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Welcome to the November 2006 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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### Library Closings

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will close at 5 p.m. on **Wednesday, November 22** and be closed all day on **Thursday, November 23** for the Thanksgiving holiday. On **Thursday, November 30** the library will open at 10 a.m. The library will also be closed all day on **Sunday, December 24 and Monday, December 25** for Christmas.

### Coffee With the Editor

There will be no **Coffee With the Editor** in November. Coffee with the Editor will now be on the first Wednesday of the month from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, December 6**.
The next meeting of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Board of Trustees will be **Tuesday, November 28** 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).

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**Upcoming Special Events**

**Bridge Club**
The Bridge Club will meet on **Mondays 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, December 11** 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.

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**Recent Library Happenings**

**Beaded Jewelry Craft**
The Teen Services Department recently offered a beaded jewelry craft for ages 12 to 18. Participants found several ways to show their creativity. The library offers many programs and activities for teens throughout the year.

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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:

- **Fiction**: *Hundred Dollar Baby* by Robert B. Parker, *The Mitford Bedside Companion* by Jan Karon, *Lisey's Story* by Stephen King, *Dear John* by Nicholas Sparks, and *Ines of My Soul* by Isabel Allende.
• **Books on CD:** *Innocent Man* by John Grisham, *For One More Day* by Mitch Albom, *Skeleton Coast* by Clive Cussler, and *Guy Not Taken* by Jennifer Weiner.


• **Mysteries:** *Under Orders* by Dick Francis.

• **Autobiographies/Biographies:** *Lessons in Becoming Myself* by Ellen Burstyn, *Saving Graces* by Elizabeth Edwards and *Inside My Heart* by Robin McGraw.

• **DVDs:** *Mission Impossible 3, Nacho Libre, Slither, Monster House, An American Haunting, Keeping Up With the Steins.*

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**Department News**

**Adult Services**

**Hausmann String Quartet to perform**
The Hausmann String Quartet, formed in the summer of 2004 at the LyricaFest music festival in Chatham, New Jersey, will perform at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library on **Monday, November 20** at 6:30 p.m. in the Stow-Munroe Falls Meeting Room. There will be no charge and reservations are not required. The quartet has been praised for its charismatic playing and "deep lyrical sound" and recently made its debut with the Lyrica Boston Chamber Music Players in a performance of the Mendelssohn Octet. Light refreshments will be available. Don't miss this rare opportunity to hear this exceptional group!

The concert is presented by the Adult Services Department and is co-sponsored by Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Friends of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library.

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**Evening Book Discussions**
The evening book discussion group with **Amy Garrett** meets the fourth Thursday of the month September through April at 7:00 p.m. except in November and December. Due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, these discussions will be the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Books are available at the Adult Information Desk prior to the discussion date.
**Reading List for Evening Book Discussion**

- December 14 - *Space Between Us* by Thrity Umrigar
- January 25 - *Manhunt* by James L. Swanson
- February 22 - *Flags of our Fathers* by James Bradley
- March 22 - *Two Minute Rule* by Robert Crais
- April 26 - *Marley and Me* by John Grogan

**Daytime Book Discussions**

The fall book discussions with Chris Caccamo meets the second Friday of the month October through May 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**

- December 8 - *The Christmas Quilt* by Jennifer Chiaverini
- January 12 - *The Year the Colored Sisters Came to Town* by Jacqueline Guidry
- February 9 - *In Sunlight in a Beautiful Garden* by Kathleen Cambor
- March 9 - *All Creatures Great and Small* by James Herriot
- April 13 - *Lunch at the Piccadilly* by Clyde Edgerton
- May 11 - *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini

**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**

The class calendar for the November computer classes is now available at the Adult Information Desk. However, you no longer have to sign up for the 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 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 9:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 6:00 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 our 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, December 2** 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 provide. Registration is not required.

**Yu-Gi-Oh Card Swap**

Bring your cards to play for fun and swap cards with other Yu-Gi-Oh fans on **Saturday, December 2**.
from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. The program is for ages 5 to 17. Registration is not required.

**Chess Club**
Play chess against a variety of opponents and learn new moves on **Tuesday, November 21. 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 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**

**Holiday Party**
The Holiday Party for children ages 3 to 8 with parents or guardians will be on **Saturday, December 16** in the Children's Room. Children will participate in a **live** Candyland game. Sessions are at either 10:30 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. Come before 10:30 a.m. and pick up a ticket if you wish to attend this session. Come before 2:00 p.m. and pick up a ticket if you wish to attend this session. For more information, contact the Children's Department.

**Storybook Theater**
Children of all ages can come to the library for Storybook Theater. The library staff will be showing several short films on alternating Fridays at 10:00 a.m. Stop by and watch a classic movie based on a classic storybook. Registration is not required. Storybook Theater will be offered on December 1 and December 15.

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!

**Art on Display**

**Corner Gallery**
Local artist Anthony Soo will have his nature photos on display at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library from **November 2 through 27.**

The Fiber Arts of **Ted Maringer** and Thanksgiving and Christmas cookies by **Sandy Rickey** will be featured in the display cases in the Corner Gallery throughout November.
All 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. 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 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

Card Tricks, is the quilt on display over the Circulation Desk this month. It was made by Sharon Gostlin and machine quilted by Sue Palumbo. The border fabric on this quilt matches the autumn view you can see outside your window! Sue enjoys quilting and cross-stitch and is learning to machine quilt. Stop by the library and see her beautiful quilt!

Spotlight on the Foreign Language Collection

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, Ukrainian, Urdu, Vietnamese, Welsh and Yiddish. Currently, children's materials are available in Russian and Chinese.

Don't forget to browse our growing collection of foreign language DVDs from countries such as India, China, Spain, France, Italy and Germany.

**Staff Picks**

November's staff pick is *UnCommon Carriers* by John McPhee, recommended by Adult Services Associate Jim Williams. McPhee's 28th book is a grown-up version of every young boy's fantasy life, as the writer gets to ride in the passenger seat of an 18-wheel truck, tag along on a barge ride up the Illinois River and climb into the cabin of a Union Pacific coal train that's over a mile long. He gets to be the one-man crew on a 20-ton scale model of an ocean tanker in a French pond where ship pilots go for advanced training. McPhee also takes a canoe and retraces Thoreau's path along New England Rivers. In this book, McPhee uncovers the little differences that give every place its unique tale.

Place a hold on this book by going to the library's online catalog at [http://www.smfpl.org/catalog.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/catalog.htm).

**Website of the Month**

The website for the month of November is for the Internet Archive [www.archive.org](http://www.archive.org). The Internet Archive is a non-profit organization that was founded to build an Internet Library with the purpose of offering permanent access for researchers, historians and scholars to historical collections that exist in digital formats. Located in the Presidio of San Francisco, the Archive has been receiving data donations from Alexa Internet and others. In late 1999, the organization started to grow to include more well-rounded collections. It now includes texts, audio, moving images and software as well as archived web pages. Plan to spend **hours** browsing through a collection that includes Edison newsreels of the aftermath of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, vintage cartoons, documentaries, old radio shows, live concerts and much more. The Internet Archive is working to prevent the Internet, a new medium with major historical significance, and other "born-digital" materials from disappearing into the past.

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