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LIBRARY TO PARTNER IN 'STARS AND STRIPES' DAY NOV. 8

Way Library will take part in the Stars and Stripes Veterans Day Parade and special activities honoring veterans on Saturday, November 8. This project spearheaded by Main Street Perrysburg will include the following activities:

- Noon-12:30 p.m.: Stories about veterans at Way, for children of all ages.
- 1 p.m.: Parade of veterans and others including author Connor Gifford.
- 1:45 p.m.: War Memorial Dedication at Hood Park. American Legion Post 28 will recognize fallen veterans.
- 3 p.m.: Veterans and all who attend the parade are invited to Way Library for a reception. Kingston of Perrysburg will assist the library in this event which also welcomes home author **Connor Gifford**.
- 3 p.m.: Connor, author of "America According to Connor Gifford," will sign books. A Perrysburg native who now lives on Nantucket Island, Connor has Down Syndrome and wrote this book with Victoria Harris. Join us in greeting Connor. His book is a compilation of 53 profiles spanning 400 years of U.S. ~Cont. on p. 2 >>

Topical Tuesday Nov. 18: S. Amjad Hussain on Pakistan

Way Library's Topical Tuesday series will host **Dr. S. Amjad Hussain** on Tuesday, November 18, in a free presentation on **Pakistan**.



Dr. S. Amjad Hussain

This lecture series encourages discourse on "hot button" issues. Refreshments will be served.

Professor emeritus of thoracic cardiovascular surgery at the University of Toledo College of Medicine, Dr. Hussain is a native of Pakistan. He has been on the UT medical college's volunteer faculty for 33 years. He is an op-ed columnist for the Blade and other publications. The author of eight books on religion, culture, history and international relations, Dr. Hussain visits Pakistan each year to teach at Khyber Medical School, his alma mater. ~Cont. p. 3>>

BGSU Graduate String Quartet to perform at Way Nov. 16

The Bowling Green State University Graduate String Quartet will perform a BGSU Pro Musica outreach concert on Sunday, November 16, at 3 p.m. on the main floor of the library. With support from the Karen Morley Khan Music Fund, admission and refreshments are free.

Pro Musica supports the musical arts at BGSU by providing financial support for student scholarships and travel awards.



From left, The BGSU Graduate Quartet: Ying-Wei Sung, Kyle VanArsdalen, Raphael Lizama, and Sha Lu.

Parenting 101 November 10

All parents occasionally need to turn to others for practical tips on child rearing. Way Library will present "Parenting 101" on Monday, November 10, at 7 p.m.

Laura Blackwell, licensed independent social worker and clinical therapist, will help you discover the message hidden in your child's difficult behavior and then focus your response for more effective parenting. Children must accept responsibility for their actions, understand choices, respect others, and acquire self-confidence. Join us for this results-oriented, practical discussion.



Laura Blackwell

Upcoming free films Nov. 13, 21: Babes in Arms, Ladies in Lavender

On Thursday, November 13, at 10 a.m., Way Library's classic film series Reel Talk will present "Babes in Arms," the 1939 film starring Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland. Film scholar Phyllis Gallo will lead the post-film discussion. Admissions/refreshments are free.

Reel Art foreign/art film series will feature "Ladies in Lavender," a 2005 British film starring Judi Dench and Maggie Smith as two aging sisters who take in a young Polish violinist, upending their peaceful life in the countryside. This free film with refreshments will be shown at 7 p.m. on Friday, November 21.

Health Lecture Nov. 12: Stress Management

The Way-St. Luke's Hospital Health Lecture Series will focus on the topic of Stress Management on Wednesday, November 12, at 7 p.m. on the lower level of the library. Admission and refreshments are free. This program is co-sponsored by the Way Foundation.

Good or bad, we all deal with stress. Barbara Theaker, registered nurse who works in cardiac rehabilitation at St. Luke's Hospital, will discuss how stress affects the health of your heart. Reducing stress may be an important step to a heart-healthy life style.

Medicare program set for Dec. 9

Way Library will host an informational meeting on the Medicare program on Tuesday, December 9, from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Lynn Heskett of the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIP) will provide tips on how to enroll for 2009 coverage in a Medicare prescription drug program, Part D. This will be followed by actual assistance in completing the paperwork by the Wood County Committee on Aging at the Bowling Green Senior Center, 305 N. Main Street, BG, at 1 p.m.

Stars & Stripes Nov. 8 to include visit by Connor Gifford (cont. from p. 1)

- >>history. Connor, 26, has three jobs, volunteers for many organizations, and works daily to break through stereotypes about those with special needs.
- Throughout the day Quilt of Valor volunteers will be working at the library. Donations of fabric and batting will be accepted that day. A nationwide program that shows support to wounded soldiers through the gift of a quilt during their recovery, Quilts of Valor was started in 2003 by Catherine Roberts of Seaford, Delaware, when her son was deployed to Iraq. The mission of QOV is to give quilts to all wounded service members, as well as to families of those who have lost loved ones.



Connor, right, with the late Tim Russert.

- 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Local history librarian Richard Baranowski will videotape veterans' war memories as part of the U.S. Library of Congress Veterans Project. This project has documented more than 5,000 first-hand accounts of veterans' service memories. The stories are housed in the Library of Congress in Washington D.C.

