Welcome to the June 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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**Coffee With the Editor**

The next Coffee With the Editor will be Wednesday, August 1 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

**Book Donations Needed**

Donations of books, especially paperbacks, and other materials are needed for the Friends of the Library Mini Book Sale which will be held on "Pride in Your Library Day" on Thursday, June 28 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Donations may be brought to the front Circulation Desk during library hours. Come and shop! You might find perfect paperbacks to take to the beach this summer!
**Summer Reading Programs**

Summer reading programs have begun at the library. The theme is **Get a Clue at your Library**.

As in past years, adults can read books or listen to books on CD, tape or Playaway and fill out entry forms. There will be weekly drawings for great prizes and a grand prize drawing at the end of the summer.

Teens entering the 7th grade through high school are eligible for prizes for reading or listening to books, magazines and graphic novels. Several mystery-themed programs will be held throughout the summer. Adults and teens will have chance to play **Clue**, everyone’s favorite mystery game. The library’s Clue game features some very interesting suspects!

Children can stop by the library on or after June 11th and sign up for the summer reading program. They will receive a reading record that can be used to record all the time spent reading this summer. Prizes will be awarded each time a reading goal is met. Children who can’t yet read can record time spent being read to by a parent or other adult. The Book Bingo game will give children more opportunities to win. Pick up a game sheet at the library, read the appropriate books, turn in your sheet and start all over again. Keep checking for updates on summer reading programs and summer activities.

**Back By Popular Demand.....Book Bags!!**

You can again purchase **Zippered Top Pocket Book Bags** at the front Circulation Desk at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. These are roomy bags with a gusseted bottom and made of 600 denier polyester nylon material. They have 24-inch long handles. The bags are $10, including tax. All proceeds benefit the Stow-Munroe Falls Library Foundation.

**Library Board**

The next meeting of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Board of Trustees will be **Tuesday, June 26 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Local History Room. To read minutes from previous board meetings go to [www.smfpl.org/trustees.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/trustees.htm).

**Library Closings**

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will be closed on **Wednesday, July 4** for the Independence Day holiday.

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**Upcoming Special Events**

**Community Jazz Band**

The Community Jazz Band will give their next performance on **Pride in Your Library Day** on **Thursday, June 28 at 11:30 a.m.** The concert will be on the lawn, inside if the weather is bad. Bring a brown-bag lunch. Beverages provided.

**Get Organized!**

Get your family organized and learn to manage the business of life with professional organizer Chris Perrow on **Tuesday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m.** at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. This program provides tools and techniques to organize your home and family. Learn how to use a family calendar, help teach priority setting skills to your children and manage the overflowing piles of school and “family business”
paperwork. The program is free. Stop by the Adult Information Desk to register or call 330-688-3295.

**Summer Bridge Club**
Come to the library this summer for cards and conversation. The Summer Bridge Club will meet on **July 9, Aug. 13 and Sept. 10 from 12:45 until 3:30 p.m.** in the Stow-Munroe Falls meeting room at the library. There is no fee to join the club, but a small collection will be taken for refreshments which will be served at the last gathering. 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 Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Stow Woman's Club.

**Pride in Your Library Day**
Celebrate **Pride in Your Library Day** all day Thursday, June 28. Prizes will be given to three lucky winners throughout the day at the first floor Circulation Desk. Other events include:

- **Friends of the Library Mini Book Sale** from 10:00 a.m to 8:00 p.m. in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room.
- **Finding Hidden Treasure (Geocatching)** at 2 p.m. Come learn how to find hidden treasure around Stow and Munroe Falls. Make one of your own treasure boxes to hide. All school age children and their families are invited. Registration begins June 14 in the Children's Department.
- **Watercolor Exhibit** in the Corner Gallery. Enjoy the beautiful watercolors of local artist Denise Hart Daugherty throughout June.
- **Jazz Concert** from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Community Jazz Band will be playing on the lawn (weather permitting - otherwise inside the library). This concert is free and open to the public. Bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages will be provided by the Friends of the Library.
- **History of Stow** PowerPoint presentation will be running between 1 and 4 p.m. Stop by the Local History Room and learn about the first 200 years of Stow History.
- **Mystery Photo search** begins **June 25**. Photos taken in Stow and Munroe Falls will be on display in the Children's Room. Pick up a playing card and see if you can identify the location of each photo. Forms must be submitted by **Sunday, July 1** and the winner will drawn from all correct entries on **Monday, July 2**.

