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Welcome to our August 2014 Email Newsletter! Here are some interesting items regarding Way Public Library.

- Recently, customers have been returning Toledo Lucas County Public Library items to us here at Way Library. It might come as a surprise, but we are not affiliated with the Toledo Library system, so when you return Toledo Library items here, the actual return is delayed, which could potentially result in late fines being charged through their system. We are happy to send items back to the Toledo system, but we wanted you to know all of the facts.
- Way Library is pleased to announce that Alyssa
  Bullock will be joining the Youth Services Department
  on August 18, 2014. Alyssa first began volunteering
  at Way Library in February 2007 and was soon hired
  as a Page in July 2008. She is currently working
  towards a Bachelor of Arts Degree at BGSU, majoring
  in English with a minor in geology. After graduation in
  May 2015, Alyssa plans to pursue a Master's Degree
  in Library and Information Science. Please join us in
  congratulating Alyssa on her new position as a Youth
  Services Librarian at Way.
- There are openings in the Wednesday afternoon book discussion group. This group meets on the third Wednesday of each month from 2:00pm to 3:30pm on the lower level of the library. The August selection is Pilgrim's Wilderness: A True Story of Faith and Madness on the Alaska Frontier by Tom Kizzia. For more information or to join, call Natalie Dielman at (419)874-3135 extension 112 or e-mail at ndielman@oplin.org.

- Fifty two new video games have been added to our collection. More will be added soon.
- The date of the Science Fiction Book Discussion for August has been moved from August 19th to August 20th. The group will be discussing A Canticle for Leibowitz" by Walter M. Miller. If you have questions about this book discussion, please contact Doug Kolpien at 419-874-3135 x 106.
- Way is closed on Sundays until after Labor Day.

## Big News at Way!

#### From the Director

#### **An Update on Library Funding**

I hope you are having a wonderful, restful summer, and that you have found many materials here at the library to enjoy!



We are so appreciative here at Way Library for the support we receive from our patrons through state funding, a local levy, and your generous donations to our Foundation & Friends. We wouldn't be able to serve you at the current level without your support.

I want to make you aware of the funding situation for libraries in the state of Ohio. Currently, we are funded through the Public Library Fund (PLF) which is a percentage of the state General Revenue Fund (GRF). The PLF was established in 2007 and was set at 2.22%, but this percentage has been cut, frozen, and recalculated since then, and we are now down to 1.66% of the GRF. This puts our funding from the state at 1996 levels. In real dollars and cents, this means that since 2008, Ohio libraries have lost \$105 million dollars.

The Ohio Library Council (OLC) is working with Ohio libraries to help restore our funding. Libraries have always been good stewards of public dollars, and we feel it is time that the citizens and communities have their library funding restored. We will be working with the OLC during the next several months to restore library funding back to 2.22% of the GRF. I will keep you posted with updates as we work through this process.

Thank you again for your support, it is truly a joy to serve the people of the Perrysburg area!

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**Cake Decorating Contest Winners** 

#### Thank you again to all of our entrants!

Congratulations to all of the entrants!

Over 74 cakes were entered in Way

Library's 1st Annual Cake Decorating

Contest with over 1,300 ballot being cast
to determine the winners.



You can see a list of winners <u>here</u>.

**Village Voices: Hometown Stories of the Past** 

#### Our fundraising goal has been met.

In October of 2013, the Way Library Foundation and Friends began fundraising to help publish the book Village Voices: Hometown Stories of the Past. Written by Richard Baranowski, Local History Librarian, the book is a compilation of oral histories that he conducted at the library over the past ten years. The book is scheduled to be released in the fall of 2015, to coincide



with Perrysburg's Bicentennial, which will be celebrated throughout 2016.

The fundraising goal of \$25,000 has been reached much quicker than anticipated. This was mainly due to a \$10,000 grant generously awarded to the library from the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Our goal is met! Any further monies received will be forwarded to Way Library's facelift/remodeling fund. Thank you for your contributions.

**New Exhibit Begins in August** 

# **Linda Pertusati Gallery Exhibit Begins August 9**

"Fluid Motion of the Sub-Conscious & Soul: The Rhythm of Abstract Expressionism" by Linda Pertusati will be on display in the lower level of Way Library from August 9 through September 2014. On display will be forty abstract expressionist paintings created by PRIZM artist Linda Pertusati.



Read more here.

#### **New Youth Services Librarian**

#### Alyssa Bullock joins the staff at Way.

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Library in February 2007 and was soon hired as a Page in
July 2008. She is currently working towards a Bachelor of
Arts Degree at BGSU, majoring in English with a minor in
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pursue a Master's Degree in Library and Information
Science. Please join us in congratulating Alyssa on her new
position as a Youth Services Librarian at Way.

**2014 Perrysburg Architectural Scavenger Hunt** 

#### Packets are now available

Entry packets for the 2014 Perrysburg Architectural Scavenger Hunt are now available at the Information Desk.

The deadline to enter this contest is 4:00 p.m. on October 15, 2014. New this year is a youth division for people up to age 12. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in each division. This event is cosponsored by Historic Perrysburg, Inc. and Way Public Library.

# Upcoming Programs At Way Public Library

**Adult Programs** 

Please click a title link for more information.

## <u>August 2, 2014 - Glass Painting with</u> <u>Crystal Weiler</u>

Personalize drinking glasses or create a beautiful accent piece as Crystal Weiler teaches us how to paint glass.



#### <u>August 4, 2014 - Canning Demo with Becky White-</u> Schooner

Are you interested in learning how to can vegetables?

August 5, 2014 - Free Showing of 12 Years a Slave Get free refreshments while enjoying the true story of Solomon Northup.

August 8, 2014 - Rock, Paper, Scissor; Mixed Media

#### **Workshop**

See mixed media techniques including sponging, stenciling, antiquing, use of papers and more.

## <u>August 19, 2014 - Skype, FaceTime, and other Video</u> Communication Software

A demonstration of the many video communication software packages available today.

#### <u>August 21, 2014 - No Mic Night to feature Wendell</u> <u>Mayo</u>

Local author Wendell Mayo to guest facilitate August's No Mic Night.

## <u>September 2014 - Computer Art and Digital Imagery</u> <u>Workshop Series</u>

Registration is now open for a four week course on creating digital art.

#### September 9, 2014 - Knitting Basics

Learn a variety of basic knitting stitches and how to read a pattern as you a complete a beginner's level project.

#### September 9, 2014 - Heartsaver CPR AED

This class will cover Adult CPR and AED use and how to relieve choking on an adult.

# <u>September 10, 2014 - Presentation on the Toledo Troopers</u>

Steve Guinan and Guy Stout are the local screenwriters of "Perfect Season--The Untold Story of the Toledo Troopers", the upcoming feature film that will be shot in Toledo.

# <u>September 26, 2014 - First Meeting of the Monthly "Card Catalog" Group</u>

The Card Catalog is a series of programs for 20- 40-somethings.

**Youth and Teen August Events** 

## The Summer Reading Program may be over but the fun continues.

## <u>August 7 - Money Sense: My Life and</u> Money

Make sense of dollars and cents all while playing the My Life and Money life-size board game! Presented by Directions Credit Union.

#### August 11 - Homeschool Meet & Greet

Please join us for a homeschool meet-and-greet to learn what resources the library has to offer. Bring the whole family!

<u>August 14 - Money Sense: Who Wants to be a Millionaire?</u> Have fun while learning about saving and spending money! *Presented by Directions Credit Union.*