

NOVEMBER

2023



NEWSLETTER



NATIONAL NOVEL WRITING MONTH

November 1st-30th:

Visit us for
open writing hours,
snacks, & giveaway!

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FAMILY READING NIGHT MONTH

November 1st-30th:

Celebrate Family
Reading & enter our
giveaway!

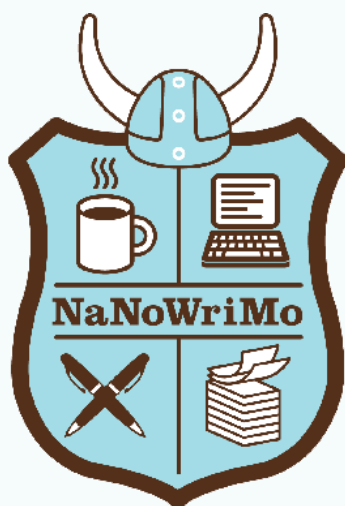
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Closed Saturday, November 11th for Veterans Day
and Thursday, November 23rd for Thanksgiving!





NATIONAL NOVEL WRITING MONTH!



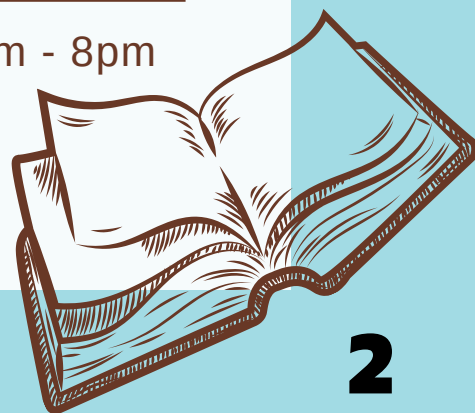
NOVEMBER 1ST-30TH

HELP US CELEBRATE!

In honor of National Novel Writing Month the library will have open writing hours, with free snacks. Enter your name in a drawing each time you come and write for a chance to win a gift basket!

**WRITING
HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday: 9am - 8pm
Friday: 9am - 6pm
Saturday: 9am - 5 pm
Sunday: **Closed**





Smithton Public Library District cardholders:

Check out items with your family (2+ people present) and enter to win a \$25 Amazon gift card.

Event running November 1 to 30, 2023.

One entry per family per day.

Visit us often and check out items to be entered to win!

A winner will be randomly drawn on Monday, December 4, 2023.

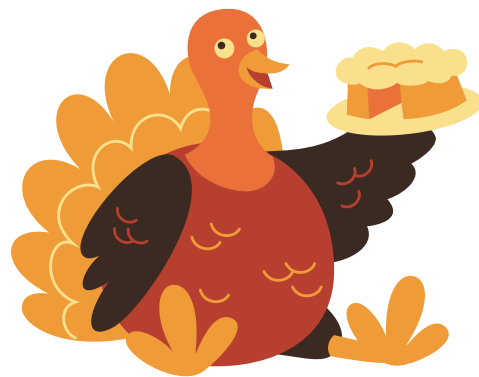
Tiny Art Canvas Pick-Up



If you participated in our
"Patron Tiny Art Show"
come by any
business day between
November 1st-17th
to pick up your canvas!

STORY TIME

TALKING TURKEY



Thursdays, 10 AM (registration NOT required)

Theme: "Talking Turkey!"

Join us for stories all about Thanksgiving!

Story Time is geared for ages 3-8. It is free and open to the public. Children must be under parent/guardian/caretaker supervision at all times during Library events.

Questions? Call us at 618-233-8057

Dates: November 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 30th

***No Story Time on November 23rd**

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS SATURDAYS

Join us for FREE 2-hour long
custom-brewed beginner games
designed for ages 8+.

Register 4-6 players as a party.
Ask questions of Gamemaster Cinda.
Come play with us at the library!

**Saturdays-
November 4th & 18th
10am - 12pm OR 2pm - 4pm**

Call 618-233-8057 to register.



Movies @ the Library!



