Welcome to the September 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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**Upcoming Library Closings**
The library will also be closed all day on Friday, October 5 and on Wednesday, November 14.

**Coffee With the Editor**
The next Coffee With the Editor will be Wednesday, October 3 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

**September Book Sale**
The Friends of the Library September Book Sale will be held September 26-29

The hours of the sale are as follows:
Wednesday, September 26 - 1-8 p.m.
Thursday, September 27 - 10 a.m.- 8 p.m.
Friday, September 28 - 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.
Saturday, September 29 - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Fill a Bag for $3!

On Saturday at 2 p.m., unsold materials are free to teachers and non-profit organizations.

**Patron's Book Sale Night and Friends' Members Pre-Sale**

**Patron's Book Sale Night** will be held on **Tuesday, September 25 from 5 to 8 p.m.** Donation is $10 per person, $5 per person for members of the Friends of the Library. Friends' memberships may be purchased at the door for $5. The Friends' Members Presale will be held on **Wednesday, September 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Back By Popular Demand.....Book Bags!!**

You can again purchase **Zippered Top Pocket Book Bags** at the front Circulation Desk at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. These are roomy bags with a gusseted bottom and made of 600 denier polyester nylon material. They have 24-inch long handles. The bags are $10, including tax. All proceeds benefit the Stow-Munroe Falls Library Foundation.

**Library Board**

The next meeting of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Board of Trustees will be **Monday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Local History Room. To read minutes from previous board meetings go to [www.smfpl.org/trustees.htm](http://www.smfpl.org/trustees.htm).

**Silent Auction Returns**

The Friends of Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library’s are once again having their Christmas tree silent auction. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library. You can pick up an undecorated tree, decorate it and donate it for the auction. All materials used are tax deductible. You can also bid on the trees that have already been decorated. Undecorated trees may be picked up at the library on **October 11 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.** Decorated trees are to be returned to the library on **November 1 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.** The tree display and silent auction will run from **November 3 to November 29.** Judging will be **November 8.** Silent auction ends **Nov. 29 at 2 p.m.** High bidders may pay for and take home their decorated trees on **Nov. 30 from 2 to 4 p.m. or December 1 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** To sign up to decorate and donate a tree, contact the Children’s Department at 330-688-3295 beginning **Monday, September 20.**

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**Upcoming Special Events**

**Jazz Band Concert**

The next performance of the community jazz band will be **Wednesday, October 3 at 7 p.m.** in the Stow-Munroe Falls meeting room of the library. The concert is free. Reservations are not required.

**Bridge Club**

Come to the library for cards and conversation. The Bridge Club will meet on the second Monday of the month from 12:45 until 3:30 p.m. in the Stow-Munroe Falls meeting room at the library. There is no fee to join the club, but a small collection will be taken for refreshments. For more information or to register, contact Cheryl Nelson at 330-688-3295. Bridge Club is co-sponsored by Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library and the Stow Woman’s Club.
Family Folklore
Every family has stories to tell. Join writing instructor Sara Throop on Mondays this fall as she guides participants in writing a journal of memorable events which could be enjoyed for generations to come. Record family history, childhood memories and holiday celebrations. Programs are on October 1, October 15, October 29, November 5 and November 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Reference Desk to register. Classes will be held in the Stow Meeting Room at the library.

Advanced Sign Language
Join instructor Tim Shannon on Tuesdays this fall for this series of Advanced Sign Language classes. Program dates are October 2, October 9, October 16, October 23, October 30, November 6, November 13 and November 20 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Registration is limited. Call 330-688-3295 or stop by the Reference Desk to register. Classes will meet in the Munroe Falls Room at the library.

Boost Your Immune System
Come to the library on Wednesday, October 17 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. and learn how to boost your immune system during this fascinating program. Dr. Kelly Gallagher will present practical suggestions on building resistance to combat both infection and chronic disease. Registration is limited. Stop by or call the Reference Desk at 330-688-3295. The program is in the Stow Room at the library.

