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# NEWSLETTER July 2021

#### SMITHTON SUMMER SOCIAL EVENT

Join us for some fun in the sun!

We'll have a family basket of goodies to give away. Make some GIANT bubbles and play GIANT yard games, too!

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Summer Reading Program Registration for ages 0-100+ in progress. Stop by the library to sign up!

### SMITHTON SUMMER SOCIAL EVENT



When: July 24, 2021 from 1pm - 4 pm

Where: Smithton Public Library Side Yard



Stop by to enter our drawing for this fantastic family basket.

Join us for some fun in the sun! Participants can enter to win a basket of goodies for outdoor summer fun. We'll also have superhero crafts (mask and cape) for the kids to make on-site or take-and-make, while supplies last. Make some GIANT bubbles and play GIANT yard games, too!

# "Reading COLORS Your World"

- Join us for the Smithton Public Library District's 2021 Summer Reading Program!
- The SRP is fun way to earn prizes for reading & recording titles in your reading log.
- Summer Reading Program registration begins on Monday, May 17, 2021. You must visit the library to register and pick up your Summer Reading Program folder. The last day to turn in all logs is July 31st at 4 PM.
- You must turn in at least ONE log by July 15th to receive a ticket to the Reward Party. There will be food and entertainment provided!

#### Prizes for Ages 0-11 Years Old

1st Log Rainbow Surprise Goodie Bag + Ticket to Reward Party!

2nd Log A Book!

3rd Log + Your Name On Our LED Sign!

#### Prizes for Ages 12+

1st Log Ticket to Reward Party + \$5 gift card of your choice to Amazon, Coffee Mill Diner, Target, or Walton's!

2nd Log \$5 gift card of your choice to 3rd Log Amazon, Coffee Mill Diner, Target, or Walton's!

#### Outdoor Story Times

#### Dates:

June 3rd, June 10th, June 17th, June 24th, July 1st, July 15th

\*Registration is required.



#### Join us for a story and a craft!\*

Story times will take place at the Smithton Park Pavilion #1 nearest to the Memorial Drive Entrance from **10 AM to 11 AM**.

### VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE LIBRARY CARD DESIGN!

### We're updating our library cards!





• Visit

www.smithtonpl.org/vote by August 31 at 11:59 pm to vote for your favorite library card design!

See other designs & VOTE on our website: www.smithtonpl.org/vote Smithton PLD Cardholders, ONLY.

#### **STRATEGIC PLANNING SURVERY**

We want your input. We're putting together a Strategic Plan and need community feedback. Completed surveys will be entered to win a \$25 Amazon gift card.

Stop by the library to fill out a physical form or fill out the survey online at www.smithtonpl.org/survey

Deadline: August 31, 2021 at 11:59 pm



Hip-Hop, don't stop, Get Down, don't frown, Jump-Bump, don't thump, Stamp-Stomp . . . well, can you tell we're getting "jazzed up" about our August "Dance Party" Outdoor Story Times? Join us for a bebopping-no-stopping good time. We'll have a few stories, LOTS of music, and some dance-related crafts. Join us every Thursday at 10 AM during the month of August.

#### Dates:

August 6th, August 13th, August 20th, and August 27th

Story Times are free, but YOU MUST PREREGISTER by calling 618-233-8057. Slots are limited.

Children must be under adult supervision at all times.

Story Times are geared for ages 3-8.



### **MOBILE HOTSPOTS**

We have FIVE (5) Mobile Internet Hotspots that Smithton PLD patrons (ages 18+) can check out! The hotspots run on the Sprint/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!

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



### **ONLINE DATABASES**

Do you know that you have access to a wealth of databases? You can find help for your car, find tools for tests and career prep, or research genealogy.

To see all of the Online Databases that you have access to, please visit: <u>https://www.galepages.com/smithtonpl</u>

Please call the library at 618-233-8057 if you are having problems logging in.



## CLOUDLIBRARY

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

### **REQUEST ITEMS ONLINE**

You can request items online from over 400+ libraries in our library system. You will need your library card number and password to log in to the online card catalog. This service is FREE! Questions? Call us!

Visit our online card catalog: <u>smip.illshareit.com</u>



We're excited to offer Hoopla to our patrons!

#### Download books, music, movies, and audiobooks 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



#### Newsbank Newspaper Database

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

https://infoweb.newsbank.com/apps/news/easy-search?p=NewsBank

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

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

### PAGE TURNER'S BOOK CLUB

The Smithton Page Turners Book Club meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at the library. They read books from a variety of genres.

Our first meeting will be on September 7th.

For more information about the Smithton Page Turners Book Club, including the 2021/2022 book picks, please visit:

https://www.smithtonpl.org/wpcontent/uploads/2021/03/book-club-brochure-2021-2022.pdf

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### 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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### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### NEW for 2021! We have a blog!

It's full of staff recommendations about any theme we can think of - our favorite books, audiobooks, music, and movies.

Each staff member will post her recommendations throughout the year. The responses will be categorized by staff member and audience.

Check back often to see recommendations: <u>www.smithtonpl.org/blog</u>



Logo used with permission from the 1000 Books Foundation. Did you read that book for the 1000th time? Sign up & get rewarded. Click here for more info.

### 1,000 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 finger puppet. After reading 1,000 books, your child will receive a t-shirt, a certificate, and his/her picture and name in the newspaper!

Visit the library to sign up today!



Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
require library	ins ation is ed. Call the to register 8) 233-8057.			] SRP Story Time 10:00 AM*	2	3
4 411	5 Independence Day (observed)	6	7	8 NO Story Time	9	10
11	12	13	14	SRP Story Time 10:00 15 AM* Last day to earn an invite/RSVP to the Reward Party	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 SRP Reward Party* Board Mtg. 7 PM	23	24 Smithton Social Event 1-4pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 LAST DAY TO TURN IN ANY READING LOGS BY 4pm

Summer Reading is happening all month long! Stop by at the library to sign up.



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

