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Welcome to the **May 2004** edition of **LIBRARY E-NEWS**. This monthly newsletter includes several features containing information about the library. If you would like to join over 860 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 the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library go to www.smfpl.org/calendar.htm

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Notices

Community Jazz Band

The Community Jazz Band performs the first Wednesday of the month at **7:00 p.m.** in the upstairs meeting room. Their next concert will be **Wednesday, May 5, 2004**. Please note the change from 7:30 to 7:00 p.m. Beginning in May Jazz Band concerts will start at 7:00 p.m. and finish before 9:00 p.m. There will be no concert in June. The July concert will take place during Pride in Library Day, Thursday, July 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Library Board

The next meeting of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Board of Trustees will be **Tuesday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m.** in the upstairs meeting room. To read minutes from previous board meetings go to www.smfpl.org/trustees.

Library Closing

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will be closed **Sunday, May 30** and **Monday, May 31** for Memorial Day.

18 Million!

After nearly 80 years of service we are approaching the circulation of our 18 millionth item! Maybe YOU will be the one to check out our 18 millionth item! This winner will receive two \$18 gift certificates for any Stow or Munroe Falls restaurant (winner's choice).

Chapter-A-Day Online Book Clubs

Join the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Online Book Clubs and receive chapters from popular books in your daily e-mail. Each day we'll send you a portion of a chapter. After you've read two or three chapters from a book, we'll start sending you a new one. Sign up by clicking this link www.dearreader.com/library/stow or by going to the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library website at www.smfpl.org. Click "Adult Services," then click "Informational Websites." Scroll down and click "Bestsellers," then click "Chapter-a-Day." Choose which club you wish to join and follow the directions.

Chapter-A-Day is sponsored by The Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library.

Library Card Reminder

This is a reminder to stop by the library to check out an item at least once a year. This will keep your library card current, as well as let you see what new materials and services Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library has to offer.

Acme Community Cash Back Program

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is once again participating in the Acme Community Cash Back Program. Just bring your Acme receipt tapes (dated September 7, 2003 to May 15, 2004) to the Children's Department or put them in the Acme bag by the elevator. Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library receives one percent of the total amount of the receipts. Over \$93,000 in receipts have been collected since September. During the 2002/2003 school year, patrons turned in over \$136,000 worth of receipts! Thank you for supporting the library!

Recycling

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is now participating in a recycling program with Abitibi Recycling Corporation called the Abitibi Paper Retriever Program. The Paper Retriever bin is temporarily located in the front library parking lot and is available 24 hours. Anyone in the community can drop off the following items suitable for recycling (all items must be clean and dry): newspapers, magazines, shopping catalogs, office and school papers, and mail. Stow-Munroe Falls elementary schools and middle school also participate in this program.



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Upcoming Special Events

Dive into Reading at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library

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 prize. From June 14 through August 14, 2004, 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 & Directions Desk near the library's front entrance.

There will be 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.

Check out the Stow Sentry in the coming weeks for more details on this program, as well as for information on our Children's and Teen Summer Reading Programs!

Red Cross Community Water Safety Course

Saturday, May 15, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. OR Saturday, July 10, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Water safety is a year-round concern and summer is right around the corner. This class is for anyone who needs to prevent and be prepared for water emergencies. Learn how to keep your family and friends safer and healthier in, on, and around the water. This fact-filled course is excellent for home pool owners, boat owners, parents, young adults and anyone who participates in activities involving bodies of water.

Community Water Safety teaches easy-to-remember safety tips for pools, spas, water parks, lakes, rivers, oceans, and many other popular aquatic environments. Foster parents may earn in-service training credit. This class is appropriate for adults and individuals age 12 and up. It is a four-hour class of water safety on dry land (in a classroom).

You will learn

- How to identify and avoid aquatic hazards.
- How to prevent water-related accidents.
- Simple emergency response skills you can do without entering the water.
- Basic rescue and first aid skills to provide care until help arrives.
- And much more.

This program is offered as part of the Dive into Reading Program events at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. Registration fee is \$25 and includes a take home text/handbook. To register please call the Summit County Red Cross at 330-535-2447. For more information, visit <http://summitcounty.redcross.org>.

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Recent Library Happenings

Twisted Thursday

Brittany Jones, Stephanie Wright, and Destynee Sandifer (not pictured) were winners of the Twisted Thursday contest, held April 1. They found 43 twisted items in the library, and received a \$50 Borders gift certificate from Teen Librarian Christina Getrost.

Book Sale

The Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library held their annual booksale April 21 through April 24. The proceeds of \$7,100 will be used to benefit the library.



New Director Reception

Community members and professional colleagues greeted new Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Director **Doug Dotterer** at a reception Friday evening, April 23. Thank you to the many staff members and Friends of the

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library for contributing to the success of the evening.