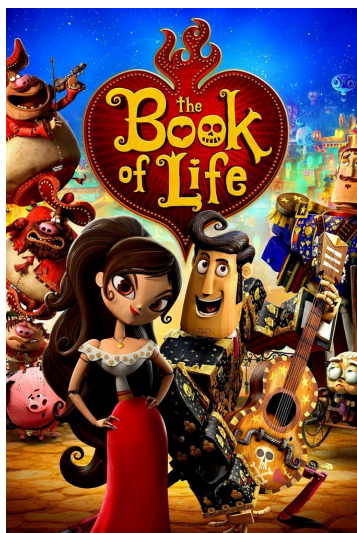
Elemental (2023)

Run time: 101 min

Rated G

Wednesday, November 8th

@ 2:30 pm



Book of Life (2014)

Run time: 95 min

Rated PG

Friday, November 17th

@ 3:15 pm

Spots are limited!

Pre-Register by calling the library: 618-233-8057

Children under 10 years old

must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Light refreshments will be provided.



Mobile Hotspots

We have **SEVEN (7)** Mobile Internet Hotspots that Smithton PLD patrons (ages 18+) can check out!

The hotspots run on the T-Mobile® network.

Hotspots check out for 2 weeks - reserve one for your next vacation or family road trip to have dependable wi-fi on-the-go! Please note that holds can be placed on the Hotspot, but no specific date can be guaranteed

Call the library at 618-233-8057 to reserve one today.

Note: As a courtesy to other library patrons, please CALL US if you have a hotspot on hold, but no longer need it.

There is a lengthy waiting list, and we appreciate your consideration for your fellow patrons!



**Our newest items.
Emailed weekly.
Sign up today!**



Wowbrary
The Newest Stuff at Your Library


Smithton Public Library

<https://wowbrary.org/signup.aspx?l=6073>

SCHOLASTIC Teachables

Printables, Lessons, Mini-Books, and More!

Scholastic Teachables is completely delivered over the internet and provides unlimited remote access to the highest quality content and the most effective instructional tools to support your students Pre-K-Grade 6.

Use your library card # to log in.

Click here to access Scholastic Teachables with your Smithton Public Library District barcode:

<https://digital.scholastic.com/site/launch/tcb?ucn=600029343>

New Streaming Video Service



The Library is excited to offer a new streaming video service for our patrons, called Biblio+.

You can access this service on your browser, by creating an account.

Visit <https://biblioplus.com/register?lid=smithtonpl.org> to get started.

You will need your library card barcode and password.

You can also download the Biblio+ App from your favorite app store.

Wireless Printing

You can now print from your home computer, smart phone or tablet!

Check out www.smithtonpl.org/wirelessprinting today.

Want to email something to print?

Email an attachment

- Black & White [SINGLE sided], \$0.15 per page:
smipbw@printspots.com
- Color [SINGLE sided], \$0.50 per page:
smipcl@printspots.com
- Black & White [DOUBLE sided], \$0.20 per page:
smipbwds@printspots.com
- Color [DOUBLE sided], \$0.75 per page:
smipclds@printspots.com



Scan me!





The CloudLibrary is a platform that you can use to borrow digital content -- ebooks and eaudiobooks. This platform is one-copy, one-user, which means that each title checks out like a physical library book would. Smithton PLD patrons may place up to 5 holds at once, and have 5 items checked out per card.

The titles offered on the CloudLibrary are ones you'd expect to be on our new shelf -- they include more recent, popular authors.

Check out your favorite app store to download the CloudLibrary app.

Choose "Illinois Heartland Library System" when prompted to select a library.

Questions? Call us! We're happy to help. (618) 233-8057



We also offer another digital econtent platform called Hoopla®.

This platform is simultaneous use -- meaning what you see in the catalog is available instantly to download! There are ebooks, eaudiobooks, movies, TV shows, comics and even magazines!

Check out the details on page 12.



Friends of the Smithton Public Library District

Interested in joining
a local community organization
that supports the library?

Join the Friends of the Smithton Public Library District today!

For more information, please visit
www.smithtonpl.org/friends

Friends' Book Club

The Friends of the Library Book Club meets on the third
Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in various places.

They read mainly contemporary fiction.

