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## AUTHOR VISITS SLATED FOR ANNIVERSARY YEAR

In the year-long celebration of Way Library's 125th anniversary, author visits are planned for the autumn.

### Children's: Dominic Catalano

Local children's author and illustrator Dominic Catalano will visit Way Library on **Wednesday, September 27**, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Way Public Library Foundation and the Perrysburg Elementary Parents Association, Mr. Catalano will also visit the Perrysburg public elementary schools to share his books, including "Clink, Clank, Clunk!", "Mr. Basset Plays," "Santa and the Three Bears," and "Bernard Wants a Baby."

Mr. Catalano teaches art education and illustration at Bowling Green

State University. A native of Syracuse, New York, he earned a bachelor's degree in art education at SUNY Buffalo, an master's in fine arts at SUNY Oswego, MFA at Syracuse University and a Ph.D. in art education at Ohio University.

### Young Adults: Cindy Chima

Young adult story teller Cindy Chima will appear at Way Library later in the fall. She is a fantasy writer, author of "The Warrior Heir" and "The Wizard Heir," of special appeal to ages 11-14.

### Adults: To Be Announced

Watch next month's newsletter for information on the visit of a major author on December 7 & 8. This event will wrap up our 125th on a high note!

## ***'Topical Tuesdays'* series to debut September 19: Dr. Walter Edinger on 'Forbidden Knowledge'**

Do you like to talk about controversial ideas and hot-button topics? Then Way's proposed new series, "**Topical Tuesdays**," will appeal to you. To kick it off and to gauge community interest in cordial discourse on contentious issues, we have invited **Dr. Walter Edinger**, Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry, Health Sciences Division of the University of Toledo, to speak on "**Forbidden Knowledge: Are There Limits to Scientific Inquiry?**" This lecture, including slides and entertaining allusions to literature, myths and historical tales, will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19, on the lower level of the library. Refreshments will be served.



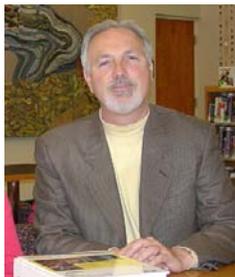
Dr. Walter Edinger

Dr. Edinger has studied ethical issues at the Medical College of Ohio since 1987. Nuclear technology and genetics are two modern examples which he will use to illustrate the tension between the quest for knowledge and the concern that knowledge has potentially dangerous consequences. Does the public or do politicians have a role in determining the scope of scientific inquiry?

Dr. Edinger's research, conducted during a sabbatical and intended for publication as a book, will raise many questions and possibly provide a framework for the examination of ethical issues during "Topical Tuesdays." Join us!

## Free workshop on starting a small business September 13

This past April about 50 people learned the ins and outs of starting a new business at an event cosponsored by the library and the Perrysburg Area Chamber of Commerce.



Dan Slifko, presenter

### “Charting Your Course: Startup Business Basics,”

a free, three-part workshop, will be repeated on Wednesday, September 13, from 5:30 until 8:30 p.m. This informational workshop is funded by the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Small Business Development Centers of Ohio. Call Karen Rothman to register at 419-874-3135x134.

## Gershwin program on Oct. 22

In Way’s WOW (Way Over the World) travel series last spring, Ohio State University professor **George Kalbouss** took our library audience on a delightful tour of St. Petersburg and Moscow. Dr. Kalbouss will be back in the library at 3 p.m. on Sunday, October 22, for a different type of tour.

This time the topic is “**Song Stories**,” and we will travel back to the golden age of story-based popular music. Featuring the music of George Gershwin, this program also will put the spotlight on Irving Berlin, Richard Rodgers, Jerry Livingston and Cole Porter.

This lecture—including live music at the piano—is free and refreshments will be served. The WOW series will resume this fall with a travel class. Watch next month’s newsletter for more information.

## Play readers group sets schedule

The newly formed Play Readers Group, a joint project of the library and the Perrysburg Area Arts Council, will meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month September through May. Exceptions are November, when the meeting will take place on November 29, and December, when the meeting will be canceled because of the holidays. Enjoy your favorite play readings with others beginning Wed., Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. in the downstairs Conference Room.

## Friends assist Gulf coast library

Help our Gulf Coast neighbors rebuild their libraries damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. The American Library Association is pairing Way with a library that needs help in its rebuilding efforts. According to *Library Journal*, at least 8 of 13 public libraries have yet to reopen for business. The Friends will match all patrons’ donations up to \$250.

With your donation, include a message of support!

## Children & youth... back to school and back to the library

Way Library was busy with the sights and sounds of young people in the library this summer. But **now** the fun really begins:

**Culture Club** for children in grades 2-5 will discuss **England** on Monday, Sept. 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

The book-focused **FLASH** program on Thurs., Sept. 21, at 4:30 p.m. will feature **Native Americans**.

**Pumpkins on Parade** will be the next Fridays with My Friend intergenerational program on Oct. 6, 1:30-3 p.m. Children ages 4-5 should sign up online beginning Thurs., Sept. 21. Senior citizens may call Deborah DiGennaro, 419-874-3135x109.

Registration has begun for **Time for Twos** and **Preschool** story times scheduled for September.

