

Delta Public Library

Summer 2008 "News and Notes"

GETTING TO KNOW US HERE AT THE LIBRARY

Each month one of the seven trustees will be featured in our newsletter as a way for the public to get know those who serve on the Library Board.

Richard (Rick) McKibben is a second generation library board member. His father, Richard G. McKibben served as a trustee in the 1980's and his mother, Julie, served as Clerk Treasurer for several years.

He is a Delta native graduating from Delta Local Schools and then from the University of Toledo with a degree in Mathematics. His work career includes owning a commercial lawn care business, being a network engineer for Sprint/United Telephone Company, a toll collector for the Ohio Turnpike Commission and on the packing line for Sauder Woodworking.

Rick and wife Hoilyn have been married for 31 years and have two children. Rourke resides in Tecumseh, Michigan with his wife, the former Heather Hicks. Daughter Anna is currently living and working in Columbia, Missouri.

He enjoys baseball, volunteering, and walking. Rick is active in the Fulton Mason Lodge #248 and currently serves as Master (President). He is also Lay Leader, Trustee, Board Secretary and a member of the Praise Team for the Zion United Methodist Church. Mysteries and suspense novels as well as upbeat humorous biographies are his favorite reading materials.

Rick joined the library board in 2006 for a full seven year term because he believes that public libraries are essential in promoting the love of reading and life long learning. To him the best part of the Delta Public Library is the staff, and the open style of the building. He has been enjoying working with the other board members on the current building project to improve the rear entry of the library. But, he says his favorite part of every board meeting is the socialization and dessert after adjournment.

There will not be a newsletter again until September, but you can catch up on the latest LIBRARY NEWS online at www.deltapubliclibrary.com. Watch for articles and photos about the summer reading programs as well as the construction project at the back of the library.

SUMMER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Watch for falling bricks!

Patrons may find a sign at the back door come July asking them to please use the front entry. If the project goes as planned, a vestibule rear entry will be constructed just west of the current door. The new entry will provide handicap accessible sidewalks and power doors from both the east and the west as well as a sliding interior door into the building. The current configuration is L-shaped and constricts the flow into and out of the building. The addition to the rear of the library was built in 1985 prior to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and therefore compliances for handicap accessibility were not recognized.

The current entry way will be walled in and the interior walls razed to enlarge a smaller inner storeroom. The extra tables and chairs that are now stacked in the Activity Room, will be

relocated to the new storage area, thereby making more floor space available in the Activity Room itself.

Although the library will be gaining a great new entryway and much needed extra storage, three parking spots will be lost outside and some shelving space will be eliminated in the children's area to make way for the interior sliding door. However, the creation of a new children's circulation desk and some comfortable seating for young readers will be the next project once the entry is completed.

Congratulations Graduates

Drew Gaynor and Julia Hafner, student pages here at Delta Public Library, graduated from Pike-Delta-York Schools on May 25, 2008.

Drew, son of John and Ginny Gaynor, is furthering his education at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio, pursuing an engineering degree and has an interest in robotics.

Julia, daughter of Kim Machinski and Carl Hafner, plans to attend Virginia Marti College of Art and Design in Lakewood, Ohio. She hopes to pursue a career in digital media and film directing.

We extend to both students our best wishes on their new endeavors.

BOOK DISCUSSION @ the Library

***A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson**

The Appalachian Trail stretches from Georgia to Maine and covers some of the most breathtaking terrain in America—majestic mountains, silent forests, sparkling lakes. If you're going to take a hike, it's probably the place to go. And Bill Bryson is surely the most entertaining guide you'll find. He introduces us to the history and ecology of the trail and to some of the other hardy (or just foolhardy) folks he meets along the way—and a couple of bears. Already a classic, *A Walk in the Woods* will make you long for the great outdoors (or at least a comfortable chair to sit and read in).

A Walk in the Woods will be the book for discussion at the Delta Public Library on Monday, June 30th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library's Activity Room. Copies are available in regular, large print or audiobooks and can be found on display in the library. For those unable to attend the book discussions, you are welcome to leave a written comment at the library's main circulation desk or e-mail them to bairdca@oplin.org with the message BOOK DISCUSSION.

No book discussion in July or August. Have a great Summer.

