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FOUNDATION DEDICATES MURAL, CREATES 'MAYHEM'

The Way Public Library Foundation has a fabulous February in store for the library and library supporters.

Mural Dedication

On Sunday, February 6, at 2:15 p.m., the Foundation will dedicate the "Way Back When" mural in the children's area. Refreshments will be served. The mural depicts many facets of community life in Perrysburg throughout its rich history. It is made of leaves which represent the commitment of area residents to the community and its library. The mural created by glass artist Janine S. Ody is the last- ing symbol of this self-supporting project sponsored by the Foundation.



The Cast: front, from left: Liz Larson-Shidler, Jack Wanick and Margot Quick; back, Mary Clark, Tim Sherman, Dr. Carmen Weeber-Morse, Tim Philabaum. Not pictured: Dave Robichaux.

'Mayhem at the Manor' Interactive Mystery Play on February 26

The Foundation's major fund-raising effort this year is its second annual murder mystery, "Mayhem at the Manor," on Saturday, February 26, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in all parts of the library. The major sponsor is Physical Therapy Consultants, 27064 Oakmead Drive, Perrysburg.

Those who attended last year were awed by the magical transformation of the library. This year the library becomes the stately Way Manor of Iman Ilbredde, murder victim. Hors d'oeuvres will be served, and a cash bar is available. The Wrecking Crew will entertain. Tickets are \$60 per person and are available at the Information Desk. All proceeds benefit the Way Library Endowment Fund, an on- going source of income to support, maintain and enhance library programs.

Daimler Chrysler Fund to support Way 2005 Young Artist Series

Young performing artists will have the opportunity to present a public recital at Way Library in 2005, thanks to financial support from the DaimlerChrysler Corporation Fund. A Young Artist Series with 4-5 recitals will be initiated using the \$3,075 grant from the Fund.

The artists will receive a stipend and support for the recital. Applications are available at the library or at www.waylibrary.info . The deadline for applications is Feb. 28. Artists will be notified in early March, and scheduling of the event will take place at that time. For more information, call Mary Meyer, 419-874-3135 x160.



Tania Pratkanicki Young, plant manager at the Toledo Machining Plant, center, visits the concert venue and discusses the project with Way Director Nancy Kelley, left, and Mary Meyer, library staff member who will coordinate the series.



Sunday Sounds at Way: valentine's concert here on

The Centre Spotlight Chorus, a barbershop harmony singing group, will perform a special Valentine's concert at the library on February 13, the day before Valentine's Day — part of the Sunday Sounds at Way concert series.

Beginning at 3 p.m. the Chorus will dish up a medley of love songs and ballads to get everyone in the mood for romance. After a five-minute intermission at 3:25 p.m., the program will be repeated.

Refreshments, courtesy of the Friends of Way Library, will be served free of charge.



The Centre Spotlight Chorus: front row, from left, Colleen Roberts, Lois Bowman, Kady Lerch; back row, l-r, Juanita Limes, June Kwapich, Robin Welch, Joyce Rosenlund of Perrysburg. Not pictured: Sue Conrad & Dawn Wetmore, Perrysburg.

Ending the 2004 Sunday Sounds at Way, the Academy Brass Quintet played holiday music to a full house at the Way Café on December 12.

February Events

February 3 & 5 — Rev Your Resume; preregistration required.

February 4 — Senior Day (Cookies w/ the Commons), 1:30 p.m., Way Café.

February 6—Mural dedication, 2:15 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

February 6 — Gary and Jan Samples, a Bicycle Tour along the Danube, 3 p.m.

February 10 — **Book Sale**, 4-8 p.m.

February 12 — EBay class, 9:30 a.m.

February 13 —Valentine's Concert by the Centre Spotlight Chorus, 3 p.m.

February 18 — Reel Art at Way: Central Station, 7 p.m.

February 24 — Reel Talk: On the Waterfront, 10 a.m.

February 26 — Mystery Play, 6:30 p.m.

'Rev Up Your Resume' on February 3,5

Way Library will help launch your career search with a special two-part workshop, Rev Up Your Resume, on February 3 and 5 in the technology lab of the library.

Career consultant Deborah James will help workshop participants create a professional resume and cover letter. There are still openings in this class. The nonrefundable \$10 fee covers costs for your computer disk and



Career consultant Deborah James, right, and Way librarian Karen Rothman look over materials for the Rev Up Your Resume workshop.

reference materials. Sign up at the Information Desk.

Did You Know?

...More than 100 people will help with this month's **Murder Mystery** play. The steering committee and chairs include Joanie Foster, Lea Skotynsky, Kim Henderson, Virginia Keller, Janel Molyneux, Andrea Pogan, Tom Apel, Debby Peters, Matt Skotynsky, Marge Gallagher, Dwight Osterud, Rozanne Stepnick and Luella Smith.

...The **Hope Chest** for Moms & Babies, our community gift-giving effort, inspired a donation of baby clothes and teddy bears by a Roanoke, Va., resident. She read about it on our website!

Author Clint Mauk tells Toledo tales

Perrysburg author Clint Mauk signed and sold 50 copies of his book "Historical Tales of Toledo" at Way Library on Sunday, Dec. 5. All proceeds benefit the Toledo Rotary Foundation.

Mr. Mauk also presented a slide show featuring the book's handsome illustrations and photos.



