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LIBRARY REMEMBERS 9/11, Re-Opens on Sundays

Way Library followed Labor Day weekend with its own "labor of love" on Sept. 11 & 12.

On the third anniversary of 9/11. we joined more than 450 libraries nationwide in The September Project, programs on democracy, citizenship and patriotism designed to prompt people to think creatively about our world.

With assistance from the League of Women Voters of the Perrysburg Area (LWVPA), Way Library was proud to take part in this significant event.

The September Project took on the topic "How has the world changed since 9/11?" Moderated by Vicki Ewald of the LWVPA, the panelists addressed concerns which have arisen since the terrorist attack. Perrysburg Police Chief Rick Gilts and Sgt. Mark Wasylyshyn addressed security issues, and library board member Mary Thom Williams, a lieutenant colonel in the Ohio Air National Guard, talked about troop deployments. WBGU-TV producer Marlene Harris Taylor discussed the failure of the media to seek the truth for fear of seeming unpatriotic, and Dr. Walter Edinger posed ethical questions—such as whether hijacked civilian jets should be shot down. Nancy Kelley, library director, addressed the











Photos, clockwise from top: *Moderator Vicki Ewald, Marlene Harris Taylor, Sgt. Mark Wasylyshyn, Mary Thom Williams, Dr. Walter Edinger, Nancy Kelley and Chief Rick Gilts. *The League of Women Voters registers voters. *A moving ceremony outside the library, with bagpiper Andrew Bova, remembered 9/11. *State Representative Bob Latta with, from left, Pat Jacobsen & Ann Dana, LWVPA co-presidents, and Way Library Director Nancy Kelley. *Gerry Bazer, in a "fireside chat" about U.S. Presidents. *Robin



effect of the Patriot Act on libraries.

State Representative Bob Latta provided an entertaining slide show tour of Washington D.C. Gerry Bazer, retired Owens Community College dean, spoke to students on heroic actions of U.S. Presidents. Robin Gillmore helped youngsters make patriotic crafts. American Legion Post 28, assisted by Witzler-Shank Funeral Home, honored 9/11 victims outside the library.

Way Library re-opens on Sundays

And, last but not least, as of September 12, Way Library is back in business on Sundays!

Sunday afternoon library service was discontinued in 2002 due to cutbacks in state

funding. Thanks to passage of Way's first-ever operating levy in March 2004, the library is once again able to offer regular service ~cont. p. 2



Above,, the Four Seasons String Quartet entertained on the first Sunday that the library re-opened to the public.

Way's silver screen: Reel Talk, Reel Art **October Events**

Everybody loves a good movie, and Way has more than one good film on the reel for the fall and winter.

Reel Art@Way debuts on October 15, bringing foreign films to the library on Friday evenings at 7 p.m. With the library closed for regular business, the first floor auditorium will be the venue for film fare not shown in mainstream movie theaters.

"Monsieur Ibrahim," a 2004 film starring Omar Sharif, will start the series on Oct. 15, followed by "The Station Agent" on Nov. 19 and "The Bicycle Thief" on Dec. 10. Anyone with questions about the new series may call Richard Baranowski at 419-874-3135x110. Reel Talk at Way begins its fourth season. Again, we will offer eight classic film led by a guest film scholar on Thursdays at 10 a.m. in the lower level conference center.

The schedule for this year:

- Oct. 21 Stars and Stripes Forever
- Nov. 18 Flying Down to Rio
- Dec. 16 Come to the Stable
- Jan. 13 Rebecca
- Feb. 24 On the Waterfront
- Mar. 31— Footlight Parade
- April 28 The Thin Man
- May 19 Horse Feathers.

For both series, complimentary refreshments will be served, and there is no admission fee.

It's for reel at Way Public Library!

October 2 — Genealogy Workshop: How to Get Started, 10 a.m.

October 6— EBay class, 6 p.m.

October 7 — Signup begins for R.C. Babysitting & Pumpkin Patch Magic.

October 9 — Genealogy Workshop: Using Online Databases, 10 a.m.

October 11 — Columbus Day. The library is **OPEN**.

October 15 — Reel Art at Way: Monsieur Ibrahim, 7 p.m.

October 16 — Genealogy Workshop: Wood County Resources, 10 a.m.

October 21 — PBS Program Club: Broadway Musicals, 11:30 a.m.

October 21 — Reel Talk at Way: Stars and Stripes Forever, 10 a.m.

October 21—Registration begins for Time for Twos (11/4-11/18)

October 22 —Fridays With My Friend: Pumpkin Patch Magic, 1:30 p.m.

October 23 — Genealogy Workshop: General Internet Resources, 10 a.m.

October 23 — EBay class, 10 a.m.

October 24—Sunday Sounds at Way: The Perrysburg Trio, 2 p.m.

October 26 & 27 — Red Cross Babysitting Class, 4:30 p.m.

October 27—EBay class, 6 p.m.

~Way is open

Seeking artists for Arts of the Season Nov. 13

The Friends of Way Library and the Perrysburg Area Arts Council are jointly presenting Arts of the Season, an invitational arts festival, on Saturday, November 13, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the lower level of the library.

Artists are needed in a variety of media, all to be on sale that day, and visitors will be voting for their favorite booth, with a People's Choice Award of \$100 offered to the winner.

Local musicians will provide holiday background music, and volunteers will help children create holiday art. Giftwrapping will be available.

To apply for a booth, artists should supply three photographs of their work and a resume. They must have a transient vendor's license. For information on booth rentals, call Marti Zallocco, PAAC artistic director, 419-874-ARTS.

