



## NATIONAL BOOK LOVERS DAY 8/9/22



Celebrate during the **WHOLE** month of August!

1. Visit the Smithton Public Library District to pick up a few titles in whatever format you want -- book, audiobook, e-book or e-audiobook
2. Invite your friends who live in-district to stop in and sign up for their own library cards
3. Check out our book clubs to see if you're interested in joining - we'd love to have you! (page 11)
4. Share your favorite book on our interactive bulletin board (all month long at the library)

## PARACHUTE STORY TIMES

Kids ages 3 - 8! Join us in August for Parachute Story times! Music and movement, games, too! **SPOTS FOR THESE STORY TIMES ARE LIMITED, SO YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER.** Thursdays, at 10 am, beginning August 11.

You can stop in to register or call us at 618-233-8057.

Children under 10 years of age must be under the direct supervision of an adult at all times.

Program sites are accessible.

With at least two weeks' notice, accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities.

Call 618-233-8057.

# DIRECTOR'S NOTE

We have so many **NEW** things to share with you!

We have a new **JOB SEEKER'S webpage**. It's full of databases that will teach you how to prepare for an interview, polish your resume, write a cover letter, and more! We're also offering wireless printing - print from anywhere, even your phone, to our printer. See page 3 for more details.

We officially launched our **Homebound Outreach Program** and we can't wait to serve you. Register at the library to get items delivered to your front door. Must be a SPLD resident cardholder to use this service.

Contact Cinda at [cleech@smithtonpl.org](mailto:cleech@smithtonpl.org) or call 618-233-8057 for more details. [See page 20.]

Did you know that we now have a **MOBILE APP**? Look for the "SHARE Mobile Library" to have the card catalog, databases and more right at your fingertips!

Please call the library (618-233-8057) with questions about any of these offerings.

Happy reading!



**Smithton Public Library**  
**JOB SEEKERS' WEBSITE**

Explore these databases at [www.smithtonpl.org/jobseekers](http://www.smithtonpl.org/jobseekers) to help you browse newspapers for jobs, craft your resume and cover letter, and brush up on your technology skills. **FREE with your library card!**

- Newsbank Newspapers**  
Search local (and national) newspapers for your next job. View image editions (PDFs) of the printed newspaper for the Belleville News Democrat and the St. Louis Post Dispatch.
- EBSCO LearningExpress® Solutions**  
EBSCO's LearningExpress Workforce Solutions shows you how to create the perfect resume. It prepares you for the job search.
- LinkedIn Learning**  
Learning and growing at work (and in life!) is a journey and life-long process. LinkedIn Learning is an award-winning industry leader in online training, with a digital library of over 6,000 courses covering a wide range of technical, business, software, and other creative topics.
- Wireless Printing**  
Print a document from home, or even your email, directly to the library printers. Now's the time to print out that ideal "help wanted" notice, your resume or any other job-related document. Please note that you must visit the library in person or use curbside service to pick up your document. Regular copy charges apply. Please note that the first 10 copies per person, per day for job search or school are free. Printing requests are stored for 3 days, and then automatically deleted, so please pick up your copies promptly.

**SCAN ME**

[www.smithtonpl.org/jobseekers](http://www.smithtonpl.org/jobseekers)

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**Homebound Outreach Program**  
A FREE Smithton Public Library District Service



**SHARE Mobile Library**  
The card catalog is now available in an app!  
Download it from your favorite app store today.

# JOB SEEKERS WEBSITE

Are you looking for a job, but need some guidance on how to craft the perfect resume? cover letter?

Need to brush up on your technology skills through LinkedIn Learning?

Want to print documents from your email or your home computer to the library's printer with a few simple clicks?

Check out our BRAND NEW Job Seeker's website.

