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## **ELECTION MARCH 6 TO INCLUDE WAY LEVY**

Along with choosing primary candidates and weighing in on issues at the polls March 6, Perrysburg city voters will have the opportunity to support Way Library's 1.5 renewal operating levy. The funds raised by this levy will provide about 47 percent of the library's revenue annually for the next four years beginning in January 2013.

This levy will not result in a tax increase for Perrysburg residents. If you own a \$100,000 home, you will continue to pay \$45.95 per year (or \$34.45 for those who have a homestead exemption).

With continuing levy support, the library can maintain its collection of books, audiobooks, downloadable eBooks, DVDs and CDs. Way's free programs/events and community meeting rooms are dependent on operating funds. Library hours and public computer stations rely on levy receipts to staff and buy new technology. The safety and integrity of our heavily used facility can only be preserved by passing this levy.

Remember to exercise your voting rights at the polls Tuesday, March 6!

## Ann Anderson Stranahan to speak, read poetry Mar. 4

Ann Anderson Stranahan of Perrysburg will speak about and read from her book "Window on the River," at Way on Sunday, March 4, beginning at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be served at this free event.

There are many references to our area in this lovely volume of poetry. Born in Richmond, Virginia, Mrs. Stranahan has an art history degree from Smith College and an MFA in creative writing from BGSU. She has committed much of her life to volunteer work in cultural and educational institutions in northwest Ohio and with public broadcasting on the local and national levels. She and her husband Stephen live



part of the year in Colorado and have four children and eight grand-children.

Mrs. Stranahan will sell and sign copies of her book at this event, with all proceeds benefiting Way Public Library.

## 'A Night to Remember' part of National Library Week



Way Library will celebrate National Library Week, April 8-15, with special events to mark this national observance designed to appreciate the important roles which libraries play in our communities.

On Friday, April 13, at 7 p.m. we will remember the sinking of the Titanic, which took place 100 years ago, with a showing of "A Night to Remember" based on the book by Walter Lord. ~~To Be Continued on p. 3

## <u>Topical Tuesday lectures & events scheduled for March 13, 20 & April 17</u> Fracking movie, lecture and early childhood education on the agenda

Way Library will join forces with the League of Women Voters of the Perrysburg Area (LWVPA) to present the next two Topical Tuesday lectures at the library.



On March 20 at 7 p.m. the subject is **Fracking**, and the speaker will be Al Rosenfield, who has a science doc-

Dr. Al Rosenfield

torate from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and who serves as the energy specialist of the LWV of Ohio.

Dr. Rosenfield has been a member of governmental councils studying renewable energy and has testified on energy policy. He will address the controversial practice of fracking—the method used by oil and gas companies to fracture rock layer to extract petroleum and natural gas. Some scientists think this drilling has caused recent earthquakes in eastern Ohio.

One week earlier, on Tuesday, March 13, the public is encouraged to view the 2011-Academy Award winning documentary called **"Gasland."** Written and directed by Josh Fox, this film focuses on communities impacted by natural gas drilling. The documentary will be shown free of charge at 2 p.m. and again at 6 p.m. on the library's lower level on March 13. The lecture follows one week later, on March 20.

On April 17, at 7 p.m., the Topical Tuesday lecture will be "Early Childhood Education; Reggio Emilia," presented by Deborah Ciecka, chair of the Owens Community College Early Childhood Education Program, joined by some of the staff members now implementing the Reggio Emilia philosophy of early childhood education at OCC.

A program which has captured world wide attention from educators, researchers and parents, the Reggio Emilia early childhood education philosophy emphasizes an aesthetic, playful learning environment in which children are provoked to problem solve in a setting emphasizing their interests. The teacher serves as a leader and researcher, and the families and the community are part of the process as well.

## 'Loving Music in the Digital Age'

From Wagner to Metallica, from The Beatles to Bon Jovi, from Nobuo Uematsu to Beethoven, who needs piracy to enjoy all the music the world has to offer? Music lovers of all kinds are invited to a special Way Library technology information session on Thursday, April 26, to learn about all the newest music sources.

From 7 to 8 p.m. on the lower level of the library, this workshop will teach you how to listen to your favorite music whenever you like, even without owning it. In an effort to combat piracy, record labels and distributors across the world have relaxed licensing restrictions to allow for public listening. Spotify, Pandora, Playlist, iTunes, Amazon, and our own Way Library catalog—all are ways you can love music in this digital age. Join us for refreshments, information, and a chance to ask questions on the subject.

#### **Credit Report/Credit Scores March 8**

Way Library will host an informational program on your credit and credit score at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 8. This free program presented by Brenda Schwind of Directions Credit Union will provide information on how to obtain your credit report, with news on how your three-digit credit score affects the interest rate and your ability to get loans. Learn how to keep a good credit score!

## Travelogue, movies in March & April

Judy Pfaffenberger, local travel leader, will present **"Bonjour France,"** a travelogue on a 14-day tour which began in Paris and ended in Chamonix, on Wednesday, March 21, at 2 p.m.

Way will continue our popular Show Me the Movie feature film series with the Woody Allen film **"Midnight in Paris,"** on Thursday, March 1, at 2 p.m. This film features Owen Wilson as a Lost Generation fan who travels back to the 1920s to socialize with Ernest Hemingway, Scott & Zelda Fitzgerald, Pablo Picasso and Gertrude Stein.