Recent Library Happenings
Connie Schultz, Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer and author of the book **Life Happens**, spoke at the annual meeting of the Friends of the Library on May. She later signed copies of her book.
New Titles

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


- **Books on CD:** *Plum Lovin'* by Janet Evanovich, *Dry Ice* by Stephen White, *Deep Storm* by Lincoln Child, *Family Tree* by Barbara Delinsky.

- **Nonfiction:** *American Spy: My Secret History in the CIA, Watergate and Beyond* by E. Howard Hunt, *Dreaming in Code* by Scott Rosenberg, *Feed Your Family Right* by Elisa Zied.

- **Large print:** *The Cat Who Had 60 Whiskers* by Lilian Jackson Braun, *Web of Evil* by Judith Jance, *Drop Dead Gorgeous* by Linda Howard.

- **Mysteries:** *Puss'N Cahoots: A Mrs. Murphey Mystery* by Rita Mae Brown.

- **DVDs:** *Little Children, Smokin' Aces, The Hitcher, Paradise Found, The Last King of Scotland*.

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**Department News**

**Adult Services**

**Computer Classes Cancelled**
The Pre-Introduction to Computers and Introduction to Computers 1, 2 and 3 classes which were scheduled for Wednesday mornings in June are cancelled. Make up classes will be offered in July. Other than these make-up classes, we will not be teaching computer classes in July and August this year. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

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 will meet again beginning in September 2007. Watch for a listing of books to be discussed, coming in August.

Daytime Book Discussions
The daytime book discussion groups with Chris Caccamo will meet the second Friday of the month from October through May at either 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. Books will be available at the Adult Information Desk prior to the discussion date. Watch for a listing of books to be discussed, coming in September.

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. Stop in, beat the heat, meet new friends, have lively conversation and discuss some great books! Registration is not required. Books to be discussed will be available at the Adult Information Desk prior to the discussion date. If you have questions, contact Chris at 330-688-3295.

Reading List for Summer Book Discussion
- July 13 - The Glass Castle: A Memoir by Jeanette Walls
- August 10 - An Accidental Woman by Barbara Delinsky

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.
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.

**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" tickets 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**

Rock Star School
If you have ever wanted to learn to play in a rock band, sign up for Rock Star School during the week of **June 11-16**. Sign ups take place at the Adult Information Desk. Stop in or call 330-688-3295. The program is for ages 11 through adult.

Rockers will be grouped into bands and then attend six practice sessions at **Sound Board Music** in Stow. Through instruction by professional music teachers, participants will learn to play songs together as a band and then give a concert at the library on Aug. 10. For more information, contact Sound Board Music at 330-673-5807. Tuition for the program is $80.

Madden NFL O7 XBOX360 Tournament

**Saturday June 16 at 10:00 a.m. to approx. 4:00 p.m.**

The tournament is for ages 10 to 18 only. Compete for the grand prize: $50.00 Best Buy gift card! Second place prize: $25.00 Best Buy gift card! Free pizza will be provided for players. This will be a single elimination tournament with opponents randomly chosen. Players may play any regular season team of their choice. Game rules available at the Teen Information Desk. Sign up begins **May 31** at the Teen Information Desk—space is limited!

The tournament is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and Family Video of Stow.

Chess Club
Play chess against a variety of opponents and learn new moves on **Tuesday, June 19**. 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

Summer Story-times
Summer Story-times run from June 18 through July 27. Registration is not required.

