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Welcome to the **October 2005** 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

Flu Shots

The Summit County Health Department will be providing flu shots to the public on **Tuesday, November 8 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon** at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. This year there will be two different flu vaccines offered. Fluzone injectable flu vaccine, as well as FluMist which is administered nasally. The cost for these vaccines is \$25.00 per dose. Please check the Summit County Health Department website at www.schd.org (click on "New health information", "2005 Flu information") to see qualifying information. There is no registration for the flu shots. For questions regarding flu vaccine, please call the Summit County Health Department's Tele-Health line at 330-926-5615.

Pay It Forward

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library, in partnership with Character Counts in Stow-Munroe Falls, announces the launching of the **Pay It Forward Game**. The basic premise of the game is based on the book, **Pay It Forward**, by Catherine Ryan Hyde, and the movie made from the book. Each person will do a kind act for someone, then give them a bookmark. That person will "pay it forward" by doing a kind act for someone else, and passing the bookmark to them, and so on. Before passing on a bookmark, a person can



register the codeword at the library's website, and later go back and find out how far the kindness has traveled.

Bookmarks can be downloaded from the library's website at www.smfpl.org/pif.htm. Just click on the Pay It Forward picture and follow the directions. Each bookmark has a different codeword and instructions on how to play the game.

This is a game for all ages and anyone can play. Bookmarks are available at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library for anyone not able to download bookmarks from the website.

Wal-Mart Grant

Stow Wal-Mart representative **Karen Warner** (pictured at right) recently presented Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Director **Douglas H. Dotterer** with a check for \$1,000. This donation will be used to purchase literacy materials for the library.



Coffee with the Editor

Coffee with the editor of the Stow Sentry will be **Monday, November 7, 2005 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.** in the upstairs meeting room.

Community Jazz Band

The next Jazz Band concert will be **Wednesday, November 9 at 7:00 p.m.** in the upstairs meeting room. This event is free and open to the public.

Library Board

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

Acme Receipts

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is once again collecting Acme receipts. Receipts must be dated between September 4, 2005 and March 25, 2006 to qualify for the cashback program. Receipts are being collected near the downstairs elevator.

Wish List

You can help Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library by purchasing an item to add to the collection. Library staff have selected popular books and materials and placed them on the library's Wish List provided by Amazon.com. Simply browse the Wish List and select an item that you would like to purchase for the library. Once you have purchased an item, it will be shipped directly to the library and added to the collection. To access the library's Wish List go to our website at www.smfpl.org. Click on "Make a Donation" on the left under "Resources." Click on "Take me to Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Wish List."

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Upcoming Special Events

Bridge Club

Join us for cards and conversation! Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and Stow Woman's Club are co-sponsors of Bridge Club. Meetings are held the **second Monday of the month from October through May**. Meetings are from **12:45 to 3:30 p.m.** in the upstairs meeting room. Meeting date for November is **Monday,**



November 14. There is no fee to join this club, but a small collection will be taken for refreshments to be served at the last meeting. For more information or to register, contact Cheryl Nelson at 330-688-3295. You may leave a message on voicemail or send e-mail to nelsonch@oplin.org.



Karate Demonstration

Hickey Karate Center Demonstration Team will be performing in the upstairs meeting room **Saturday, October 22 at 2:00 p.m.** The team of children and adults will demonstrate Karate and gymnastics techniques. Hickey Karate Center, located in Stow, offers martial arts programs for pre-schoolers through adults. To find out more about the Center go to www.hickeykaratecenter.com. No registration is necessary for this program

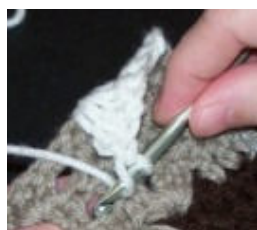
for all ages.

Festival of Learning

Saturday, October 22 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Stow-Munroe Falls High School

This special community event is designed to facilitate learning by offering over 20 sessions on important family topics. Entertainment will be provided by school choirs and bands. Food will be available and free supervised child care will be provided. "Escape School", presented at 3:00 for children and parents, includes a short video and discussion on how parents and children can reduce the risk of an abduction.

For more information, visit the school district's website at www.stow.summit.k12.oh.us/festival.html or contact Mike Hoffman at 330-686-6898. Festival of Learning is co-sponsored by Stow-Munroe Falls City Schools, the Cities of Stow and Munroe Falls, the PTA, Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library, Stow-Munroe Falls Kiwanis Club, Stow-Munroe Falls Rotary Club, Stow-Munroe Falls Lions Club, Summit County Childrens Services Board, and Riverfront YMCA.



