



May 2024 NEWSLETTER



Teen Book Club:

**Friday,
May 10th
@ 3:30**

This month only, Teen Book Club! This month will be "The Name of this Book is a Secret" by Pseudonymous Bosch!
Details on pg 2.



Watermelon Craft Night!

**Thursday, May 23rd
OR
Tuesday, May 28th
@ 5:30 PM**

Join us for a fun summer themed craft with Lavender Mountain Designs!
Details on pg 3.



Seed Library

Come check out our seeds to grow your home garden!
Details on pg 4.

Teens Book Club

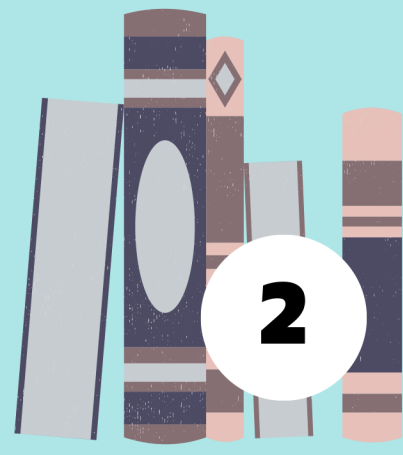
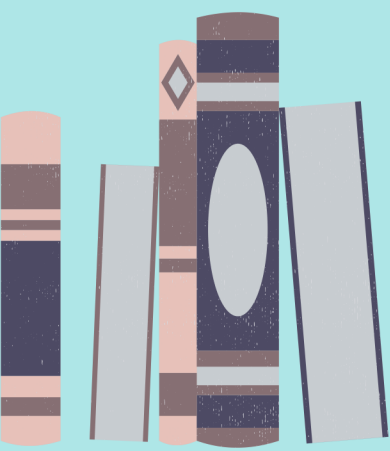
When: Friday, May 10 at 3:30pm

**Where: Smithton Public Library
109 S Main St, Smithton, IL 62285**

Book: “The Name of This Book is Secret ” by Pseudonymous Bosch

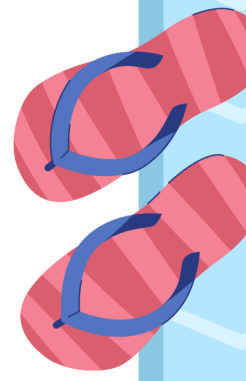

**Led by Lillian Skaer
sponsored by the
Smithton Public Library**

**Please call the library at 618-233-8057 to pre-register
& reserve a copy of the book!**





Watermelon Craft Night!



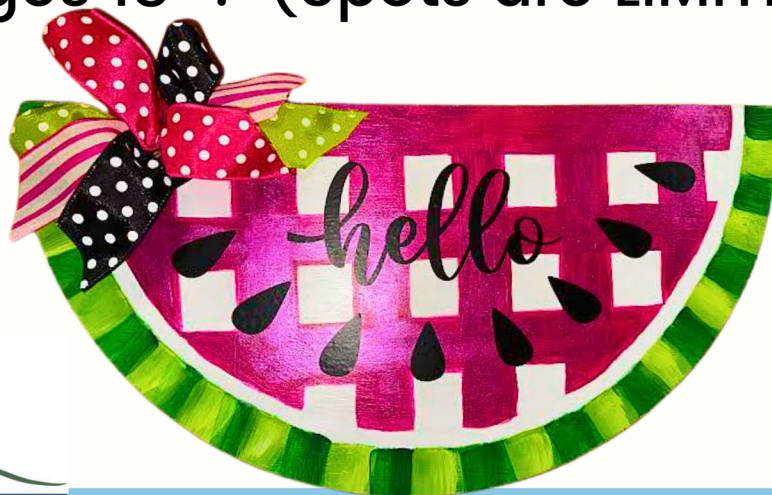
**2 SESSIONS:
THURSDAY, MAY 23RD
OR
TUESDAY, MAY 28TH
@ 5:30 PM**

Join us for a fun craft night!

Cost: \$15 (cash/check only),

You must visit the library and pay to
reserve your spot!

Ages 18+. (Spots are LIMITED!)





SEED LIBRARY

Come check out some seeds to grow your home garden!

- Supplies are limited to **three** packets per household
- No library card is required for check out

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL

(618) 233 - 8057

SUMMER READING PROGRAM



★ Treasure ★
Your Library

COMING MAY 28TH!



**FRIDAY
MAY 10, 2024
3:30 PM**



**Smithton Public Library
109 S MAIN ST
@ SMITHTON IL
62285**

teen advisory group meeting

goals



HAVE FUN!

**HELP US SELECT LIBRARY MATERIALS
& CREATE PROGRAMS THAT YOU WANT!**

LOCAL TEENS AGES 12-18 ARE WELCOME.

SNACKS & WATER PROVIDED.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING!