Reel Art, sponsored by Skotynsky Financial, and Reel Talk, sponsored by Ed Schmidt, will conclude their seasons and resume again in the fall.

The Reel Art foreign film series will present a French film "**The Grocer's Son**" at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 16, and a Czech movie "**Autumn Spring**" at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 20.

The Reel Talk classic films, 10 a.m. on Thursdays, March 8 and April 12, will be **"Heaven Knows, Mr. Allison,"** and **"The Fuller Brush Man."** 

## **Upcoming** Events

March 1 — 'Midnight in Paris' movie showing, 2 p.m.			
March 4 — Ann Anderson Stranahan Talk/Poetry, 2 p.m.			
March 4-10 — Geek Out @Your Library teen tech week			
March 5 — Homeschoolers Afternoon Adventures, 1:30 pm			
March 5,12,19,26 — Read to the Dogs, 7 p.m.			
March 6 — <b>Remember to Vote!</b>			
March 8 — Reel Talk: Heaven Knows Mr. Allison, 10 a.m.			
March 8 — Credit Report/Credit Score, 7 p.m.			
March 12, April 9 — Homeschoolers Book Talk, 1:30 p.m.			
March 13 — Fracking documentary showings, 2 and 7 p.m.			
March 14 — UFO program, 7 p.m.			
March 15 — Reel Opinions, 10:30 a.m.			
March 16 — YA Hunger Games Party, 3-4:30 p.m.			
March 16 — Reel Art: The Grocer's Son, 7 p.m.			
March 18 — Job Search Leads Group, 7 p.m.			
March 20 — Topical Tuesday lecture: Fracking, 7 p.m.			
March 21 — 'Bonjour France' travelogue, 2 p.m.			
March 22 — FLASH: American Girl Tea, 4:30 p.m.			
March 25 — Pro Musica jazz concert, 2 p.m.			
March 26 — Homeschoolers Make a Math Game, 1:30 p.m.			
March 26 — Play Readers Group: Black Comedy, 7 p.m.			
March 26 – April 1 — YA Peeps Diorama Contest.			
March 30 — YA Pizza & Pages Book Club, 6-8 p.m.			
April 8 — Closed for Easter			
April 12 — Reel Talk: The Fuller Brush Man, 10 a.m.			
April 12 — Job Search Leads Group, 7 p.m.			
April 13 — A Night to Remember movie showing, 7 p.m.			
April 17 — Topical Tuesday: Early Childhood Educ., 7 p.m.			
April 18 — Homeschoolers Mad Scientists Club, 1:30 p.m.			
April 19 — Reel Opinions, 10:30 a.m.			
April 19 — FLASH, 4:30 p.m.			
April 20 — Red Cross Blood Drive, 10 a.m.—3 p.m.			
April 20 — YA 'My Life in Money,' 3-4:30 p.m.			
April 20 — Reel Art: Today's Special, 7 p.m.			
April 23 — Homeschoolers Writers Corner, 1:30 p.m.			
April 26 — Intergenerational 'Bloomin' Butterflies' 1:30 pm			
April 26 — Loving Music in the Digital Age, 7 p.m.			
April 27 — Pizza & Pages Book Club, TBA.			
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## March 14: UFOs — fact or fantasy?

Way Library will host a unique program on unidentified flying objects (UFOs) on Wednesday, March 14, at 7 p.m.

Thomas Wertman, chief field investigator for MUFON (Mutual UFO Network of Ohio), will tell the audience about his organization and how it goes about investigating reported UFO sightings. He will describe major cases such as the 86-mile chase of a UFO beginning in Ravenna, Ohio, which Steven Spielberg used as a scene in the movie Close Encounters of the Third Kind, as well as an alleged UFO-National Guard helicopter encounter near Mansfield.

The Toledo area has had UFO reports, which Mr. Wertman will describe. Skeptics and believers alike are all invited to bring their curiosity and questions!



## Snow Ball 2012 rocked!

The sixth annual Snow Ball activity night held on January 27 attracted more than 500 participants. Family members of all ages enjoyed games, crafts, the paper plate skates ice rink, refreshments, and snowflake art. One and all had a ball....a Snow Ball!

### National Library Week events

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Watch for these other events during NLW:

- Reel Talk classic film, 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 12: **The Fuller Brush Man**, with guest speaker Joe Espen.
- Children's department bookmark design contest with the theme "You belong@your library." Prizes will be offered.



#### **Bloomin' Butterflies**

Intergenerational Program Stories, songs, crafts for 4-5 year olds and their favorite seniors - 1:30-2:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 26.

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#### **Computer classes start**

Sharpen your computer skills with our spring classes. Registration has begun at the Information Desk for these classes taught in the lower level Tech Lab:

How to Use a Mouse, March 7, 1-2:30 p.m.; Intro to Computers, March 14, 1-2:30 p.m.; Intro to the Internet, March 21, 1-2:30 p.m.; Intro to Microsoft Word 2010, March 21 & March 28, 6-7:30 p.m. (\$5.); Digital Camera Basics, March 28, 1 -2:30 p.m.; Intro to Microsoft Excel 2010, April 4 & 11, 6-7:30 p.m. (\$5.); Lee's Computer Help Desk, April 18, 1-2:30 p.m.; Intro to Microsoft PowerPoint 2010, April 18, 6-7:30 p.m.

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