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Welcome to the **September 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 <u>form online</u> or complete a paper registration form at the circulation desk.

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Notices

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.

Coffee with the Editor

There will be no Coffee with the Editor of the Stow Sentry in September.

Community Jazz Band

The next Jazz Band concert will be **Wednesday**, **October 5 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**, **September 27** 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.

KnowltNow

Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is now offering access to KnowltNow, a live online information service provided free of charge for the citizens of Ohio by the State Library of Ohio. Professional librarians are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to answer your reference questions and assist you in finding information. Once logged on with your Ohio zip code, you and a librarian engage in a "chat" session. The librarian "pushes" high quality, authoritative online resources to your screen. You can watch and participate as librarians skillfully navigate the internet to find precise answers to your questions. At the conclusion of each KnowltNow session, you will receive a complete transcript of your session via email including links to all the online resources shared during that session. You will find the KnowltNow button on the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Homepage (www.smfpl.org).

Forthcoming Books

A list of Forthcoming Adult Book Releases is currently available at the front circulation desk.

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

Book Donation Day

Friends of the Library are sponsoring Book Donation Day on **Saturday, September 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Please bring books, tapes, videos, DVDs, computer software, and puzzles to the main entrance of the library. These donations will be offered to the library to add to its collection. The rest will be priced for the Fall Book Sale.

Donate ten items and receive a pass to the Friends' pre-sale. All donations are tax deductible and receipts are available.

Book Sale Patrons Night

Friends of the Library are sponsoring a Patrons Night on **Tuesday, September 27 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.** The donation is \$7.00 for members of the Friends, \$10.00 for non-members. Individual memberships are available for \$3.00.

Fall Book Sale

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale will be held the following dates:

- *Wednesday, September 28 from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m
- Thursday, September 29 from 10:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- Friday, September 30 from 10:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, October 1 from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m. (Saturday is Bag Day Fill a bag with books for only \$3.00!)

*Members of the Friends will have a special pre-sale Wednesday, September 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Become a member for only \$3.00!

Homework Help for Parents

Wednesday, September 28 at 7:00 p.m in the downstairs Adult computer lab. Join us for a crash course in doing homework at the library. Learn how we can help with those last minute assignments and endless reports, even when the library is closed. Make the computer work for you and help your child earn those A's. For parents of children in grades K-12. Registration begins Monday, September 19. Please call 330-688-3295 to register.

Shadow Box Art Classes

Local artist **Sandy Lin** will present the techniques involved in constructing Shadow Boxes during these special fall art classes. Select from several different designs and create your own Shadow Box to take home. These classes are free, but frames and prints will need to be purchased from the instructor (checks should be made out to: Yifang Sandy Lin). Bring an Exacto knife with extra blades and a small cutting mat to class. Participants should be 16 years of age or older.



Classes will be held on the following Mondays from 3:45 to 5:30 p.m.

- September 12
- September 19
- October 10
- October 17

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:

- Books Fiction: The Time of the Uprooted by Elie Wiesel, The Birdcage by Marcia Willett, Here is
 Where We Met by John Berger, Rorey's Secret by Leisha Kelly, and Starwater Strains by Gene
 Wolfe.
- Large Print Fiction: *The Patriot's Club* by Christopher Reich, *City of Angels* by Tracie Peterson and James Scott Bell, and *The Rose Legacy* by Kristen Heitzmann.

- Mysteries: The Young Widow by Cassandra Chan.
- Books Nonfiction: Consuming Kids: Protecting Our Children From the Onslaught of Marketing and Advertising by Susan Linn, Big Food: Amazing Ways to Cook, Store, Freeze, and Serve Everything You Buy in Bulk by Elissa Altman, Def Jam, Inc.: Russell Simmons, Rick Rubin, and the Extraordinary Story of the World's Most Influential Hip Hop Label by Stacy Gueraseva, Guinea Pig Scientists: Bold Self-Experimenters in Science and Medicine by Leslie Dendy and Mel Boring, and Dogs 24/7 by Rick Smolan and David Elliot Cohen.
- Biographies: Master Mind: The Rise and Fall of Fritz Haber, the Nobel Laureate Who Launched the Age of Chemical Warfare by Daniel Charles.
- DVDs: Alexander, Guess Who, King Fu Hustle, Sin City, The Wedding Date, The Ring Two, A Lot Like Love, and Beauty Shop.

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Adult Services

Adult Summer Reading Program

Read, Dream, Imagine! the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library's Adult Summer Reading Program, concluded August 15 with a total of 234 participants.

During August there were 407 entries, making a total of 1,332 entries for the summer. Weekly winners during August were **Michelle Henderson** and **Sara Lumley** (Cleveland Museum of Natural History passes), **Yu-Ling Yeh** and **Kathy Francini** (Western Reserve Historical Society passes), **Anna Hale** and **Evan Yoak** (Books on CD), **Rhonda McGill**, **Betty Nellis**, and **Yvonne Siegferth** (canvas bags with goodies). Grand Prize Winner **Jenn Richards** received a "Read" book bag containing four Cleveland Botanical Garden passes, and four Great Lakes Science Center passes.

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. The discussion group will resume in September.

- September 22 All Too Human by George Stephanapoulos
- 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

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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. There will be no morning book discussion in September. Book discussions for the 2005-2006 season will begin Friday, October 14.

- October 14 Pigs in Heaven by Barbara Kingsolver
- 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 Morow 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

As always, sign up is not required. Books for the October 14 discussion should be available at the Information Desk by the week of September 26.