EMAIL SMITHTONPL@SMITHTONPL.ORG OR CALL 618-233-8057

Smithton StoryWalk®



**Have you visited the lake at
Smithton Community Park lately?
Check out our NEW StoryWalk®!**

**Interested in learning more about our
sponsorship program,
where you can sponsor
the StoryWalk® for a month?**

**Visit
www.smithtonpl.org/smithtonstorywalk
for details.**

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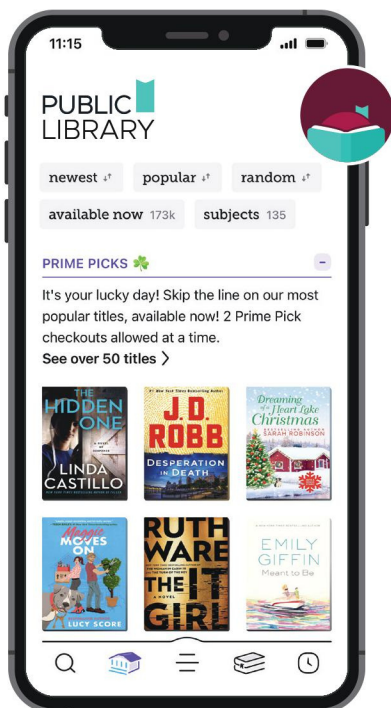
The library reading app

NEW!

You can also use Libby to download ebooks to your Kindle!



Discover new reads on Libby, the free app from your local library that allows you to borrow ebooks, audiobooks & more on your phone or tablet.



Why you'll love Libby:

- Quick and easy setup! Just follow the prompts to start reading
- A unified bookshelf for all your loans and holds
- Unlimited custom tags to categorize books however you'd like
- Push notifications so you never miss a thing, including available holds
- Easily find the next book in a series
- Pin filters to only see the content you like
- More ways to listen on the go with Apple CarPlay and Android Auto

Visit overdrive.com/libby to get started with Libby today!



Librarian approved!
iOS app user review



Very intuitive and easy to use.
App Store review



This app is life changing.
App Store review



STORY TIME

Community Voices



Thursdays, 10 AM (registration NOT required)

Theme: "Community Voices"

Join us for stories all about
our Hometown Heroes!

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: May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS SATURDAYS

Run your own game here or ask for Gamemaster Cinda to run something for your group "by appointment".

The Smithton Public Library keeps the core rulebooks on hand. Use them to prepare your game or build characters.

**TWO NEW
scenarios!**



**Call
233-8057
to register
or ask
questions.**

FREE

Movies @ the Library!



Title: Freaky Friday (2003)

Run time: 97min

Rated PG

Wednesday, May 15th @ 2:30



Title: Brave (2012)

Run time: 93 min

Rated: PG

Wednesday, May 29th @ 2:30

Spots are limited!

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

**Children under 10 years old
must be under adult parent/guardian supervision
at all times at Library events.**

Light refreshments will be provided.



Explore More Illinois allows cardholders from participating RAILS and IHLS public libraries to reserve free and discounted admission, parking, and gift store purchases from cultural and recreational attractions in Illinois, including museums, cultural centers, zoos, aquariums, gardens, historical societies, park districts, and more. (from exploremoreillinois.org)

Log in to Explore More Illinois with your Smithton Public Library District barcode and PIN to access discounts!

<https://www.smithtonpl.org/exploremoreillinois/>





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 often a waiting list, and we appreciate your consideration for your fellow patrons!



**Our newest items.
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Wowbrary
The Newest Stuff at Your Library


Smithton Public Library

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

SCHOLASTIC Teachables

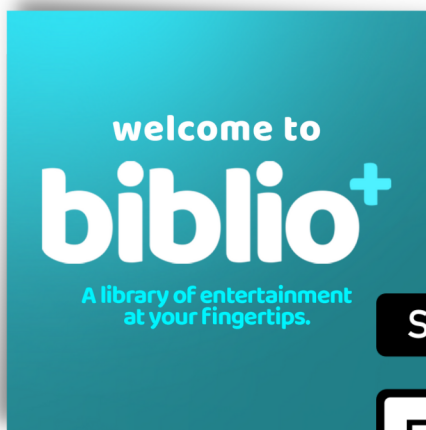
Printables, Lessons, Mini-Books, and More!

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.

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 16.



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



SHARE
Mobile Library

Now Available in the

 App Store  Play Store

A promotional banner for the SHARE Mobile Library app. On the left, a hand is shown holding a black smartphone. The background is a light blue gradient. The logo for SHARE Mobile Library is in the center, featuring a stylized purple and white book icon. Below the logo, the text "SHARE" is in large purple letters, and "Mobile Library" is in a smaller, black, cursive font. At the bottom, it says "Now Available in the" followed by the App Store and Play Store logos and names.

Book-A-Librarian



We can assist with topics such as:

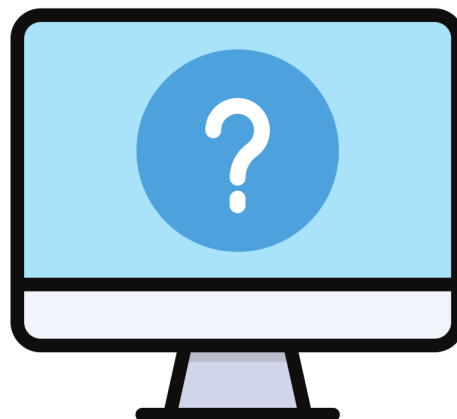
- Computer, mobile device, internet and email basics
- eBooks, e-audiobooks, music, digital library materials (Hoopla, Cloud Library, Libby, & Biblio+)
- Using the Library's online catalog or mobile app
- Using databases such as:
 - Scholastic Teachables (Printable Worksheets)
 - Newsbank Newspapers (Digital Newspapers)



We are unable to help with:

- We do not provide medical, legal, tax, or business advice or opinions.
- We cannot assist with credit card transactions.
- We cannot type or proofread your documents.
- We do not offer technical support or troubleshooting except when it relates to library resources.

Visit or call us with any questions! (618) 233-8057





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