Basic Crochet

Wednesdays, October 26, November 2, and November 9 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Instructor Diana Parker will teach the fundamentals of crochet during these introductory classes. Topics include basic stitches, increasing and decreasing, reading patterns, and crochet in the round. Students should plan to take all three classes. Registration is required and class size is limited. Instruction is free and there is no materials fee. Participants should be 16 years of age and up. Call

330-688-3295 to register.

Tax Advice workshops

Milestone Tax Advisory Group will be presenting the following workshops at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library in the upstairs meeting room. Please call 330-688-3295 to register.

- **Make Your Protection Work For You**

Wednesday, October 19 at 10:00 a.m.

Attention Retirees: Avoid losing what you have earned to taxes, medicaid, or probate. Find out if you are paying too much in taxes, whether your documents are titled correctly and if your assets are protected in case of a medical catastrophe.

- **Tax Strategies for IRA Owners**

Wednesday, October 26 at 10:00 a.m.

Learn information to help IRA owners who are facing the required minimum distribution age of 70 1/2 now or in the near future to understand and apply new tax laws. Learn the steps you can take with the new tax rules to protect your heirs from losing your IRA assets by looking at tax saving strategies.

- **Mortgage Mistakes and Misconceptions**

Thursday, November 3 at 6:30 p.m.

Do you want to pay off your mortgage earlier or make your mortgage work for you? Attend this informational workshop to learn how to sort through the options such as making extra monthly payments on a 15-year, 30-year, or interest only mortgage and avoid common mortgage mistakes.

- **Avoid Losing Money When Retiring or Changing Jobs**

Saturday, November 5 at 10:00 a.m.

Have you changed jobs or have you lost your job? Are you facing retirement in the near future? Learn to understand the options with your 401k, 403b, 457, etc. Understand withdrawal rules and how to avoid the 20% withholding rule.

- **Tax Strategies for IRA Owners**

Wednesday, November 16 at 10:00 a.m.

Learn information to help IRA owners who are facing the required minimum distribution age of 70 1/2 now or in the near future to understand and apply new tax laws. Learn the steps you can take with the new tax rules to protect your heirs from losing your IRA assets by looking at tax saving strategies.

Basic Knitting

November 7, 14, and 21 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Instructor Dave Macesoinin will teach the basics of knitting during these introductory classes. Participants must attend all three classes in the series and allow two hours per week to work at home on knitting projects. Bring size 8 or 9 set of needles and one skein of 4-ply worsted acrylic yarn. Registration is required, class size is limited. Instruction is free and there is no materials fee.

To register, contact Cheryl Nelson at 330-688-3295 or e-mail nelsonch@oplin.org. Please include class dates, your name, phone number, and e-mail address. Registration is limited.

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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:** *Looking for Jake: Stories* by China Mieville, *Lady of Mazes* by Karl Schroeder, *Tooth and Claw* by T. Coraghessan Boyle, and *Freshwater Road* by Denise Nicholas.
- **Large Print Fiction:** *The Rule of Four* by Ian Caldwell, *March* by Geraldine Brooks, *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro, and *City of Angels* by Tracie Peterson.
- **Mysteries:** *Cinnamon Kiss* by Walter Mosley.
- **Books - Nonfiction:** *Chicken Soup for the Soul: The Book of Christmas Virtues: Inspirational Stories to Warm the Heart*, compiled by Jack Canfield, *The Opportunity: America's Moment to Alter History's Course* by Richard N. Haass, *Warman's Watches Field Guide: Values and Identification* by Dean Judy, and *Medieval Travellers: the Rich and the Restless* by Margaret Wade Labarge.
- **Biographies:** *Melville: His World and Work* by Andrew Delbanco and *My Face is Black is True: Callie House and the Struggle for Ex-Slave Reparations* by Mary Frances Berry.
- **DVDs:** *Fever Pitch*, *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, *The Longest Yard*, *The Lords of Dogtown*, and *Line of Fire El Alamein*.

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Department News

Adult Services

Evening Book Discussions

The evening book discussion group with Amy Garrett meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. September through April. Because of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, discussions in November and December will be the second Thursday of the month.

- October 27 - ***Painted House*** by John Grisham
- November 10 - ***Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime*** by Mark Haddon
- December 8 - ***Redbird Christmas*** by Fannie Flagg
- January 26 - ***Crooked River Burning*** by Mark Winegardner
- February 23 - ***Broken Prey*** by John Sandford
- March 23 - ***Rainbow's End*** by Bob Adamov
- April 27 - ***Trace Evidence*** by Elizabeth Becka

Alternates:

- ***Sick Puppy*** by Carl Hiassen
- ***Atonement*** by Ian McEwan
- ***That Camden Summer*** by LaVyrle Spencer
- ***Midnight Assassin*** by Patricia Bryan

Copies of the books will be available approximately four to five weeks before the date of discussion and will be held at the Information Desk. If we do not own enough copies of a book, we will try to Interlibrary Loan the material. Please call Amy Garrett at 330-688-3295 for more information.