[www.smithtonpl.org/jobseekers](http://www.smithtonpl.org/jobseekers)

## WIRELESS PRINTING

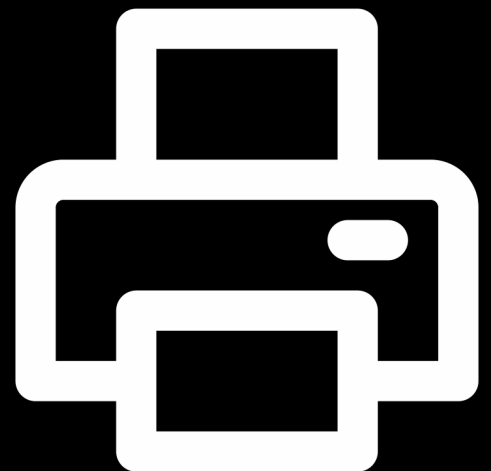
You can now print from your home computer, smart phone or tablet!

Check out [www.smithtonpl.org/wirelessprinting](http://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](mailto:smipbw@printspots.com)**
- Color [SINGLE sided], \$0.50 per page:  
**[smipcl@printspots.com](mailto:smipcl@printspots.com)**
- Black & White [DOUBLE sided], \$0.20 per page:  
**[smipbwd@printspots.com](mailto:smipbwd@printspots.com)**
- Color [DOUBLE sided], \$0.75 per page:  
**[smipcld@printspots.com](mailto:smipcld@printspots.com)**



The background of the page is white with numerous overlapping circles in various colors including light blue, light green, light orange, and light pink. The circles are of different sizes and are scattered across the entire page, creating a playful, bubbly effect.

# **THE NEW JOB SEEKERS WEBSITE & WIRELESS PRINTING ARE MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH A GRANT.**

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SMITHTON  
ILLINOIS  
ESTABLISHED 1850

### Smithton is Our Home

For over 150 years, people have been moving here, building homes, and raising families, making Smithton the strong community it is . . .

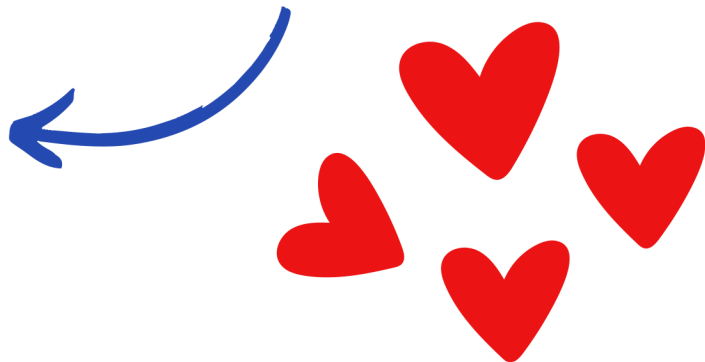
Some corners of this planet are good places to live, and this is truly one of them.

Living in a small town is a special experience. You do not just have neighbors across the backyard or over the street. The whole town is your neighbor. We carry Smithton inside of us all, wherever we may go. The same sense of community that gave strength to the pioneers who hacked a village out of the forest in the middle 1800s still gives strength to us today. We become a part of Smithton's history through participation in our churches, schools, organizations and the various locally elected governmental boards.

Our community is built on the people who live here, and through the years one thing remains true: we are Smithton, and Smithton is all of us.

-William F. Weber  
Preface. *Smithton Sesquicentennial 1850-2000*

# NEW WALL ART



# SMITHTON MURAL

Stop in the library to see the new  
mural  
painted by local artist,  
Brent Alexander!  
He completed it  
in only one and a half days.



# SPOTLIGHT ON: LINKEDIN LEARNING

Learning and growth at work (and in life!) is a journey and life-long process. The Smithton Public Library is committed to your professional and personal development and is now proud to offer LinkedIn Learning to our patrons!

LinkedIn Learning is an award-winning industry leader in online training, with a digital library of over 6,000 courses covering a wide range of technical, business, software and creative topics.

Questions? Call us at 618-233-8057.

Get started here:

<https://www.linkedin.com/learning-login/go/smithtonpl>

## DO YOU HAVE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS?

Do you ever wish we'd just add books by your favorite author to the collection already? Let us know!