Recent Library Happenings
The rescheduled Annual Pet Show at the library was again a huge hit. Here are some of the great participants:
Library staff participated in the **Stow Summer Sunset Blast** at Silver Springs Park. Captain Hook (Jason Calvert) entertained the crowd.
New Titles

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


- **Books on CD:** *Hide* by Lisa Gardner, *Back on Blossom Street* by Debbie Macomber, *Family Tree* by Barbara Delinsky.

- **Nonfiction:** *Death by the Black Hole and other Cosmic Quandries* by Neil de Grasse Tyson, *Pillsbury's Best of the Bake-Off Desserts*.

- **Mysteries:** *Ham Bones* by Carolyn Haines, *Shell Game* by Sarah Shaber, *We Shall Not Sleep* by Anne Perry.


- **DVDs:** *The Hills Have Eyes 2, The Hard Easy, Fur: an imaginary portrait of Diane Arbus, Shooter, Factory Girl, Smokin'Aces*.

Department News

**Adult Services**

Evening Book Discussions

The evening book discussion group with Amy Garrett will meet again beginning in September 2007. Discussions will be on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. except in November and December.
November meeting will be the third Thursday at 7 p.m. and the December meeting will be the second Thursday at 7 p.m. Copies of the book will again be available at the Reference Desk prior to the discussion date.

**Reading List for the 2007-2008 Evening Discussion Group**

- **September 27** - *Run with the Horsemen* by Ferrol Sams (available August 23)
- **October 25** - *Floor Sample* by Julia Cameron
- **November 15** - *Dispatches from the Edge* by Anderson Cooper
- **December 13** - *The Secret* by Rhonda Byrne
- **January 24** - *One Last Dance* by Mardo Williams
- **February 28** - *Measure of a Man* by Sidney Poitier
- **March 27** - *Lily's Sister* by Karen Hasley
- **April 24** - *Double Bind* by Chris Bohjalian

**Daytime Book Discussions**
The daytime book discussion groups with Chris Caccamo will meet the second Friday of the month from October through May at either 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. Books will be available at the Reference Desk prior to the discussion date.

**Reading List for the 2007-2008 Daytime Discussion Group**

- **October 12** - *A Prayer for Owen Meany* by John Irving (available Week of Sept. 17)
- **November 9** - *Founding Mothers: the Women Who Raised Our Nation* by Cokie Roberts
- **December 14** - *An Idiot Girl's Christmas: True Tales from the Top of the Naughty List* by Laurie Notaro
- **December 13** - *Woman of Color, Daughter of Privilege: Amanda America Dickson 1849-1893* by Kent Anderson Leslie
- **January 24** - *Never Shower in a Thunderstorm: Surprising Facts and Misleading Myths About Our Health and the World we Live In* by Anahad O'Conner
- **February 28** - *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Picoult
- **March 27** - *The Captain's Wife* by Douglas Kelly
- **April 24** - *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen

**New Book Discussion Group**
A new book discussion group with group leader Barbara Nelson will meet the first Monday of every month at 7 p.m. The first meeting will be October 1. Books will be available at the Reference Desk prior to the discussion date. Registration is not required. Bring with you suggestions for titles to be discussed later in the year. The first book to be discussed is *Digging to America* by Anne Tyler. For more information on this new group, contact Barbara Nelson at 330-688-3295.

**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.

**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" tickets 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.

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**Teens**

**Celebrate Teen Read Week**

During the week of October 15 through 20, stop by the library to enter our contest to win a cool prize. For every three Teen books you check out, you will earn an entry form for the drawing. You can read Teen Graphic Novels and magazines or listen to Teen Playaways and Teen Books on CDs, too.

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**Chess Club**

The next Chess Club will be **October 16**. Peer instruction is from **6:30 to 7:00 p.m.** and **game play is from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** Play chess against a variety of opponents, and learn new moves. Chess club is for students age 5 and older who are familiar with the basic rules of chess. Snacks provided. No registration is necessary.

