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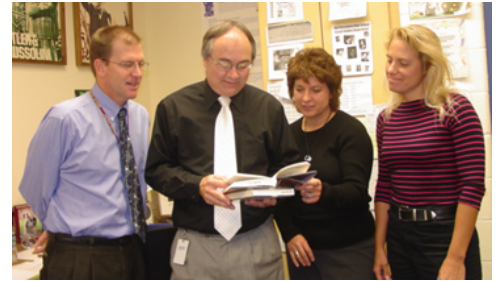
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## HISTORIAN DOUGLAS BRINKLEY HERE DECEMBER 7

Excitement is building for the “grand finale” of Way Library’s 125th anniversary celebration: the visit of nationally known author/historian **Douglas Brinkley**.



High school teachers planning Dr. Brinkley’s visit: left to right, Dean Ferguson, John Hrivnyak, Teresa Camp and Amy Hochanadel.


All events will be free of charge, thanks to generous support from the Ohio Humanities Council and financial assistance from our co-sponsors, the Perrysburg Schools and Historic Perrysburg, Inc., as well as the Foundation and the Friends of Way Library and American Legion Post 28.



L-R, Kate MacPherson, Historic Perrysburg president, and Nancy Kelley, Way director.

During his visit Dr. Brinkley will be spending time with Perrysburg High School students. He graduated from PHS in 1978 before furthering his education at Ohio State and Georgetown universities and beginning a distinguished career as a writer, historian and educator.

### Schedule of Public Activities:

- **“Taste of New Orleans” public reception**, Way Library, 3:30—5:00 p.m. on December 7. Here’s your chance to meet Douglas Brinkley and hear his brief remarks about growing up in Perrysburg. 
- **Author talk by Dr. Brinkley**, followed by book signing: *The Great Deluge and Heroism*, 7:30 p.m., Perrysburg Junior High School, 550 East South Boundary.

## WAY LIBRARY NAMED FOURTH BEST IN NATION

Hennen’s American Public Library Ratings 2006 lists Way Library as the fourth best in its size category in the nation. See next newsletter for more on this honor!

## Foundation Mystery Feb. 24: Vengeance in Vegas

The Way Public Library Foundation will present its 2007 interactive mystery fund-raiser on Saturday, February 24, at 6 p.m. Tickets will go on sale in early January. A sell-out crowd is expected, so plan on getting your tickets early. Many levels of sponsorship are available. For more information, call 419-874-3135 x139.

The library will be transformed into one of the hottest casinos in Vegas, the Perdyce Palace. Guests will enjoy fabulous food, live entertainment and a cash bar as they attempt to solve the murder of hotel co-owner Bill D. Way. ~Cont. on page

## Do your new year's resolutions include a job search?

### 'Rev Up Your Resume' workshop scheduled for January 18 and 20



**Nancy Caswell**

Way Library will again help job-seekers create a professional resume in a two-part workshop on Thursday, January 18 (6-9 p.m.) and Saturday, January 20 (9-11 a.m.). This year's class will be led by Nancy Caswell, director of Gorillas and Gazelles LLC. There is a \$10 fee which covers handouts and a CD on which to store your resume.

Registration opens Dec. 13 at the Information Desk. Participants will learn the different types of resumes and the key components of a resume. They will determine which type of resume is most suitable for their situation. They will begin formatting their resume on Thursday and have it ready to go on Saturday.

With a degree in marketing from Bowling Green State University, Ms. Caswell serves as a mentor for the entrepreneurship program at Sylvania Northview HS.

### Perrysburg High School Symphony Strings to perform January 30

For the second consecutive year, the talented instrumentalists of the Perrysburg High School Symphony Strings led by Michael Smith will perform at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 30, in our improvised "concert hall" right in the middle of the library. Call this concert a statement by Way Library: the arts should be a central and important part of our community!

