Welcome to the August 2005 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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Notices

Coffee with the Editor
There will be no Coffee with the Editor of the Stow Sentry in September.

Community Jazz Band
The next Jazz Band concert will be Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room. This event is free and open to the public.

Library Closing
Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will be closed Wednesday, August 17 for staff in-service day.

Library Board
The next meeting of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, August 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room. To read minutes from previous board meetings go to http://www.smfpl.org/trustees.htm.
**Wish List**
You can help Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library by purchasing an item to add to the collection. Library staff have selected popular books and materials and placed them on the library's Wish List provided by Amazon.com. Simply browse the Wish List and select an item that you would like to purchase for the library. Once you have purchased an item, it will be shipped directly to the library and added to the collection. To access the library's Wish List go to our website at [www.smfpl.org](http://www.smfpl.org). Click on "Make a Donation" on the left under "Resources." Click on "Take me to Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Wish List."

**Upcoming Special Events**

**Mythical, Magical Mondays**
*Read, Dream, Imagine*, the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library's Adult Summer Reading Program presents *Mythical, Magical Mondays*.

- **August 8 at 7:00 p.m. - Dream Interpretation**
  The more we study about dreams, the more we learn about ourselves. Come and listen as Jessiqua Yost talks about this fascinating subject.

- **August 15 at 7:00 p.m. - Intuition**
  Want to become more aware of what's around you? Let Jessiqua Yost create a world in which you feel encouraged to cultivate your inner, intuitive resources. Jessiqua has been a student of metaphysics for over 25 years and is a practicing intuitive life coach and certified Reiki healer. With a background in art, music, psychology, and science Jessiqua puts a practical spin on the benefits of blending intuition and logic.

**Rubber Stamping Class**
Adventures in Rubber Stamping with Maggie Starley will be held **Wednesday, August 31 from 10:00 a.m to Noon**. Learn the basics of rubber stamping and create either greeting cards or scrapbook pages during this introductory/intermediate class. Different kinds of rubber stamps, inks, and interesting techniques will be demonstrated. Materials fee is six dollars, which will be collected at the beginning of class. To register, please contact Cheryl Nelson at 330-688-3295 (voicemail available or e-mail: nelsonch@oplin.org). Participants should be 16 years old and up.

**Recent Library Happenings**

**Harry Potter**
Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library staff and volunteers opened the library for a Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince Party July 15 from 10:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. One hundred eighty people of all ages attended the gathering while awaiting the release of J.K. Rowling's latest book. Eleven copies, donated by the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Foundation, and three Borders gift certificates (anonymous donor), were given away after midnight to the lucky winners.

Pictured at right are the staff of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Picture taken by Library Board of Trustees member Ray Hall.
Annual Pet Show
Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library held its Fourth Annual Pet Show Wednesday, July 20. Thirty-four owners and their pets participated in the show, including two hermit crabs, a savannah monitor (lizard), a rat, several guinea pigs, hamsters, birds, cats, dogs and one rabbit. Nearly 200 people attended the show, and enjoyed visiting with the animals and speaking to their owners. Volunteers from the Summit Area Humane Society and Dr. Tim DiRosa from the Stow-Kent Animal hospital served as judges. Each pet received an award.

A bird named Spike (pictured at left with his owner Emmy) received the favorite pet award, voted on by those who attended the show.

To see more photos of the pet show please click here.

New Titles
New titles are arriving daily at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Check out the growing DVD collection, as well as books on CD. Some of the new titles this month are:


- **Large Print Fiction:** *Watch Your Back* by Donald E. Westlake, and *The Sister Circle* by Vonette Bright.

- **Mysteries:** *Murder on Lenox Hill: A Gaslight Mystery* by Victoria Thompson.


- **Biographies:** *Martha Washington, an American Life* by Patricia Brady.

