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JOURNEY ON THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

Way Library will take a “**Journey on the Underground Railroad**” in April, thanks to a Choose to Read Ohio grant awarded to the State Library from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services. Way Library is one of 13 libraries and school systems to receive Choose to Read funding for a “community read.” Our book is “Beyond the River” by Ohio author Ann Hagedorn. A former Wall Street Journal reporter and Dayton native, Ms. Hagedorn has written four books. (See related article on page 2.)



Pick up a copy of the book at the Circulation Desk, read it, and then join us at one of the following book discussions:

- ◆ Thursday, April 1, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Wednesday, April 7, 10 a.m.

Schedule of Events

- ◆ Thursday, April 15, 7 p.m. — Kickoff: Ohio author **Ann Hagedorn** will speak about her book “Beyond the River: the Untold Story of the Heroes of the Underground Railroad.”
- ◆ Sunday, April 18, 2 p.m. — Lourdes College history department chairman **Mary Stockwell** will speak on “The Underground Railroad in Ohio.”
- ◆ Tuesday, April 20, 7 p.m. — Local historian and Perrysburg Area Historic Museum president **Judy Justus** will speak on “The History of the Underground Railroad as it Evolved into Ohio.”
- ◆ Thursday, April 22, 4:30 p.m. For children first through fourth grade: **Pat-**

National Library Week to include architecture lecture

National Library Week (April 11-18) is an annual observance which allows everyone to reflect on the important role that libraries play in our communities. Along with kicking off our community read, “Journey on the Underground Railroad,” Way will celebrate this year by co-hosting the **2010 Historic Perrysburg, Inc., Commissioned Lecture**.

On Tuesday, April 13, at 7 p.m., architect **Kate MacPherson** will speak on “**Preserving Secondary Structures in Historic Perrysburg.**” This fourth an-

discover and appreciate the carriage houses, barns, service buildings, outbuildings, annexes, monuments, gateways and built landscape elements that connect our Historic District.

Katherine Bentley MacPherson has a bachelor of fine arts from the University of Michigan and a masters of architecture from Washington University in St. Louis. She returned to Perrysburg in 2001 after practicing architecture in Boston for 20 years. She founded her own firm in 1987 and currently is Principal of MacPherson

Topical Tuesday Series on controversial ideas:

Women and Islam on March 16

The Topical Tuesday program on March 16 will address a fascinating topic, "Women and Islam." Islamic scholar **Dr. Fatima Agha Al-Hayani** will be the speaker at this free event which begins at 7 p.m. Women's rights, divorce, the Veil, and polygamy are some of the issues which will be addressed.

Dr. Al-Hayani has a Ph.D. in Near Eastern Studies from the University of Michigan. She concentrated on Islamic Law, Family Law, and Near Eastern History, Society and Culture, Modern Arabic Literature and Methodology in Foreign Language Instruction.

As well as serving as a consultant and expert witness on Muslim family law, including marriage, divorce and custody, Dr. Al-Hayani has taught a wide variety of courses at the University of Toledo. She has authored publications on Arabs and the American legal system and the

Census and Redistricting, April 27

The League of Women Voters of the Perrysburg Area (LWVPA) and Way Library will join forces to present a April 27 Topical Tuesday program on the **2010 Census and Redistricting**. Beginning at 7 p.m., this program anticipates some of the issues involved in carving out new Ohio Congressional districts after the new census is completed. The League supports a fairer and more transparent redistricting procedure than the current winner-take-all system.

Guest speakers will be **Margarita De Leon**, a partnership specialist with the U.S. Census Bureau, and **Anne Nelson** of the LWV State Association. Ms. De Leon will talk about what is happening with the census in north-west Ohio, and Ms. Nelson will present information on the models that won the recent Ohio Redistricting Competition. This contest, launched by the Ohio LWV and other entities in March 2009, was initiated to open the process of redistricting and use objective criteria to produce fair legislative districts.

March/April Events

- Mar. 3 — Resume Review, 7 p.m. (Reserve a spot by calling the Information Desk.)
- Mar. 11 — Reel Talk: Roxie Hart, 10 a.m.
- Mar. 11 — Friends of Way Used **Book Sale**, 3-7 p.m.
- Mar. 16 — Topical Tuesday: Women and Islam, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 18 — PBS Program Club, 10:30 a.m.
- Mar. 18 — FLASH: Build it with Legos, 4:30 p.m.
- Mar. 19 — Culture Club: Turkey, 4:30 p.m.
- Mar. 22 — Play Readers: Taking Sides, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 26—Reel Art: Secret of Roan Inish, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 28 — BGSU Graduate String Quartet, 2:30 p.m.
- April 8 — Reel Talk: Sitting Pretty, 10 a.m.
- April 11-17 — National Library Week
- April 13 — Historic PB Lecture: Perrysburg Secondary Structures, 7 p.m.
- April 15 — PBS Program Club, 10:30 a.m.
- April 15 — Ann Hagedorn Author Visit, 7 p.m.
- April 16 —Fridays with My Friends: Spring is Magic, 1:30 p.m.