## College Admissions Workshop

For the third consecutive year, Way Library will guide students and their parents through the challenging process of applying for colleges. **Carmelita Crocker** will lead this workshop on Tuesday, September 26, at 7 p.m. Students are asked to attend with a parent or guardian. The workshop is free but you must **preregister** online: [www.waylibrary.info](http://www.waylibrary.info)

### Reference Tip

Looking for the Wood County Recording Office or a fax number for the Wood County Common Pleas Court? Need a license for an underground storage tank or information on obtaining a drivers license in Florida? Do you need the U.S. District Court Clerk in Columbus or, simply, a zip code for Custar, Ohio? Check the Reference Section: R362.387 SOU Sourcebook to Public Record Information: The Comprehensive Guide to County, State and Federal Records Sources, 2006 Edition.



## Paws, Claws, Scales & Tales

The 2006 summer reading program was a huge success, with 1,585 children and 254 young adults participating in programs with an animal theme. An estimated 550 children participated in the reading program, with a total of 2,071 stickers given out for books read. In Creature Feature, the young adult summer reading program, 146 teens and preteens turned in reading slips for prizes. The library thanks major sponsor O-I and many, many vendors for their help.

Next summer: Get a Clue@your library and YNK-You Never Know@your library, each with a mystery theme!

# September Events

Sept. 4 — Closed for Labor Day.

Sept. 11—Culture Club: England, 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 13 — Small Business Workshop, 5:30 p.m.

Sept. 15 — Chalk Walk, 3-5 p.m.

Sept. 16— **Rally Day Book Sale**, 9 a.m.

Sept. 19— Forbidden Knowledge lecture, 7 p.m.

Sept. 21—FLASH: Native Americans, 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 22— DDR/Guitar Hero for youth, TBA.

Sept. 26 —College Admissions Workshop, 7 p.m.

Sept. 27 — Author Visit: Nick Catalano, 7 p.m.

Sept. 29—Reel Art film: "Dear Frankie," 7 p.m.

Wireless now free!

You can now surf the internet on your own wireless-enabled laptop at the library...for free! Until recently, only Buckeye Express users could access the library's wireless network. We now have our own equipment. Pick up a copy of our wireless FAQs at the kiosk. Don't forget your laptop!



## WAY LIBRARY NEWS AND NOTES

- **Richard Baranowski**, Way local history librarian, is the author of a feature story in the August issue of *Public Libraries*, a national magazine. "**American Legion Posts: A Source of Local History for Public Libraries**," documents the partnership between Way Library and American Legion Post 28 in preserving photographs of area servicemen and women.
- Seniors, make a mental note to remember this upcoming event ...*Wait...* Don't tell me you're having trouble with your memory? Then make a special effort to attend "**Memory Fitness**," by Kathryn Kilpatrick, geriatric communication consultant, who will speak at 9 to 11:30 a.m. on October 18, on sharpening your ability to remember. Rest assured; we'll issue a reminder in Oct.!

## Computer classes begin Sept. 11

Once again, Way Library will present a series of computer classes, this year at a reduced rate. All classes will be just \$10, to help cover the cost of the manual that each student receives.

Beginning basic computer classes will be held on Mondays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The first class, How to Use a Mouse, is free. Microsoft Office classes will be held on Wednesdays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Additional special interest classes will be held on selected Wednesday afternoons, 3-4:30 p.m. See the FALL 2006 schedule for more details.

A new Tuesday evening series from 6:30 to 8 p.m. covering both computer basics and Microsoft Office also will be offered. Check our website or ask for a schedule and/or register at the Information Desk.

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### Way Library debuts new web site with accessibility features

Thanks to a grant from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), awarded by the State Library of Ohio, Way Library has a new web site accessible to persons with disabilities who use special software or hardware to navigate the web. The website created by Accessible Web Studio, Ltd., utilizes the design of our "Way Back When" glass-tiled mural depicting the history of the library and of Perrysburg. A project of the Way Library Foundation, the mural designed by Janine Ody of Cristallo Glass was dedicated in 2005.

A completely accessible web site allows people with visual or motor impairments to navigate without a mouse or by using special software/hardware such as screen readers. Web accessibility also benefits older people with changing abilities due to aging. To be accessible, the site must adhere to standards of the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) and be compliant with section 508 of the U.S. Rehabilitation Act. According to a 2000 Harris poll, 43% of U.S. adults with disabilities use the Internet. While testing screen reading software purchased with Way's new LEAP grant, library staff discovered our site was not very accessible. Way Library systems administrator Jody Stroh initiated and was successful in obtaining the federal grant to make the web update.

### New teen/adult book discussion group joins the programming lineup

Discussing books and ideas at Way Library has never been easier, with three adult book discussion group, a monthly PBS Program Club cosponsored by WBGU-TV, and an adult-child book group.

Check out this new offering: a Sunday afternoon (3 p.m.) book group beginning October 1 for children ages 11-14 and an adult companion. Jan Barley will facilitate this member-led discussion. Book, TBA.

Pick up our new brochure, "Discussing Books and Ideas at Way Public Library," at the new library kiosk. The reading lists for the adult groups is included in the brochure, and contact information for all groups is available.

The Child (ages 8-10)-Adult group will discuss "A Dog's Life: The Autobiography of a Stray" by Ann M. Martin at 2 p.m. on October 1.