Mr. Dotterer with Library Board of Trustees President Mike Walsh and Stow Mayor Karen Fritschel



Mr. Dotterer with Library staff members Ellie Harding and Diana Parker and patron Janet Howard

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New Titles

New titles are arriving daily at the 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:

- **Books - Fiction:** *Much Ado About Jessie Kaplan* by Paula Marantz Cohen, *It's All True a Novel of Hollywood* by David Freeman, *A Heartbreaker* by Susan Howatch, and *My Fine Lady* by Yolanda Joe.
- **Books - Nonfiction:** *100 Years of the World Series* by Eric Enders, *Rick Stein's Complete Seafood* by Rick Stein, *Hating America: The New World Sport* by John Gibson, and *From Rage to Reason: My Life in Two Americas* by Janet Langhart Cohen (biography).
- **Books on CD:** *Collected Short Stories* by Louis L'Amour, *Nighttime is My Time* by Mary Higgins Clark, *Full Blast* by Janet Evanovich, *Firestorm* by Iris Johansen, and *Reckless Abandon* by Stuart Woods.
- **Videos:** *Cheaper by the Dozen*, *The Fighting Temptations*, *Gothika*, *Haunted Mansion*, *Honey*, and *Kill Bill volume 1*.
- **DVDs:** *Duplex*, *Love, Actually*, *Matrix Revolutions*, *21 Grams*, and *Big Fish*.

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Department News

Adult Services

Morning Book Discussions

The Morning Book Discussion Group with Chris Caccamo will be held **Friday, May 14** at 10:00 a.m. in the upstairs meeting room. The selection is *Blue Diary* by Alice Hoffman.

Summer Book Discussions

Stop in, beat the heat, meet new friends, have lively conversation and discuss some great books! All

discussions are on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. Sign up is not required.

- June 11 - ***Luccia, Lucia*** by Adriana Trigiani
- July 9 - ***Cagney*** by John McCabe
- August 13 - ***Queenmaker: A Novel of King David's Queen*** by India Edghill

Books will be available at the library prior to discussion date. For more information, please contact Chris Caccamo 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 computer class schedule for June will be released **Monday, May 24 at 9:00 a.m.** The class calendar can be viewed at 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.

Local History Room

Display

Stop in at the Local History Room to view the display honoring the half-century history of the Stow Police Department.

To learn more about the Local History Room go to www.smfpl.org/LH.htm.

Young Adults

Bean Bag Chairs

The Young Adult area now has two new bean bag chairs for teens to relax in. They are located near the videos. Here a young patron tries out one of the new chairs.



Online Book Discussion

Students ages 10 to 17 - Join our online book discussion group by going to the Online Book Discussion page at www.smfpl.org/bookdiscuss.htm. Each month a different teen or middle grade fiction book is featured. When you've read the book, stop by this page to post a comment about it, and see what other students have to say about it. You can even comment about another book you're reading. It's like having a book discussion group without having to leave your home. There is no registration necessary.

Yu-Gi-Oh

Saturday, May 8 at 2:00 p.m.

Chess Club

Tuesday, May 25 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.

Children's

Mother's Day Craft

Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8 - all day.

Children, drop by the Children's Department and make a paper Mother's Day basket. Add some paper flowers, and you'll have a hand-made gift for Mom. No registration required.

The Stow-Munroe Falls Children's Department will be visiting local schools during May to encourage children to participate in the upcoming summer reading program "Dive Into Reading". Look for booktalks to be held at Lakeview Elementary during the first two weeks of May and at the other Stow-Munroe Falls elementary schools during the second two weeks of May.

Please call 330-688-3295 for further information or go to the Children's Department webpage at www.smfpl.org/CS.htm for a complete list of children's programming.

Circulation

Lucky Days

We want to share with you our excitement about celebrating 80 years of service to the Stow and Munroe Falls communities, so we are having "lucky days" at the library. We'll be hiding special symbols in select books on the adult floor. If you're lucky and find one of them in a book you're planning to check out, turn it in at the Circulation Desk for a small prize.

We hope you will join us in celebrating 80 years of service and visit the library to try YOUR luck each month!

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 the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library recently: **Ed Groggs** (200,000th check-out of 2004), **Patricia Ruschak** (7,500th window check-out), **Greta Vizmeg** (8,500th window check-out), **Judy Hanson** (9,000th window check-out) and **Patricia Salo** (2,000th registration of 2004). Congratulations!

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

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Art on Display

Stop by the Corner Gallery to view the works of Stow artist **Lois Mullaly**. Mullaly will be exhibiting "Seascapes in Oil" from May 12 through May 29.

