Welcome to the March 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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Notices

Coffee With the Editor
The next Coffee With the Editor will be Wednesday, April 4 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

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

Tax help available
A free tax service will be available on Fridays from noon to 4 p.m. at the library through April 13. One-hour appointments may be scheduled by contacting the library at 330-688-3295. Bring with you a copy of last year’s tax return, social security card and picture ID. Also bring any forms showing income
you earned or pensions or social security paid to you, 1099 forms showing interest or dividends that your investments have earned and receipts or cancelled checks for income or property taxes you have paid or any contributions you have made to charities.

Please be aware that library staff are not permitted to give tax advice, answer questions on your taxes or fill out your form for you. However, they will help you locate books and the appropriate forms and publications to help you complete your tax return.

### Tax Forms
Federal, state, and city tax forms are now available at the front desk, opposite the main checkout desk and just inside the front door of the library. If you do not see what you need ask at the Information Desk, or try online. Go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), [www.ohio.gov](http://www.ohio.gov), [www.stow.oh.us](http://www.stow.oh.us), and [www.munroefalls.com](http://www.munroefalls.com).

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

### Upcoming Special Events

#### Community Jazz Band
The next Community Jazz Band concert will be **Wednesday, April 4 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.

#### Annual Needlework Show is scheduled
The Friends of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library’s 33rd Annual Needlework Show will run from **Wednesday, March 21 through Sunday, March 25** in the upstairs meeting rooms at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Admission to the show is free. All types of needlework will be accepted and judged for ribbons, including counted cross stitch, counted thread, surface stitchery, smocking, canvas, quilting, knitting and crochet.

All ages may enter. Entries will be accepted from both individuals and groups. There will be a $3 entry fee for the first item entered and each additional item will be $1. There is no entry fee for students under age 17. As in previous years, there will also be “Best of Show”, “Judges Choice”, “Popular Choice” and “Best of Category” awards. The “Best of Show” winner will also receive a cash prize of $25. Due to limited display space, framed entries may not exceed 37” in any direction. A limit of four quilts may be
Entries will be accepted **Saturday, March 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, March 18 from 1:30 to 4 p.m.** No entries will be accepted after these times. Judging will be on **Monday, March 19.** Show hours will be **Wednesday, March 21 and Tuesday, March 22, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, March 23 and Saturday, March 24, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 25, 1 to 4 p.m.** Entries may be picked up on **Sunday, March 25 from 4:30 to 5 p.m. or Monday, March 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 8 p.m.** For more information, stop by the library and pick up a flyer or call 330-688-3295.

Some of the needlework entries from the 2006 show.

**Jennifer Chiaverini**
Meet Jennifer Chiaverini, author of the popular Elm Creek Quilters books, on **Wednesday, April 11 at noon** at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Register beginning **Monday, March 12** by calling the Adult Information Desk at 330-688-3295.

**Book Donations Needed**
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. 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.**
**Mrs. B and George**

Mrs. B (Noreen Bobersky) and George presented a program on George Washington Carver to children on February 19. Children also made and sampled real peanut butter. The program was in recognition of Black History month.

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**New Titles**

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


- **Books on CD:** *Expresso Tales: The Latest from 44 Scotland Street* by Alexander McCall Smith, *The Ruins* by Scott Smith.

- **Nonfiction:** *Women and Money* by Suze Orman, *U2* by U2, *Cleveland Clinic Healthy Heart Lifestyle Guide and Cookbook*.

- **Mysteries:** *The Watchman* by Robert Crais, *Dead in Vineyard Sand* by Phillip Craig.


- **DVDs:** *The Night Listener*, *Cinderella 3*, *The Illusionist*, *Employee of the Month*, *Open Season*.

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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.

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**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

- March 22 - *Two Minute Rule* by Robert Crais
- 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. 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, April 7 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.

Chess Club
Play chess against a variety of opponents and learn new moves on **Tuesday, March 27.** 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

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 **March 29.** Children of all ages are welcome to stop by and see a classic movie based on a classic storybook. Registration is not required.

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.