Library re-opens...

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1-5 p.m. on Sundays now through May 22 (except Dec. 19 & 26, Jan. 2 and Easter Sunday). To celebrate our re-opening, the library will be presenting classical music from 2-3 p.m. on October 24 (the Perrysburg Trio) and again on Nov. 21. Sunday Sounds at Way showcases the talents of musicians from the Perrysburg Symphony Orchestra.

In October

GENEALOGY WORKSHOPS

Way Library will hold genealogy workshops on four Saturdays in October from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Topics are:

- Oct. 2—Beginning Genealogy: How to Get Started.
- Oct. 9—Using Ancestry Plus: Retrieving Family History Online.
- Oct. 16—Wood County Genealogical Resources.



The classes will be held in the library's Local History Room. They will be led by Bonnie Gilmore-Cousino, area genealogy consultant and charter of cemeteries.

All classes are free of charge. Each class is independent of the others and is restricted to 15 participants. Register for one or all at the Information Desk of the library, or call 419-874-3135 x119.

Last call for mural

Way Public Library Foundation's booth was a popular stopping point on busy Harrison Rally Day.

The Foundation gave away about 1,000 free copies of "Perrysburg Revisited" and sold dozens of "Way Back When" mural leaves.

The leaves are selling very quickly, with few left. The fourth panel was installed on August 27, and the self-sustaining five-panel project is nearing completion.

Take advantage of one last opportunity to be part of history by picking up an order form for a leaf on the fifth and final panel.

If all leaves are sold, the order will be returned.

Way Library's D-Day program wins History Channel \$1,000 grand prize

Way Library's D-Day program was one of five programs across the country to win a Grand Prize (\$1,000) in The History Channel's D-Day Library Tribute Contest.

More than 2,000 libraries entered the contest, and only five grand prizes were awarded.

Co-sponsored by the American Legion, the library program on April 28 honored and recognized D-Day veterans.

Nancy Kelley, Way Library director, and Richard Baranowski, local history librarian who organized the event along with Post Historian Leo Darmofal, acknowledged the local



Richard Baranowski, local history librarian who organized the program, and Nancy Kelley, Way Library director.

veterans' contributions and indicated their intention to present a \$500 check to the Legion—half the prize money. "This national recognition is an honor for the library, the legion and the community," said Mr. Baranowski.

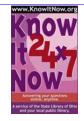
PBS Program Club 'goes Broadway'

The PBS Program Club, a joint effort of the library and WBGU-TV in Bowling Green, continues to attract new participants in Thursday morning discussions spanning a diverse set of topics.

The September session on "The Question of God: C.S. Lewis and Sigmund Freud" brought 20 people to Way for an intriguing discussion on religion and atheism.

In a lighter vein, the club will talk about Broadway musicals at its meeting on Thursday, October 21, at 11:30 a.m. Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy exchanging reactions to the PBS series on Broadway shows which begins October 19.

The six-part series is sure to provoke a harmonious discussion on American musical theater!



Virtual reference service launched

A 24/7 virtual reference service has been launched to provide every Ohio resident nonstop help with reference questions and homework. Chat live with a librarian and/or tutor by logging onto www.waylibrary.info and then clicking on "Know it Now."

Computer lab updates technology, expands computer classes

Way Library's lower level computer technology lab was outfitted with new Dell computers this summer. They are equipped with three times the processing speed, four times the memory and twice the storage capacity of the old computers.

Another bit of good news is the "redeployment" of the old computers to the main level reference lab. They come with CD burners, so patrons can now burn CDs in both labs for the first time.

With the updating of the lab comes an updating of Way's computer class curricula to include Windows XP and the latest version of Microsoft Office. Patrons who have taken classes in the past may find completely new

material in this year's classes. They include How to Use a Mouse, Intro to Computers, Windows XP, Internet, Email and Microsoft Office Suite. "Sell it on Ebay" is back by popular demand (see October Events).

Patrons may sign up for classes at the Information Desk; fees must be paid upon registration.

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Book Discussions Open

It's never too late in the year to join book discussion groups at the library. The morning group meets on the first Wed. of each month at 10 a.m. and the evening group meets on the first Thursday at 7 p.m.

The evening group seeks to expand participation this fall. Books for the rest of the year: October 7 (Fall On Your Knees); November 4 (My Antonia), and December 2 (Snow Falling on Cedars).

For more information, call Janel Molyneux at 419-874-3135 x132.

'Pumpkin Patch Magic'

Way's intergenerational program Fridays With My Friend will feature "Pumpkin Patch Magic" with magician Dave Sieja on October 22 from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

For more information or to register, call Debbie DiGennaro at 419-874-3135 x109.

Way Library appreciates its volunteers

A lot of hard work goes on behind the scenes at a library, and it's not all done by paid staff members.

The Friends of Way Library recently held a volunteer recognition event to thank 129 volunteers who put in 2,200 hours at the library in 2003. At that time, children's librarian Peggy Pile unveiled a special gift given by the Friends in honor of the volunteers: a print by Tomie dePaolo for the art wall in the children's activity room. The gallery—a work in progress— is a handsome addition to the library.

Way also thanks KeyBank employees for recently making us part of their "Make a Difference" volunteer effort.

Volunteer Marge Hufford, right, while helping to hang pictures in the Local History Room. She is one of Way's many volunteers. Middle photo, Peggy Pile unveils the new print.







Ten employees of KeyBank "made a difference" volunteering both outside and inside Way (above, below).





Long-time library volunteer Al Huber, right, and Trisha Koelsch, Kingston activity director, at the reception.