

OCTOBER 2023



NEWSLETTER

LIBRARY CRAWL

October 1st-31st:

Visit libraries all across
central and southern
Illinois. Pick up a
passport today!

Details on pg 4.

FALL FESTIVAL

Tuesday, October 17th:

Bring your family & friends
for a night of fun!
Bingo, Photo Booth,
Snacks, & More.

Registration required.

Details on pg 3.

TAKE & MAKE CRAFTS

Visit anytime during October for
Fall & Halloween themed crafts!
New crafts every week! One
per child, while supplies last.

**Visit us on
HALLOWEEN!
TRICK-OR-TREAT
at the Library!**

Designer PURSE BINGO

*FRIENDS OF SMITHTON
PUBLIC LIBRARY*

BELLEVEGAS BINGO HALL

Sunday, Oct 8 2023

517 S. Illinois St, Belleville, IL

Doors @ 1pm

Bingo @ 2pm

TICKET SALES AT
GLO-BINGO.COM/EVENTS
(\$2/TICKET NON-REFUNDABLE FEE)
CASSY 618-304-4173
TAMMY 618-920-0137



*\$35 In Advance \$40 At The Door
MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO ATTEND*

**Includes 6 bingo cards for 10 games and Dauber
(\$5 per additional 6 cards)**

CASH BAR - BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS - 50/50

FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 | 6-7:30 PM

St. John's Munier Center

10 S Lincoln, Smithton IL 62285

- CALL THE LIBRARY TO REGISTER!

618-233-8057



for books

**from
6-7pm**



Bring your family and friends for a night of fun! The winner in each game will get to pick a book to take home. The Friends of the Smithton PLD donated all of the awesome book prizes.



and



**from
6-7:30 pm**

Souper Photography Photo Booth will be available. Fun props will be provided. Take home a FREE printed photo!

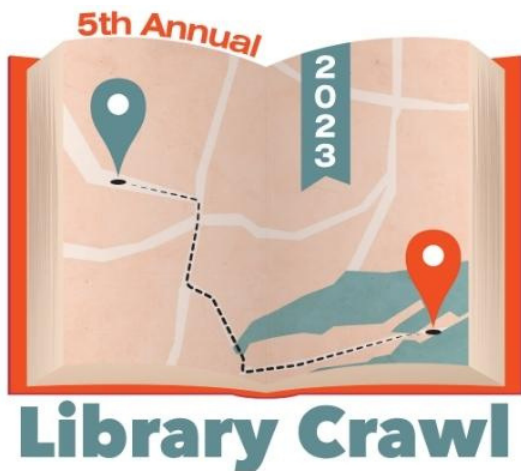
Each child may also create his or her own harvest snack mix. Adult help required.



Costumes encouraged!

Kids will receive a goodie bag! | REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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October 1st - 31st

It's easy to join in!

- Pick up the official passport at your home library.
- Travel around central and southern Illinois visiting participating public libraries.
 - Go to each library's circulation desk to get your passport stamped.
 - Visit 5 or more libraries in October to complete the Library Crawl.
- Discover all the many library collections your library card gives you access to.
 - Did you know you can check out items at other libraries and return them to your home library? The statewide courier service makes this possible.
- Return your stamped passport to your home library and share your adventures!

More info: <https://www.smithtonpl.org/2023-library-crawl>



If you are a Smithton Public Library District cardholder, visit at least 5 libraries to get your passport stamped. Turn your passport into the Smithton Public Library before Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 8 pm to be entered into a drawing for a fun basket of goodies. A winner will be randomly drawn on Monday, November 13, 2023.



SMITHTON PLD PATRON TINY ART SHOW

Come join us anytime
from October 1st-31st
to enjoy our bulletin board
display of the
artistic talents of our
Smithton library patrons!

STORY TIME

SPOOKTACULAR!



Thursdays, 10 AM (registration NOT required)

Theme: "Spooktacular!"

Join us for stories all about Halloween!

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: October 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th



OCTOBER IS SPACE CRAZY! COUNTDOWN DAY

SATURDAY, OCT. 7th @ 2-4pm

Register to create crafts for 5 years and older. Visit the library for an introduction to eclipses. Pick up your **FREE solar safety glasses** as supplies last. Make a paper protective case for your new solar safety glasses. Craft a UV-sensitive beaded bracelet. Call/Register for the astronaut costume contest on 10/14 (618-233-8057).



ECLIPSE DAY

SATURDAY, OCT. 14th @ 11am

Pick up your **FREE solar safety glasses** before the passing of the moon, if you haven't already. Join us for our astronaut costume contest at 11 am with the prize being awarded at 11:30 am by the voting library staff. Participants will be divided into groups based on age: 0-9, 10-17 and 18 and up. Our categories for each age group include Most Professional, Most Outrageous, and Most Beautiful. Stay for the annular eclipse happening at **11:58 am.**

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-
Oct 7th: 10am - 12pm
Oct 21st: 10am - 12pm OR 2pm - 4pm

Call 618-233-8057 to register.



Movies & Crafts @ the Library!



Monsters University (2013)

Run time: 107 min

Rated G

Wednesday, October 11th

@ 2:30 pm



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Hocus Pocus (1993)

Run time: 96 min

Rated PG

Friday, October 20th

@ 3:15 pm



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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

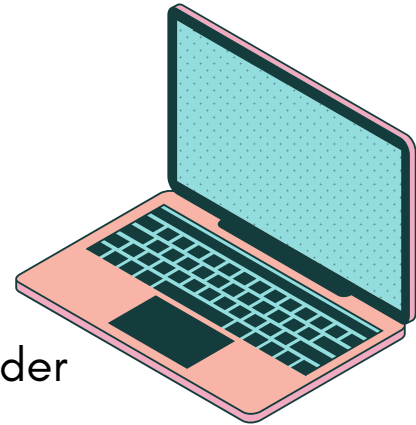


Book-A-Librarian

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:

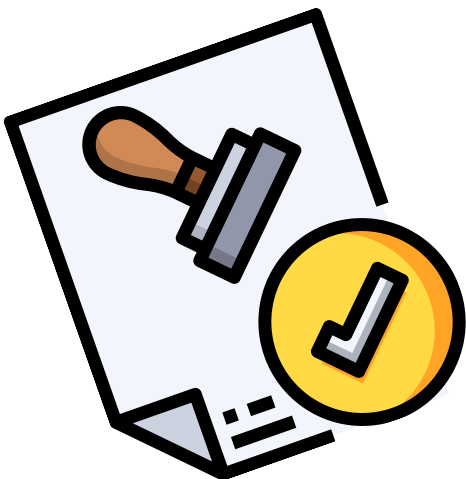
- learn to use a computer
- create an email account
- use a smart phone
- use a tablet
- set up or download a book to your e-reader
- use our online resources
- use our online card catalog to order items from home



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!



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SHARING HEARTLAND'S AVAILABLE
RESOURCES EQUALLY

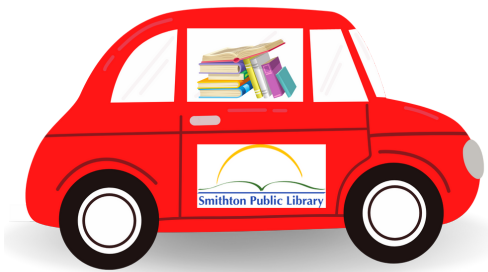
Board of Trustees Meetings

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

Smithton Public Library District
109 S Main St
Smithton, IL 62285
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Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 9 AM – 8 PM
Friday: 9 AM – 6 PM
Saturday: 9 AM – 5 PM
Sunday: CLOSED