Smithville Public Library

From the Library Director:

It's hard to believe we're already in May! That means Summer Reading Club (SRC) is just around the corner! This year's theme will be "On your Mark… Get Set… Read!" We'll have our registration forms and SRC kickoff at the end of May, so watch for those. In the meantime, though, we have a lot going on in May.

April brought us showers, and surely May will bring us flowers. May 1st is May Day, celebrating the joy of spring and the appearance of wildflowers. Perhaps you will want to pick a small bouquet for that special lady on Mother's Day (May 8th).

Besides Mother's Day, May is a time to celebrate some notable events: Cinco de mayo on May 5th, V-E Day (Victory in Europe, 1945), Armed Forces Day on May 21st, and Memorial Day on May 30th. Let us honor the many men and women who gave their lives while serving our country; the library has numerous nonfiction books recounting many of these momentous events.

In addition, Children's Book Week starts the month off, and the entire month you're expected to "Get Caught Reading"! Check out our new fiction and nonfiction in all categories for adults and children.

May is the springboard to summer, and school will be out soon; so make the library one of your weekly stops.

Featured Library Events

BOOK SALE AND "NO-BAKE" BAKE SALE
Location: Smithville Public Library
Date: 5/5/2016

The **Friends of the Library** will hold the Spring book sale at the library during regular library hours on May 5--7. There will be special Bargain Bundle pricing on Friday and Saturday, so come shop for some great summer reading material. On Friday, May 9th, be sure to come to the "no-bake" bake sale; the bake sale ends when everything is sold.

We welcome any volunteers wishing to help set up the book sale on Wednesday, May 4 (Star Wars Day! May the 4th be with you…) beginning at 2 p.m.

Children's Book Week
Location: 307 Main, Smithville Public Library

Established in 1919, Children's Book Week, May 4 through May 10, is the longest-running national literacy initiative in the country. Bring your children to the library this week for some fun activities designed to encourage reading.

"GET CAUGHT READING" MONTH!

Character Trait of the Month: INTEGRITY
Integrity is "the quality of being honest and fair" (Online Merriam-Webster). "Keep true, never be ashamed of doing right; decide on what you think is right and stick to it."--George Eliot

Library Trivia
Did you know that on May 31, 1790, George Washington signed the first US copyright law, giving 14-year protection to books written by US citizens?

Authors Born This Month

Silent Spring 363.7 CAR By **Rachel Carson** Born May 27, 1907	*Sherlock Holmes* FIC DOY By **Sir Arthur Conan Doyle** Born May 22, 1859
The Once and Future King FIC WHI By **T. H. White** Born May 29, 1906	*Leaving Time* FIC PIC By **Jodi Picoult** Born May 19, 1966
	Texas Tough FIC DAI By **Janet Dailey** Born May 21, 1944

Library Information

LIBRARY HOURS
Monday – 10 am to 6 pm
Tuesday – 10 am to 7 pm
Wednesday – 10 am to 6 pm
Thursday – 10 am to 7 pm
Friday – 10 am to 5 pm
Saturday – 9 am to 1 pm

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THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED MAY 28th & 30th IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY

SMITHVILLE COMMUNITY-WIDE SPRING CLEAN-UP AND GREEN EXPO

Summit Smithville Green EXPO!

Saturday May 21, 2016

Historic Main Street Smithville
10AM-3PM * Vendors * Speakers * Demonstration Projects * Kids' Area

For sponsorship information, vendor forms, and event Information, call 512-237-3282 x 2109 and see www.facebook.com/SummitSmithville

SMITHVILLE COMMUNITY-WIDE SPRING CLEAN-UP

Mark your calendars: May 21st is the date of the spring clean-up and the Summit Smithville Green Expo. This is the library's fifth year of co-sponsoring the Expo with the City, and this year we are so glad to have the Chamber of Commerce and Keep Smithville Beautiful join us to bring this event to you! We'll have speaker presentations, green vendors, and more on hand to talk about trash (and recycling, hazardous waste, etc.) and how our community is affected.

Keep Smithville Beautiful!

pARTner Stories

With help from the Smithville Junior and Senior High Schools Art students, the Smithville Public Library is now collecting *pARTner Stories*. The students will partner with a local artist and get to know their story, while we record the interviews using the StoryCorps model. These stories may be used in future classes to share experiences in the Arts and Humanities with all of our SISD students. If you are an artist, writer, performer, or active in the humanities, PLEASE come see us at the library to pARTner up and get your story out.

Featured Events Out in the Community

Spoken Word
Location: 301 Burleson
Date: 5/24/2016
Local writers read their own work at the Mary Nichols Art Center at 6:30 p.m. Bring a snack or drinks to share, if you wish. Please sign in if you wish to read or recite from your own writing. The featured writer is Cate Radebaugh, author of *Walker's Island* (available at the library).

12th Annual Fly-In
Location: Smithville Airport
Date: 5/14/2016
Come look at airplanes (new and antique), take a ride on a helicopter, have lunch, and enjoy a family fun-filled day; the candy drop is at 11:15 a.m.!

Another one of our patrons, **Ms. Catherine Lewis**, works on a jigsaw puzzle.

According to Wikipedia, jigsaw puzzles were originally made 'by painting a picture on a flat, rectangular piece of wood and then cutting that picture into small pieces with a jigsaw.'

DISPLAYS:
Entryway: Collage, Party Rentals
Desk: Native American Artifacts
Table: Honoring the Local Men and Women Who Have Died in War

E, JR, YA Reading List

Peter Pan
JR FIC BAR
Author: James M. Barrie, born May 8, 1860

Countdown
JR FIC KUR
Author: Deborah Wiles, born May 7, 1953

Oh, No!
E FIC FLE
Author: Candace Fleming, born May 24, 1962

LITTLE BOOKWORMS SCHEDULE
Every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

5/4	Cinco de mayo
5/11	Mother's Day
5/18	Musical Instrument Day
5/27	Memorial Day