- **DVDs:** *Hostage, Beyond the Sea, Coach Carter, Miss Congeniality, Armed and Fabulous,* and *Diary of a Mad Black Woman.*

Department News
**Adult Services**

**Adult Summer Reading Program** *Read, Dream, Imagine!* is the theme of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library’s Adult Summer Reading Program. Take a book to the beach, listen to a book on tape or CD during a long road trip or sit back and unwind with the latest bestseller. The more books you read this summer, the more chances you will have to win a weekly prize or a grand...
There is still time to participate and win! Until August 13 patrons 18 and older can fill out a slip for each book that they read or listen to and drop it in the drawing box at the Questions and Directions Desk near the library's front entrance.

There are weekly drawings for prizes including gift certificates, tickets, T-shirts and more! A grand prize drawing will be held at the end of the program.

During July there were 110 new participants, with a total of 733 entries. Weekly winners during July were Laurie Anderson (Rock and Roll Hall of Fame pass and a t-shirt), Rachael Grech, (Playhouse Square Cinemas passes and a t-shirt), Janet Howard (Cinemark tickets and a Cleveland Museum of Art book), Mary Baumhoer, Tamara Clayton, and Ruth Reedy (summer reading shirts), Paul Morrow (Akron Aero tickets), Bette Toole and Tim Walker (Harry London tickets), Spencer Carter and Ralph Reinke (Cleveland Zoo tickets), and Nancy DeCapito (Akron Zoo family passes).

**Evening Book Discussions**
The evening book discussion group with Amy Garrett meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. September through April. The discussion group will resume in September. Titles for the season will be announced later.

**Morning Book Discussions**
The morning book discussion group with Chris Caccamo meets the second Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Dates and titles for Summer Morning Book Discussions are as follows:

- **August 12 - The Bean Trees** by Barbara Kingsolver

There will be no morning book discussion in September. Book discussions for the 2005-2006 season will begin Friday, October 14. As always, sign up is not required. If you have any questions, please call Chris Caccamo at 330-688-3295

**Computer Use**
Computers for use by adult and teen patrons are in very high demand! This is a reminder that you can reserve a computer ahead of time. Just call the Information Desk at 330-688-3295 to reserve a computer for a one-hour time limit. Computers may be reserved up to one week in advance. All adult patron computers are now available by reservation only.

**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 computer class schedule for September will be released Monday, August 29 at 9:00 a.m. The class calendar can be viewed at [www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm). Please call 330-688-3295 if you have any questions.

**Computer Volunteer**
Computer volunteer Tom Labbe is available to help patrons with computer questions during the following hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 1:00 - 2:30. He is available at the Adult Information Desk.

**Local History**
The Local History Room is looking for "a few good people." Volunteers are needed to staff the Room on afternoons or evenings once a week. The Local History Room is a unique resource for the community, providing access to Stow's 200-year history via books, maps, news clippings, photo albums and more.
Volunteers will welcome visitors and help them find information, as well as perform tasks to further organize the collection. If you are at least 18 and like to sleuth out the occasional mystery, please call Bridget Hair at 330-688-3295.

**Teens**

**Joust Read**

_Joust Read_, the Teen Summer Reading Club concluded July 29.

**YuGiOh Tournament Winners**

The Teen Services Department announces the winners of its YuGiOh Tournament for ages nine to 17, held July 30th. First place winner was Cory Friedman, age 14; second place went to Brent Shoop, age 13; and third place went to Carson Claflin, age 10. The winners received YuGiOh-related prizes. Congratulations!

**Chess Club**

Tuesday, August 30 at 6:30 p.m.

For further information on Teen programs please go to the Teen Services web page at [www.smfpl.org/TS.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/TS.htm).

**Children's**

To see a complete list of Children's programming, please go to the Children's Department web page at [www.smfpl.org/CS.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/CS.htm). For further information please call 330-688-3295.