Toddler Story-time is for children ages 0 to 36 months and a caregiver. Children will enjoy simple stories, interactive songs and activities. Sessions are Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Story-time is for children ages 3-5. Caregivers may attend. Children will enjoy stories, songs and activities. Sessions are Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Family Story-time is for children ages 3-5 and their families. Children will enjoy stories, songs and activities. Sessions are Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Snacks may be served at some story-times. Please inform staff of any food allergies.

For more information, contact the Children's Department.

Please call 330-688-3295 or go to the Children's Department web page at 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
Don't have a computer or are you too busy to get to your computer? How would you like our staff to automatically place you 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! Here's a few authors whose new books could be waiting for you!

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Art on Display

The watercolors of Denise Hart Daugherty will be on display in the Corner Gallery throughout June.
Maggie Wogan's clown collection will be in the glass display cases in June.
The exhibits 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.

The next meeting of the Foundation is Tuesday, July 19 at 5 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Click www.smfpl.org/paypal.htm to donate online.

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library is a citizen support group for Library services and activities. They sponsor booksales 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 for 2007 (from left to right) are: Peg Niemeyer, Corresponding Secretary; Hermine Meyer, Treasurer; Peggy Shaffer, Vice President; Helen Meier, Recording Secretary; Martha Keisler, President.

Also pictured are Jane Mesereau (far right) and Lois Patton (handing out the flowers).

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) for an online application.

Quilt on Display

This month’s quilt was presented to Susie Tomci after her son was killed in the war. Pvt. Joseph Tomci was a Marine who had visited Fishcreek Elementary School. The children wrote letters to Joseph. After his death, they printed their hands on the quilt squares and it was assembled and given to Susie. One of the Fishcreek students also wrote a book about Joseph—it’s displayed with the quilt. This special tribute will be on display over the main circulation desk through the end of July.

Spotlight on Foreign Language Books

The Adult Services Department has secured an arrangement with the Foreign Language Department of the Cleveland Public Library to provide a rotating selection of print materials in various languages that may be checked out by our adult and juvenile patrons. The collection is rotated after a two-month period, so there will always be new titles to choose from.

Languages for adult books will include Arabic, Armenian, Bengali, Bulgarian, Belarusian, Chinese, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Estonian, Farsi, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Hindi, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latvian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovenian, Spanish, Swahili, Swedish, Thai, Turkish, Ukranian, Urdu, Vietnamese, Welsh and Yiddish.

Staff Picks

June’s staff pick is The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini, recommended by Adult Services Associate Chris Caccamo.

This wonderfully written first novel paints a vivid picture of life in Afghanistan before the Russian invasion. The main characters are two boys—quiet, intellectual Amir who seeks the attention and approval of his father, a wealthy Kabul businessman and Hassan, the son of Amir’s father’s servant. Hassan is devoted to Amir. The motherless boys play together daily and when Amir wins
the annual kite contest, Hassan offers to track down (kite running) the opponents runaway kite as a prize. What happens next changes both of their lives forever. Read this and his new novel about Afghanistan, A Thousand Splendid Suns.

![Image](image.png)

Place a hold on these books by going to the library's online catalog at [http://opac.smfpl.org](http://opac.smfpl.org).

**Film Recommendations**

With 2007 summer blockbuster movies now showing in theaters, have you ever wondered what were some of the all-time highest grossing summer blockbusters? According to *Business Week* magazine, these make the list:

- Star Wars
- ET
- Jaws
- The Empire Strikes Back
- Return of the Jedi
- Raiders of the Lost Ark
- Jurassic Park
- Star Wars Phantom Menace
- Forrest Gump
- The Lion King

Check out one of these past blockbusters at the library today!

**Website of the Month**

The website for the month of June is for Cute Overload at [www.cuteoverload.com](http://www.cuteoverload.com). If you are having a bad day, this website is guaranteed to cheer you up within seconds. Everything cute in the animal kingdom is right here in one place--including kittens, puppies, baby birds and even hedgehogs. Take time to look at the video clips. You won't be able to resist!