Express Yourself is the theme for the Adult and Teen Summer Reading Programs at the library. Both programs run from **June 15 through August 8**.

There are three ways to participate in the Adult program. Fill out a form for every book you read or listen to on CD, tape or Playaway. Place the form in the box at the front desk. Winners will be drawn **each week**. One grand prize winner will be drawn from all the entries received throughout the summer. The prize is a $100 prepaid visa card, courtesy of the Friends of the Library.

Find an oversized movie ticket hidden in materials on the first floor. Bring it to the Adult Information Desk and receive an instant prize.

Play the “Express Yourself” Artist Game. Pick up your game sheet at the Information Desk beginning June 15. You will need to keep this sheet and enter your answers on it throughout the summer.

Each week, come to the Adult Information Desk to look at an artist card. Check the photo for clues. Clues on the card will also help you identify the person. When you figure out who the person of the week is, write it on the space provided on the game sheet. If you miss a week, you can ask to see a past week’s card but you cannot look at a card yet to come. When you have guessed all the artists at the end of eight weeks, turn in your sheet at the Adult Information Desk.

A grand prize winner will be drawn from all of the entries who have guessed all eight artistic people correctly. Forms are due before closing on August 15. The winner of the drawing will receive a $100 prepaid visa card, courtesy of the Friends of the Library.

Students in grades 7 through 12 can participate in the “Express Yourself at Your Library” summer reading program at the library. The program runs from June 15 through August 8.

Win prizes for reading books or magazines or graphic novels or listening to audio books. There will be weekly giveaways of free books, Borders gift cards and flash drives. Two readers will each win the grand prize in August, a $50 Visa gift card. No signup is necessary. Read your first book and fill out an entry form in the Teen Scene area at the library. Entry forms will also be available on our website if you want to print your own. For every book, enter a separate form in the entry box. The more you read, the more chances you will have to win prizes.

You can also win prizes by playing the “Express Yourself” Artist Game. Ask for a game sheet at the Adult Information Desk. Guess all 8 artists throughout the summer and you can enter the drawing for a $25 Borders gift card. The drawing will be held after August 8. Also, if you find an oversize movie ticket hidden somewhere in the teen area of the library, bring it to the Information Desk for a candy bar instant prize.

Questions? Stop by the Adult Information desk or call 330-688-3295.
Meet two authors from this community, Elizabeth Toukonen, author of “Seasoned Feathers”, and Chrystom Horattas, author of “On The Island Of Aphrodite: Where Love was born and worshiped, strife, war and turmoil prevail” on Tuesday, June 9 at 1:00 p.m.

They will each speak about their writings at the library in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room. Books will be available for signing and purchase. Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Information Desk to register.

Summer Bridge Club

Come to library for cards and conversation, the second Monday of the month from 12:45 to 3:30 p.m. Players should arrive at 12:45 p.m. and bridge will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. in the Stow meeting room at the library. The next meeting is Monday, June 8. There is no fee to join this club, but a small donation will be taken for refreshments. For more information or to register, contact Cheryl Nelson at 330-688-3295.

Evening Discussion with Amy Garrett
Fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. resumes in September

- September 24
  Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Keckly
  By Jennifer Fleischner

- October 22
  Black and White by Dani Shapiro

- Morning Discussion with Chris Caccamo
  Second Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m.

  - June 12
    Peyton Place by Grace Metalious

  - July 10
    A Cup of Tea by Amy Ephron

  - August 14
    The Giant’s House by Elizabeth McCracken

Mystery Lovers “Made in Ohio”

Mystery enthusiast Irma Baker will discuss why Ohio is such a great place to set a mystery story. Light refreshments from mystery cookbooks or mystery authors will be served. The program is Tuesday, June 16 from 7 to 8 p.m. The program is co-sponsored by the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Friends of the Library. Stop by the Adult Information Desk to register or call 330-688-3295.

New Cooking Program

Register for Summer Barbecue—Use Your Grill to its Highest Potential with licensed personal chef Sara Mentzer on Thursday, June 4. Sessions are at 5:00 p.m. or at 6:30 p.m. Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Adult Information Desk to register.
Teens....there are no reasons to be bored this summer...
Check out what is going on at the library!!!!

