this day, bring donations to the main checkout desk during regular library hours.
Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale
The Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale will be April 25-28. The hours are open to the public as follows:

   Wednesday, April 25, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
   Thursday, April 26, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
   Friday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
   Saturday, April 28 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On Saturday, fill a bag for $3. Unsold materials will be given away free of charge to teachers or non-profit organizations beginning at 2 p.m.

Patrons Night will be Tuesday, April 24 from 5 to 8 p.m. Donations are $10 per person. Donations for Friends Members are $5 per person. Friends memberships may be purchased at the door.

There will be a Friends Members Presale on Wednesday, April 25 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Shipwrecks of Lake Erie
Georgann and Mike Wachner will present a program on the great shipwrecks of Lake Erie on Wednesday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. Registration begins April 16.

Recent Library Happenings

Needlework Show 2007
The Friends of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library's 33rd annual Needlework show was again a great success. Best of Show honors went to Joyce Feucht of Akron who entered her intricate Stumpwork piece (left). Stumpwork is a raised form of embroidery.

Best Quilt honors went to Library Staff Member Ruthann Benge.

Silly Saturday Returns!
Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library's Annual April Fool's Day celebration, Silly Saturday, was fun for the entire family. Participants had to locate all the things that were just a little out-of-place at the library. Winners were mother and daughter Theresa and Allison Voneida, who found all 50 out-of-place items. Here are a few examples of what they found:

New Titles
New titles are arriving daily at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Some of the new titles this month are:

- Fiction: Nerve Damage by Peter Abrahams, Dream When You're Feeling Blue by Elizabeth Berg, Quilter's Homecoming by Jennifer Chiaverini, Sleeping With Strangers by Eric Jerome Dickey.

• **Nonfiction:** *The Art of Aging: A Doctor’s Prescription for Well-Being* by Sherwin B. Nuland, *Somebody’s Gotta Say It* by Neal Boortz, *Redbone: Money, Malice and Murder in Atlanta* by Ron Stodghill


• **Large Print:** *Ask the Parrot* by Richard Stark, *The Brethren* by Beverly Lewis, *Bad Blood* by Linda Fairstein, *the Afghan* by Frederick Forsyth.

• **DVDs:** *Running with Scissors, Flags of Our Fathers, Grudge 2, Hollywoodland*

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**Department News**

**Adult Services**

**Traditional IRA or Roth IRA...Which is Right for You?**
Learn the advantages of a traditional IRA vs. the advantages of a Roth IRA at a program on **Monday, April 9 at 6 p.m.** at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Learn about rules, minimum and maximum contribution limits, 401K, 403b and 457 retirement accounts, education IRAs and IRAs for your children. The presentation, provided by the Milestone Center for Retirement and Estate Planning, is free and open to the public. Register by calling the library at 330-688-3295.

**Guitar Music by Tom Conner**
A concert of guitar music by local musician Tom Conner will be presented **Wednesday, May 9 at 7:00 p.m.** at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. He will play all styles of music, including standards, light classic pieces, Celtic, light jazz renditions, country and bluegrass and some of his own original compositions. Conner has studied the classics for solo nylon string guitar and has released the CDs *That’s a Classic* and *Guitar My Way.* His influences include Chet Atkins, Les Paul, Julian Bream and jazz guitarists Johnny Smith, Wes Montgomery and Tommy Emmanuel. The concert is sponsored by Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Friends of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library.

The concert is free and reservations are not required.

**New Book Discussion Group**
The Adult Services Department is interested in adding another book discussion group to its schedule of programs. Adult book discussion groups are for adults 18 years and older. There is no fee to attend, advanced registration is not required and all books to be discussed will be provided by the library. If you would be interested in attending a new book discussion group, contact Barbara Nelson at 330-688-3295 and let her know what types of books you would like to discuss, what day of the week would be best for you and whether you would prefer a morning, afternoon or evening session.**

**Evening Book Discussions**
The evening book discussion group with **Amy Garrett** meets the fourth Thursday of the month through April 2007 at 7:00 p.m. Books are available at the Adult Information Desk prior to the discussion date.

