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We're excited to join the CLEVNET library consortium and expand what materials are available to you.

CLEVNET is a consortium of over 45 northern Ohio libraries across 12 different counties. It's one of the largest library resource sharing networks in the United States.

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library joined CLEVNET on September 13, 2021. You can now use your library card to borrow materials, place holds, and return CLEVNET materials at any CLEVNET member library. No action was required on your part, however there are a few things you need to know:

1. Your PIN may have changed

Your PIN is the last four digits of the phone number in your library record. If you experience any complications, our staff members are happy to reset PINs for you. To do this, simply visit or call the library.

2. Access to OverDrive is now through the CLEVNET eMedia Collection

Go to **clevnet.overdrive.com** for eBooks, audiobooks, and more. If you use the OverDrive or Libby app, you may be logged out and prompted to log back in.

3. Your eligible items will renew automatically

Eligible items will automatically renew up to three times. The system will attempt to automatically renew items one day before they are due. An item will NOT renew if:

- Someone else has placed a hold on the item.
- •The item has reached its renewal limit. Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library items will renew a maximum of three times. Renewal limits for other CLEVNET items will vary by library system.
- Your account is blocked due to excess fines or fees.

If an item cannot be renewed, you will receive a courtesy notice (via the preferred contact method specified in your account) the evening before your materials are due.

Get the CLEVNET app

The free CLEVNET app is available to download from the Apple and Android app stores. With the app you can:

- Search the collection, easily narrow or expand your search, browse for related items, and place items on hold.
- Search for eBooks and download them from the catalog.
- Link accounts to manage account information for a family member.
- Find directions and contact information for the nearest CLEVNET library.
- Display a virtual library card for your primary account and linked accounts.

If you have questions or need assistance, click **here** for more information, visit the library, or call:

Adult Services

(330) 688-3295 ext. 4

Children's Department (330) 688-3295 ext. 5

Circulation Department (330) 688-3295 ext. 3 ●



It's back! The Friends of the **Library Book Sale returns!**

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Book Sale

After much anticipation, we are excited to announce the return of the Friends of the Library Book Sale!

October 5* - 9, 2021

at the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library

Free to the Public:

Wed. 1 - 8 PM Thurs. 10 AM - 8 PM Fri. 10 AM - 5 PM Sat. 10 AM - 2 PM**

*** PATRONS' NIGHT:**

Tues., October 5, 5 - 8 PM Entrance donation: \$10 per person [Friends' members donation: \$5] Memberships may be purchased at the door.

FRIENDS' PRESALE:

Wed., October 6, 10 AM - 1 PM ONLY Membership required. Just \$5 to join.

> ** SATURDAY IS BAG DAY—\$5/bag Sat. 2 - 3 PM—All books free to teachers & non-profit organizations

Please note that room occupancy will be limited.

www.facebook.com/friends.of.smfpl www.friendsofsmfpl.org

Friends of the Library

Generated over \$500.000 from Book Sales

The Puzzle & Game Sales this summer marked the first Friends of the Library events since the start of the pandemic. Proceeds from these Book Sales and Puzzle Sales have helped pay for library programs and events for all ages. Over the past twenty years, these sales have generated over \$500,000 and the Friends currently have \$178,000 in their endowment fund for future programming at the library. These proceeds

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represent the work of many Friends and volunteers meeting daily at the library preparing for sales and conducting business. We, the library and our patrons, are the fortunate beneficiaries and we are so grateful for their passion and dedication. Visit our TAMI HOAG website to support their effort or learn more about the Friends of the Library.

The Big Read Book Discussions Led by Gale Koritansky, Director



n partnership with Kent State University, the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library will be participating in the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Big Read Initiative. The Big Read brings communities together around the shared activity of reading and discussing a book.

This year's Big Read focuses on the book **An American Sunrise by Joy Harjo**, the current U.S. Poet Laureate and the first Native American to receive this achievement. Join the Director of the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library, Gale Koritansky, as she leads book discussions on **Mon.**, **November 8 at 11 AM** and **Tues.**, **November 9 at 7 PM**.