Yu-Gi-Oh tournament
A Yu-Gi-Oh tournament is scheduled for **Saturday, March 31 from 11 a.m. to approximately 4 p.m.** for ages 9 to 16. Bring your best deck and duel other players for prizes. Players must be familiar with the basic regulation rules of play. This will be a Swiss-style tournament. Everyone will have an opportunity to play a variety of opponents. Space is limited to the first 30 players. Register beginning March 10.

Scrabble
Like to spell? Bring your Board and play Scrabble anytime on **Tuesday, March 27 from 2 to 4 p.m. and Wednesday, March 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Meet other Scrabble players and show your support for an ongoing Scrabble Club. This program is for students in grades 4 through 6. Registration is not required.

Hullabaloo
Join us for this fun and energetic game. Kids ages 4 to 8 are welcome to stop by the library on **Tuesday, March 27 at 10 a.m.** for another great big game. Learn your colors and shapes, follow directions and you could be a winner! Registration is not required. We will pass out Spike the Turtle passes beginning at 9:30 a.m. 15-20 kids will play for approximately 20 minute sessions.

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!

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**Art on Display**

The fiber art of Cuyahoga Falls resident Ted Maringer will be on display in the Corner Gallery in March. Throughout the years, Ted has worked with many different mediums, from photography to clay. Most recently, he has worked with Tyvek, a fiber created by DuPont. He has worked with fiber art for the past 12 years.

Blown glass by Russ O'Brien will be exhibited in the glass display cases in March.

All exhibits may be viewed during regular library hours.

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**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, March 13 at 5 p.m.** at the library. The public is invited to attend.

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**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) 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 NetLibrary

Netlibrary provides access to over 2300 full text, online books that you can read directly from your computer screen! You can access hundreds of classic works of fiction as well as books on a variety of topics including job hunting, resumes and cover letters, starting a business, real estate, sales, marketing, computers, food and drink and much more. You can access NetLibrary from the library PCs by visiting the library website and going to Adult Services and Databases. If you wish to access this service from home 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, you must create a free account in the library from the NetLibrary site.

Staff Picks

March's staff pick is The Loch by Steve Alten, recommended by Adult Services Associate, Susan Pinzone.

Something hungry is in the loch! Marine biologist Zach Wallace, fresh from a near drowning during an expedition in search of the elusive giant squid, returns to his Scottish birthplace when his estranged father is accused of murder. Unfortunately for Zach's father, Angus, his entire defense hinges on his claim that "something" in Loch Ness killed his business partner when he fell into the water after Angus punched him. But the trial soon becomes a media circus as more people go missing. Zach must contend with rival scientists, interfering thrill seekers, and even a rogue remnant of the Knights Templar in his search for what is really lurking in Loch Ness.

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.

St. Patrick's Day, is the feast day which annually celebrates Saint Patrick (386-493), the patron saint of Ireland, on March 17. It is the national holiday and one of the public holidays in the Republic of Ireland (a bank holiday in Northern Ireland); the overseas territory of Montserrat; and the Canadian province of Newfoundland and Labrador. In the United States it is widely celebrated, although not an official
holiday.

The library owns a great documentary called *The Irish in America* (973.0491 Ir68) in both video and DVD formats. *The Pilot Guide to Ireland* video (914.15 P643) gives travel information. The *Lord of the Dance*, in both DVD and video formats, (792.78 L866) celebrates Celtic dance.


All of these films are available in the Adult Audiovisual Department. Check one out today!

Website of the Month

The website for the month of March is for San Diego Zoo's Giant Panda Research Station at [www.sandiegozoo.org/zoo/ex_panda_station.html](http://www.sandiegozoo.org/zoo/ex_panda_station.html)

Watch a few minutes of streaming video of San Diego Zoo's delightful resident Giant Pandas—Bai Yun, Shi Shi and their offspring Hua Mei and you will have a smile on your face! The San Diego Zoo has had a love affair with giant pandas ever since two of the black-and-white bears came to visit in 1987. After years of red tape and tons of application paperwork, the Zoo and China agreed on a 12-year research loan of two giant pandas, Bai Yun and Shi Shi. A brand-new exhibit area was built for the panda guests, which has since been expanded and renovated and is now called the Giant Panda Research Station. The site is also filled with interesting Panda facts, weblogs, a photo gallery and much more.