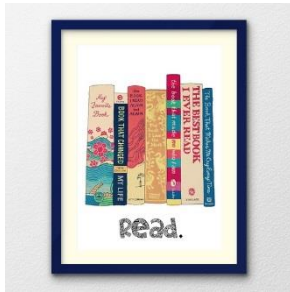


# SMITHVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

## February News



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### 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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***Make your way to the Smithville Public Library –  
We're bigger than you think!***

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## Love Is in the Air!

All kinds of love! But here at the Smithville Public Library, we are celebrating **Library Lovers' Month**. Stop by to see all the fun-loving action we have going on – you'll be glad you did!

Throughout February, the library will have various displays of books for all tastes. In addition, **beginning February 16<sup>th</sup>**, when you visit our library, you will be invited on a “blind date” with a book. You will be able to check out a paper-wrapped book from the display tables, but you won't know the identity of the book until you get it home. When you return the book you read, you will be entered to win a prize. You must be 18 years of age or older to participate, and you will be allowed to check out only one paper-wrapped book per day. We hope that our patrons will take a chance on checking out a book that they may not be familiar with or that may not be in the genre that they normally read.

Library patrons are also encouraged to let the staff know what they “love” about our library by leaving us a note with a brief comment, which will be displayed prominently in the library.

February promises to be a lot of fun, and we hope that you will make it a point to visit the library as often as you can.

**Fine Forgiveness Week** at the Smithville Public Library is February 8-12<sup>th</sup>. If you owe a book fine, you may bring nonperishable goods for the Smithville Food Pantry; and the library will waive 10 cents per ounce of goods off your fines, up to \$10 per library account. Here is a great way to pay on your fines and donate to a worthy organization.

Libraries are the heart of every community, and the Smithville Public Library is no different. You can come to our library to connect, explore, discover, and grow; to find resources for your projects; to attend special events or classes; to use our computers; to find CDs/DVDs and audio books; or simply to read in our lounge area. To make our library great, we need great people like YOU to visit us daily – we are here for you!

## TAXING TIME APPROACHING

The library has received a shipment of the 2015 1040A tax forms and instruction booklets. Throughout February, more shipments from the IRS are expected; so check in with us to see if we've got the forms and instructions you need. If we don't have a particular set of forms, we can print them out from the IRS Web site.



## FEBRUARY CLOSURES

In February, the library will be closed on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> and Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> in observance of Presidents' Day.



### SPOKEN WORD

Features a group of writers of prose, poetry, & music who read their original work on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month

**Next Meeting: Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m.**

*Mary Nichols Art Center, 301 Burlinson, Smithville*

Featured Topic: **All Facets of Love**

### Fun Facts & Special Dates...

**Character Word of the Month: JUSTICE**

**February is Black History Month, Library Lovers' Month, and Time Management Month**

*Knowledge without justice ought to be called cunning rather than wisdom.--Plato*

- 2 ★ Ground Hog Day
- 2 ★ James Joyce's birthday (read *Ulysses*)
- 7 ★ Charles Dickens' birthday (read *A Tale of Two Cities*)
- 9 ★ Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday)
- 12 ★ Abraham Lincoln's birthday; **NAACP founded**
- 14 ★ **Valentine's Day**
- 16 ★ George Washington's birthday
- 24 ★ Wilhelm Grimm's birthday (read *Grimm Fairy Tales*)
- 27 ★ John Steinbeck's birthday (read *The Grapes of Wrath*)
- 29 ★ Leap Day!

### DISPLAYS

**Entryway  
Desk  
Table**

Miss Vickie's Emporium  
African-American Literature  
"Blind Date" with a Book



### LITTLE BOOKWORMS SCHEDULE

**Every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.**

- 2/2; 2/9 Ground Hog Day; Mardi Gras
- 2/10 Valentine's Day
- 2/17 Presidents' Day
- 2/24 Endangered Animals Day (snail theme)