Morning Book Discussions

The morning book discussion group with Chris Caccamo meets the second Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Book discussions for the 2005-2006 season will begin Friday, October 14.

- November 11 - ***Peace Like a River*** by Leif Enger
- December 9 - ***The Stupidest Angel*** by Christopher Moore
- January 13 - ***Sara and Eleanor: The Story of Sara Delano Roosevelt and her Daughter-In-Law Eleanor Roosevelt*** by Jan Pottker
- February 10 - ***Bring Me a Unicorn: Diaries and Letters of Anne Morrow Lindbergh, 1922-1928*** by Anne Morrow Lindbergh
- March 10 - ***The Song Reader*** by Lisa Tucker
- April 14 - ***Black Dog of Fate*** by Peter Balakian
- May 12 - ***The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time*** by Mark Haddon

Sign up is not required; however, due to the large size of the morning book discussion group, Chris is offering a second discussion option. If you prefer a smaller group setting, you may come to an afternoon session at 2:00 p.m. on the same day. To attend the afternoon session you must register by calling the Information Desk at 330-688-3295. This session is limited to 15 participants. The same book will be discussed at both sessions. The option is yours! If you have any questions, please call Chris Caccamo at 330-688-3295, or you may email her at stowpr@yahoo.com.

Computer Use

Computers for use by adult and teen patrons are in very high demand! This is a reminder that you can reserve a computer ahead of time. Just call the Information Desk at 330-688-3295 to reserve a computer for a one-hour time limit. Computers may be reserved up to one week in advance. All adult patron computers are now available by reservation only.

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 **November** will be released **Monday, October 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. He is available at the Adult Information Desk.

Local History

The Local History Room is looking for "a few good people." Volunteers are needed to staff the Room on afternoons or evenings once a week. The Local History Room is a unique resource for the community, providing access to Stow's 200-year history via books, maps, news clippings, photo albums and more. Volunteers will welcome visitors and help them find information, as well as perform tasks to further organize the collection. If you are at least 18 and like to sleuth out the occasional mystery, please call Bridget Hair at 330-688-3295.

Teens

Teen Craft Night

October 11 was Teen craft night, Crazy CDs. Teens made dreamcatchers and disco balls out of old scratched CDs and assorted art supplies.



Yu-Gi-Oh

Saturday, November 5 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Chess Club

Tuesday, October 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

Storytimes

Please call 330-688-3295 for times and registration.

The Quiltmaker by Edufun

Wednesday, October 26 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

This program for children ages three to six gives children the opportunity to explore pioneer life through pioneer musical instruments, pioneer games, and more. Meet Lydia Lavinia Carvey McConnell, a real Ohio quiltmaker and one of the original Firelands settlers. Hear ***The Quiltmaker's Gift***, New York Times Bestseller and Book Sense Book of the Year, read by Lydia's great, great grand-daughter, Judie Ryan. See Lydia's quilts and hear about her life as a child and adult in historic Ohio. Registration is required for this program. Please call the Children's Department at 330-688-3295 to register.

Art and Artists

Learn about the lives of the great artists from Dali to Degas and create your own work of art in the style of the masters. This program is for children in grades two through five. Dates are **Saturdays, November 19, and December 17 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.** Please call the Children's Department at 330-688-3295 to register.

To see a complete list of Children's programming, please go to the Children's Department web page at www.smfpl.org/CS.htm. For further information please call 330-688-3295.

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!

Honorees

Arabica gift certificates have been awarded to the following patrons visiting Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library recently: **James Butler**, the 500,000th checkout of 2005, **Donna Izaldine**, the 550,000th checkout, **Patricia Park**, the 18,000th window checkout of 2005, **Suzanna Geul**, the 19,000th window checkout, **Susan McDade**, the 20,000th window checkout, **Christopher Igielinski**, the 4,000th new registration of 2005, and **Jason Thompson**, the 4,500th registration.

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

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Art on Display

Corner Gallery

During October the Corner Gallery features the bird photos of **Bob Roach**. Roach has been interested in birds since he was a child, and has been photographing them for approximately one year. All of the bird photos on display were taken in Northern Ohio, with the majority taken in our local parks.

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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 450 members.