For more information about the Friends of the Library Book
Club, please call the Library at 618-233-8057.



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We're excited to offer Hoopla® to our patrons!

Download books, music, movies, audiobooks and now magazines with Hoopla Digital and your library card.

Content includes both adult's and children's titles.

These titles are all simultaneous use —so there's no waiting for the item you want!

Visit the link, below, to create an account.

<https://www.hoopladigital.com>

You will create a username (your email address) and password for Hoopla®. Hoopla® will then ask you to verify your library ZIP code, barcode, and library-assigned password.

Patrons will be able to borrow 5 items (called "borrows") per card, per month.

Have questions? Call us--we're happy to help! (618) 233-8057

Check out our step-by-step video to get started with Hoopla®:

<https://bit.ly/3zD6sVL>



Newsbank Newspapers

Explore and stay informed on local and national topics, people and events in areas such as business, health, education, jobs and careers, political and social issues and more.

Features a wide variety of credible, vetted news sources spanning the U.S., including Belleville News Democrat, St. Louis Post Dispatch and USA Today.

Available remotely 24/7 on any device.

Visit the link below to access newspapers from across the nation.

<http://infoweb.newsbank.com/signin/SmithtonPublicLibrary/NEWSBANK>

You will need your Smithton Public Library District library card number to access this database.

Call us with any questions! (618) 233-8057



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Our staff recommendations blog is about any theme we can think of – our favorite books, audiobooks, music, and movies.

Check back often: www.smithtonpl.org/blog

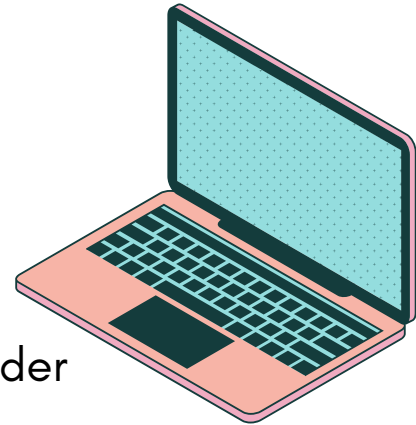


Book-A-Librarian

Did you know that you can "Book A Librarian" for an hour-long session to help you with any technology issue you may have?

Staff can help you:

- learn to use a computer
- create an email account
- use a smart phone
- use a tablet
- set up or download a book to your e-reader
- use our online resources
- use our online card catalog to order items from home



Call us at 618-233-8057 to set up an appointment with one of our knowledgeable staff members!

Notary Services

By appointment only, Monday – Friday.
Call us at 618-233-8057 to set up an appointment.





1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Parents whose children are not yet in Kindergarten can sign up for our "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" program.

You will receive a folder with a paper log to record the books you read to your child. Every time you read a book (no matter if it's the 20th time you've read it) -- it counts!

When you visit the library after every 100 books, your child will get a sticker to keep and one to put on our bulletin board. Your child will also receive a necklace and tag for every 100 books!

After 500 books, your child will receive a small gift. After reading 1000 books, your child will receive a t-shirt, a certificate, and book. His or her picture and name will even be printed in the newspaper!

Visit the library to sign up today!



Request Items Online

You can request items online from over 400+ libraries in our library system. You can also renew items or simply see which items you have checked out on your card.

You will need your library card number and password to log in to the online card catalog.

This service is FREE!

Questions? Forgot your password? Call us! We're happy to help.

Visit our online card catalog: smip.illshareit.com

SHARE Mobile App

We also have a mobile app!

Search for "SHARE Mobile Library" in your favorite app store!



SHARE
SHARING HEARTLAND'S AVAILABLE
RESOURCES EQUALLY

Board of Trustees Meetings

The Smithton Public Library District Board of Trustees meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 pm, except for December and July.

The public is welcome to attend these meetings.

The Board discusses budget, policy, events, fundraising, ordinances and anything else that makes the library run efficiently.

Homebound Outreach Program



The library now has a homebound delivery program for Smithton PLD resident cardholders!

Pick up more information and an application at the library, or visit us online at www.smithtonpl.org/libraryservices/hop

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