About the Book: In the early 1800s, the Mvskoke people were forcibly removed from their original lands east of the Mississippi to Indian Territory, which is now part of Oklahoma. Two hundred years later, Joy Harjo returns to her family's lands and opens a dialogue with history. In An American Sunrise, Harjo finds blessings in the abundance of her homeland and confronts the site where her people, and other indigenous families, essentially disappeared. From her memory of her mother's death, to her beginnings in the native rights movement, to the fresh road with her beloved, Harjo's personal life intertwines with tribal histories to create a space for renewed beginnings. Her poems sing of beauty and survival, illuminating a spirituality that connects her to her ancestors and thrums with the quiet anger of living in the ruins of injustice. A descendent of storytellers and "one of our finest—and most complicated—poets" (Los Angeles Review of Books), Joy Harjo continues her legacy with this latest powerful collection.



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Curious about the Mysterious?

Graveyard Shift: Funny Headstones, Bizarre Burials & Creepy Graves

Thurs., October 14 at 6 PM

Explore headstones across the country, as Sherri Brake shares spooky and funny stories about prison cemeteries, Civil War burials, gunfighter graves, Witch & Warlock graves, and more. Registration required. This program will be held in the Stow-Munroe Falls Room and is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

About the speaker: Sherri Brake is the owner of the award-winning Haunted Heartland Tours and is a paranormal researcher and investigator of the unknown and unusual. She leads haunted excursions in several states and abroad in Ireland and Scotland. Born and raised in Canton, Ohio, she now makes her home on a haunted farm in West Virginia. She is the author of over 25 published books, is a columnist, a frequent radio guest, has worked on various paranormal series and travels the world seeking legends and ghosts.

Interactive Murder Mystery Sat., October 16 from 2 - 4 PM

The cracks in the foundation lead to a body. Is it the man who's been missing for five years? And is it an accident...or murder? Join your fellow detectives in solving the mystery, The Cracks in the Wall. You must investigate the crime scenes and carefully examine the evidence in order to solve the case (and win a prize). For aspiring detectives in grades 6 - 12. To register, call (330) 688-3295 ext. 4 or visit www.smfpl.org/calendar. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Blood, Brains, & Lobotomies Mon., October 25 at 6:30 PM

Join us as Mindy McGinnis shares the research behind her Edgar Award-winning Gothic historical thriller, A Madness So Discreet. Learn about how doctors treated brain injuries in the 1890s and the different aspects of care for the mentally ill-for better or for worse. Also included is a brief history of the Athens Lunatic Asylum, the setting for the novel. This program is geared toward a teen and adult audience. To register, call (330) 688-3295 ext. 4 or visit www.smfpl.org/ calendar. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

About the speaker: Mindy McGinnis is an Edgar Award-winning novelist who writes across multiple genres, including post-apocalyptic, historical, thriller, contemporary, mystery, and fantasy. While her settings may change, you can always count on Mindy's books to deliver grit, truth, and an unflinching look at humanity and the world around us.



Most Popular Books of 2021

Looking for a good book to read? Goodreads is the world's largest platform for readers to rate and review books. Boasting 125 million members, it's a great place to find and read more books you'll love. Visit www.goodreads.com to learn more.



How many have you read?



BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA EASTERN REGION

Winter Bird Watching

Thurs., November 18 at 10 AM

Beginner and experienced birders alike can join a naturalist for a winter hike through Munroe Falls Metro Park's Meadow Trail in search of Ohio's year-round feathered residents, as well as some of our winter visitors. Participants will meet at the park located at 521 South River Road in Munroe Falls. Registration begins on Mon., October 18. To register, call (330) 688-3295 ext. 4 or visit www.smfpl.org/calendar. A self-guided bird watch will also be available for two weeks beginning November 15 for anyone unable to join the program. ●

Pumpkin Decorating & Carving Contest

Email your Photos by 5 PM on Sun., October 24

Enter our first-ever Pumpkin Decorating & Carving Contest this fall. Families and individuals can work together to create their pumpkin and submit it from home.