**Young Writers’ Group**

Young writers, ages 12 to 18 can join the new “Young Writers’ Group” at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. The group meets every other Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Meeting dates are **June 18, July 2, 16 and 30**. The workshop is taught by a creative writing instructor from Kent State University. Teens can share their short stories, poetry and fiction or just come and listen.

**Teen Book Trailer Contest**

Teens ages 12 to 18 can create a short video promoting a favorite book. The video can be up to three minutes in length. The prize is a Flip Videocamera, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Using your own original footage or images, make a mini-movie that you feel illustrates the main idea of the book and would make others want to read that book. Do not reveal the ending. You can make an animated cartoon, or film a PowerPoint presentation. Check the teen page of the library website for submission guidelines and how to post your entry. Entries are due on **July 27**.

**Teen Photography Contest**

Teens in grades 7 to 12 can enter up to three photos in print form in these categories: People, Places, Still Life, Animals, or Altered (Photoshopped). Win cash prizes. The contest will be judged by a professional photographer. Entries are to be submitted on August 10 or August 11. More submission guidelines are coming soon. Check the teen page of the library website. Winning photos will be displayed in the library during August.

**Dance Dance Revolution**

Show off your dance moves by playing this fun videogame on PS2 and Xbox on **Tuesday, June 23 at 7 p.m.** The program is co-sponsored by Gamestop and is for ages 12 to 18.

**Recycled Crafts**

Make jewelry, wallets and other great things from old audio cassette tapes and other junk on **Monday, June 29 at 7 p.m.** Signup beginning June 15. Program is for ages 12 to 18. All materials are provided.

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**Computer Lab**

Computers with **Internet Access**, located in the 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-

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**New Movies**

- Revolutionary Road
- Fired Up!
- He’s Just Not That Into You
- Two Lovers
- Gran Torino
- Inkheart
- New In Town
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, June 15 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, June 13 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.

Doggie Storytime

Children in grades kindergarten through four are invited to come and read to Iris, Ernie, Bucca or Mocha—our best listening dogs. No need to register, we will sign up children for 15 minute slots when they arrive. Bring your favorite books or pick one of ours. Programs are on Fridays, July 17, 24, 31 and August 7 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Children’s Department

Traveling Bears

Newly outfitted, our traveling bears are now ready to vacation with you! Come to the Children’s Department to sign out Buster, Emma or one of their fuzzy friends to share a travel adventure with you. Also, check out our display of past traveling bears journal entries and pictures!

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Summer Programs For Children

The Children’s Department is offering a variety of programs for children this summer.

Tuesday afternoons, a series of programs for school-aged children, runs from June 23 through July 28 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. and features interactive programs. **Wednesday Specials** are programs for all ages from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Programs include the Chip Richter Band on June 17; Pet Show on July 1; Creatoonsity on July 8; Magic of Bubbles on July 15; World of Difference Storytelling on July 22 and Dancing Wheels on July 29. Check the library website for more details on these programs.

Book Bingo runs from June 15 through August 6. Children may read books to complete a row on the sheet and be entered in weekly drawings.

For more information, contact the Children’s Department at 330-688-3295.

“Reading and All That Jazz” Summer Library Program for Children

The summer reading program for children in preschool through sixth grade runs from June 15 through August 8. Register anytime between June 15 and July 25 by coming to the Children’s Department and filling out a form with your name, phone number and school. You will be given a Reading Log on which to keep track of your reading. For hours read, you will receive incentive prizes. When the log is completed, you will be entered in our grand prize drawing. For more information, visit the Children’s Department or call 330-688-3295.

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

Renown teen author Tamora Pierce (left) recently visited the library. She is pictured with Teen Librarian Christina Getrost.

Library staff participated in the “Hands on Stow” community clean-up day.
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.

New Friends officers are (left to right): Peg Niemeyer, Vice President, Hermine Meyer, Treasurer, Diane Brown, Corresponding Secretary, Nicole Welsh, President, Peggy Shaffer, Secretary

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.

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.

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is now on facebook and myspace- check it out!!!