### Preschool Fair set for January 6

If you are in the market for a preschool for your children or grandchildren, plan to comparison shop at Way Library's Preschool Fair on Saturday, January 6, from 9:30 a.m. until noon in the Youth Activity Room of the library. In its 11th year, the fair features booths and information from preschools.

This event is offered free of charge. After meeting with representatives of Perrysburg preschools and picking up a copy of the 2007 edition of the Perrysburg Preschool Directory, take a moment to find out about the many programs for preschoolers and older children at Way Library.

### Way Latin class now registering

Way Library will sponsor a 12-week introductory Latin class for adults and high school students on Thursday evenings, 7-8:30 p.m., beginning January 11. Registration for the class, which has a \$35 cost, is now open. Call Karen Rothman, 419-874-3135x134.

This class is designed for adult learners who wish to refresh the Latin they studied in school; high school students prepping for college boards; anyone who wants to know more about legal or medical terminology. The class will be taught by Marcia Nauts, retired Latin teacher at Bowsher High School in Toledo.

### New Book Discussion Club Lists

The 2007 edition of the brochure "Discussing Books and Ideas at Way Library" will be available at the kiosk and the Information Desk on December 20.

We have adult book discussion groups that meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m., the first Thursday at 7 p.m., and the third Monday at 7 p.m. The brochure will list the reading lists for 2007; they are shaping up to include some of the most fascinating and well-written books of recent years.

In conjunction with Douglas Brinkley's December 7 visit, the Monday Evening Group has substituted the Brinkley biography of Rosa Parks as the final book on its 2006 list. Copies are available at the Circulation Desk; the discussion is 7 p.m. on December 18.



### Way staff honored for service

Staff members recently honored at a Staff Recognition Event combine for more than 65 years of service to Way Library. They are, from left: Jody Stroh, systems administrator, 25 years; Linda Rutz, head of technical services, 5 years; Peggy Fuller, technical processing, 10 years; Nancy Kelley, Way Library Director, 15 years, and Debbie DiGennaro, outreach and adult services librarian, 10 years. The library honored Way employees, Friends' officers and the Way Board of Trustees for exemplary service.

## Topical Tuesdays on January 16: **Gerry Bazer on Presidential Powers**

Way Library's new hot-topic discussion series, Topical Tuesdays, will resume on January 16, at 7 p.m. **Gerry Bazer**, noted scholar of American Presidents, will speak on "**Presidential Powers during Times of War and Danger.**" This free lecture will include refreshments. Bring good questions and prepare to engage in thoughtful discussion with other participants.

Dr. Bazer, who recently retired after 30 years in college administration including 10 years as dean of arts and sciences at Owens Community College, will discuss the parts of the Constitution on Presidential powers, the 1972-73 War Powers Resolution, and controversial actions of past U.S. Presidents.

Dr. Bazer has taught at Boston College and the University of Toledo; he created a Great American Presidents class at OCC. A Ohio Humanities speaker, he has written about U.S. Presidents in the Toledo Blade.

### **Mystery Play, continued from page 1**

This year's cast includes Walt Churchill, Larry Dillin, Nelson Evans, Julie Olmstead, Terry Powell, Holly Samuelson and Carolyn Walton. Physical Therapy Consultants is the major sponsor. All proceeds benefit the library's Endowment Fund and library programs.

## **LIBRARY NEWS AND NOTES**

- "**Snow Ball,**" a family night at the library, was marvelous fun last year. It will be repeated this coming year, on Friday, February 2. Catch the February 2007 newsletter for an invitation to this year's "ball."
- In a continuing effort to revive the **Way Café**, the Friends of Way Library will offer self-serve coffee on the "honor system," at 50 cents per cup. Warm up this winter with coffee by the café fireplace!
- Watch for our new **health lecture series** by St. Luke's Hospital. The first lecture will be on cardiac health. Valentine's Day, February 14...the perfect time to start thinking about your heart.
- The most recent **FAFSA** (student loan) information and forms are available at the Information Desk.
- The **Play Readers Group** is off to a great start. Pick up the January play at the Circulation Desk, then join the reading on Wed., January 24, at 7 p.m.