September 29: *Tall grass* by Sandra Dallas

Thirteen-year-old Rennie Stroud finds her hometown of Tallgrass, Colorado, changed forever when the government builds a Japanese internment camp in the rural area and the prisoners become the target of the townspeople who believe Japanese-Americans are the enemy.

You may pick up your copy of Tall Grass anytime after August 25th.

Future Book Discussion titles:

October: Thousand Splendid Suns by Khalid Hosseini

November: Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer

December: New Years Quilt by Jennifer Chiaverini

TEEN NEWS

FCHC will be holding a Babysitting Clinic for Teens age 11 and older on Sat., August 2nd from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Basic safety for the child and child care techniques will be covered. Persons attending the clinic will receive a card indicating that they received training in child safety issues. The class does not include CPR. Pre-registration is required for this program. This class is limited to 15 participants. There is a cost of \$20.00 payable to FCHC prior to attendance. Participants are asked to bring a sack lunch. Beverage will be provided by FCHC. If you have any questions or would like to register, please call Delta Public Library at 419-822-3110.

"FRIENDLY" REMINDER

Please note-Friends of the Library receive free library newsletter mailings. Memberships must be paid by Sept. 30, 2008 in order to continue receiving the newsletter by mail or email each month. Please remit your membership dues to Tarilynn Zolman, Treasurer, 318 Jackson Street, Delta, OH 43515 or leave them at the library for her to pick up if you have not already done so for the 2008-2009 year. Make checks payable to the Delta Friends of the Library.

CHILDREN'S NEWS

SUMMER STORYTIME

Summer storytime sessions will run on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. through the month of June. Toddlers (age 2-3) and regular storytimers (age 4-5) will be grouped together for these special programs. The library will be welcoming the following special guest storytellers:

June 3: Sally Brinkman (W.G.T.E.)
June 10: Diane Morr
June 27: Heather Cammack
June 24: Elaine Prentiss

READ-TO-ME PROGRAM

"Reading Rocks" is the theme for the Read-To-Me Program which runs through the month of September for all preschool children. Parents may register their child beginning the week of August 25th. Stories are read at home and recorded on special dinosaur reading logs. Children will receive one sticker for every 2 books recorded. Children who complete their reading requirements (at least 5 books) will receive a prize bag and certificate on Award's Day. (Please watch for further information regarding the date and time.)

DIAL-A-STORY

Dial-a-story is for children to use by calling 419-822-5200 to listen to a short story. Stories are changed weekly and are suitable for children of all ages.

June 2: Caterpillar's Surprise
June 9: Caterpillar & the Wild Animals
June 16: Little Ida's Flowers
June 23: Five Peas in a Pod
June 30: Independence Day

July 7: Two Frogs
July 14: Country Cat
July 21: Fox and Rooster
July 28: The Frog Prince

August 4: Sleeping Beauty
August 11: Old Woman & her Pig
August 18: Rat Princess
August 25: Molly Whuppie

CATCH THE READING BUG

Children entering Kindergarten up through the 5th Grade are reminded of our summer reading program which begins on Monday, June 2. If you have not already received a flyer listing our special contests and programs, you may pick one up at the children's desk. As a reminder, **REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY FOR ALL EVENTS** except Chalk Day and Award's Day.

A bug hunt will be held on Thursday June 26 at 10:00 a.m. at the Archery Clubhouse down behind the old cemetery on Adrian Street. Children in grades K-2 must be accompanied by a parent. Children in grades 3-5 must have a signed permission slip which is available at the children's desk. You can meet at the clubhouse or follow Miss Marj from the library. Please dress appropriately!

You may wish to wear long sleeves & gloves to avoid contact with poison ivy.

Don't forget to enter our over-all "Create a Bug" contest for a chance to win a "bee-utiful" t-shirt. (Entry forms are available at the children's desk.)

Award's Day will be held at Memorial Hall across the street from the library on Wed., July 9, at 2:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend, but **ONLY THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE REACHED THEIR READING GOALS WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A PRIZE BAG!** Tom Phoolery will present a fun and entertaining magical act, "Don't Bug Me, I'm Reading!" Volunteers (Grades 6-adult) are needed to help with Award's Day, bake cookies, pack prize bags, etc. Please contact Miss Marj if you can be of help.