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## The “Smartest” Card a Kid Could Have

September is [Library Card Sign-up Month](#). Here's a local tale that reminds all of us—parents, teachers, and readers—that a library card can be the most important school supply of all:



ABOVE: A trio of esteemed visitors stops by the Friends booth at the East Tennessee History Fair August 17, 2013

*Tom treasured Saturday mornings because they were special times set aside to connect with his young son, Henry. Sometimes it was a movie, sometimes it was playing catch, but on one particular Saturday, Tom and Henry headed to their neighborhood branch of the Knox County Public Library. Once in the children's section, father and son looked through the books, each sharing with the other his favorites. Then Henry made his selection of books to take home.*

### Monday, September 9

6:30 p.m.

All Over the Page book club, Lawson McGhee Library Community Room, [More>>](#)

### Wednesday, September 18

12:00 p.m.

Books Sandwiched In discussion group, East Tennessee History Center, [More>>](#)

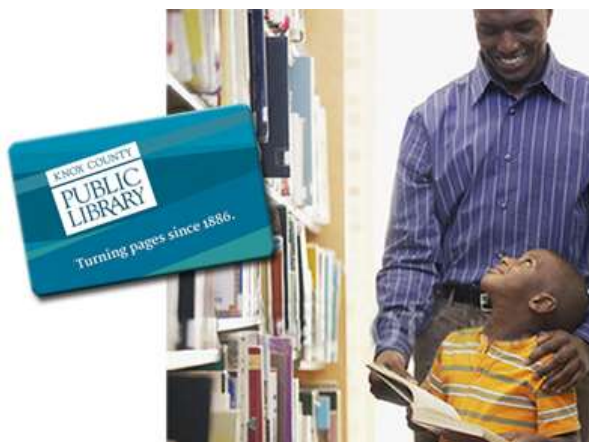
### Friday/Saturday

#### September 20 & 21

Farragut Branch Used Book Sale, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. both days, [More>>](#)

### Wednesday, September 25

7:30 p.m.



*Thinking back, Tom realized that Henry hadn't been quite himself that week. And he knew why. Henry had recently left kindergarten behind to begin first grade – a big step for the little fellow. Approaching the library's check-out desk, Tom had a great idea. What Henry needed was a boost in self-confidence, and what better way to bolster that confidence than to get the boy his very own library card! When he made the suggestion,*

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**September Special** at Friends@Rothrock Used Books: REFERENCE! [More>>](#)

*he helped his son fill out the application. His little boy was not only growing up; he was growing up with a love of books and reading!*

For a special moment with your child, try [visiting the library](#) together. To open up new worlds, spark imagination, and encourage reading, go on a Storytime adventure! Visit the [Library Storytime Calendar](#) to find programs scheduled at your local branch.



### Vote! In Your Local Elections

Voter registration forms are available at all branches of the Knox County Public Library.

September 4-19  
**Early voting for primary election**

September 24  
**Primary election**

October 7  
**Last day to register to vote--general election**

October 16-31  
**Early voting for general election**

November 5  
**General election**

All eight candidates for City Council will participate in a **League of Women Voters Candidate Forum** on Monday, October 14, 7 p.m. at the Cansler Family YMCA (616 Jessamine Street, 37917). The YMCA facility shares a parking area with the O'Connor Senior Center.



### You Can't Beat Books, Art and Nature

When patrons come to the Farragut Branch book sale September 20 and 21, they will enjoy one of the county's prominent green spaces as well. Adjacent to the library, the Campbell Station Park has walkways, trails, play areas and benches where book lovers can pause to enjoy their purchases. Two whimsical sculptures on the grassy median of the library parking lot depict children reading. Flanking these art pieces are trees donated by a group of Farragut teachers, librarians and readers whose 30-year+ friendship is forever honored by this gift.

Be sure to check out the Friends used book sale at the Farragut Branch. Proceeds from the sale support programs and services offered at the branch. [Details](#)



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