## **Dec.-Jan. Events**

- December 3 — Adult/child book discussion:  
"Rowan Hood" by N. Springer, 2 p.m.
- December 6 — Ebay class, 6-8:30 p.m.
- December 7 — Douglas Brinkley reception & talk, 3:30 p.m. (here) and 7:30 p.m. (PJHS).
- December 9 — Ebay class, 9:30 a.m.—noon
- December 10 — Academy Brass Quintet, 3 p.m.
- December 14 — Reel Talk classic film series:  
"The Bishop's Wife," 10 a.m.
- December 14—Charlotte's Web Party, 4:30 p.m.  
To celebrate the release of the movie!
- December 15—DDR for YAs, 4-6 p.m.
- December 17,24,25,31 — **Closed.**
- December 21 — PBS Program Club, 10:30 a.m.
- December 28-29 — Red Cross Babysitting, 9:30 a.m.— 12:30 p.m. each day.
- January 1 — **Closed.**
- January 6 — Preschool Fair, 9:30 a.m.— noon.
- January 16 — Topical Tuesdays: Gerry Bazer on Presidential Powers, 7 p.m.
- January 18 — PBS Program Club, 10:30 a.m.
- January 18 & 20 — Resume Workshop.
- January 26 — Reel Art: "Yesterday," 7 p.m.
- January 30—Young Artist Concert: PHS Symphony Strings, 7 p.m.

Happy Birthday,  
Way Library

Ben, 2, and Katie Obring-er, 4, wished Way Library a happy 125th birthday by donating Thomas the Train gifts to the library. Thank you!



### **Fine changes begin December 1**

There are changes in the fee schedule for fines, effective December 1. It's good and "bad" news for borrowers as fines become standardized throughout our SEO library network. Most fines for late items are 10 cents per day.

Fines for children's materials increase from 5 to 10 cents a day. Fines for delinquent DVDs and videos will decrease from 50 to 10 cents per day. The fine rate for the Browsing Collection has gone from \$1/day to 50 cents/day.

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## Holiday Concert Dec. 10

The Academy Brass Quintet will entertain at the "Way Café" 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 10. Admission & refreshments are offered free of charge thanks to the Friends of the Library!

## Holiday Giving at Way

Way Library will be working with the Perrysburg Christians United, Inc., to spread the cheer this holiday season. In addition to toy collection barrels, a list of needed items will be kept at the Christmas tree located near Information.

## Holiday Gift Ideas

What better gift than a book this holiday season? Way librarians again have wonderful suggestions for that perfect gift:

Way Director Nancy Kelley recommends *The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid* by Bill Bryson. In this laugh-out-loud book, Bryson, the author of *A Walk in the Woods*, remembers growing up in the 1950s. Mrs. Kelley also likes *The Rising Tide: a Novel of World War II* by Jeff Shaara, noted author of books about the Civil War and the American Revolution.

*The Joy of Cooking: 75th Anniversary Edition-2006* by Irma S. Rombauer et al. is a must-have for the kitchen, and *101 Ways to Help Birds* is a timely guide showing bird lovers how to make a difference for the birds and our world.

Pat Maust, youth services coordinator, recommends these picture books: *One More Sheep*, Mij Kelly, *The Most Perfect Spot*, Diane Goode-Jack, *I am Pangoo the Penguin*, S. Ichikawa; *Bad Boys Get Cookie*, M. Palatini. Beginning readers: *Ruby's Perfect Day*, Susan Hill; *Junie B. First Grader*, *Aloha-Ha-Ha*, Barbara Park, and *Secret Lunch Special*, P. Catalanatto. For middle readers: *Dear Max*, D.J. Lucas AKA Sally Grindley; *Larklight: A Rousing Tale of Dauntless Pluck in the Farthest Reaches of Space*, Philip Reeve, and *Peter Pan in Scarlet*, G. McCaughrean.