April 15 Hagedorn visit to kickoff Underground Railroad events

Ohio author Ann Hagedorn will be the featured speaker in the "Choose to Read Ohio" community read scheduled for April at Way Library (see front page).



On Thursday, April 15, at 7 p.m. Ms. Hagedorn will talk about her 2002 book "Beyond the River: the Untold Story of the Heroes of the Underground Railroad." This book tells the dramatic story of the Ripley, Ohio, line of the Underground Railroad. Abolitionist, Presbyterian minister and farmer John Rankin and his fellow abolitionists along the Ohio River guided slaves to freedom despite great personal hardship and danger.

Ms. Hagedorn moved from New York City to Ripley to research this book. She has written for the Wall Street Journal, the San Jose Mercury News and the Washington Post. She has taught at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism and Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism. She is the author of "Wild Ride: The Rise and Tragic Fall of Calumet Farm, Inc." and "Ransom: the Untold Story of International Kidnapping." She now lives in Ripley and in Chicago, Illinois.

Concerts by BGSU String Quartet,

The Bowling Green State University Graduate String Quartet will perform a free concert on the main floor of the library on Sunday, March 28, at 2:30 p.m.

Members of the quartet are Courtney Getzin, violin; Kyle VanArsdalen, violin; Rahael Lizama, viola, and Lejing Zhou, cello. They will play selections from the classical repertoire. This concert is supported by the Way Library Foundation's Karen Morley Khan Music Fund.

News & Notes at Way

- ◆ **Spring is Magic** is the theme for the next intergenerational program. Registration begins March 22. for this event on Friday, April 16, at 1:30 p.m. Seniors and children ages 4-5 will hear stories, make a craft and have snacks. In November, a Teddy Bear Tea Party is planned!
- ◆ Join us for the popular Small Business Basics Workshop 5:30-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28: learn the ABCs of setting up shop and getting your venture off on the right foot.

Things to do for Homeschoolers

Homeschoolers! Watch for these March & April events.

On Tuesday, March 9, at 2 p.m., the Homeschoolers Book Talk will discuss "Riding Freedom" by Pam Munoz Ryan. This talk is for children ages 8-12. The group will meet again on Tuesday, April 13.

"Afternoon Adventures" are planned for 5-6 year olds at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24 (Curious George) and Tuesday, April 27 (Science Fun). For 7-12 year olds, plans include "A Leprechaun Yarn Bugs Craft Time" on Wednes-

Young Adult Events

- ◆ Friday, March 5 — Craft It Up!, 3:30– 5 p.m.
- ◆ Friday, March 12 — You Tube Party, 3:30-5 p.m.
- ◆ Saturday, March 20 — Red Cross Babysitting Class, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (Registration and \$30 fee required.)
- ◆ Friday, March 26 — Book Swap and a Movie, 3:30-5 p.m.*
- ◆ Friday, April 2 — Spring Break Luau, 2-4 p.m.
- ◆ Tuesday, April 6 — Teen Flix, 2-4 p.m.

In Honor of Way Children's Dept.

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In Memory of Barney Paskiet

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In Memory of Lois Bigelow

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Going Green at Way

Way Library continues to search for ways to cut costs and help the environment at the very same time. Along with our recent successful attempt to eliminate paper overdue notices, we recycle nearly 500 pounds of cardboard and office paper each month.

Free movies in March and

Reel Talk classic film series will feature "Roxie Hart" on Thursday, March 11, at 10 a.m. This 1942 film stars Ginger Rogers. On Thursday, April 8, the film will be "Sitting Pretty," a 1948 movie about two harried parents (Maureen O'Hara and Robert Young) who turn to a child "trainer" to help them with their offspring.

Reel Art foreign film series, 7 p.m. on Fridays, will feature "The Secret of Roan Inish," a magical tale of an Irish girl searching for her missing brother, on March 26. "Happy-Go-Lucky," a British film about a cheerful London school teacher, will be shown April



Fun for one and all at the Snow Ball

More than 500 people lifted their spirits and literally had a ball at the Snow Ball Family Activities Night at the library on January 22. Old-fashioned fun like paper plate ice skating, crafts and games delighted children and their companions throughout the evening. This is the fifth year that the library, helped by scores of volunteers, has hosted this unique event.