**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!

**Honorees**

Arabica gift certificates have been awarded to the following patrons visiting Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library recently: Barb Fair, the 400,000th checkout of 2005, Marianne Polivka, the 13,000th window checkout of 2005, Christine Cowles, the 14,000th window checkout, and Amanda Campbell, the 3,000 new registration.

Cardholders have their privileges at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library!

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**Art on Display**

**Corner Gallery**
During August the Corner Gallery features the needlework of library staff member **Deb Turner**. Handmade baskets created by **Sheila Chalmers** of Stow will be on view in the displays cases in the Corner Gallery through August 28.

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**Friends of the Library**

The Friends, one of the largest organizations in Stow, 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 membership is currently at 450 members.

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.

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**Quilt on Display**

*Endless Summer*, created by **Judith Hindall**, is a quilt recently displayed over the Circulation Desk. This pattern is a modified Double Irish Chain called "Arrows and Chains" since the colors in the squares make arrows. Judith made this quilt in 1998 at Zephora's Educational Workshop in Ripley, West Virginia, a favorite retreat of quilters.

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**Spotlight on Hiking in Northeast Ohio**

August's spotlight shines on **Hiking in Northeast Ohio**. Northeast Ohio has many beautiful parks and trails to explore. Books such as **Hiking Ohio** by Mary Reed, **Fifty Hikes in Ohio** and **Fifty More Hikes in Ohio** by Ralph Ramey, list hiking trails by geographic area. Some of those in the Northeast Ohio region include **Eagle Creek State Nature Preserve** in Garrettsville, **Findley State Park** in Wellington, **Hinkley Reservation** in Hinkley Township, and **Hell Hollow Wilderness Area in Painesville**.

**Hiking Ohio** recommends three trails in **Cuyahoga Valley National Park**: Buckeye Trail: Red Lock to Boston Store, Stanford House to Brandywine Falls Loop, and Haskell Run to Ledges Trail. **60 Hikes Within 60 Miles: Cleveland** by Diane Stresing includes suggestions for hikes in the Akron area also. This book lists hikes by special criteria, such as hikes featuring waterfalls, hikes good for children, hikes featuring wildflowers, and trails good for runners. Local trails listed are Adell Durbin Park and Arboretum, Silver Springs Park, and the Hike and Bike trail from Munroe Falls to Kent. You can read more about the Bike and Hike Trail on the Summit County Metro Parks website at [www.summitmetroparks.org](http://www.summitmetroparks.org). You can even download a map of the trail, as well as maps of the other parks in the Metro Parks system.

The Buckeye Trail ([www.buckeyetrail.org](http://www.buckeyetrail.org)) winds 1,435 miles around Ohio, with 26 sections each named for a town or feature within the section. Some segments of the trail pass through Northeast Ohio, including through the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. **Follow the Blue Blazes: A Guide to Hiking Ohio’s Buckeye Trail** by Robert J. Pond is a guidebook to this trail. If you would like information
on the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath trail, go to www.canalwayohio.com. The Towpath trail is part of the Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor, which currently encompasses 110 linear miles from New Philadelphia in the south to Cleveland in the north. www.ercnet.org/neohio is a good website to find more information about recreation in Northeast Ohio. Click on the "Recreation" button for links to many of the local parks, trails, and gardens.

**Staff Picks**

August's's staff pick is *The Juice Lady's Guide to Juicing for Health* by Cherie Calbom, recommended by Reference Associate Bridget Hair. Juicing is an easy way to get your five to nine recommended daily servings of vegetables and fruits. The author clearly explains why and how to juice. Bridget especially likes how the author matches her recipes to various diseases and conditions. She helps the reader zero in on the most helpful juices to support their health. Calbom also describes different juicing machines, along with pros and cons of various juicing methods.

**Website of the Month**

August's website is www.grants.gov. This website is the single access point for over 900 grant programs offered by the 26 Federal grant-making agencies. Use it to search for grant opportunities and to apply electronically. Information is available for both organizations and individuals.