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. Registration for the afternoon session will begin Monday, September 26. 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 compuers 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 **October** will be released **Monday**, **September 26 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 Summer Reading Program

Congratulations to **Ameer Ghouse**, winner of the grand prize of a digigal music player in the Teen Summer Reading Program. Ameer was one of 128 teens who read 853 books during the seven week summer program.

Yu-Gi-Oh

Saturday, September 10 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Chess Club

Tuesday, September 27 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

Congratulations to the 1,250 children who read 13,505 hours for the Children's Summer Reading Program. We are proud of all who participated!

Storytimes

Registration has begun for Children's Storytimes, which begin the week of **September 12**. Please call 330-688-3295 for times and registration.

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 September 17, October 15, 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: **Barbara Jones**, the 450,000th checkout of 2005, **Jody Frank**, the 15,000th window checkout of 2005, **Tamra Walker**, the 16,000th window checkout, **Stephen Ayers**, the 17,000th window checkout, **Martine McHale**, the 3,500th new registration of 2005, and **Christopher Igielinski**, the 4,000th new registration of 2005.

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

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Art on Display

Corner Gallery

During September the Corner Gallery features the watercolors of **Jack Mulhollen**. Jack is affiliated with numerous art groups and is a signature member of the Ohio Watercolor Society and the Whiskey Painters of America. He has been awarded over 15 Best of Shows and First awards. He has been teaching workshops, classes, jurying shows and doing painting demonstrations for more than 15 years.

Jack finds the medium of watercolor both elusive and rewarding. His paintings reflect his fondness for the outdoors and the nostalgia of the rustic past. He is represented by several galleries and his paintings may be viewed by contacting him at 330-928-7235 or by e-mail at jackmulhollen@msn.com.

The display case in the Corner Gallery will highlight the American Sewing Guild in honor of National Sewing Month in September.

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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

Butterfly Garden, pieced and quilted by **Sue Fiscus**, is the quilt currently displayed over the Circulation Desk. Sue, one of the quilting instructors at JoAnn Etc. in Montrose, made this because she loved the fabric. The hollyhocks going up each side and the quilting motif are her original designs. The technique is taken from the book **Stack-n-Whackier Quilts** by Bethany Reynolds.

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Spotlight on Back to School



Septmber's spotlight shines on **Back to School**. Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library is here to help you get the school year off to the right start. Students of all ages will find print materials and online resources available at the library.

The Teen section, located on the first floor next to the videos, now contains circulating non-fiction books for Young Adults. Seventh through twelfth graders will find books focusing on teen issues and interests, such as *Safe*

Teen, Powerful Alternatives to Violence by Anita Roberts, Everything You Need to Know About Peer Mediation by Nancy N. Rue, Motley Fool Investment Guide for Teens: Eight Steps to Having More Money Than Your Parents Ever Dreamed Of by David and Tom Gardner with Selena Maranjian, Coping With Being Adopted by Shari Cohen, and Skateboarding Streetstyle by Joel Shoemaker.





Titles in this area also include those on topics for school reports, such as *The Ethics of Human Cloning*, William Dudley, editor, *Egyptian Mythology* by Rachel Storm, *Global Warming; Opposing Viewpoints*, James Haley, editor, and *The Forgotten Arts and Crafts: Skills From Bygone Days* by John Seymour. Biographies for teen readers are also new to this area and are located next to the non-fiction books. Students looking for English reading assignment books will find them on the Classic Paperback rack next to the Information Desk. Cliff's Notes for over 100 titles are also in the Teen section.

www.cliffsnotes.com and www.sparknotes.com both provide free online

literature study guides, as well as other resources and tools for students. SparkNotes, for example, contains free reference tools, a style guide, and film notes. Both have college prep and test information.

Students have access to Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library's online learning resources from home if they have a Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library card. Databases (www.smfpl.org/databases.htm) include Infotrac, Grolier Online, EbscoHost, Encylopaedia Britannica, and many more. New to our library is the OPLIN database, LearningExpressLibrary. LearningExpressLibrary is perfect for students wanting to improve their skills, or study practice tests. Sections are devoted to Middle Schools Skills Improvement, Reading Skills Improvement, Advanced Placement, College Entrance Exams, and Math and Spanish Improvement. LearningExpressLibrary also provides study information for Adult Learners, such as Civil Service, Cosmetology, Military, and GED. This database also includes Resume and Interviewing Success Skills and Business Writing Success Skills. To access this database via the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library website (www.smfpl.org), click on Adult Services, then click Databases. Click on OneSearch and scroll down the list to the LearningExpressLibrary link. You must register a username and password. Don't forget to use Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library's own Homework Help page

(<u>http://www.smfpl.org/homework.htm</u> containing links to databases, homework websites, and internet search tools.

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Staff Picks

September's staff pick is *Jamie* by Lori Foster, recommended by the Head of Adult Services, Amy Garrett. *Jamie* continues the story in Foster's Visitation series (after *Say No to Joe?*, *Secret Life of Bryan*, *When Bruce Met Cyn---*, and *Just a Hint - Clint*). Jamie Creed is a "hermit" with lots of secrets and a bit of mystery surrounding him. Prompted by her psychic daughter, Faith Owen has come to town to track this reclusive psychic, but what is her real motive? Is she there to help or hurt this hunk? Come, take a trip to Visitation, get reacquainted with old friends and learn all about Jamie as his secrets are revealed!

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Website of the Month



September's website is **One Bag** at www.onebag.com. This website teaches you how to travel with only one carry-on bag. Learn what to pack, how to pack it, and what to pack it in if you wish to travel light! Recommended by PC Magazine and Expedia.com, this site also includes a resource section and links to travel industry sites, such as hotels and airlines.

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