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A beautiful spring day was the perfect setting for the **Farragut Book Fest for Children & Friends Used Book Sale**. Funds raised at the partnered event in April go to special summer programs for children at the Farragut branch.

Monday, May 12
All Over the Page Book Club
Lawson McGhee Library,
6:30 p.m.
The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce [More>>](#)

Saturday, May 17
Children's Festival of Reading
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
World's Fair Park [Details](#)

Wednesday, May 21
Books Sandwiched In

World-Class Authors Coming to World's Fair Park

The Knox County Public Library is holding its 10th Annual **Children's Festival of Reading** at the World's Fair Park in Knoxville on **May 17, 2014, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.** This kick-off celebration for the library's summer reading program is free to the public. Free parking is available in surrounding lots.



This year's festival will host some of the most popular and **acclaimed children's authors and illustrators** in the country. Headlining the day is [Michael Buckley](#), best-selling children's book author of the popular *Sisters Grimm* and *N.E.R.D.S.* series. Originally from Ohio, Buckley tried his hand as a stand-up comic before attending Ohio University. After graduating with honors he moved to New York to intern on the *Late Show* with David Letterman. This led to stints developing programming for Discovery Networks, MTV, MTV Animation and Klasky Csupo (producers of Nickelodeon's *Rugrats*). In 2013, he published his first book, *Kel Gylligan's Daredevil Stunt Show*.

Joining Buckley at the festival will be: [Chris Grabenstein](#), UT alumnus and author of *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*; [Caldecott](#) honorees [Andrea and Brian Pinkney](#); and [Laura Veccaro Seeger](#), a Boston Globe [Horn Book](#) honoree. Also appearing will be an **Imagination Library favorite**, [Toni Buzzeo](#), whose book *One Cool Friend* will be acted out on the

Conscious Capitalism by
John Mackey

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Month of May

**Friends @ Rothrock
Used Book Shop**

On Special: Summer Fun
(beach reads, travel,
sports, recreation)

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**Amazingly
Awesome Science
with Dr. Al Hazari**

Once you've seen the **Magic of Chemistry Show** by [Dr. Al Hazari](#), you too will be able to attribute adjectives like 'awesome' and 'amazing' to the art of science!

The Howard Pinkston branch library will host Dr. Hazari with his awesome science, colorful lab coat and goofy goggles on **May 27, 2014, at 2 p.m.** This performance is just one in a series that Hazari will make throughout the Knox County Public Library system this summer.

Summer Library Club performances by **Dr. Hazari** and magician/illusionist **Michael Messing**, as well as visits by the Knox County **Zoomobile**, are funded almost entirely through grants to KCPL

The Children's Festival of Reading celebrates the literary arts with six performance stages, a Science Village, a **Parade of Books**, the Junior League of Knoxville's Kids in the Kitchen event, arts and crafts, book sales, food, music, storytelling and tons of fun. More than **50 community booths** will also be open. Readers of all ages will be encouraged to sign up for one of the library's summer reading programs.

The Children's Festival of Reading is made possible by the generous support of *Friends*, National Endowment of the Arts, ORNL Federal Credit Union, Pilot Flying J, Humanities Tennessee, Tennessee Arts Commission, City of Knoxville, *Knoxville News Sentinel*, Comcast, B97.5 and WBIR-TV.



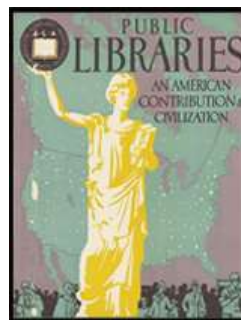
**Getting Books
to Young Readers,
One at a Time**

At last year's Children's Festival of Reading, a 12-year-old girl asked a volunteer at the *Friends* tent, "Do you have any Lunch Lady books?"

Coincidentally, **Jarrett Krosoczka**, creator of the popular children's series, was a visiting author at the 2013 festival. The volunteer replied, "Did you know the creator of the Lunch Lady books is speaking at the tent right next to us?"

The tween's eyes grew bigger. "**No kidding?**"

"Stay right here." The volunteer ran to a nearby tent, purchased *The Lunch Lady and the Summer Camp Shakedown*, and reappeared with the book in her hand. "Take this to the tent next door and



**Let Your County
Commissioners
Hear From You!**

County Mayor Burchett's **proposed budget for 2014-15** has just been announced and is under deliberation by the County Commission.

Recommended funding for the Knox County Public Library includes capital improvements such as new roofs and **much needed** electrical work at several library branches.

Each of us can be our own special interest group in support of public libraries. **Email or call your County Commissioners today** to request they support a fully funded public library in Knox County (865-215-2534, commission@knoxcounty.org).

Help *Friends* remind Commissioners that the public library is the center

Either way you splice it, there's **a lot to do this summer** at your local library. Visit knoxlib.org or contact your local library branch for details.

The young reader and her mother looked at one another incredulously, smiled, and went off to meet the author of the book now in the girl's hands.

It's hard to know **who was happier that day**—the receiver of the gift or the giver.

primary resource for exploring our world and for finding our place in that world through reading, listening and viewing. In fact, public libraries help **sustain democracy** and **break down boundaries**—just ask Benjamin Franklin, founder of America's first lending library.

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