**Reading List for Evening Book Discussion**

- **April 26** - *Marley and Me* by John Grogan

**Daytime Book Discussions**

The daytime book discussion groups with **Chris Caccamo** meets the second Friday of the month through May 2007 at either 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. Books are available at the Adult Information Desk prior to the discussion date.

**Reading List for Daytime Book Discussion**

- **April 13** - *Lunch at the Piccadilly* by Clyde Edgerton
- **May 11** - *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini

**Summer Book Discussions**

Summer book discussion groups will meet in June, July and August on the second Friday of the month at either 10 a.m. or 2 p.m. Chris Caccamo will be group leader for the summer discussions. Watch for more details coming soon!

**Need to Use a Computer? Call ahead and reserve one!**

Computers with **Internet Access**, located in the Adult Services Department of 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. Staff at the Adult Information Desk can schedule you for up to two hours of time once per day, Monday through Saturday and up to one hour of time on Sunday. Don't be disappointed! Call ahead! To make an appointment, call the Adult Services Department at 330-688-3295.

**Computer Training**

The library offers classes for beginning computer users and more advanced users. They include Introduction to Computers, Introduction to the Internet, and training in Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel. Classes are offered both day and evening at no charge. The class calendar can be viewed at [www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm).

**New Computer Class Signup Procedure**

You no longer have to sign up for computer classes weeks ahead of time! Instead, we will have numbered tickets for each class at the Adult Information Desk. On the day of the class, starting **one half-hour before class time**, the tickets will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis.

Classes will start at 10:00 a.m., 2:30 p.m., or 7:00 p.m. Ticket release times will be 9:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. respectively.

Students should have their Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library cards available when they come for their tickets.

The classroom has eleven seats at computers and an additional three seats without a computer. If all eleven "computer" seats are taken, three "non-computer" tickets will go to the next three students. This change is to prevent students from being closed out of classes on the first day of registrations. We hope that this new system will make it easier for out students to get the classes they want.
**Teens**

**Anime Club**
The next meeting of the Anime Club for ages 12 to 18 will be **Saturday, May 5 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.** Join other otaku (anime fans) to talk about your favorite series, characters, villains and anything else anime-related. Snacks provided. Registration is not required.

**Make Your Own Magnetic Poetry Kit!**
As part of the National Library Week celebration, teens can come to the library on **Monday, April 16 at 7 p.m.** to make their own Magnetic Poetry Kit. Turn ordinary words into a fun game you can take with you wherever you go. Speak your mind—with magnets! All supplies will be provided. For more information, contact the Teen Information Desk at 330-688-3295.

**Chess Club**
Play chess against a variety of opponents and learn new moves on **Tuesday, April 17.** Peer Instruction is from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m., game play is from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Chess Club is for elementary and high school students age 5 and older who are familiar with the basic rules of chess. Snacks are provided. Registration is not required.

Please go to the Teen Services web page at [www.smfpl.org/TS.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/TS.htm) for information about current Teen activities. To see photos of Teen events go to [www.smfpl.org/tsphotos.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/tsphotos.htm).

**Children's**

**Yu-Gi-Oh card swap**
The next Yu-Gi-Oh card swap for ages 5 to 17 will be **Saturday, April 7 from 12:30 to 1:30.** Bring your cards to play and swap cards with other Yu-Gi-Oh fans. Registration is not required.

**Baseball: History and Heroes**
Get ready for baseball season at the library on **Wednesday, April 18 at 7 p.m.** Join us for stories, trivia and games about our All-American sport. Bring your favorite adult and enjoy an indoor baseball game and treats from the ballpark. Don't forget to wear something to show us your favorite team. Leave early and you'll miss some really great door prizes. The program is for children ages 6-10 and an adult. Registration is appreciated but NOT required and it begins **April 9.**

**Storybook Theater**
Hey kids, join us for Storybook Theater! This season, the library will be showing several short films one Friday per month at **10:00 AM.** The next program is **April 20.** Children of all ages are welcome to stop by and see a classic movie based on a classic storybook. Registration is not required.