Clint Mauk greets Rachel Falconer, right, before signing her copy of his book. More than 60 people attended the Sunday afternoon book signing.

New Youth Culture Club

Way Youth Services is offering Youth Culture presentations for students in grades 2-5 who are interested in learning about different countries and their cultures. Lubna Ahmed is speaking on **Bangladesh** at 4 p.m. on January 31.

At 4:30 p.m. on February 28: Peter and Marie Bryan on **Great Britain**.

Gary & Jan Samples: 'Cycling the Danube'

Following the dedication of the "Way Back When" mural on Sunday afternoon, February 6, retired teachers Gary and Jan Samples of Perrysburg will present a slide show review of their 2003 bicycling trip along the Danube River. Their talk will begin at approximately 3 p.m.

From late August until early October 2003, the Samples rode their bicycles from Donaueschingen in southwest Germany to Budapest, Hungary. In this show, they will cover the first half of the trip, ending at the Austrian-Germany border near Passau. Cycling about 30 miles each day, they passed through dozens of interesting towns and met many fascinating people.

Along with detailing the sights they



Long-time Perrysburg residents and avid cyclists Jeanette and Gary Samples will speak on Sunday, Feb. 6.

saw along the way, Mr. and Mrs. Samples will provide information on how to organize a self-contained international cycling trip, including obtaining maps/guidebooks, searching the Internet, contacting tourist offices, and gaining language skills.

Mr. Samples is a retired member of Perrysburg City Council.

Tax help at Way

AARP Tax Preparation for low and middle income taxpayers begins on Wednesday, February 2. The Way Library Foundation has leased a copier for the volunteers, who will meet with taxpayers in a specially equipped room on the library's lower level. Make an appointment by calling Information, 419-874-3135 x119.

This year's volunteers include Richard Currie, Rose Marie Gerkovich, James Flannery, Walter Hales, Sharon Leroux, Gene Palmer, Robert Turain, Thomas Weidner and William White.

The library has served as a tax help site for more than 30 years.

Janel Molyneux named assistant director

Way Library has a new assistant director, Janel Molyneux of Perrysburg. Janel began working at Way as a circulation clerk in 1989 and was promoted to assistant systems operator in 1995 and head of technical services in 1998.

Not only did Ms. Molyneux complete her graduate (MLS, Kent State University) and undergraduate education while working here full-time— for more than eight years she also had a part-time job as a dispatcher and bus driver in the transportation department of Perrysburg Schools. She is now an important member of the administrative driver's seat here at Way...Congratulations, Janel.



♥ Here's My Heart ♥

Way Library will begin its 2005 intergenerational programming with "Here's My Heart," on Friday, February 4, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Stories and craft activities are included.

The popular Fridays With My Friend program unites seniors with children ages 4-5. Register children online from home or at Way: www.waylibrary.info



Senior Day at the library

Norma Ritz takes a cookie from Perrysburg Commons staff member Wendy Maddox at Way's first "Cookies with the Commons" event. Come meet fellow seniors and have free cookies and coffee at The Way Café, courtesy the Commons, the first Friday of each month from 1:30 to 3 p.m. See you Friday, February 4!

Opposing Viewpoints database now available

Do you like debating the pros and cons of controversial subjects? Way Library now offers a dynamic online library of current event topics called "Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center." Each topic has its proponents and detractors, and the database not only presents background information on the topic...it outlines each opposing viewpoint. This database is a great aid to teachers and students who are researching or debating current affairs.

The library's home website page has links and information on all of the special databases to which our library has access. Anyone who needs further assistance with Opposing Viewpoints should obtain help from a reference librarian here at Way or telephone 419-874-3135 x119. We are here to help you get the information you need—and *that* is not open to debate!

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Book Dedication forms now available in library

For years people in Perrysburg have remembered Way Library at the same time they remember and honor their loved ones who have passed away.

A brochure is now available which describes in an easy-to-read format how you may remember, honor, thank or recognize someone through a donation to the Way Public Library Foundation. You may select a specific book or let the staff choose a book. The person or the family of the honored person will be informed of the gift. Inscription plates in the book keep the memory of the loved one in people's minds.

Others, like the Epperson family in Perrysburg, recognize special occasions by purchasing toys or puzzles for our children's area. For the second consecutive year, the Perrysburg couple has taught their grandchildren the spirit of giving by donating toys in their name at Christmas time.

Historic Perrysburg, Way team up for Mar. 23 Edmund Fitzgerald program

On Wednesday, March 23, on the lower level of the library at 7 p.m., Historic Perrysburg, Inc., and Way Library will present a program on the sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald. Jene Quirin and Larry Elliott, board members of the Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society, will be the guest speakers.

Anyone who has memorabilia, display items, or stories of local residents directly or indirectly involved in the 1975 shipwreck is asked to contact either Becky Visser of Historic Perrysburg, 419-874-8554, or Mary Meyer at the library, 419-874-3135 x160.

Along with a video from the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, the presentation will include facts and theories on the wreck as well as Mr. Quirin and Mr. Elliott's personal experience diving and photographing the remains of the Fitzgerald in the depths of Lake Superior.



Stepper LeBoutillier and Becky Visser of Historic Perrysburg are meeting with Way staff members to plan the March 23 program commemorating the 30th anniversary of the sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald.