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AUTHOR WIL CLAY AT WAY ON HOLIDAY PARADE DAY

Children's author/illustrator **Wil Clay** will be the honored guest at a family event at the library on the afternoon of the Perrysburg Holiday Parade, Saturday, November 10. Mr. Clay's visit is a cooperative effort of the library and Prizm Creative Community. This year the parade has been moved up to Saturday, November 10, providing an earlier start to the festive decorations, the official tree lighting and the shopping season in historic downtown Perrysburg.



Artist Wil Clay, working on a Toledo library mural.

Here is the schedule of activities on Parade Day:

- **1:30-2:30 p.m.** Wil Clay will speak to children, promoting reading, writing and art. This award-winning author/ illustrator, storyteller, fine artist and sculptor is known for his entertaining speaking style and his dynamic ability to draw the audience into his imaginative world.
- **2:40-3:10 p.m.** Book Signing. Some of Mr. Clay's books will be sold at this event.
- **3:15-4:30 p.m.** Mr. Clay will speak to adults on the art of illustration. Artists/book lovers will receive an inside look at the creative process.
- 4:30 p.m. The parade this year will salute America's veterans as well as usher in the holiday season. Merchants will open their doors and the Hood Park tree will be lighted.

Public reception to honor Ohio Librarian of the Year

The community is invited to an open house and reception to recognize the 2007 Ohio Librarian of the Year— **Nancy J. Kelley**. This event will take place on the main floor of the library on Sunday, October 21, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Join us in congratulating Mrs. Kelley, Way Library director since 1991, on this honor. Mrs. Kelley will receive her award at the Ohio Library Council 2007 Convention and Expo on October 10-12 in Columbus. The next weekend Way Library staff members and the Friends of Way Library will host this open house to give members of the Perrysburg community the opportunity to share our pride in this distincAccording to the OLC, the annual awards "recognize the extraordinary people and organizations who make Ohio's libraries the best in the nation."

The August OLC newsletter refers to Mrs. Kelley's "special gifts and talents as a thoughtful and creative leader in the field...She has been chosen for her tireless efforts to keep Way Library at the cutting edge of new library services, her cooperation with other libraries in meeting challenges faced by State budget cuts, her active role in NW Ohio legislative efforts, her experienced guidance to new directors and young librarians entering the field as well as her charm, charisma and ability to lead."

USPS PASSPORT FAIR OCT. 30

The Perrysburg Post Office and Way Library are partnering to present a passport application opportunity on Tuesday, October 30, from 5 to 8 p.m. on the lower level of the library. Passports soon will be required for travel to and from Canada.

You can get your application process started at the passport fair. Download an application form (DS-11), unsigned, and bring it along with your birth certificate, previous passport, or other proof of U.S. citizenship. You will need a drivers license or other acceptable identification, as well as two identical 2x2-inch passport photos. For a fee of \$15 photos will be taken here. Each applicant must bring two personal checks to pay the fees.

St. Luke's Health Series Oct 15: MRI or mammograms to detect breast cancer?

Should women choose mammograms or Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) to detect breast cancer? Susan M. Litten, R.T., MRI provider at St. Luke's Hospital, will address this topic at the St. Luke's-Way Health Lecture on Monday, October 15, at 7 p.m. Ms. Litten will explain the difference between the two diagnostic procedures and tell which circumstances call for use of MRI. Refreshments will be served.

Children's puppet stage unveiled

The children's area of the library now has a hands-on puppet theater, thanks to a donation by the Mifsud Family Foundation, the creative art work of Prizm Creative Community, and



L-R, Lisa Richard, Tom Apel, Julie Harrison, Ruth Koskinen, Tamara Mielke, Dorothy Zemper and Pat Maust.

the efforts of other volunteers. A reception in the children's area was held on September 6 in appreciation of the efforts of everyone involved.

The hand-painted puppet stage and puppets provide the perfect opportunity for children to exercise imagination and creativity, making the children's play area an even more popular place to be.

After-school 'Bonus Level' opens

Way Library has opened a new after-school space for young adults ages 11-14 on the lower level of the library. From 2:30 until 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, young people can use the computers, play games, converse, or just "hang out."

For more information about the "Bonus Level," go to the library web site at www.waylibrary.info and click on YA Happenings.





Reel Art, Reel Talk in October

Reel Talk classic film series starts back up this month with "Son of Paleface," a 1952 motion picture starring Bob Hope, Jane Russell, Roy Rogers and Trigger. Join us at 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 25.

The **Reel Art@Way** foreign/art film at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 19, is the 2005 documentary "Forgiving Dr. Mengele," the story of Eva Mozes Kor, who was the victim of twin experiments at Auschwitz.

NEWS & NOTES AT THE LIBRARY

- Children's events are starting up again. Babytime will begin on October 12. Babies 6-11 months and their caregivers will listen to rhymes, songs and books. Baby signing will be introduced. Mother Goose (ages 12-23 months with a caregiver) will begin October 4 and continue for four weeks on Thursdays at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. Red Cross Babysitting classes for ages 11-14 will be held October 23 & 24, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Pay the \$25 fee at the children's desk.
- Local history librarian **Richard Baranowski** is the author of a feature story in the national library journal *Public Libraries*, September/ October issue. In his article, Mr. Baranowski described Way Library's project of partnering with local churches to photocopy church records for the local history collection.
- Watch for the special "Film Noir" evening at the library on Friday, November 9, at 7 p.m.:
 "Kansas City Confidential" with John Payne.

Topical Tuesdays October 16: Afghanistan Six Years After the Taliban

Dr. Neil Englehart, associate professor of political science at Bowling Green State University, will be the guest speaker at the Topical Tuesdays series on Tuesday, October 16, at 7 p.m. His topic: **"Warlords and Businessmen, Opium and Generators: Afghani**stan Six Years After the Fall of the Taliban."

Nearly six years have passed since the fall of the Taliban, yet U.S. troops are still engaged in Afghanistan. Based upon a recent research trip to the country, Dr. Englehart will share information on the political and security situation in Afghanistan. Have conditions deteriorated? Are Afghans markedly better off than they were six years ago? What are the new government's challenges and have they been met?

Dr. Englehart teaches courses in comparative politics and international relations and has done research in state formation and failure, colonialism and human rights, with a focus on East and Southeast Asia. He received his bachelor of arts in history and East Asian Studies from Oberlin College in 1987 and his Ph.D. in political science from the University of California at San Diego in 1996. He has received support from the Fulbright program, Mellon Foundation, National Endowment for the Humanities and the Institute for Advanced Study. Prior to coming to BGSU, Dr. Englehart



Dr. Neil Englehart

taught at UC San Diego, Northwestern University, Lafayette College and the Chatauqua Institution.

Currently working on a book on state failure and human rights, with case studies from Afghanistan, Burma, India and Somalia, Dr. Englehart is the author of "Culture and Power in Traditional Siamese Government" and "Constructing Human Rights in the Age of Globalization," as well as many articles on human rights, state failure and politics in Southeast Asia. He and his family live in Perrysburg.

Mockingbird discussion Oct. 17

Way Library will wrap up The Big Read with a discussion of a biography about Harper Lee, the enigmatic author of "To Kill a Mockingbird." The book "Mockingbird: A Portrait of Harper Lee," was written by Charles Shields, who recently visited Toledo to help with our Community Read. Pick up a copy of Mr. Shields' book at the Way Library Circulation Desk and join us on Wednesday, October 17, at 11:30 a.m.

Play Readers Group sets schedule for 2007-2008

The Play Readers Group co-sponsored by Way Library and the Perrysburg Area Arts Council again has chosen its play list for the season. "The Guys" by Anne Nelson was read in September. The group will continue to meet at 7 p.m. on the following Wednesdays:

- October 24: Harvey (Chase).
- November 28: A Christmas Carol (Dickens).
- January 23, 2008: A Thousand Clowns (Gardner).
- February 27: Indoor/Outdoor (Finkle) & Soap Opera (Ives).
- March 26: The Exonerated (Blank & Jensen).
- April 23: Twelve Angry Men (Rose).
- May 28: Trip to Bountiful (Foote).

October Events

Oct. 8 – Columbus Day: Library open

- Oct. 12 Dance Dance Revolution, 7 p.m.
- Oct. 15 Health Series: MRI vs. mammograms, 7 p.m.
- Oct. 16 Topical Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Oct. 17 Big Read discussion, 11:30 a.m.
- Oct. 18 PBS Program Club, 10:30 a.m.
- Oct. 18 Tea Party for ages 7-10, 4:30 p.m. (Online reg.)
- Oct. 19 Reel Art: Forgiving Dr. Mengele, 7 p.m.
- Oct. 21 Reception for Nancy J. Kelley, 2-4 p.m.
- Oct. 24 Play Readers: "Harvey" (Chase), 7 p.m.
- Oct. 25 Reel Talk: Son of Paleface, 10 a.m.
- Oct. 26 Fridays With My Friend, 1:30 p.m.
- Oct. 30 U.S. Postal Service Passport Fair. 5-8 p.m.
- Oct. 31 Preschool Trick-or-Treating at Way, 10 a.m.



The intergenerational program, Fridays With My Friend, will once again take on a seasonal character with "Magical Pumpkins" on Friday, October 26, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Youth Activity Room of the library. This series unites children ages 4-5 with senior citizens, allowing them to interact while singing, snacking, making crafts, or listening to stories.

"Littlebat's Halloween Story" and a special visit by magician David Sieja will be part of the fun on October 26. Children should register online or at the library. For more information, call Deborah DiGennaro, 419-874-3135 x109.

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Prevent Blindness display at Way Library in August

Children had a wonderful opportunity to learn about eyesight and eye care at the library in August. Prevention Blindness offered an interactive educational display which helped people understand how vision works. A story hour featuring Perrysburg Mayor Nelson Evans (pictured above, at right) and Perrysburg optometrist J. Scott Stewart also was held.

You are Invited! Please help the Way Library staff recognize Nancy J. Kelley, Ohio Librarian of the Year, at an Open House on Sunday, October 21, 2–4 p.m.

Book Buddy volunteers recognized

There is nothing more meaningful than sharing a good book with a homebound friend. By hosting a sundae party on August 31, Way Library recognized the 32 volunteers who deliver books to 38 people in the



Helping with the Book Buddy party were Verna Miles, left, and Pat Shufeldt of the Red Hat Society.

Perrysburg community. Unique to the state of Ohio, Way's Book Buddy Program began nine years ago with six people making deliveries. Now each month the program delivers 250 books to individuals and 700 to facilities such as Perrysburg Commons, Louisiana House, Abundant Life 1 & 2 and Colonial Gardens apartments.

The Red Hat "Calendar Girls" helped to serve sundaes. Gift certificates from The Anderson's, other gifts and ice cream sundaes were provided by the Friends of Way Library. For information on the Book Buddies program, call Deborah DiGennaro, 419-874-3135x109.

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