Please call 330-688-3295 or go to the Children's Department web page at [www.smfpl.org/CS.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/CS.htm) for further information about Children's activities and programs.

**Circulation**

**Drive-Up Window**
Don't forget about the Drive-Up Window service at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. This is an especially helpful service during inclement weather! The drive-up window is open during regular library hours and closes 15 minutes before library closing.

**Pick 5 Bestsellers Club**
How would you like to automatically be placed on the reserve list for five of your favorite popular authors? Join our Bestsellers Club and that's exactly what will happen! Just pick up a form at the Circulation Desk and join over 300 satisfied members. 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!

Art on Display

The mixed media art exhibit of Stow resident Ken Gessford will be on display in the Corner Gallery and in the display cases throughout April. Gessford, a retired art instructor will exhibit a wide variety of media, including clay, sculpture, enameling, photography, jewelry and even model trains. The work displayed is a retrospective, representing a life-long journey through his various visions as an artist.

The exhibit may be viewed during regular library hours.

Library Foundation

The **Stow-Munroe Falls Library Foundation** is a nonprofit organization which encourages voluntary financial support for the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. This support is used to help meet both the present and future needs of the patrons of the library. The purposes of the corporation include focusing public attention on library services, facilities, and needs in the Stow-Munroe Falls area; to stimulate and encourage the gifts of funds, books, desirable collections, endowments, and bequests to the library; and to receive, hold, manage, use, and dispose of funds and properties of all kinds, whether given absolutely or in trust, for the benefit of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Donors may make an online contribution to the Foundation by credit card or PayPal. Click [www.smfpl.org/paypal.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/paypal.htm) to donate online.

The next meeting of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Foundation is **Tuesday, April 17 at 5 p.m.** at the library. The public is invited to attend.

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.

If you are interested in joining Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Friends of the Library you may call the library at 330-688-3295 for further information, or you may go to the Friends page on the library website ([www.smfpl.org/friends.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/friends.htm)) for an online application.
Quilt on Display

This month's quilt was made by Sharon Gostlin and is called Trees. Sharon chose the theme of trees for her husband's birthday quilt. He enjoys planting trees and gardening.

Spotlight on Great TV on DVD

Did you know that Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library has many of your favorite television series on DVD? We have current favorites such as The Gilmore Girls, The OC, and Alias, all-time favorite shows such as The Bob Newhart Show, Full House, and Three's Company and classic television series such as Gunsmoke, The Andy Griffith Show, Leave It To Beaver and The Red Skelton Show. Check out a favorite today!

Staff Picks

April's staff pick is Watchers in the Night by Jenna Black, recommended by Circulation Desk Assistant, Deana Humble.

Fans of vampire fiction will love this! It has a clever, suspenseful plot, hot vampires and Carolyn Mathers, a Private Eye who can take care of herself!

Place a hold on this book by going to the library's online catalog at http://opac.smfpl.org.

Film Recommendations

By Chris Caccamo, Adult Services Associate.

Springtime and romance just naturally go together. In celebration of the season of love, the American Film Institute has assembled a list of 100 of the most romantic movies of all time, called "100 Years--100 Passions." Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library owns many of these films, including their top romantic films of all time: Casablanca, Gone With The Wind, West Side Story, Roman Holiday, An Affair to Remember, The Way We Were, Doctor Zhivago, It's A Wonderful Life, Love Story and Annie Hall.

Check out the entire list at AFI's website, www.afi.com.html and see if you agree with their choices.

These and other romantic films are available in the Adult Audiovisual Department. Check one out today!

Website of the Month

The website for the month of April is for the Internal Revenue Service at www.irs.gov
The deadline for filing your Federal Income Tax Return is **Tuesday, April 17**. If you need help or information, check out this website. You can check the status of your refund, print needed forms, e-file, find a list of frequently asked tax questions, find a taxpayer advocate and much more. Help is just a click away!