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.

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Quilt on Display

Crib Quilt, made and quilted by **Jenny Birnbaum** is the name of the quilt recently on display over the Circulation Desk. This quilt was made for Jenny's first grandchild. Jenny's daughter designed the patterns to match a Winnie-the-Pooh fabric used in the nursery. The designs are embroidered and hand appliqued and hand quilted. This quilt won a blue ribbon at the 2005 Cuyahoga County Fair. Jenny learned basic quilting techniques from her mother who also won many blue ribbons.

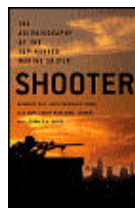


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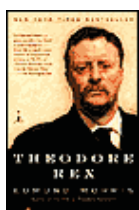
Spotlight on Biographies



October's spotlight shines on **Biographies**. What do John Adams, Audrey Hepburn, Madonna, and Fidel Castro have in common? Books about them can be found in our Biography section, located in the garden view area



of the library. From Presidents to Kings, movie stars to athletes, national heroes to everyday people, biographies are available on people from all walks of life and circumstances. The Biography section also contains autobiographies. An autobiography is a biography written by someone about him or herself. **Shooter: the Autobiography of the Top-Ranked Marine Sniper** by Jack Coughlin and **Beyond Innocence: an Autobiography in Letters: the Later Years** by Jane Goodall are two examples.



David G. McCullough is a popular author of presidential biographies such as **John Adams**, **Mornings On Horseback** (about Theodore Roosevelt), and **Truman**.

McCullough's latest book is **1776**, the story of the American Revolution and the men who fought and commanded the war. **1776** can be found in the New non-fiction section.

Edmund Morris, author of **Dutch: A Memoir of Ronald Regan** and **Theodore Rex**, also has a new book, **Beethoven: The Universal Composer**. This book is currently on order.

To find New Biographies, including **Living Dangerously: The Adventures of Merian C. Cooper, Creator of King Kong** by Mark Cotta Vaz, **My Face is Black is True: Callie House and the Struggle for Ex-Slave Reparations** by Mary Frances Berry, and **Lovesick Blues: The Life of Hank Williams** by Paul Hemphill look in the New Biographies section, next to the Books on CD.

Many biographies have been turned into movies, such as **October Sky**, based on the book by Homer Hickam, **All Things Great and Small** based on the stories by James Herriot, and **A Beautiful Mind** based on the novel by Sylvia Nasar. Others are written about everyday people facing unusual circumstances. Examples include **Let's Roll, Ordinary People, Extraordinary Courage** by Lisa Beamer, about her husband Todd who was a victim of the September 11 terrorist attacks, **The Glass Castle: A Memoir** by Jeannette Walls, about her dysfunctional childhood, **Ice Bound: A Doctor's Incredible Battle for Survival at the South Pole** by Jerry Nielsen, and **The Prizewinner of Defiance, Ohio** by Terry Ryan, which is set to be released in movie theaters this fall. Biographies about contemporary



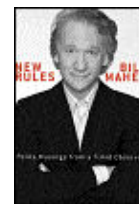
heroes, such as Lance Armstrong (*It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life* by Lance Armstrong with Sally Jenkins) and John Glenn (*John Glen: A Memoir* by John Glenn with Nick Taylor) are also available.

Biographies for teens have yellow stickers on the spine. They are shelved in the Teen Section and with the Adult Biographies. Biographies on audio tape and CD are shelved with the non-fiction audio books, and Biographies on DVD and video are with the non-fiction DVDs and videos. Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library carries DVDs of the popular A&E *Biography* series. www.biography.com is the website for biographies which have been featured on the A&E program. You may also wish to search the Biography Resource Center database, available through our library website at www.smfpl.org. Go to Adult Services, Databases, Infotrac, and Biography Resource Center.

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Staff Picks

October's staff pick is *New Rules: Polite Musings From a Timid Observer* by Bill Maher, recommended by Assistant Head of Adult Services **Barbara Nelson**. Warning: Do not read this book in public! You will laugh out loud at Bill Maher's exasperated view of everyday things like cell phones that do too much, fad diets, and reality TV shows. Maher, a libertarian, ridicules members of both political parties. This book is a funny "take" on our current social culture.



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Website of the Month

Website for the month of October is **Home Energy Saver** at <http://hes.lbl.gov>. Enter your zip code and other information to get personalized advice on saving energy costs. Find remodeling advice and tips on no/low-cost energy saving techniques. There is also a section for middle school and high school students and teachers. Mathematics, science, economics, social and political science teachers will find a list of student lessons and activities with keys to subject matter standards.

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