

SUMMER READING MATTERS![Read ♥ in your browser](#)**Summer Library Club—It's a Family Affair!**

Summer reading **incentives**. Great shows like the Knoxville Zoo's [Zoomobile](#), magician [Michael Messing](#), and amazingly awesome science with [Dr. Al Hazari](#). The Knox County Public Library's [Summer Library Club](#) is chock-full of ways to **inspire children** to keep reading all summer.

You know that **summer reading is important for children**. But the Summer Library Club isn't just for kids—it's for everyone! There are reading and listening programs for all ages, including adults, because children can learn about the **importance of reading** from seeing the adults in their lives curled up with their favorite books.

There's still time to join a club for children, teens or adults and **reap the rewards of reading** all summer. Sign up today at your favorite branch or [online](#).

Chip In for the Summer Library Club!



A happy Children's Festival of Reading attendee gearing up for Summer Library Club

Want to help make this year's Summer Library Club **bigger and better** than ever? Want to help children of all ages maintain and **improve their reading skills** this summer? Join the second annual Friends of the Knox County Public Library's **Chip In campaign** at knoxfriends.org and show your support for this awesome program!

Want to write a check instead? Use the **special Chip In envelope** included in the next issue of **Best of Friends**. Can't wait? Mail your contribution to Friends of the Knox County Public Library, 500 W. Church Ave., Knoxville, TN 37902. Children, parents and teachers all over Knox County will **thank you!**

Libraries and Museums: 'Necessities,' Not Extras



Storytime with First Lady Michelle Obama

At a recent East Room ceremony honoring recipients of the **National Medal for Museum and Library Service**, First Lady Michelle Obama said **America's libraries and museums aren't luxuries or "extras"** that can be passed over while money goes toward other goals like creating jobs or teaching children.

Libraries matter!

Moments from the 2015 Used Book Sale



A young shopper pauses to enjoy her purchases

**Guilty pleasure: books
surround me—they are my friends.
Won't you read with me?**

—Sara Baker, haiku-writing contestant at the 2015 Used Book Sale

**Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success
of this year's Used Book Sale!**

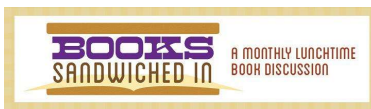
SAVE THE DATE!

What: Friends of the Knox County Public Library's Annual Meeting

When: Monday, July 20, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Where: East Tennessee History Center

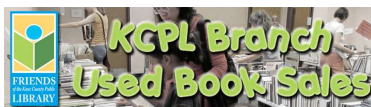
Speaker: Knoxville News Sentinel columnist Sam Venable



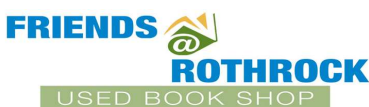
Bring lunch and attend this free monthly discussion of books making an impact.



Join this monthly book club, which is free and open to the public.

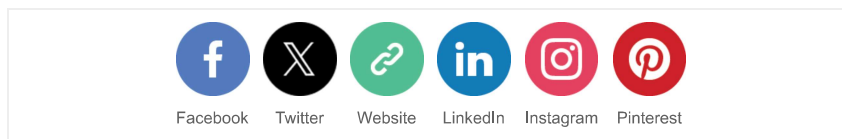


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Shop at our bookstore, which offers monthly specials and discounts.

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About Friends of the Knox County Public Library: Friends is a non-profit organization whose mission is to foster a love of libraries, books and reading in the Knox County area. The organization raises funds to sponsor community outreach programs, represent the interests of Knox County library patrons, and support a variety of services offered by the local library system that would otherwise not be available due to budget or staff restrictions.

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