Who can enter?

All ages—adults, teens, tweens, and children What's the theme?

Your pumpkin can have any theme, as long as it is "familyfriendly" (suitable for all audiences).

When is the deadline to enter?

Email your photos between Mon., October 18 and Sun., October 24. All entries must be received by 5 PM on Sun., October 24.

How will winners be announced?

Winners from each category and the People's Choice will win \$30 Amazon gift cards and will be showcased on the library's social media on Thurs., October 28.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Click **here** for more information or pick up a copy of the complete rules at the library.





Celebrating Culture

by Chris Andersen, Children's Librarian



t's vital that children see themselves reflected on the pages of the books they find in the library. It's also important for children to see and read about the diverse lives and perspectives of children throughout the United States and the world. In the words of Rudine Sims **Bishop**, Professor Emerita of Education at The Ohio State University, children need "mirrors, windows and sliding glass doors." When they see themselves

reflected in books, they are empowered – when they see other

perspectives, they can experience, learn and grow in both knowledge and awareness. While it's important to celebrate and highlight myriad identities throughout the year, there are certain times during which we pause to feature specific identities and cultures. During the month of November, Native American Heritage is celebrated. In the library, we curate materials that showcase Native American and First Nations experiences of the past, present, and in some cases, the future. Native American and First Nations authors and illustrators are prolific, coming from all over North America. They bring with them a plethora of experiences and perspectives. It's this diversity of perspectives that is so important to highlight. We have many outstanding titles written and/or illustrated by Native American/First Nations authors. Just ask a librarian for help and we'd be happy to direct you to other resources. ●



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Kids in the Kitchen

By Kristin Casale

It's no surprise to proud parents, but kids have talent! They excel in so many ways, sometimes even surpassing their adult counterparts when it comes to creativity. And cooking is no exception. Some of the most interesting concoctions I've ever tasted have been prepared by aspiring young chefs.

Cooking is a life skill—something that will serve children for the rest of their lives. By learning to cook, they nourish themselves and others in more ways than one. Whether you're actively teaching your child how to prepare a meal, or you're looking for a way to beat a boring weekend, cooking can be creative, therapeutic, and fun! And cooking benefits the whole family. Sharing the joy of passing down a treasured family recipe, learning more about one's culture through food, and sharing a meal together that everyone prepared are important experiences.

Kids will take pride in knowing that they can create something delicious. I learned to cook at an early age. I've always enjoyed perfecting recipes, whether I'm making scrambled eggs or Tuscan white bean stew. I remember waking up early on weekends to make eggs and toast for myself when I was still in elementary school. Taking charge of the stove can be empowering.

Children's cookbooks are colorful, and typically include numerous tips for safety and proper use of kitchen tools. While these books are designed for child appetites, I have to confess I've found many of the recipes in these cookbooks perfect for me, too!

One of my favorite cookbook authors, Melissa Clark, a food writer for The New York Times, just came out with a children's cookbook. It's called **Kid in the Kitchen: 100 Tips and Recipes for Young Home Cooks**. This book is for older children to enjoy with their parents, as some of the recipes are a bit complicated.

National Geographic remains a perennial favorite for kids. National Geographic Kids Cookbook by Steven Seaver builds on the company's tradition of publishing fun and informative content for young gastronomists. Cooking Step by Step by DK follows in the vein of National Geographic, and is always popular.

America's Test Kitchen attempts to provide the gold standard in cooking. The Complete Cookbook for Young Chefs provides recipes for all ages, utilizing the PBS television show's penchant for exhaustive testing to produce great recipes for kids. Along with this title, the MasterChef Junior Cookbook provides readers with recipes from the show's contestants, so you know these recipes can be done by kids.