Bud Fisher of the Veterans Project has conducted 400 interviews in this area. He will assist Mr. Baranowski in the November 8 taping sessions. Partnering in this project, Way has collected 45 interviews thus far. Finished tapes are sent to the Library of Congress, with copies archived at Way and the UT Canaday Center, and one given to the veteran. To schedule an appointment, call 419-874-3135 x110. Walk-ins will be accepted, if time allows.

Way Public Library Foundation annual campaign begins

Watch your mail the week of November 10 for a contribution envelope and a letter from the Foundation. Here is your opportunity to support Way Library's many programs and material purchases.

Way's creative programs will usher in a festive holiday season

Way Library has a creative staff, and two upcoming programs will “share the wealth” with our patrons and the public...just in time for the holiday season.

On Monday, November 17, at 7 p.m. “Unique Gift Basket Ideas from Rose” will feature the talents of Rose Mills as she creates unique gift baskets for that hard-to-shop-for person. Other gift basket ideas will be provided. There is no registration for this free program. Join us for refreshments/door prizes!

On Wednesday, December 3, at 7 p.m., Lynn Fleure will help you create a holiday centerpiece. Surprise friends and family with an elegant candle conversation piece. This make-and-take program has a materials fee of \$10; class size is limited to 20. Reserve a spot by November 25 at the Information Desk.



Way staff members Rose Mills, left, and Lynn Fleure will lead the workshops.

Monday evening job search assistance to continue Nov. 10, 24

In response to these challenging economic times, Way Library is partnering with the Perrysburg Chamber of Commerce to provide a “job lead” group for people who have lost or who anticipate losing their jobs. The group has begun meeting on alternate Mondays. The next meeting is slated for Monday, November 10, at 7 p.m. in the technology lab on the lower level of the library. The next session will be held November 24.

There is no charge or pre-registration for this program. The purpose is to share job leads, hone job search skills, and provide a safe environment to practice presentation

skills. Employers are encouraged to share openings in their businesses by contacting the Chamber (laurie@perrysburgchamber.com or 419-874-9174).

Sue Fyten, director of HR on Demand, a local company specializing in providing human resources support to businesses, will facilitate this group.

On Monday, December 8, at 7 p.m., Job Solutions of Wood County and Penta Adult and Continuing Education will review resumes, discuss continuing education, GED prep, job websites, and other strategies.

November Events

- Nov. 4 — Election. Don't forget to vote!
- Nov. 4 — Preschool Story Time begins on Tuesdays, Wednesdays through Dec. 10.
- Nov. 6 — Time for Twos, through Nov. 20, begins, 9:30 and 10:30 sessions.
- Nov. 8 — Connor Gifford reception/book signing, 3 p.m. ; veterans' videotaping, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.
- Nov. 10 — Parenting 101 w/Laura Blackwell, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 10, 24 — Chamber-Way job lead group, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 11— Culture Club: India, 4:30 p.m.
- Nov. 12 — Health Lecture: Stress Management, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 13 — Reel Talk: Babes in Arms, 10 a.m.
- Nov. 13 — Registration begins for Red Cross Baby-sitting Class to be held Dec. 6.
- Nov. 16 — Concert by the BGSU Graduate String Quartet, 3 p.m.
- Nov. 17 — Gift Baskets with Rose, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 18 — Topical Tuesday: Pakistan, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 20 — PBS Program Club: 'Filth', 10:30 a.m.
- Nov. 20 — FLASH: Games (ages 7-10), 4:30 p.m.
- Nov. 21 — Reel Art: Ladies in Lavender, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 27 — Closed for the Thanksgiving holiday.



PBS Program Club Nov. 20: Filth

The PBS Program Club of Way Library and WBGU-TV (Channel 27) will enjoy a Masterpiece Theater satire, “Filth” on Thursday, November 20, at 10:30 a.m. Starring Julie Walters (of Mamma Mia! & Harry Potter), this warm-hearted, funny satire will air on Channel 27 Sunday, November 16, at 9 p.m. Call 419-874-3135x100.



Topical Tuesday (cont. from p. 1)

Dr. Hussain also has served as a visiting professor in China, Libya, India and the United States.

A leader in numerous Toledo area organizations, Dr. Hussain has served as president of the Islamic Center of Greater Toledo, the Toledo Surgical Society, and the Academy of Medicine of Toledo. He has served as president of the Association of Pakistani Physicians of North America and Khyber Medical College Alumni Association of North America. He currently serves on the boards of the University of Toledo and Public Broadcasting (WGTE) of Northwest Ohio.

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Way holds spot on top 100 libraries list



Way's public computers are always busy.

Way Library again has been recognized as one of the nation's best 100 libraries. The latest edition of Hennen's American Public Library Ratings (HAPLR) compared more than 9,000 libraries in the United States. Rated in more than 20 different performance areas such as circulation, vol-

umes per capita, and expenditures, Way ranked 10th compared to libraries across the country serving communities of similar size. The ranking is based on data from FY 2005.

The eighth edition of the HAPLR index was supposed to be published in the fall of 2007, but release of federal data was delayed. Way's last ranking was fourth in our size category. The ratings were first published in 1999.

Recently, in a Gannet News Service ranking of U.S. libraries based on statistics gathered 2002-2006, Way was ranked 11th in the nation - and 1st in Ohio- in the number of Internet-capable public computers per 10,000 citizens. In the category of highest circulation per capita, Way ranked 21st among 9,200 public libraries nationwide. We are proud to serve our many readers in exemplary fashion!