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).

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**Children's**

**Tasty Trekkers**

Register now for the first **Tasty Trekkers** program in the Children’s Department. Travel the world with Miss Jen on **Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Each month, students in grades 1 to 5 will learn about a different country and their culture by preparing a delicious dish. They will play games and learn about children from around the world. Each participant will receive a passport. Come every month to have your passport stamped. There will be five more countries to visit in 2008. Program dates are **October 31, November 28 and December 19**. For more information or to register, contact the Children’s Department at 330-688-3295.

**Science With Professor E**

On Thursday, October 11 from 4:00 5:00 p.m., join Professor E. for more hands on science fun. Explore density and how it affects our world. Don’t miss more great experiments with our resident science guy. The program is for Children ages 7 to 11. Registration begins October 1. For more information or to
register, contact the Children's Department at 330-688-3295.

Please call 330-688-3295 or go to the Children's Department web page at 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
Don't have a computer or are you too busy to get to your computer? How would you like our staff to automatically place you 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! Here's a few authors whose new books could be waiting for you!

![Image of books]

Art on Display

The artwork of Silver Lake resident Elenor Camerata will be on display in the Corner Gallery from September 5 through October 1.

![Image of a painting]

Bob Greenwald's wood carvings will be on exhibit in the glass display cases from September 12 through October 8.
These exhibits may be viewed during regular library hours.

Library Foundation

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Foundation was incorporated in 1994 as a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. The Foundation is dedicated to ensuring a great library system by raising, managing and allocating funds to expand and improve the library. Why a Foundation? Maintaining Stow and Munroe Falls' top-notch library isn't possible with public funding alone. The Foundation's mission is to stabilize the library in times of reduced public funding and secure the ongoing excellence of the library.

If you have questions about the Foundation, contact Library Executive Director Doug Dotterer at (330)688-3295.

Click www.smfpl.org/paypal.htm to learn more about the Foundation or to make a donation.

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.

New Friends Officers for 2007 (from left to right) are: Peg Niemeyer, Corresponding Secretary; Hermine Meyer, Treasurer; Peggy Shaffer, Vice President; Helen Meier, Recording Secretary; Martha Keisler, President.

Also pictured are Jane Mesereau (far right) and Lois Patton (handing out the flowers).

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
September's quilt is by Diana McDaniel. Enjoy!

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**Book Picks**

September's book pick is **The Tin Roof Blowdown** by James Lee Burke

It has been two years since Hurricane Katrina, the costliest and one of the deadliest hurricanes in the history of the United States. James Lee Burke's latest mystery, *The Tin Roof Blowdown*, features uptight Cajun detective Dave Robicheaux and uses Katrina-stricken New Orleans as its backdrop. Robicheaux is pursuing the homicide of two young black men from the New Orleans projects, both shot in the paranoid aftermath of Katrina. Was it just an outraged uptown citizen trying to safeguard property who killed the men, or someone with a more complicated agenda? Why does the city's most-feared mobster care? And where does the FBI fit into all this? Burke re-creates the storm and how the city's most helpless suffered.

It's also a postcard of a New Orleans that may never again exist. A must read for mystery fans!

Place a hold on *The Tin Roof Blowdown* and other James Lee Burke books by going to the library's online catalog at [http://opac.smfpl.org](http://opac.smfpl.org).

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**What Do I Watch?**

Everyone is back to school! Here are some of our best DVDs about high school kids. Check them out!

- Ferris Bueller’s Day Off
- Back to the Future
- Bill and Ted’s Excellent Adventure
- Final Destination 3
- The Breakfast Club
- Friday Night Lights
- High School Musical
- Napoleon Dynamite
- Grease
- Mean Girls
- Dead Poet’s Society
Check out a teen film on DVD today!

Website of the Month

The website for the month of September is for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service at http://www.fs.fed.us/news/fallcolors/

Check this website beginning in September for the latest information pertaining to this years fall foliage experience. Don't plan your fall excursions without checking here first!