Here are a few more titles we have in our collection: Chef Junior: 1,001 Super Delicious Recipes by Kids for Kids by Will Bartlett

My Very First Cookbook: Joyful Recipes to Make Together by Danielle Kartes

The Munchy Munchy Cookbook for Kids: Essential Skills and Recipes Every Young Chef Show Know by Pierre Lamielle

New Favorites for New Cooks: 50 Delicious Recipes for Kids to Make by Carolyn Federman ●







Reading Programs & More

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Read 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

For Any Child Who Has Not Started Kindergarten

School readiness starts at birth. Sharing stories with your child builds vocabulary and creates a home life that ensures positive attitudes for reading in school. If you read three books a day, you will reach 1,000 books in less than a year.

Any child who has not started kindergarten can sign up at the library or online at **smfpl.beanstack.org**.

Keep track of any books that are read to your child. If you read a book more than once, count it more than once. Books read by teachers and other family members count, too. You can keep track of your books on the Beanstack app.

For every 100 books you read, come in to Spike's Place and your child will receive a milestone sticker. When you've read 1,000 books, your child will receive a tote bag celebrating their achievement. ●

Join Spike's Passport to Reading

For Children in Grades K - 6

Sign up at **smfpl.beanstack.org** and then pick up a passport booklet in the Children's Department. For every five tasks you log on Beanstack, you will get a virtual badge. In addition, if you bring your passport booklet into the Children's Department, you will receive a special sticker for your passport for every five tasks you complete. See how many badges and stickers you can earn, and along the way you will learn more about people who live in a different place, speak a different language, or who participate in a different culture than you.

When you complete 40 activities, you will earn a Spike tote bag pictured below. If you need suggestions for books, refer to our handy list in the Children's Department.





Winner is Selected

Library Foundation Fundraiser

Lisa is our lucky Library Foundation Gift Card Raffle winner! Her prize contains 20 gift cards with a total value of \$550 to the following restaurants and businesses: **Bath & Body Works**, **Bellacino's Pizza & Grinders, Chipotle, Darby's on 59, Dick's Sporting Goods, El Campesino, Fawn and Fanny, Great Harvest Bread, Leo's Italian Social, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Pancho & Lefty's, Panera, Panini's Bar & Grill, StowNut Donut & Diner, Target, Texas Roadhouse, The Tavern of Stow**, and **Top Golf**. It also includes the library cabinet display and book tissue box, valued at \$80. The combined total value is \$630.

The **Library Foundation** would like to thank all of these local businesses for their support. All donations and ticket sales help the Foundation raise funds for significant projects that fall outside the Library's operating budget, providing enhancements for Stow and Munroe Falls citizens without using tax money. ●





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Meet the Author

Amanda Flower

New Date: Mon., November 1 at 7 PM 🕴 LIVE

Award-winning author Amanda Flower will discuss her author journey and share news about her latest novels on Mon., November 1 at 7 PM.

Amanda Flower, a USA Today bestselling and Agatha Award-winning author of over twentyfive cozy mystery novels, started her writing career in elementary school when she read a story she wrote to her sixth grade class and had the class in stitches with her description of being stuck on the top of a Ferris wheel. She knew at that moment she'd found her calling of making people laugh with her words. In addition to being an author, Amanda is an Akron-area resident and is a former librarian with fifteen years of experience in Northeast Ohio.

Visit **www.facebook.com/SMFPL** on November 1 at 7 PM for this author talk. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

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Gale Koritansky

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library is a citizen support group for Library services and activities. The Friends are a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c) (3) organization with an endowment fund dedicated to supporting programs for adults, teens, and children. The Friends sponsor book sales as well as other programming. For more information, visit www.friendsofsmfpl.org

Foundation

The Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Foundation was incorporated in 1994 as a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c) (3) organization. The Foundation's mission is to provide funds for significant projects that enhance the mission of the library and to build an endowment that will carry on the legacy of the library. For more information, visit www.smfpl.org/ foundation

<u>Hours</u>

Mon - Thurs: 9 AM - 9 PM Fri: 9 AM - 6 PM Sat: 9 AM - 5 PM Sun: 1 - 5 PM

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