Amy Jean Nichols of Bath, Ohio is displaying her work in the glass display case in the Corner Gallery

area beside the Biographies. Nichols has been a glass enamelist since 1987. Works displayed during May include glass bowls with glass enamel and copper, and glass beads and marbles.

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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 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. Friends membership is currently at 420 members.

The annual meeting of the Friends of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will be held **Tuesday, May 18 at 2:00 p.m.** in the upstairs meeting room. Election and installation of officers will take place. Refreshments will be served. Reservations are appreciated, but not required.

The special program for this annual meeting is "Lucretia Garfield". The wife of President John Garfield will portray her life in the White House.

If you are interested in joining the 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.

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Books on Display



"**Home Improvements**" are featured at the Questions and Directions Desk near the front door. This time of year is a popular time for home improvement, and Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library has many books, magazines, and videos to assist with home improvement projects. Some newer titles on this subject include ***The Homeowner's Ultimate Tool***

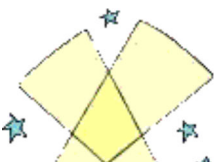
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A collection of books celebrating "**National Book Month**", is on display near the Information Desk. National Book Month invites you to take time out to treat yourself to a unique pleasure: reading a good book. See what Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library has to offer!

Items on display are available for check-out. Please help yourself.

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Spotlight on Trains



Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library has a unique collection of books on trains and interurbans, located outside the Local History Room. The core of the collection is 144 books





and videos donated by library patron Albert R. Snellgrove. This special collection is available for check-out. Books and videos in the



library's collection cover the history of railroading from steam engines and bullet trains to streetcars, trolleys, and interurbans. The ***American Heritage History of Railroads in America*** by Oliver Jensen and ***The Encyclopedia of Trains & Locomotives*** by C. J. Riley are two general books to start with. If you are more interested in specific railroad lines, try ***The Pennsylvania Railroad*** by Edwin P. Alexander. ***Rails Across the Land, Freight and Passenger Trains of the 40's and 50's*** by Kenody J. Charlton and the video ***America's Historic Steam Engines*** are also available.

Many of the books and videos in the collection are about interurbans. According to ***Traction Classics: The Interurbans*** by William D. Middleton, interurbans were electric railways conceived as a new form of short-haul passenger transportation in a time before the automobile came into everyday use. They brought a new mobility to rural and small town America before World War I. ***Days of the North Shore Line*** by George V. Campbell, ***Cincinnati & Lake Erie Railroad*** by Jack Keenan, and ***Toledo, Port Clinton & Lakeside Railway*** by George W. Hilton are titles about interurbans. ***Remember When - Trolley Wires Spanned the Country*** by Norman Carlson and Arthur Peterson commemorates with photos and descriptions the contribution these railways made to our society.

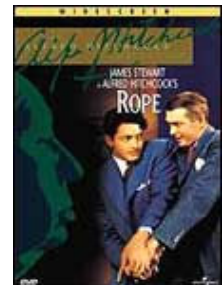
If you are interested in learning about the construction of the railroads, try ***Nothing Like It in the World*** by Stephen E. Ambrose (also available on book-on-tape and book-on-CD) and ***Last Train to Paradise, Henry Flagler and the Spectacular Rise and Fall of the Railroad That Crossed an Ocean***. Books on model railroading, such as ***Model Railroads*** by Brian Hollingsworth and ***Model Railroading With Lionel Trains*** by John Kouba, are also included in the collection. Train books for children are located in the 385 section of the Children's Department.

Fans of railroading may wish to go to the Rail Fan website at www.railfanclub.org, sponsored by the Association of American Railroads.

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Staff Picks

May's staff pick is ***The Rope***, a classic film on video, recommended by library shelfer **Anne Fiordalisi**. ***The Rope*** (1948), was directed by Alfred Hitchcock who introduced many "firsts" in this film. The film was shot as though it happened in one long, uninterrupted shot. Since cameras in the 1940's only held 10 minute reels at one time, Hitchcock had to be creative when it came time to change reels. See if you can spot these changes! The film was also shot entirely in-studio, a first for film-makers. ***The Rope*** was also Hitchcock's first in color and the first of his many collaborations with his favorite leading actor, James Stewart. The plot is simple, based loosely on the real life murders committed by University of Chicago students Leopold and Leop. There are a lot of twists and turns to keep the audience in suspense.



A perfect complement to this and his other films is ***Alfred Hitchcock: a Life in Darkness and Light*** by Patrick McGilligan, found in the biography section.

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Website of the Month

May's Website of the Month is the online version of ***Blood-Horse Magazine*** at www.bloodhorse.com. With the Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes in May, this is the perfect website for information about the first two legs of the Triple Crown. The sport and industry of thoroughbred racing and breeding is covered in this informative and entertaining website.

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