We're open to suggestions about the books we purchase for our collection.

email: [smithtonpl@smithtonpl.org](mailto:smithtonpl@smithtonpl.org)  
call: 618-233-8057





# MOVIE AT THE LIBRARY!



Ferdinand (2017)

Run time: 106 minutes, Rated PG

Friday, August 26 @ 3:15 pm

After Ferdinand, a bull with a big heart, is mistaken for a dangerous beast, he is captured and torn from his home. Determined to return to his family, he rallies a misfit team on the ultimate adventure.

**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 FIVE (5) 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!

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 of your fellow patrons!

## NEW INTERACTIVE BULLETIN BOARD

We are celebrating National Book Lovers Day the whole month of August. Stop by the library and write your favorite book(s)' titles on hearts on our bulletin board. Get recommendations from others' answers and pick up a book or two to enjoy!



# CLOUDLIBRARY

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, 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.

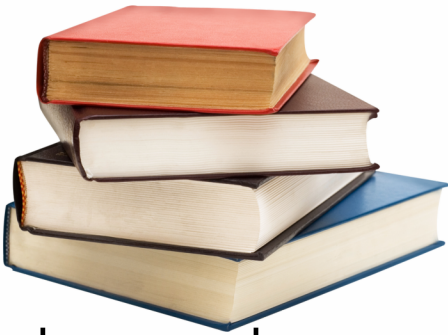
Questions? Call us! We're happy to help.  
(618) 233-8057



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.





# **PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB**

The Smithton Page Turners Book Club meets monthly at the library. They read books from a variety of genres.

If you'd like to join, please contact Linda at the library at [lhille@smithtonpl.org](mailto:lhille@smithtonpl.org) or 618-233-8057.

# **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.





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>

# CHECK OUT OUR CHESS SET

Did you know you can check out a giant chess set to play at the library with your valid Smithton PLD Library Card?

There are certain requirements, visit or call the library for more information!



# CHECK OUT OUR FISHING POLES

You can use your Smithton PLD library card to check out fishing poles.

There are certain requirements, visit or call the library for more information!



# NOW CIRCULATING JIGSAW PUZZLES

The library has a new jigsaw puzzle collection.  
Puzzles range from 100 to 1000 pieces!

Stop in to check out our puzzles today --  
they're located by the audiobooks, near the front windows.



Search the  
**ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH**  
Collection

Search the  
**BND BELLEVILLE NEWS-DEMOCRAT**  
Collection

Search the  
 **USA  
TODAY**  
Collection

NewsBank<sup>inc.</sup>



# 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





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](http://www.smithtonpl.org/blog)

An advertisement for the 'SHARE Mobile Library' app. On the left, a close-up shows a person's hand holding a black smartphone. The background is split: the left side is a solid blue, and the right side is a lighter blue. In the center-right, there is a logo consisting of a stylized open book with purple and white pages. To the right of the logo, the word 'SHARE' is in large, bold, purple capital letters, and 'Mobile Library' is in a smaller, black, cursive script. Below this, the text 'Now Available in the' is in purple. At the bottom, there are two icons: the Apple App Store logo followed by 'App Store' and the Google Play Store logo followed by 'Play Store'.

# BOOK A LIBRARIAN

Did you know that you can "Book A Librarian" for an hour 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 new smart phone
- use a new tablet
- set up or download a book to your new 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!





# 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 finger puppet. After reading 1000 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!





# 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](http://smip.illshareit.com)

We also have a mobile app!  
Search for "SHARE Mobile Library" in your favorite app store!



The card catalog is now available in an app!

Download it from your favorite app store today.



## **PATRON APPRECIATION WEEK GIVEAWAYS HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER**

Mark your calendars --  
September 19-23, 2022 is Patron Appreciation Week!

We love our patrons and want to show you how much we care.

We're planning something special in September 2022 -- a whole week of Patron Appreciation giveaways.

We'll have free coffee, baked goods, and more. We're even giving away coupons to the first 50 people who visit us and show us their library card for a one time waiving of current library fines for Smithton PLD residents. (Only applies to overdue fines; Item cannot be lost or damaged.)



# 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](http://www.smithtonpl.org/libraryservices/hop)

Smithton Public Library District  
109 S Main St  
Smithton, IL 62285  
618-233-8057  
[www.smithtonpl.org](http://www.smithtonpl.org)

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